

FROM THE COVER



Latoya Phillips elementary education

"My years here have been filled with not only content knowledge, but meaningful field experiences, too. As early as your first semester here, you are given the opportunity to go out into the classrooms."



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COLLEGE OF EDUCATION
**DEPARTMENT OF CURRICULUM
AND INSTRUCTION**

East Carolina University is committed to equality of educational opportunity and does not discriminate against applicants, students, or employees based on race, color, national origin, religion, gender, age, creed, sexual orientation, or disability. An equal opportunity/affirmative action university, which accommodates the needs of individuals with disabilities.



Trey Salacki history education

“I knew that East Carolina was originally established as a teachers college, and that showed, because when I was introduced to the College of Education, I knew I was at home. There are many chances to get hands-on experiences, regardless of the field of education. The College of Education takes pride in the work they do, and that will help me take pride in the work I will do in the classroom.”

We have a rich history of partnerships with area schools. In our linked courses in elementary education, undergraduate students enrolled in their methods course sequence work in area elementary schools, teaching side by side each day with master teachers and university faculty. Our middle grades education faculty work in area middle schools along with their students. Collaborating with Pitt County Schools, the department operates a learning center that serves children with disabilities during the summer months while providing a training environment for undergraduate majors in special education. Also, the department runs an academically-intellectually-gifted (AIG) summer center as part of its AIG licensure program.

The best educators have the passion, skills, experience, and determination to make a positive difference in the classroom and beyond.

East Carolina prepares those kinds of educators.

Welcome to the Department of Curriculum and Instruction. We are the largest department in the College of Education and one of the largest on the East Carolina University campus. The department offers undergraduate degrees with teaching licensure in the areas of elementary education, English education, history education, middle grades education, and special education. The department also offers master’s degrees in elementary education, English education, history education, middle grades education, reading education, and special education. Students enrolled in Department of Curriculum and Instruction programs are eligible to apply for one of more than twenty scholarships.

We invite you to explore each program through the links on the Department of Curriculum and Instruction home page (www.ecu.edu/cs-educ/ci/) to discover many of the exciting projects we have under way. The department continues to be on the cutting edge in teacher education with an innovative faculty representing a wide array of disciplines. As a leader in the design and delivery of distance education, the department offers elementary, middle grades, and special education undergraduate degree programs in partnership with community colleges through Wachovia Partnership East. We offer distance education graduate programs, including the only totally

online MAEd in special education in North Carolina. MAEd degrees in elementary education and reading education have been offered off campus to graduate student cohorts through partnerships with the Halifax, Carteret, Onslow, Nash, and Granville county school systems. MAT degrees are also offered in elementary education, English education, and middle grades education.

The department sponsors a variety of initiatives benefiting public schools and communities, including the following projects:

- Gifted education licensure (AIG) program
- Largest state-of-the-art assistive technology laboratory in the state
- A rich menu of CEU-generating online modules through the Reading CEU Modules Project
- Graduate online certificates in assistive technology and autism
- New Teacher Support Network (online expert advice) and e-Mentoring Special Educators programs
- Mary Lois Staton Reading/Language Arts Conference, celebrating twenty-five years in 2007
- Five-star-accredited, inclusive model preschool—Revolving Education Around Partnerships (REAP)—providing high-quality preschool experiences to typically developing and young children with disabilities and a rich training environment for undergraduate and graduate students from seventeen disciplines across campus
- *Journal of Curriculum and Instruction*, (visit www.ecu.edu/educ/JoCI) an exciting new peer-reviewed electronic journal providing a forum for the dissemination of articles focused on research, practice, and related issues relevant to teaching and learning in pre-K-12 environments

We invite you to contact us for more information about our department and any of the programs we offer. We welcome you to visit campus and meet our faculty and students. We encourage you to answer the call to become a professional educator and make a positive difference.

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All of our programs feature technology-rich learning experiences. For example, our English education and elementary education faculty are exploring innovative applications of podcasting technology in their courses. Faculty in our history education, elementary education, and special education programs utilize teleconferencing in undergraduate and graduate classes to connect students in on-campus methods courses with master teachers in the field and with faculty and students at universities around the country and internationally.

Amy-Jo Everts special education

“The professors really care about us, not just as students, but as people. They are approachable and caring, and willing to help as much as possible. All of my professors have been knowledgeable and passionate.”

