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► **Christie Walters**
Chatham Central '02
Major—Elementary
Education

Christie earned a place in the North Carolina Teaching Fellows program at Western, which provides a full scholarship in return for her commitment to teach a year for every year that she accepts funding. She says she has wanted to be a teacher ever since she was a child, and she hopes to return to Chatham County to work in an elementary school where children are still excited about learning.

In addition to her involvement with the Teaching Fellows program, Christie works as an assistant in the math department, helping to organize Western's annual high school math contest. In 2005, she earned an award from the North Carolina Council of Teachers of Mathematics as Outstanding Education Student.

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