

College of Education

Doctor of Education

Curriculum and Instruction

(with reading emphasis)

The Doctor of Education in Curriculum and Instruction with a reading emphasis will enable students to assume leadership roles in reading and language arts programs nationwide. It is designed primarily for professionals who wish to lead district programs and teach at colleges and universities.

The program features course work, seminars, a residency, comprehensive examinations, and dissertation research.

How to apply:

- ▶ Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi accepts the electronic Texas Common Application, available online at www.applytexas.org.
- ▶ For questions regarding new applications, scheduling, or transfer of credits, contact an academic advisor at (361) 825-2662.

Further information:

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Texas A&M University
Corpus Christi



For admission to the Doctoral Program in Curriculum and Instruction, candidates must have:

An overall grade point average of 3.00

A Graduate Record Examination score (taken within the last five years)

At least three years of teaching experience

At least four letters of recommendation on official letterhead

Official transcripts of all undergraduate and graduate coursework indicating completion of a master's degree in a relevant field

The Doctoral Program in Curriculum and Instruction is designed to help students develop a style of thinking grounded in knowledge of professional literature, inquiry, and critical reflection. Major goals of students in the program include:

- ▶ To understand successful literacy practices and processes
- ▶ To educate and supervise professionals and paraprofessionals in the field of literacy
- ▶ To apply knowledge through original research
- ▶ To design, conduct, and evaluate qualitative and quantitative research studies in the field of literacy
- ▶ To administer a district-wide reading program

Degree Requirements for the Doctorate in Curriculum and Instruction

Residence

Two consecutive semesters of 9 semester hours enrollment are required.

Coursework

15 hours in core curriculum classes

12 hours in research tools

21 hours in a curriculum emphasis (reading)

6 hours of electives

6 hours of dissertation (repeated as necessary)

Candidacy/Comprehensive Examinations

Comprehensive examinations are scheduled after the student has completed all required curriculum, reading, and research tools courses. Admission to candidacy for the degree requires passing both a written and an oral comprehensive examination.

Dissertation and Final Examination:

Students develop the dissertation under the supervision of a dissertation advisor. A final oral examination will focus on, but is not limited to, dissertation work.



"We have opportunities to work hand-in-hand with the professors to do presentations and write. I have never felt so encouraged and supported yet pushed to do what I never thought I could."

—Deb Crowder,
Curriculum and
Instruction cohort

