SPECIALIZED READING INSTRUCTION FOR STUDENTS WITH SPECIFIC LEARNING DISABILITIES GRADUATE CERTIFICATE (PENDING SCHEV APPROVAL)

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This 15-credit certificate prepares educators to meet the unique needs of K-12 students with specific learning disabilities who experience severe deficits in reading and written language. Candidates develop a deep level of knowledge in literacy development, reading difficulties, assessment, instruction, and progress monitoring for these students. This certificate does not apply toward teacher licensure.

The certificate is a cohort-only program in which students begin and end the program together as a group.

Admissions & Policies

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Policies

For policies governing all graduate certificates, see AP6.8 Requirements for Graduate Certificates (http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/graduate-policies/#ap-6-8).

Requirements

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Certificate Requirements

Total credits: 15

This certificate may be pursued on a part-time basis only.

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