

# ADOLESCENT GRADES 5-12 LITERACY EXTENSION, ACS

The Adolescent 5-12 Literacy Extension Advanced Certificate of Study (ACS) program is designed for SBU graduates who have already earned their MSED Childhood Literacy B-6 degree. This ACS extends a current Childhood Literacy certification by adding qualifications to teach reading in adolescent grades 5-12.

If you completed St. Bonaventure University's MSED Childhood Literacy program between 2000 and 2020,\* SBU's School of Education has an incredible opportunity for you.

*Prior to introduction of the Birth to Grade 12 (B-12) Literacy Program in 2020, leading to dual certification in B-6 and 5-12 literacy, childhood literacy and adolescent literacy were separate programs leading to separate certifications. Since introduction of the B-12 program, past SBU graduates of the childhood and adolescent literacy programs have inquired about what it would take to achieve certification in the other area, making them dually certified.*

The 5-12 Literacy Extension ACS program meets New York state course requirements for Adolescent Literacy certification.

**\*Note: This program is only available to St. Bonaventure University alumni who graduated between 2000 and 2020, the time period when childhood and adolescent literacy were separate degrees leading to separate certifications.**

Graduates who apply for this extension certificate will have earned a 30 credit-hour Childhood Literacy degree. Nine (9) credits including the NYS practicum will give the former SBU graduate the criteria to meet current NYS B-12 Literacy program requirements.

Code	Title	Credits
READ-525	LITERACY SECONDARY SCHOOL	3
READ-565	READING INSTRUCTION FOR INDIVIDUALS & SMALL GROUPS: ELEMENTARY/ADOLESCENT	3
READ-595	CLINICAL PRACT/ADOLE.LIT	3
READ-599A	LITERACY INTERNSHIP ACS	0
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>9</b>

## Admission to the program requires:

- Completed MSED Adolescent Literacy Degree (5-12) from St. Bonaventure University.
- A one-page letter explaining why you are seeking the ACS and what being a reading teacher/specialist means to you.
- Informal interview with the MSED Literacy program director.