Additional advising information and contact information can be found at [www.uncw.edu/ed/advising](http://www.uncw.edu/ed/advising).

General information, degree requirements for all undergraduate majors in the Watson College of Education, and detailed requirements for admission are listed in the undergraduate catalogue online. The requirements for admission to the Watson College of Education are listed below:

**MIDDLE GRADES EDUCATION**

For students pursuing education of young children, elementary education, middle grades education or special education programs, admission is required before enrollment in education courses in the upper division (i.e., courses numbered higher than EDN 303 or SED 250). Requirements for admission are:

1. Completion of the University requirements in English, mathematics, and a science laboratory course with a grade of “C-” or better in each course.
2. Completion of introductory educational foundations coursework (i.e. EDN 200 and EDNL 200) with a grade of “C-” or better.
3. Completion of a minimum of 45 or more college credit hours with a minimum overall grade point average of 2.70 on a 4.00 scale on work completed at UNCW. Transfer students must earn a 2.70 on a minimum of 9 hours completed at UNCW.
4. Passing scores or exemption from teacher education entry tests specified and mandated by the Board of Education of the State of North Carolina.

Students with an SAT score of 1100 or higher (Math + Verbal) are exempt from the Praxis core exam. The Writing SAT score is not counted in the total of 1100 needed for exemption. Students with SAT scores of less than 1100, but with SAT scores of 550 or higher on Verbal are exempt from Praxis Core Reading and Writing, SAT of 550 or higher on Math are exempt from Praxis Core Math.

Students with an ACT composite score of 24 or higher are exempt from the full Praxis Core exam. Students with a composite score less than 24, but with a score of at least 24 on the English test are exempt from the Praxis Core Reading and Writing, ACT of at least 24 on the Math test are exempt from the Praxis Core Math.

The state of NC sets the licensing requirements. The Watson College of Education adjusts to accommodate new mandated competencies and guidelines. Students must meet the requirements in place at the time of their eligibility for admission to the Watson College of Education. Students are advised to check with their advisor or the Associate Dean’s Office to stay informed of programmatic changes.

Additional Praxis information: [www.uncw.edu/ed/advising/praxis.html](http://www.uncw.edu/ed/advising/praxis.html)

**NOTES TO ADVISORS:**

1. Students are encouraged to declare **Pre-Education** as soon as possible.
2. Students do not need to have all University Studies completed before being eligible for admission to the Watson College of Education.
3. MAT 141 and 142 are recommended for Elementary, Special Education, and Middle Grades teaching math.
Course requirements for all UNCW degrees include: (1) **University Studies**, (2) specific major requirements, and (3) sufficient elective hours for a combined total of a minimum of 124 hours.

**MAJOR REQUIREMENTS – EMG (88 hours)**

(46 hours of EDN courses, 18 hours in an additional teaching field, & 24 hours in an academic concentration)

**Professional Core (16 hours)**
- *EDN 200 Teacher, School and Society (3)
- +EDN 203 Psychological Foundations of Teaching (3)
- EDN 301 Instructional Design and Evaluation (3) Pre/Corequisites: EDN 200, 203
- EDN 303 Instructional Technology (3)
- PSY 221 Adolescent Psychology (3) Prerequisite: PSY 105
- or PSY 223 Life Span Human Development (3) Prerequisite: PSY 105

**Professional Education (16 hours)** (Note: Requires admission to Watson College of Education.)
- EDN 318 Middle School Program and Practices (3)
- EDN 320 Diverse Learners (3)
- EDN 352 Developing Reading and Writing Competence in the Middle Grades (6-9) (3)
- EDN 353 Thematic Unit Lab (1) Corequisite with at least one: EDN 323, 335, 338 or 355

**Academic Concentration** (Minimum 24 hours)
- Language Arts (Language Arts Licensure)
- Mathematics (Mathematics Licensure)
- Science (Science Licensure)
- Social Studies (Social Studies Licensure)

**Additional Teaching Field** (Minimum 18 hours)
- Language Arts (Language Arts Licensure)
- Mathematics (Mathematics Licensure)
- Science (Science Licensure)
- Social Studies (Social Studies Licensure)

**Professional Semester** (14 hours)
- EDN 411 Practicum (12) Corequisite: EDN 421 (Meets Oral Communication Requirement)
- EDN 421 Seminar in Education (6-9) (2) Prerequisite: All courses in professional core and professional education areas completed, and a 2.70 on all work attempted at UNCW, Corequisite: EDN 411

TO qualify for the Bachelor of Arts in Middle Grades Education, 31 total semester hours must be taken in residence at UNCW. Admission to the Watson College of Education is required for enrollment in EDN/SED 300- and 400-level courses numbered higher than EDN 303 or SED 250. A grade of “C-” or better is required in all professional courses in the middle grades education program. Students may repeat courses in which they earned a grade lower than “C-” only with the permission of the dean of the Watson College of Education. A cumulative grade point average of 2.70 is required for eligibility for the practicum semester.

Admission to the Watson College of Education is required for enrollment in EDN/SED 300- and 400-level courses numbered higher than EDN 303. A grade of “C-” or better is required in all EDN/SED courses. Students may repeat courses in which they earn a “C-” or lower only with the permission of the dean of the Watson College of Education. A cumulative GPA of 2.70 is required for eligibility for the practicum semester.

**NOTE:** Students must take Praxis II in the Additional Teaching Field area if they have less than 24 hours of content courses to be recommended for licensure. Students may use courses in University Studies to fulfill requirements in both their Academic Concentration and their Additional Teaching Field requirements.

*These courses require a lab
+May also be used to satisfy University Studies Foundations & Approaches and Perspectives requirements

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**Requirements to declare PRE-Education:** Completion of 24 hours.

**Requirements to declare EDN major:** See UNCW Undergraduate Catalogue. For further information, see the EDN website: [www.uncw.edu/ed/advising](http://www.uncw.edu/ed/advising) and [http://catalogue.uncw.edu](http://catalogue.uncw.edu).