The East Carolina University College of Education partners with NC community colleges to offer affordable, online degree completion in elementary education, special education, and middle grades education through Partnership Teach.

### Meet with the Partnership Teach Coordinator
- Schedule an appointment with your regional Partnership Teach coordinator.
- Receive program information, sample planners, virtual requirements, etc.
- Have your transcript reviewed to determine remaining community college courses.
- Ask questions that are specific to your situation.
- This meeting will fulfill the “interview” requirement on the Partnership Teach application.

### Complete pending Community College courses from the Partnership Teach Checklist
- If you have not done so, apply for admission to NC Community College of your choice (recommended major: Associate of Arts)
- Complete pending community college courses from the Partnership Teach prerequisites checklist. Work with your community college advisor if you choose to complete the Associate of Arts or Associate of Science degree (optional).
- Schedule to take CIS 110, ENG 111, and MAT as early as possible.
- Send periodic updates of unofficial transcripts to Partnership Teach regional coordinator
- Maintain cumulative transfer GPA: 2.5 for part time or 3.0 for full time

### Pass Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators Exams
- Take the Praxis Core exams (reading, writing, math) **no later than the end of October applying to the program.**
- *Composite passing score is 468* (total of all 3 exams); the part-time programs allow individuals to apply if within 5 pts. Inquire about equivalent SAT/ACT. Any scores used must be within 9 years of transferring to ECU.
- Praxis website: [https://www.ets.org/praxis](https://www.ets.org/praxis)

### Apply to Partnership Teach (Free Online Program Application)
The online program application usually opens by November each year with the deadlines below:
- January 15th - full time elementary & part time special education
- February 15th - part time elementary & part time middle grades
Partnership Teach website: [https://education.ecu.edu/partnership](https://education.ecu.edu/partnership)

### Apply to ECU Admissions (requires an application fee)
- It is recommended that you wait to receive a decision from Partnership Teach prior to applying for admission to ECU, however those admitted to ECU prior to January 15 may apply for ECU scholarships.
- Follow specific instructions for application type, term, & deadlines
- ECU Admissions website: [https://admissions.ecu.edu/](https://admissions.ecu.edu/)
- Apply for financial aid at [www.fafsa.gov](http://www.fafsa.gov) (optional, but recommended)