

GRADUATE

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Graduate Studies in Literacy Education – Mississauga, Ontario

Master of Education (Non-Thesis)
Master of Arts in Education

Mount Saint Vincent University is small enough so you can think big. A low student-to-professor ratio means that you'll work directly with your professors and fellow students. Your classes won't be "one way" lectures; you'll participate in lively group discussions and small team projects that will build your knowledge and confidence.

The Master of Education and Master of Arts in Education programs in Literacy Education are intended to help those in education (classroom and community teachers, literacy tutors, program developers and supervisors, resource specialists, consultants, and administrators) respond confidently and effectively to the varied and complex demands of fostering literacy learning in schools and community sites. The programs combine a focus on theoretical understanding of current research and issues in literacy education with an exploration of implications for practice in current local, national and international educational contexts.

Application and Admission Requirements

Minimum requirements for admission into the program are a bachelor's degree and evidence of one year successful teaching experience (or its equivalent). For those teaching in the public school system, a BEd or its equivalent is also required. Those involved in literacy education other than in the school system do not require a BEd for admission to the program and are encouraged to apply. Normally, an average of at least a "B" is required for admittance.

Application deadline for September admission is **March 3**. All applications should be complete at least two months before the start of the September semester in which the student enrolls.

Program Requirements

Master of Education (Non-Thesis) Program Requirements

Students registered in the Master of Education (non-thesis) program must complete five full units of graduate work. Some students may be required to complete additional prerequisite courses.

Required Courses

GLIT 6727 Foundations of Literacy

Learning I (half unit)

GLIT 6728 Foundations of Literacy

Learning II (half unit)

GEDU 6170 Seminar: Focus on Research Literacy (half unit)

Any two units from Literacy Education courses

Elective

One and one-half units selected in consultation with a faculty advisor



Master of Arts in Education Program Requirements

Students registered in the Master of Arts in Education (Thesis) program in Literacy Education must complete four full units of graduate work and an acceptable thesis. Some students may be required to complete additional prerequisite courses.

Required Courses

GLIT 6727 Foundations of Literacy

Learning I (half unit)

GLIT 6728 Foundations of Literacy

Learning II (half unit)

GLIT 6753 Research Seminar in Literacy Education (half unit)

GLIT 6754 Research Seminar in Literacy Education (half unit)

GEDU 6170 Seminar: Focus on Research Literacy (half unit)

GEDU 6130 MAEd Thesis (one unit)

Half unit from:

GEDU 6100 Experimental Research Methods (half unit)

GEDU 6107 Qualitative Research Methods (half unit)

GEDU 6150 Independent Study in Research Methods (half unit)

Elective

One unit selected in consultation with a faculty advisor

For details of the program, visit msvu.ca/calendar/graduate.asp or msvu.ca/education.

Time Frame

We like the groups to remain as one group throughout their program so we have fall start dates on our off-campus programs. This is how the program of study would look (sequencing of courses is subject to change). The courses are offered online and supplemented by monthly seminars.

The program is a 5.0 unit degree program, intended for teachers working and studying, which is why we offer the program on a part-time basis only. At a half credit per semester and a full-unit during the summer session, the program would be completed in two years.

Year 1

Fall: GLIT 6727 (0.5)

Winter: GLIT 6728 (0.5)

Spring: GLIT 6756 (0.5)

Summer: GLIT 6758 (1.0) or

GEDU 6156 (1.0)

Year 2

Fall: GEDU 6170 (0.5)

Winter: GLIT 6757 (0.5)

Spring: GLIT 6756 (0.5)

Summer: GLIT 6758 (1.0) or

GEDU 6156 (1.0)

This program is offered under the written consent of the Minister of Training, Colleges and Universities for the province of Ontario. Prospective students are responsible for satisfying themselves that the program and the degree will be appropriate to their needs (e.g., acceptable to potential employers, professional licensing bodies, or other educational institutions.)

Faculty Research Interests

Andrew Manning, PhD (University of Ottawa)

Literacy as Social and Cultural Practice, Critical Literacy, New Literacies, Literacy and New Technologies, Teacher Research

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