

Western Carolina University

Bachelor of Science/Birth-Kindergarten/Professional Education Concentration – Online Program-Proposed

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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**It is the student's responsibility to assure that all requirements are met.**

Course:	Term	Grade
<u>Core Courses:</u> BK 250 – Introduction to Birth-Kindergarten (3) L BK 260 – Foundations of Child Study (3) BK 315 – Literacy (3) P BK 361 – Environments for Young Children (3) P BK 363 – Child Development (3) L (EDU 144&145 or PSY 244&245) BK 462 – Adult-Child Interaction (3) (EDU 146) BK 463 – Computer Applications for Early Childhood Professionals (3) P BK 470 – Early Childhood Curriculum (3) L (EDU 259) SPED 240 – The Exceptional Child (3) (EDU 221) SPED 345 – Adaptations and Modifications for Young Children with Disabilities (3) L P SPED 415 – Promoting Social-Emotional Competence (3) P	_____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____	_____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____
<u>Professional Education Concentration:</u> BK 312 – Kindergarten Curriculum (3) L P BK 316 – Mathematics and Science (3) P SPED 313 – Assessment of the Young Child (3) P SPED 412 – Interagency Practicum (3) L P SPED 427 – Teaching Reading to Individuals with Mild to Moderate Disabilities (3)	_____ _____ _____ _____ _____	_____ _____ _____ _____ _____
<u>Internship Courses:</u> BK 482 (6)P BK 483 ( 10) P BK 496 Seminar (2) P	_____ _____ _____	_____ _____ _____
<u>Elective Courses - 12 hours:</u> _____ _____ _____	_____ _____ _____	_____ _____ _____

L = with Lab

P = Prerequisite 2.75 GPA

Other Requirements:

- Birth-Kindergarten Majors must earn a C or above in all BK and SPED courses required in the major.
- Birth-Kindergarten Majors must maintain an overall Grade Point Average of 2.75 or better in order to enroll in BK 312, BK 315, BK 316, BK361, BK 463, SPED 313, SPED 412, SPED 415, SPED 345, SPED 427 BK/SPED 482, BK/SPED 483, and BK/SPED 496.
- The requirements for **continuing in the program** are 1) a GPA of at least 2.75 on hours attempted; 2) behavior which adheres to the code of ethics of the profession and the North Carolina BK Standards; and 3) satisfactory participation in the required professional field experiences, which are prerequisite to internship.
- Students in the Professional Education Concentration must be **admitted to Teacher Education** and are subject to all of the Teacher Education requirements. Though there are other program requirements that may be taken, **BK 250 is the only course in the professional education sequence that may be taken before admission to teacher education.** The BK professional education sequence includes BK 250, BK 312, BK 316, SPED 313, SPED 412, SPED 427, BK/SPED 482, BK/SPED 496.
- Admission to Teacher Education requires:  
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**Note: Many BK and SPED courses have some level of field experience that requires additional time beyond class meetings and assignments. Consider time for field experiences when planning your schedule.**