

**WATSON SCHOOL OF EDUCATION**  
**UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA WILMINGTON**

**Teacher Licensure Program in Physical Education**

**Program Goals**

The teacher licensure program is designed to develop highly competent professionals to serve in educational leadership roles. Such teachers make consistent, defensible, and appropriate decisions to facilitate student achievement on intended learning outcomes. The program includes the acquisition of complex teaching skills through cognitive understandings, builds upon academic and pedagogical knowledge bases, followed by practice and reflection on professional development.

Upon completion of the licensure program, students should be able to:

1. Demonstrate breadth of general knowledge, as well as depth of knowledge in the selected discipline area necessary for effective instructional decision making.
2. Communicate effectively in standard English both verbally and in written formats.
3. Adapt instruction to the developmental and learning needs of individuals, including children and adolescents with special needs and students from culturally diverse backgrounds.
4. Establish a classroom climate conducive to the learning, social, and emotional needs of children and adolescents.
5. Choose appropriate objectives consistent with state and local curriculum guidelines, the learning needs of students, and the standards established by learned societies.
6. Use technology to enhance teaching and learning experiences.
7. Demonstrate effective teaching including positive results for student learning, self-reflection, and appropriate professional dispositions.
8. Employ and analyze appropriate assessments and evaluative procedures.

**Physical Education Program Objectives**

The objectives of this program are:

- a. To develop a strong background in subject area knowledge based upon the National Association for Sport and Physical Education standards.
- b. To demonstrate knowledge of, and appreciation for, basic principles and applications within physical education as described in the North Carolina Healthful Living Education Standards.
- c. To demonstrate understanding of theories of learning and psychology related to motivation and promotion of behaviors that contribute to a healthful lifestyle and improved quality of life.

- d. To integrate knowledge of instructional design and assessment in health and physical education.
- e. To demonstrate effective skills of classroom management and meeting diverse learning needs within the classroom.
- f. To demonstrate application of instructional technologies to health and physical education teaching and learning.
- g. To demonstrate the skills and intellectual orientation necessary to solve problems rationally, make informed decisions, and examine value systems and patterns of behavior.
- h. To demonstrate understanding of the curriculum, materials, curricular resources, and instructional methods pertaining to health and physical education.
- i. To demonstrate planning, teaching, and assessment within classroom settings.

### **Licensure Requirements**

Students who plan to become licensed teachers in the North Carolina public schools must complete the university's Basic Studies expectations, *all requirements in the major*, and be formally admitted to the Watson School of Education. Requirements for admission are listed in the UNCW Undergraduate Catalogue, and also are listed on the Watson School's website at [www.uncw.edu/ed](http://www.uncw.edu/ed).

In addition to the requirements for the academic major, the Psychology and Education courses listed below are required for licensure. A grade of "C" or better must be earned in the following courses:

PSY 223	Lifespan Human Development	(3)
EDN 200	Teacher, School and Society	(3)
EDNL 200	Field Studies	(1)
EDN 203	Psychological Foundations of Teaching	(3)
EDN 303	Instructional Technology	(3)

**NOTE:** *The courses listed below require admission to the Watson School of Education.*

EDN 352	Developing Reading Competency in the Middle Grades (6-9)	(3)
EDN 356	Reading in the Secondary School (or EDN 340)	(3)
EDN 409	Practicum	(12)

*Total = 28 semester hours*

## **Program Notes**

- Advance planning of programs is essential for students interested in becoming teachers in secondary or allied education areas. Students should apply to the Watson School of Education as soon as admission requirements are met (typically in the sophomore year), select courses carefully, and plan their programs in regular consultation with their advisors. A minimum of 124 hours is required for graduation.
- Students must comply with the Academic Achievement and Professional Behavior expectations described in the Watson School of Education's *Standards for Professional Conduct*.
- The following courses have field experience components so students should plan their schedules to allow sufficient time to complete the expectations: EDN 200, 352 and 356.
- Successful completion of field experience assignments in EDN 356 is required in order for students to be able to take additional education courses.
- Physical Education majors must complete an Academic Concentration in a selected academic area by completing a minimum of 18 hours in the discipline. Information on Academic Concentration requirements is available in the Watson School of Education.
- In order to be eligible for internship students must:
  - a. be admitted to the Watson School of Education
  - b. have a cumulative GPA of 2.7 or better
  - c. have completed all required Education courses and ideally all academic major courses
  - d. complete an application for internship at least one semester in advance of the intended student teaching semester and attend orientation meetings
- Praxis II Specialty Tests are not required for majors who complete the teacher education program, including internship. Lateral entry teachers are required to take Praxis II. Registration materials and study guides are available online at [www.ets.org/praxis](http://www.ets.org/praxis).
- All students seeking teacher licensure are required to demonstrate mastery of essential and advanced technology skills. Instructional technology skills are developed through student enrollment in EDN 303 or 416 and technology infusion in all other core and professional education courses. Demonstration of advanced technology skills requires mastery of the ISTE National Educational Technology Standards (attached).

## **Additional Information for Teacher Licensure**

Students are required to take 18 hours in an academic concentration area.

*Physical Education* majors who want to add licensure in Health may take HEA 105, 201, 205, 207, 210, 234, 304, 305, 465.

The University of North Carolina at Wilmington is committed to and will provide equality of educational and employment opportunity for all persons regardless of race, sex, age, color, gender, national origin, ethnicity, creed, religion, disability, sexual orientation, political affiliation, marital status, veteran status or relationship to other university constituents – except where sex, age, or ability represent bona fide educational or occupational qualifications or where marital status is a statutorily established eligibility criterion for state-funded employee benefit programs.

## **Educational Technology Standards and Performance Indicators for All Teachers**

Building on the NETS for Students, the ISTE NETS for Teachers (NETS•T), which focus on preservice teacher education, define the fundamental concepts, knowledge, skills, and attitudes for applying technology in educational settings. All candidates seeking certification or endorsements in teacher preparation should meet these educational technology standards. It is the responsibility of faculty across the university and at cooperating schools to provide opportunities for teacher candidates to meet these standards.

The six standards areas with performance indicators listed below are designed to be general enough to be customized to fit state, university, or district guidelines and yet specific enough to define the scope of the topic. Performance indicators for each standard provide specific outcomes to be measured when developing a set of assessment tools. The standards and the performance indicators also provide guidelines for teachers currently in the classroom.

### **1 TECHNOLOGY OPERATIONS AND CONCEPTS.**

*Teachers demonstrate a sound understanding of technology operations and concepts. Teachers:*

- demonstrate introductory knowledge, skills, and understanding of concepts related to technology (as described in the ISTE National Education Technology Standards for Students)
- demonstrate continual growth in technology knowledge and skills to stay abreast of current and emerging technologies.

### **2 PLANNING AND DESIGNING LEARNING ENVIRONMENTS AND EXPERIENCES.**

*Teachers plan and design effective learning environments and experiences supported by technology. Teachers:*

- design developmentally appropriate learning opportunities that apply technology-enhanced instructional strategies to support the diverse needs of learners.
- apply current research on teaching and learning with technology when planning learning environments and experiences.
- identify and locate technology resources and evaluate them for accuracy and suitability.
- plan for the management of technology resources within the context of learning activities.
- plan strategies to manage student learning in a technology-enhanced environment.

### **3 TEACHING, LEARNING, AND THE CURRICULUM.**

*Teachers implement curriculum plans that include methods and strategies for applying technology to maximize student learning. Teachers:*

- facilitate technology-enhanced experiences that address content standards and student technology standards.
- use technology to support learner-centered strategies that address the diverse needs of students.
- apply technology to develop students' higher order skills and creativity.
- manage student learning activities in a technology-enhanced environment.

### **4 ASSESSMENT AND EVALUATION.**

*Teachers apply technology to facilitate a variety of effective assessment and evaluation strategies. Teachers:*

- apply technology in assessing student learning of subject matter using a variety of assessment techniques.
- use technology resources to collect and analyze data, interpret results, and communicate findings to improve instructional practice and maximize student learning.
- apply multiple methods of evaluation to determine students' appropriate use of technology resources for learning, communication, and productivity.

### **5 PRODUCTIVITY AND PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE.**

*Teachers use technology to enhance their productivity and professional practice. Teachers:*

- use technology resources to engage in ongoing professional development and lifelong learning.
- continually evaluate and reflect on professional practice to make informed decisions regarding the use of technology in support of student learning.
- apply technology to increase productivity.
- use technology to communicate and collaborate with peers, parents, and the larger community in order to nurture student learning.

### **6 SOCIAL, ETHICAL, LEGAL, AND HUMAN ISSUES.**

*Teachers understand the social, ethical, legal, and human issues surrounding the use of technology in PK-12 schools and apply those principles in practice. Teachers:*

- model and teach legal and ethical practice related to technology use.
- apply technology resources to enable and empower learners with diverse backgrounds, characteristics, and abilities.
- identify and use technology resources that affirm diversity
- promote safe and healthy use of technology resources.
- facilitate equitable access to technology resources for all students.