

**STATUS REPORT ON RECENTLY ESTABLISHED (3-4 YEARS) DEGREE PROGRAMS  
(Authorized January 2004-December 2005)**

THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA

**Date:** 12-01-08

**Constituent Institution:** University of North Carolina Wilmington

**Degree Program Title:** Special Education – General Curriculum

**Degree Program CIP Number:** 131001      **Level:** B

**Type of Degree:** B.A.

**Date Established:** August, 2004

**Headcount Enrollment, as projected in Request for Authorization to Establish, and Actual Headcount Enrollment:**

*NOTE: The current Special Education degree programs at UNCW were not established in 2004. The change that occurred was a reconfiguration of licensure tracks to be in line with the state mandated General and Adapted licensure tracks. As such, formal enrollment projections were not developed as a part of a substantive change report for a new degree program. Only actual enrollment numbers are reported below.*

| <u>1st Year</u> (2004-05) | <u>2nd Year</u> (2005-06) | <u>3<sup>rd</sup> Year</u> (2006-07) | <u>4th Year</u> (2007-08) |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 15                        | 41                        | 42                                   | 48                        |

**Degrees Conferred Each Year to Date:** 2004-05: **0** 2005-06: **5** 2006-07: **8** 2007-08: **9**

**Resources:** Resources are adequate to support this program.

**Curriculum:** The program was developed and implemented as indicated in the request to establish proposal. Currently, program faculty are “revising” the program content to align with the new North Carolina Professional Teaching Standards and 21<sup>st</sup> century skills and dispositions. A “revising” report will be submitted to SDPI for review on June 30, 2008. Any modifications to program curriculum resulting from this “revising” will be implemented by fall of 2010.

**Other Information:** The program was completely developed and implemented. Enrollment continues to grow each semester. Students and public school partners rate the program at the highest levels for its preparation of special educators. Faculty collect program data from students, public school partners, and program faculty each semester to measure program effectiveness and inform revisions. All students who have completed the degree program have been hired as teachers in North Carolina or other states.

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