

Post-baccalaureate Licensure-only Program: Checklist for Completing Requirements
Watson School of Education - University of North Carolina Wilmington

- ❑ Apply to (or re-enroll in) UNCW as a special undergraduate student (<http://www.uncw.edu/admissions/nondegree.html>). Designate “teacher certification/licensure only” for area of interest; do not specify teaching area (elementary education, etc.). Extension students should mark “extension” and indicate the appropriate qualifying county. For re-enrollment information and application, contact the UNCW Registrar’s Office (910)962-3125 or www.uncw.edu/reg to re-enroll as a non-degree certification-only student. To request an undergraduate application, contact the Undergraduate Admissions Office at (910)962-3243 or go to <http://www.uncw.edu/admissions/NDSSPUReqs.html> to apply electronically or download the paper version of the application.
- ❑ Review program options on the Watson School Website: www.uncw.edu/ed/advising/.
- ❑ Meet with a designated advisor to develop a Plan of Study. Bring copies of all college transcripts to this meeting.
Advisor: Mr. Sam Black – All non-degree, post-baccalaureate licensure programs (910) 962-3912 or blacks@uncw.edu
- ❑ Register for the first courses designated by your assigned advisor.
- ❑ Complete the Watson School of Education admissions requirements:
 1. Schedule Praxis I (reading, writing, and math) as soon as possible. To schedule the computer-based version, call UNCW’s Testing Center at (910)962-7444 for an appointment. Study materials are available in the UNCW Bookstore, Randall Library, or online at www.ets.org/praxis and <http://www.uncw.edu/ed/advising/praxis.html>. Note: *UNCW must be listed as a score recipient in order to receive official scores. Praxis I is waived for students holding a master’s degree, or having an SAT score of 1100 and higher (ACT = 24 composite).*
 2. The cumulative GPA requirement for UNCW admission is a 2.7 on one’s bachelor’s degree. A contract called “Fresh Start” has been developed for students who have an undergraduate GPA below 2.7. Students participating in the “Fresh Start” contract must earn a grade point average of 3.0 on the first 12 semester hours of core and content coursework (related to and within their licensure plan at UNCW, post-baccalaureate).
 3. Completion of university requirements in English, Math, and one Laboratory Science course (“C” or better).
 4. Complete EDN 200 + EDNL 200 (Elementary, Middle grades, Special Education) or SEC 200, 210, 220 (Secondary Licensure Block 1) or EDN 204 (Birth through Kindergarten) with a grade of “C” or better, and a minimum of 12 semester hours of UNCW credit (which can include the aforementioned courses).
 5. Apply to the Watson School of Education (WSE). Applications are available on the WSE website. Applications are reviewed at the end of each semester; the application must be submitted by the set application deadline. *Students must be admitted to the WSE to take EDN/SEC/SED courses numbered higher than EDN 303 or SEC 220.*
- ❑ Meet with designated advisor each semester to monitor progress and obtain SeaNet alternate PIN (registration code).
- ❑ Take the appropriate Praxis II Specialty Area exams. Study materials are available online at www.ets.org/praxis
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- ❑ Complete all courses on the plan of study developed by your advisor.
- ❑ Complete the internship/practicum semester. Applications for licensure are completed as part of the practicum, **or**
- ❑ Lateral entry/licensure-only program teachers or individuals adding an area of licensure who will be using teaching experience in lieu of the student teaching practicum should schedule an appointment with Dr. Carol McNulty, Interim Associate Dean for Academic Programs, to complete the licensure paperwork. Lateral entry teachers must submit the following items:
 1. Official transcripts from the institution where degree(s) were earned. The transcripts should be mailed directly to Dr. Carol McNulty at the address below - submitted in sealed envelopes.
 2. Letter on school letterhead from the principal verifying successful completion of required teaching in the licensure area (one year for lateral entry). The letter should be addressed to Dr. Carol McNulty, Watson School of Education – UNCW, 601 S. College Rd., Wilmington, NC 28403-5991
 3. A check made payable to SDPI for \$55.00 for the licensure fee
 4. A check made payable to UNCW for \$5.00 for UNCW transcript fee. To download a copy of UNCW’s Transcript Request Form, go to <http://www.uncw.edu/reg/students-transcripts.htm>.