Watson College of Education
Elementary Education Program Goals and Objectives

The goal of the elementary education program at UNCW is to assist in providing an appropriate education for children in grades K-6 through the preparation of teachers who are well educated and professionally competent. The conceptual framework for the elementary education program is one which is common to all teacher education programs at UNCW: Watson College of Education develops highly competent and effective professionals to serve in educational leadership roles.

Upon completion of the undergraduate Elementary Education Program (EEL), the student should be able to:

1. Demonstrate breadth of disciplinary knowledge relevant to elementary school curricula.
2. Demonstrate depth of knowledge in at least one area of study.
3. Communicate effectively in conventional formal English, both orally and in writing, in appropriate situations.
4. Adapt instruction to the developmental and learning needs of individuals, including exceptional children and children from diverse cultural backgrounds.
5. Establish a classroom climate conducive to learning.
6. Choose appropriate objectives consistent with state and local curriculum guidelines, the learning needs of students, and guidelines established by learned societies.
7. Provide effective objective-based instruction for a variety of types of learning in all of the subject areas of the elementary school curriculum.
8. Employ appropriate evaluation procedures and use evaluative information as a basis for revising and generating plans.
9. Implement appropriate technologies to facilitate learning.
10. Establish a pattern of reflective learning and inquiry leading towards confidence, professionalism, and effectiveness in the role of teacher.