ASU is not currently accepting application for this program.

This program's name has changed effective Fall 2020. The previous name was Curriculum and Instruction (Literacy Education).

ASU's Mary Lou Fulton Teachers College is one of the top-ranked graduate colleges of education in the U.S. The graduate programs develop collaborative leaders who bring people and ideas together to enrich the lives of learners, amplify the impact of educators and improve the performance of education systems.

Program Description

Degree Awarded: MA Curriculum and Instruction (Literacy Education)

Graduates from the literacy education program are leaders in literacy in a broad array of educational contexts --- wherever reading, writing, oral language and the visual arts are at play in both creation and use. Through the program, graduates learn how to think deeply about literacy theories, pedagogies and resources through both a solid theoretical foundation of literacy and a foundational knowledge base addressing pedagogical and content knowledge.

Graduates learn how to support inclusive educational practices, critical-thinking skills and multiliteracies to face the challenges of a diverse and global society. Through the program, literacy leaders will learn how to use technology to encourage critical thinking and as a resource for teaching, assessment and inquiry. By the end of the program, graduates are literacy leaders who inquire into their own instructional approaches, analyze resources available for literacy instruction, and critically examine the environments and learning experiences constructed in their context.

At a Glance
Degree Requirements

30 credit hours and a written comprehensive exam

Required Core (9 credit hours)

Culminating Experience (0 credit hours)
written comprehensive exam

Additional Curriculum Information
Students should see the academic unit for an approved course list.

Admission Requirements

Applicants must fulfill the requirements of both the Graduate College and the Mary Lou Fulton Teachers College.

Applicants are eligible to apply to the program if they have earned a bachelor's or master's degree from a regionally accredited institution.

Applicants must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.00 (scale is 4.00 = "A") in the last 60 hours of their first bachelor's degree program, or applicants must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.00 (scale is 4.00 = "A") in an applicable master's degree program.

All applicants must submit:

1. graduate admission application and application fee
2. official transcripts
3. three letters of recommendation
4. personal statement
5. resume
6. proof of English proficiency

Additional Application Information
An applicant whose native language is not English must provide proof of English proficiency regardless of current residency.
The letters of recommendation should be from individuals who can speak to the applicant's potential for success in a graduate program and the personal statement should describe the applicant's interests and reason for seeking this degree.

GRE scores are not required for admission.

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