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Alternative Programs Leading to North Carolina Licensure



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North Carolina needs teachers. Each year, our public schools face the challenge of finding thousands of new educators for classrooms across the state. In addition, educators need to be officially licensed to teach in the state where they live. As class sizes continue to grow, school children receive less individualized attention because of the teacher shortage.

You can be part of the solution by answering the call to teach.

East Carolina University, North Carolina's leading provider of educators who serve in our state's schools, offers academic programs that are noted statewide and nationally for their innovation and quality. Through the College of Education, you can complete the requirements you need for an initial license to teach in North Carolina.

MASTER OF ARTS IN TEACHING (MAT)

The master of arts in teaching (MAT) program is designed to facilitate the earning of an advanced degree while completing requirements for an initial North Carolina license to teach. This 39-semester-hour program is made up of graduate-level licensure courses and a two-semester internship (unpaid). The program is a yearlong, full-time, on-campus program that typically begins in the summer.

The MAT is offered in the following licensure areas:

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| Elementary Education K–6 | Music Education K–12 |
| English Education 9–12 | Physical Education K–12 |
| Family and Consumer Science 7–12 | Science Education 9–12 |
| Health Education 9–12 | Vocational Education 7–12 (Business |
| Middle Grades Education 6–9: Language Arts, Math, Science, or Social Studies | Information Technology Education and Marketing Education) |

The MAT program consists of the following components:

- 15 hours of graduate-level professional studies courses
- 15 hours of graduate-level specialty courses
- 9-hour internship (unpaid)
- Modules
- Portfolio

APPLICATION MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

- Cumulative GPA of 2.5 or better on a 4.0 scale on undergraduate degree from a regionally accredited institution
- Bachelor's degree in discipline related to licensure area
- Satisfactory entrance examination scores on either GRE or Miller Analogies Test
- Three letters of recommendation regarding applicant's academic competency
- A completed degree application form submitted electronically with application fee or downloaded and mailed to the ECU Graduate School with the application fee
- Writing sample submitted at interview
- Interview with MAT coordinator

Applications can be found on the Graduate School home page at www.ecu.edu/gradschool.

LICENSURE-ONLY PROGRAM (NONDEGREE SEEKING)

The licensure-only plans assist individuals with a bachelor's degree outside the area of education to obtain an initial North Carolina license to teach. Programs typically consist of courses in both the content area and teacher education along with a two-semester internship (unpaid). Licensure-only plans allow the individual to set the pace of the program. Some course work would be available online. Licensure-only programs are nondegree seeking with the goal of obtaining participants' initial North Carolina license to teach.

Licensure-only plans are available in the following licensure areas:

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| Art Education K–12 | Math Education 9–12 |
| Birth through Kindergarten | Middle Grades Education 6–9: Language Arts, Math, Science, or Social Studies |
| Business Information Technology Education 7–12 | Music Education K–12 |
| Dance Education K–12 | Physical Education K–12 |
| Elementary Education K–6 | Science Education K–12 |
| English Education 9–12 | Social Studies Education 9–12 |
| Family and Consumer Sciences 7–12 | Spanish Education K–12 |
| French Education K–12 | Special Education General or Adapted Curriculum |
| German Education K–12 | Theatre Education K–12 |
| Health Education K–12 | |
| Marketing Education 7–12 | |

Licensure-only plans consist of the following components:

- Professional studies courses
- Specialty area courses
- Two-semester internship (unpaid)

APPLICATION PROCEDURES

- Secure one copy of all official transcripts (undergraduate and any postbaccalaureate course work).
- Send your official transcripts and a letter requesting a licensure-only plan with your desired area of licensure, including your personal contact information (address, phone, e-mail), to:
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