



**UNCW**  
**Graduate Program**  
**Information Session**

Elementary Education M.Ed.

Language and Literacy M.Ed.

Spring 2011

# Tonight's Agenda

- What is the Master of Education (M.Ed.)?
- Program Options
- Course Delivery
- Program Specifics
- Required Courses
- The Application Process
- Helpful Websites
- Question and Answer Session

# What is the Master of Education (M.Ed.)?

The M.Ed. is designed for those with teacher certification and admission is limited to students that

- (1) have successfully completed a student teaching internship and
- (2) hold or are eligible for a North Carolina teaching license.

This program is not intended to grant initial licensure.

# Program Options

There are two options for the M.Ed. degree at UNCW for elementary teachers:

- Elementary Education
  - M Level Licensure
  - Focuses on teacher leaders
- Language and Literacy Education
  - M Level Licensure in Reading
  - Reading Specialist / Literacy Coach

# Course Delivery

What is.....

- Face to face
- Online
  - Synchronous
  - Asynchronous
- Wimba
- Hybrid
- Distance learning / real-time video

# Program Specifics

## Elementary M.Ed.

- Begins Summer II 2011
- Course delivery online, hybrid, and via distance learning
- Cohort model- all students begin, progress, and end together
- Two courses per semester- Cohort will have input once we know availability of the sites
- Graduate Summer 2013
- 39 hours total for program

## Language & Literacy M.Ed.

- Begins January 2012
- Course delivery is face to face
- Jacksonville: Cohort model  
UNCW: Rolling admission
- Two courses per semester for cohort
- 18 hour option for those who want certification only if there are 10 in the degree cohort
- Graduation Spring 2014
- 39 hours total for the program

# Required Courses

## Elementary M.Ed.

- 4 methods courses in content areas
- 6 foundational courses
- Action research and practicum
- 2 electives
- Comprehensive exam

## Language & Literacy M.Ed.

- 27 hours in literacy specialty
- 6 hours literacy practicum
- 6 hours elective credit
- Action research, case study research, change project
- Comprehensive, reflective presentation or thesis

# The Application Process

- All applications must be submitted through UNCW's Graduate School.
- To apply, you will
  - take the GRE or MAT. Scores must be submitted by
    - April 15 for Elementary
    - October 15 for Language and Literacy
  - submit letters of recommendation
  - complete the full application which includes a writing sample
- Acceptance decisions are made by considering all variables
- Applications are reviewed as received and decisions made by committee
- Tuition currently costs *approximately* \$187/per credit hour or \$1355 per semester (39 hrs). See UNCW Graduate School Website for full details.

# Helpful Websites

**The UNCW Graduate School**

**Tuition and Fees**

[http://uncw.edu/grad\\_info/](http://uncw.edu/grad_info/)

[http://uncw.edu/ba/finance/StudentAccounts/tuition\\_fees.html](http://uncw.edu/ba/finance/StudentAccounts/tuition_fees.html)

Watson School of Education  
Graduate Degrees

[http://uncw.edu/ed/degree\\_grad.html](http://uncw.edu/ed/degree_grad.html)

# Question and Answer Session

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