

BACKGROUND AND REQUEST

WRIGHT STATE UNIVERSITY Reading Endorsement, Grades K-12

RECOMMENDATION

This endorsement meets the Chancellor's requirements for program approval and the State Board of Education's minimum standards for a reading endorsement (grades K-12). There were no major concerns identified in the review. Approval is recommended for a three - year period of time, until 2013. In addition, it should be noted that the program is subject to periodic review by the Chancellor to ensure that the standards for Ohio endorsements and licenses continues to be met.

Profile: Wright State University is a public, non-profit university established in 1968 and located in Dayton, Ohio.

Accreditation/Authorization: The Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association (HLC) regionally accredits the institution. Wright State University is HLC accredited until its next scheduled review in 2016. The National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) accredits Wright State University's educator preparation programs at the initial and advanced level until 2015.

Request: Wright State University (WSU) requests continued approval for a graduate level Reading Endorsement, Grades K-12.

Background: WSU offers more than 50 majors in preK-12 education leading to a provisional licensure in Ohio and graduate programs in many areas of specialization as well as an education specialist program in school administration, a school counseling program and post-baccalaureate programs in teacher education. Wright State University is submitting its request to ensure alignment of the current program with national reading standards and Ohio standards and requirements. The total enrollment in the College of Health and Human Services at WSU is nearly 2400 with 46% of students enrolled in graduate programs.

The Reading Endorsement can be added to an existing teacher license, K-12 and meets the knowledge and skills standards of the International Reading Association and the Ohio Performance Based Teacher Licensure Standards. In addition, Ohio requires a minimum 12-semester hour reading core for all licensure candidates. Wright State University's Reading Endorsement program builds from the required reading core and incorporates additional coursework and field experiences. The Reading Endorsement program requires 31.5 hours of graduate study, including a foundation course in reading instruction, courses that focus on literature for diverse learners, phonics/writing instruction, diagnosis and assessment and a graduate level practicum experience.

Recommendation to the Chancellor: This program meets the Chancellor's requirements for program approval and the State Board of Education's minimum standards for a program leading to the reading endorsement. There were no major concerns identified in the review. Continued

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End of Comment Period: September 9, 2010
No comments received, recommend approval

APPROVED	
	9/11/10
Eric D. Fingerhut, Chancellor	Date

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