

Western Carolina University
 Birth-Kindergarten Licensure Program – Add-On Certificate (approved Fall, 2023)

Name:

Date:

Eligibility Requirements for Program Admission:

- Conferred bachelor’s degree and GPA of 3.0 or higher in all programs
- Considered in good standing by all academic programs and approval of BK Admissions Council
- Students must have a current NC license in an area other than Birth-Kindergarten
- Students may not be eligible for financial aid
- Course terms are suggested and not a guarantee of courses being offered
- This plan is NOT a binding contract

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

Courses (all courses require a minimum WCU GPA of 2.75 for registration and enrollment)	Term	Grade
Required Core		
<i>BK 312 – Kindergarten Curriculum (3)</i>	Fall	
<i>BK 316 – Mathematics and Science (3)</i>	Fall/Sum	
<i>BK 361 – Environments for Young Children (3)</i>	Fall/Sum	
<i>BKSE 313 – Assessment of the Young Child (3)</i>	Fall	
<i>BKSE 415 – Promoting Social-Emotional Competence (3)</i>	Fall/Sum	
<i>BKSE 427 – Teaching Reading to Individuals with Mild to Moderate Disabilities (3)</i>	Spring/Sum	

Apply for NC License – <http://teacherlicensure.wcu.edu>

Other Requirements:

- Birth-Kindergarten Licensure students must earn a C or above in all BK and BKSE courses.
- The requirements for **continuing in the B-K licensure program** include 1) a GPA of at least 2.75 on WCU 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 early field experiences, which are prerequisite to internship.
- Birth-Kindergarten Licensure students are responsible for all information posted on the BK Support Site, BK handbook and WCU catalog.
- **Note: Many BK and BKSE courses have some level of field experience requiring additional time beyond class meetings and assignments. Consider time for field experiences when planning your schedule**

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