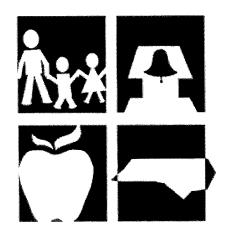
Graduate Teacher Education Programs

2004-05



GRADUATE TEACHER EDUCATION PROGRAMS

During the 2004-05 academic year 28 institutions were approved to offer programs leading to graduate level licensure. The institutions are:

Appalachian State University
Campbell University
Catawba College
Duke University
East Carolina University
Elizabeth City State University
Elon University
Fayetteville State University
Gardner-Webb University

Greensboro College Lenoir Rhyne College Meredith College NC A&T State University NC Central University NC State University Pfeiffer University Queens University Salem College Shaw University UNC-Chapel Hill
UNC - Charlotte
UNC - Greensboro
UNC - Pembroke
UNC - Wilmington
Wake Forest University
Western Carolina University
Wingate University
Winston-Salem State University

Graduate Teacher Education

In compliance with the Excellent Schools Act of 1997, institutions with graduate teacher education programs redesigned their programs leading to master's level licensure. The redesigned programs are based on standards and guidelines derived from research, reports of best practice, and nationally recognized models including the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards.

Experienced teachers, university faculty, and other practicing educators were involved in the redesign of the programs. The curricula focus on current trends and issues in education, teaching of reading and writing across the curriculum, meeting the needs of diverse students in inclusive classroom settings, using technology to enhance and support teaching and other professional activities, applying research findings to curriculum development and classroom instruction, developing peer leadership and mentoring skills, and diagnosing and prescribing instruction that fosters student learning. It is expected that on-going clinical or field experiences link program faculty, students enrolled in the program, and master practitioners in the schools. Students are expected to develop a culminating "product of learning" and demonstrate competencies related to instructional expertise, knowledge of learners, research expertise, connecting subject matter and learners, and professional growth and leadership.

Quality of Students Entering the Programs

Colleges and universities with approved teacher education programs seek to recruit and retain quality students who reflect the diversity of the state and nation. They work closely with their college/university graduate admission offices and area school systems to promote teacher education programs. Brochures and other promotional materials are routinely distributed. A number of institutions offer off-campus programs and on-line courses designed to bring teacher education programs to prospective students.

Graduate Teacher Education Program Admission Requirements

Graduate teacher education program admission requirements vary from institution to institution. Most require prospective students to have a prescribed grade point average and to earn a satisfactory score on a standardized examination such as the Miller Analogies Test (MAT) or

Graduate Record Exam (GRE). Many require references; a number require a writing sample (essay). Prospective students who do not hold an "A" (undergraduate) level teaching license in the proposed area of study may be required to complete additional undergraduate course work.

Table XII summarizes the Fall 2004 enrollment in graduate teacher education programs. This data was provided by the institution. **Table XIII** summarizes admission test results. This data was provided by the institutions for the students reported as admitted to their programs. The column MAT 1 reflects MAT scores based on the 0-100 scoring rubric; MAT 2 reflects the new MAT scoring rubric that ranges from 200 – 600. The column GRE 1 reflects the combined Verbal and Quantitative scores (each can range from 200-800); GRE 2 reflects the GRE analytical writing score which ranges from 0-6.

Table XII: Enrollment in Graduate Teacher Education Programs, Fall 2004

Full-Time Part-Time Licensure-Only Graduate Licensure-Only Graduate M=Minority, T=Total M M M T Appalachian State University Campbell University Catawba College Duke University East Carolina University Elizabeth City State University Elon University Fayetteville State University Gardner-Webb University Greensboro College Lenoir-Rhyne College Meredith College NC A&T State University NC Central University NC State University Pfeiffer University Queens University Salem College Shaw University UNC-Chapel Hill **UNC-Charlotte** UNC-Greensboro **UNC-Pembroke** UNC-Wilmington Wake Forest University Western Carolina University Wingate University Winston-Salem State University Totals 1,888 4,992

Table XIII: Admission Data Graduate Teacher Education Programs

	MAT 1	MAT 2	GRE 1	GRE 2	GPA
State Averages	44	404	1105	4.0	3.46
Appalachian State University	42	407	939		3.33
Campbell University	40		959	4.0	3.65
Catawba College					3.28
Duke University			1284		3.63
East Carolina University	46	408	1113	4.0	3.21
Elizabeth City State University	34				3.60
Elon University	44		1001		3.30
Fayetteville State University	38		1245		3.51
Gardner-Webb University	43		1355		3.24
Greensboro College	*		792		3.89
Lenoir-Rhyne College	*		1294		3.44
Meredith College	51	*	1161		3.89
NC A&T State University			*		3.71
NC Central University			*		3.65
NC State University					
Pfeiffer University	39		834		3.80
Queens University			1009		3.89
Salem College			1245		3.48
UNC-Chapel Hill	*		1122		3.36
UNC-Charlotte	44	398	971		3.29
UNC-Greensboro			1010		3.39
UNC-Pembroke	41	401	1269		3.74
UNC-Wilmington	49	410	997		3.85
Wake Forest University			1309		3.45
Western Carolina University	44		1278		3.81
Wingate University	40	402	1257		3.27
Winston-Salem State University	25		964		3.42

^{*} Less than 4 takers of the test reported. Average not reported.

QUALITY OF STUDENTS COMPLETING THE PROGRAMS

Graduate teacher education programs are designed to refine and extend the knowledge, skills, abilities, and dispositions of inservice teachers. To this end, students are required to complete defined programs of study which include courses in professional education, content pedagogy, and the academic discipline(s) the individual teaches. To a much greater extent than undergraduate teacher education programs, graduate teacher education programs focus on the application of research findings to curriculum development and classroom instruction, the development of peer leadership and mentoring skills, and the diagnosis and prescription of instruction that fosters student learning. It is expected that on-going clinical or field experiences link program faculty, students enrolled in the program, and master practitioners in the schools. The progress of students in completing program requirements is monitored and the competence of students is assessed throughout the program of study. Students are expected to develop a culminating "product of learning" and demonstrate competencies related to instructional expertise, knowledge of learners, research expertise, connecting subject matter and learners, and professional growth and leadership.

Teachers are not required to take additional Praxis exams to upgrade their licenses from the "A" (bachelor's level) to the "M" (master's level) unless they are adding an area to the license. For this reason, most individuals completing graduate teacher education programs are not required to take Praxis exams.

Table XIV summarizes data provided by the institutions on the length of time taken by students to complete the graduate teacher education programs.

Table XIV: Length of Time to Program Completion (Graduate Students)

		Ful	I-Time	Stude	nts			Paı	t-Time	Stude	nts	
Number of Semesters	1-3	4	5	6	7	8	1-3	4	5	6	7	8
Appalachian State University	15	7	23	10	2	3	7	16	52	52	21	34
Campbell University				1	3			7	21	15	3	
Catawba College												6
Duke University	11											
East Carolina University	5	73	29	57	29	97	4	1	9	14	19	136
Elizabeth City State University		17									18	
Elon University									9	1	7	4
Fayetteville State University		20	3	3						9		
Gardner-Webb University			35	85	17	3						
Greensboro College							2					
Lenoir-Rhyne College									3	2	2	4
Meredith College											+	6
NC A&T State University	6		2					12	1			
NC Central University		4	8	16	6	3	7	15	18	17	22	10
NC State University	7	18	9				14	43	38	28	10	9
Pfeiffer University												
Queens University												
Salem College									1	17	1	1
Shaw University												
UNC-Chapel Hill	98	3		3			1	53	2	19		
UNC-Charlotte		69	8	5				52	47	7	6	2
UNC-Greensboro	6	41	53	61	36	62	6	12	16	18	22	73
UNC-Pembroke	23	72	24	5	2	3	1					
UNC-Wilmington	15				1		6	1	4	6	1	2
Wake Forest University	28	8										
Western Carolina University	9	19	13	3				6	23	21	10	9
Wingate University							5	6	9	5	5	1
Winston-Salem State University										18		
Totals	223	351	207	249	96	171	53	224	253	249	148	297

EMPLOYMENT AND PROGRAM SATISFACTION

To determine the satisfaction with graduate teacher education programs of individuals who have completed the programs and their employers, a survey was distributed to recent graduate program completers employed in the public schools of North Carolina and their principals. Respondents were asked to rate their satisfaction with the graduate teacher education program in general, and the impact of the graduate program on the teacher's ability to connect subject matter and learners' needs, implement research-based approaches, assume leadership roles, facilitate learning for diverse students, and engage in continuous professional development.

On a 4.0 scale, the average ratings on each of the items by both program completers and their principals ranged from 3.51 to 3.67.

Table XV summarizes the results of the surveys of program completers and principals.

Table XV: Graduate Survey Results

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C = Program Completer													
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Appalachian State University	55 55	3.78	3.58	3.55	3.64	3.31	3.49	3.62	3.42	3.53	3.44	3.64	3.55
Campbell University		3.50	3.69	3.58	3.54	3.42	3.46	3.33	3.46	3.58	3.38	3.58	3.54
Catawba College	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Duke University	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
East Carolina University	08 9/	3.74	3.62	3.71	3.60	3.59	3.51	3.61	3.38	3.57	3.48	3.63	3.60
Elizabeth City State University	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	×	*	*	*	*
Elon University	8	3.63	3.83	3.63	3.67	3.88	3.83	3.50	3.67	3.50	3.67	3.75	3.83
Favetteville State University	23 29	3.61	3.59	3.70	3.54	3.57	3.43	3.61	3.38	3.61	3.52	3.57	3.48
Gardner-Webb University	17 16		3.69	3.24	3.69	3.24	3.63	3.41	3.81	3.35	3.69	3.35	3.88
Meredith College	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
NC A&T State University	14 12	3.71	3.58	3.79	3.50	3.50	3.42	3.50	3.58	3.86	3.50	3.79	3.45
NC Central University	19 13		3.38	3.42	3.38	3.42	3.00	3.37	3.23	3.74	3.38	3.58	3.38
NC State University	36 30	3.67	3.63	3.64	3.69	3.61	3.62	3.67	3.45	3.72	3.59	3.69	3.66
Queens University	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Salem College	19 16		3.38	3.84	3.56	3.63	3.38	3.84	3.44	3.79	3.31	3.79	3.63
UNC-Chapel Hill	27 25	3.48	3.80	3.48	3.75	3.52	3.71	3.59	3.63	3.44	3.67	3.52	3.75
UNC-Charlotte	98 89	3.62	3.76	3.60	3.69	3.65	3.65	3.65	3.67	3.62	3.69	3.68	3.81
UNC-Greensboro	74 72		3.64	3.61	3.61	3.51	3.58	3.55	3.54	3.50	3.64	3.66	3.73
UNC-Pembroke	29 32		3.78	3.76	3.66	3.66	3.63	3.55	3.72	3.71	3.56	3.68	3.72
UNC-Wilmington	21 17	3.62	3.53	3.62	3.29	3.62	3.24	3.57	3.12	3.62	3.29	3.71	3.47
Wake Forest University	18 14	3.89	3.93	3.72	3.86	3.78	3.86	3.89	3.57	3.72	3.79	4.00	3.86
Western Carolina University	44 41	3.60	3.80	3.52	3.67	3.44	3.68	3.59	3.66	3.48	3.62	3.59	3.73
Wingate University	* 9	3.17	*	3.50	*	3.33	*	3.17	*	3.33	*	3.50	*
Winston-Salem State University													
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Grand Totals	566 557												
State Averages		3.65	3.67	3.62	3.62	3.54	3.55	3.59	3.51	3.59	3.56	3.66	3.66

* Less than 5 surveys returned. Responses will be held and included with next year's responses.

REWARDS AND SANCTIONS

Graduate Programs

If schools are to succeed, they must be staffed with quality professionals. The quality of teacher education programs is a significant factor in determining the quality of the teaching profession. Because of this, programs should be assessed on a regular basis. One key method of assessing program quality is found in the Teacher Education Program Approval process. This process requires on-site reviews of teacher education programs by trained teams of professionals at least every five years. To assist in carrying out this process and in assessing the on-going quality of teacher preparation, a Performance Report will be issued for each North Carolina college or university with an approved teacher education program. Data from the program approval process and the IHE Performance Report will be used to reward and sanction programs as required by the Excellent Schools Act.

Graduate teacher education programs must:

(a) Receive annually positive ratings (3 or 4) from at least 70% of graduates and employers responding to surveys.

A graduate teacher education program shall be designated as "Low Performing" if:

(a) It does not meet this criterion twice in three years.

The public disclosure of the IHE Performance Reports serves as a means of rewards/sanctions itself, as institutions seek to attract students and garner alumni support. Further sanctions are described below.

For any criterion that the institution does not meet, it will be required to submit a written plan to the Department of Public Instruction detailing the actions that will be taken to correct the deficiency(ies); technical assistance will be available through the Teacher Education Section. The reports will be reviewed by the State Evaluation Committee on Teacher Education, which may recommend further action (e.g., sending a team to campus; requiring additional information, etc.) If an institution is designated "Low-Performing," on two consecutive assessments, the Department will conduct an onsite review of the program. The results of this review will be reported to the State Board of Education and may result in closure of the licensure program.

A "rule of 5" will be applied to Praxis II and survey data; i.e., data with an "N" fewer than 5 will not be reported. Data will be banked until a minimum of 5 scores or responses are recorded and then reported.

SURVEYS OF PROGRAM COMPLETERS AND PRINCIPALS

