



## Board of Regents

University System of Ohio

John R. Kasich, Governor  
John Carey, Chancellor

### REQUEST AND RECOMMENDATION

#### Ashland University Reading Endorsement

##### Request:

Ashland University requests approval to offer a graduate level program leading to the Ohio Reading Endorsement.

##### Profile:

Ashland University is a private comprehensive university affiliated with the Brethren Church founded in 1878 with a specific mission to educate and challenge students to develop intellectually and ethically, to seek wisdom and justice, and to prepare for the rigors of living and working as citizens aware of their global responsibilities. Located in Ashland, Ohio, the university has an enrollment of more than 3,000 undergraduate and nearly 2,700 graduate students.

##### Accreditation/Authorization:

Ashland University is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association (HLC) until its next scheduled review in 2017. Ashland University's educator preparation programs are accredited at the undergraduate and graduate levels by the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) until the next review in 2016.

##### Background:

Ashland University is submitting its request to ensure program alignment with Ohio standards and requirements. Programs leading to the Reading Endorsement are valid for teaching at grades K-12. Ashland University offers the Reading Endorsement at the graduate level.

##### Recommendation:

Ashland University's Reading Endorsement preparation program meets the Chancellor's requirements for program approval and the State Board of Education's minimum standards for graduate level programs leading to the Reading Endorsement license. Approval is recommended for Ashland University's graduate level program leading to the Reading Endorsement until the next national accreditation review. It should be noted that the program is subject to periodic review by the Chancellor to ensure that the standards for Ohio licensure continue to be met.

**End of Comment Period: June 19, 2013**

**No comments received, recommend approval**

**RECOMMENDATION**

The Associate Vice Chancellor of P-16 Initiatives has verified that this institution has met the standards and requirements of the Ohio Board of Regents.

*Rebecca L. Watts*

*6/20/13*  
Date

Rebecca Watts, Associate Vice Chancellor of P-16 Initiatives

**APPROVAL**

*John Carey*  
John Carey, Chancellor

*6/24/13*  
Date

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