

## **Preconditions for Specialist Credentials and Certificates**

### **Reading Certificate (Added Authorization) and the Reading and Language Arts Specialist**

- (1)** Prerequisite Teaching Credential. A college or university that operates a program for the Reading Certificate and/or the Reading and Language Arts Specialist Credential shall determine, prior to recommending a candidate for the credential, that the candidate possesses a valid teaching credential as specified in [Education Code Section 44203\(e\)](#).
- (2)** Teaching Experience. A college or university that operates a program for the Reading Certificate and/or the Reading and Language Arts Specialist Credential shall determine, prior to recommending a candidate for the credential, that the candidate has verified completion of three years of successful full-time teaching experience in any grades preschool through adult, exclusive of student teaching, internship teaching, or teaching while holding an emergency credential or permit.