



Pittsburg State University

Department of Teaching and Leadership

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Dear Master of Science in Reading Candidate,

Welcome to Pittsburg State's Master of Science, Advanced Program in Reading! The Department of Teaching and Leadership, which will be your "home" for your degree, is pleased that you have chosen us for the continuance of your education and professional development. Our goal is to provide you high-quality coursework and effective instructors in a supportive environment. The information provided in the packet offers insight into our program requirements so that you may fulfill the admission steps in a timely fashion and be prepared for the assessment points during and at the end of the program.

Please feel free to contact your Reading advisor: [Dr. Kristi Stuck](#) or [Dr. Jennifer Richardson](#) with any questions or concerns you may have as you proceed to degree completion. The Teaching and Leadership office number is 620-235- 4508. Best wishes for a successful educational journey!!

Requirements for Full Admission to Pittsburg State University's Master of Science in Reading Program:

- Graduate School application
- Copy of valid teaching license/certificate
- Evidence of classroom teaching experience
- Two recommendations (Graduate Study Recommendation Form) completed by a public school administrator, a peer teacher, and/or university instructor.
- In alignment with state licensure requirements, Pittsburg State University requires all education majors applying to teacher education to complete a background check with Validity Screening Solutions Background check.
- Conditional entry: If overall GPA is below 3.0 on undergraduate degree, candidate will be admitted on the condition that a 3.0 is maintained in the first 9 hours of coursework. NOTE: A GPA of 3.0 is required for successful completion of this program.

Specific guidelines and submission directions for each of the above items can be found on the attached documents. Please note, all requirements must be met within the first 9 hours of the program.

Once again, welcome to Pittsburg State University!