

Wilson Reading System[®] (WRS) Level I Certification Completion Requirements

- ✓ WRS Intensive Instruction: Online Course (Steps 1-6): all course content, required readings and exams completed. You will have 12 months from the date of enrollment to complete the course.
- ✓ Practicum Student pretesting and submission of the **Practicum Student Profile Report**. Note: submitted normed reading test scores must be recent (within last six months). Trainer approval of appropriate practicum student selection is required. Lessons with student shall not begin until official approval is received from WLT Trainer. Submission of **WRS Practicum Student Release Form** is required prior to observations.
- ✓ Practicum: 1:1 Student Instruction with a minimum of 60 full lessons of instruction. Teachers need to be able to document a written lesson plan for each delivered lesson.
- ✓ Five Teacher/Student Observations, as scheduled by/with the Wilson[®] Trainer (each observation is approximately one hour in length). Teacher needs to provide appropriate environment for observation to occur. Student needs to be available long enough for teacher to demonstrate a full Wilson lesson. All program and lesson related materials need to be present, including Teacher Notebook, Student Notebook, Wordlist Charts, Student Written Work, and program materials.
- ✓ Development and appropriate maintenance of a Teacher Notebook, a Student Notebook, and Student Dictation/Written Work in accordance with WLT program standards.
- ✓ Demonstration of mastered lesson plan procedures (documented by the assigned Wilson Trainer). All items in bold print on the final observation form (see **WRS Steps 1-6 Practicum/Participant Study Guide**) need a passing score of “3” or higher. All non-bolded items need a passing score of “2” or higher.
- ✓ Demonstration of understanding of language concepts through accurate teaching with multisensory procedures. Teacher will need to demonstrate that the Wilson Reading System[®] has been implemented according to the WRS Instructor Manual and WRS Intensive Instruction: Online Course (WRS Steps 1-6).
- ✓ Demonstration of student success and mastery of decoding/encoding skills. This includes appropriate pacing of student through curriculum, with accurate maintenance of WRS Wordlist Chart and WRS Posttest Lessons.
- ✓ Completion of End of Training Posttesting and timely submission of **Practicum Student Final Report** after minimum of 60 lessons and student achievement of WRS Step 4.2. Final testing includes re-administration of the normed reading test used for pretesting and WIST.
- ✓ All Practicum Requirements listed above need to be completed 12 months from the enrollment date.*

Upon Completion of WRS Level I Certification Requirements

Participants who have successfully completed all the requirements listed above as determined by the Wilson Trainer have demonstrated mastery of the Wilson lesson plan, including multisensory techniques and effective strategies for working 1:1 and therefore will receive a WRS Level I Certificate from Wilson Language Training. They can represent themselves as Wilson Level I Certified Instructors but are not qualified as Wilson Trainers. Beginning in 2016, individuals who successfully complete all program requirements, earn the distinction of a Wilson[®] Dyslexia Specialist (W.D.S.). The W.D.S. credential will need to be renewed every five years as defined and required by Wilson Language Training.

*The Level I Certification course enrollment expires 12 months from registration. Please see your Wilson Academy My Transcript page for expiration date. Participants need to contact WLT one month prior to enrollment end date (and no later than one month past enrollment end date) to inquire about extensions to the course. All extension requests are subject to review by the Wilson Certification Board and are not guaranteed. Extension fees will apply.