Postgraduate Diploma and MEd-LITERACY INSTRUCTION

ACADEMIC YEAR 2024/2025
For students starting in Semester 2

READING SKILLS

IMPORTANT INFORMATION TO GUIDE COURSE SELECTION AND REGISTRATION

Kindly review this document at the start of each semester for any adjustments to the schedule.

New Students: Students who enrolled as of Academic Year 2024/2025 must follow the prescribed course of study and sequence given for their programme.

Continuing Students: It is recommended that students continue to follow the prescribed course of study for the year/semester admitted.

Advice for Managing Course Load: For the working adult, we recommend a maximum of two courses per semester and (1) course in summer (Part-time Status). University Regulation governing Full-Time status for Graduate Students: Full-time students may take employment for not more than twelve hours per week without losing their full-time status otherwise they shall be registered as part-time. However, research students who hold Teaching or Research Assistantships in the area of their research programmes may be registered as full-time students, provided that their employment commitment does not exceed twenty hours per week. [Board of Graduate Studies and Research *(BGSR) Regulations, August 2018, #1.46]*

Plan wisely to suit your particular situation so you may perform at your full potential. Do not jeopardize your long-term goals by being unrealistic about what you can handle.

IMPORTANT NOTE for New Students

Induction Course: It is mandatory that all students participate in the Graduate Introduction to Online Learning course (OOL6001) and complete this by the end of their first semester. You can review the information about this course on the Website. If you are re-entering the programme and have completed this course already, you will not need to redo the course once done within 5 years of your re-entry.

Technology Requirement: Students will need to have access to a computer with Internet access.

The Postgraduate Diploma in Literacy Instruction programme is a twenty (20) credit programme comprising five (5) core courses and a mandatory orientation course. The duration of the programme is approximately 12 months.

The **M.Ed.** in **Literacy Instruction** programme comprised 7 courses and a research paper (36 credits in all). The duration of the programme (a minimum of approximately 24 months) is based on the courses outlined for each teaching period. If you choose to do less than the outlined number, note that this will prolong your studies. Note that the programme does not have a full-time delivery schedule at this time. However, students wishing to take on a full-time load can consult the Programme Manager to work out a personalized schedule.

Postgraduate Diploma and MEd-Literacy Instruction programmes operates under a semester system.

- Semester 1 and 2 each have thirteen (13) weeks of instruction.
- Each Summer session has seven (7) weeks of instruction.

It is important to note that Summer Session is Compulsory and not doing courses in the summer will affect the duration of your studies.

Remember to check the programme-advising document before the start of registration and during the semester for any updates

THE POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA AND MEd- LITERACY INSTRUCTION PROGRAMMES

COURSE CODE	COURSE NAME	CREDITS	SEMESTER	COURSE TYPE	PRE-REQUISITES & TIPS
YEAR 1 (January – May 2025)					
OOL6001	Graduate Introduction to Online Learning	0	2	Core	This is a mandatory course. You MUST register and complete by the end of your first semester.
EDLS6502	Best Practices in Literacy Instruction	4	2	Core	None
EDLS6503	Literacy Curriculum	4	2	Core	None
EDLS6501	Foundation of Literacy Instructions	4	Summer	Core	This course is pre-requisite for ALL year 2 courses.
EDLS6505	Literacy Material Design	4	Summer	Core	None
Academic Year 2023/2024 Semester 1 (August – December 2023)					
EDLS6506	Leadership in Literacy Instruction	4	1	Core	Assessment includes: group presentation, graded discussion, and research paper. [Pre-requisite EDLS6501].
EDLS6507	Research Methods	4	1	Core	Assessment includes: group and individual presentation, research related activities, discussion forum [Pre-requisite EDLS6501]. [This course is a pre-requisite for EDLS6520].
YEAR 2 (January – May 2024)					
EDLS6504	Literacy Assessment	4	2	Core	None
EDLS6520 *[PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOU REGISTER FOR PART 2]*	Research Paper 1	8	2	Core	Assessment includes: Part 1 - production of research proposal and presentation of proposal. [**Pre-requisite: EDLS6507.**
	Research Paper 2 **[PART 2]**		Summer		Assessment includes: Part 2- presentation of data collection and analysis. Submission of Final Research Project. [This course should be the final course you do in the programme].