



## Dr Alison Madelaine

**Dr Alison Madelaine** is a Senior Research Fellow within the MultiLit Research Unit at MultiLit Pty Ltd. She is also Clinical Director of the MultiLit Literacy Centres and is involved in the development of InitialLit-2, a whole-class reading and spelling program for all children in the third year of schooling.

Alison has had hands on experience teaching students with reading difficulties in Australia and South Carolina, USA, and she has also provided consultation to the delivery of MultiLit's literacy programs to disadvantaged students in several MultiLit projects, including those in Cape York in far north Queensland, inner city Sydney, and in Sydney's Western suburbs.

Alison was a Lecturer in Special education at Macquarie University Special Education Centre until 2017, where she taught postgraduate students in the areas of effective literacy instruction and research methods. Alison also jointly edited the Australian Journal of Learning Difficulties (with Emeritus Professor Kevin Wheldall) for several years.

Alison's publications and research interests include effective reading instruction (including whole class Tier 1 instruction as well as remedial instruction), curriculum-based measurement of reading, teacher judgment of reading performance, vocabulary instruction, preschool literacy, and teachers' knowledge and skills in teaching reading.

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