

READING MATTERS TO MAINE +++

Teaching ALL Children to Read

The University of Maine is pleased to announce that **Reading Matters to Maine** has awarded five tuition scholarships to individuals enrolling in SED 545, Intervention for Reading Difficulties, this spring. This scholarship fund is made possible by a grant from the Maine Community Foundation. The scholarship covers tuition for 3 graduate credits. Recipients are responsible for other university fees.

Eligibility Requirements:

- Maine resident
- Currently a teacher, paraprofessional, or teacher in training who teaches reading or is pursuing a career in which he/she will teach reading
- Must be a current graduate student or be eligible to enroll at UMaine as a graduate non-degree student
- Information on how to register non-degree is available at https://umaine.edu/graduate/apply/cert-nd-app-info/

To apply:

- Complete the application form and submit to Dr. Janet Spector electronically at spector@maine.edu or via fax: 207-581-2423.
- If more students apply than can be awarded scholarships, priority will be given to those currently teaching reading in Grades K-5 (teachers or paraprofessionals) and those who do not have access to other tuition support.

Applications will be accepted until all awards have been made or until January 17, 2017.

This evidence-based graduate reading course explores strategies for adapting reading instruction for students with reading difficulties, approaches to reading intervention, and strategies for evaluating reading interventions. In addition to the features of explicit teaching, topics covered include RTI (Multi-Tier Systems of Support) in the classroom, early literacy foundations (phonemic awareness, print concepts, and letter identification), decoding and spelling, phonics, fluency, and comprehension Web-based/online(asynchronous) using Blackboard. Requires work with one or more K-12 students throughout the semester. Instructor: Janet Spector, Ph.D.

Reading Matters to Maine Scholarship Application Form 2016-17

| Last Name |
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| Address |
| CityZip Code |
| Telephone Number MaineStreet Id# |
| Email: |
| Are you a degree or non-degree graduate student at UMaine? |
| If you are degree student, indicate program and degree: |
| Are you a teacher, paraprofessional or teacher in training? |
| Do you currently teach reading (or plan to teach reading)? If so, at what level? |
| Current Employment (note location and describe position) |
| Do you have access to other sources of tuition support such as professional development funding through a school district or a graduate assistantship? |
| My signature below authorizes the release of my name, directory and academic information on file with The University of Maine systems to scholarship donors and others in conjunction with this or any University scholarships I may receive <u>unless</u> check the following box \Box . I do not authorize the release of information related to the receipt of this or any University scholarships. |
| Applicant Signature Date |
| For information about the course or your eligibility, please contact: Dr. Janet Spector (<u>spector@maine.edu</u>). For information about scholarship procedures contact Ms. Amy MacDougall (amy.macdougall@umit.maine.edu), University of Maine |

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