

# DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN LITERACY, LANGUAGE, AND CULTURE

**Web Site:** <https://twu.edu/literacy-and-learning/graduate-programs/phd-in-reading-education/>

## Degree Requirements

**Update Effective August 10, 2023:** The Statistics requirement of 6 SCH has changed to a range of 3-6 SCH and the Advanced Research Methods requirement of 3 SCH has changed to a range of 3-6 SCH. The total SCH for this program has not changed.

### Total Semester Credit Hours Required

A minimum of 72 semester credit hours post-baccalaureate or a minimum of 42 semester credit hours post-master's, including 12 semester credit hours of dissertation, plus satisfaction of the research tools requirement for the Ph.D. Based on a review of the preparation of each entering student, additional courses may be required.

Code	Title	SCHs
<b>Required Courses</b>		
READ 6533	Foundations of Literacy	3
READ 6563	Nature of Literacy in the Adolescent Years	3
READ 6573	Language and Literacy	3
READ 6583	Research in Literacy	3
READ 6593	Advanced Literacy Research Design: Analysis and Evaluation	3
READ 6703	Integration of Literacy Theory and Research	3
READ 6693	Literacy Leadership and Policy	3
<b>Research Tools</b>		
READ 6483	Qualitative Research	3
READ 6493	Advanced Qualitative Research: Design and Analysis	3
Statistics		3
Advanced Research Methods		6
<b>Electives/Area of Emphasis (Approved by Advisory Committee)</b>		<b>24</b>
12 SCH must be taken at TWU		
Electives may be master's level courses, Reading Recovery Training courses, or courses from a related area such as Educational Leadership, Early Childhood Education, or Bilingual Education		
<b>Dissertation</b>		
READ 6983	Dissertation (taken two times)	6
READ 6993	Dissertation (taken two times)	6
<b>Total SCHs</b>		<b>72</b>

### Grade Requirement

A grade of B or higher is required in all graduate courses. A student who has earned a grade of less than B (C, D, or F) in any two courses at the graduate level will be removed from the doctoral program in Literacy, Language, and Culture, even if the course was repeated for a better grade.