

Educator Residency Model

ECU’s Educator Residency Model (ERM) is a cohort model designed to assist residency candidates in meeting residency licensure requirements. ERM participants can complete coursework in as few as 6 courses with continuous enrollment. Inquire now to begin the journey!

*Note that cohort candidates must fulfill all requirements set forth by NC DPI’s Residency License, specifically in relation to licensure, employment, testing, coursework, etc. Enrollment in ECU’s ERM does not guarantee employment within a school district or fulfillment of all licensure requirements.

Advantages of ECU’s Educator Residency Model:

• 6 course plan of study – one course per semester with continuous, automated enrollment!
• Fully online course offerings to maximize accessibility!
• Cohort support, systematic course of study, and formal academic advising model!
• Begin coursework immediately upon residency hire! (2 cohorts annually)
• Discounted distance education tuition and your classroom serves as your internship site to meet one year of successful teaching!

Residency Licensure Areas:

• Birth through Kindergarten – contact Alternative Licensure – this is not the plan of study for BK or the process for acceptance into Residency
• Art; K-12
• Elementary; K-6
• Family & Consumer Sciences; 7-12 *Customized Plan by Program Area
• French; K-12
• German; K-12
• Health/Physical Education; K-12
• High School/Secondary Grades; 9-12
  o English, Math, Science, or Social Studies
• Middle Grades; 6-9
  o Language Arts, Math, Science, or Social Studies
• Spanish; K-12
• Theatre; K-12
• Special Education: Adapted or General; K-12 *Customized Plan by Program Area

Spring 2021 Cohort Application Window: August 1, 2020 – October 15, 2020

Or until seats are filled – please apply early as we may have to start waitlists due to the popularity of this residency program

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In order to affiliate with an EPP, you must have a district hiring you as a Lead Teacher in a NC Public or NC Public Charter School. Spaces are limited so if we reach capacity before the October 15th deadline, we will begin a waitlist.

**Steps for Acceptance/Admission**

The following steps are provided as a supplementary guide for residency licensure candidates who wish to enroll in East Carolina University’s Educator Residency Model (ERM). This model is designed specifically for students who desire online study and are capable of producing high-quality work in an online model. The model consists of a 6 course plan of study – 1 course per semester with continuous enrollment. All interested candidates should complete an ERM application to confirm intent to participate and enroll.

1. **Review the Residency License Policy Documents on the NC DPI website.**
   *As a reminder, you are responsible for securing residency hire with a school district.*

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<td>Accredited Bachelor’s Degree</td>
<td>2.7 GPA (on a 4-point scale)</td>
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<td>24 Credit Hours of coursework in content area -or-</td>
<td>Candidates must maintain 2.7 or higher</td>
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<td>Passing NCSBE exam score(s) in content area</td>
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*Learn more about NCSBE licensure exams [HERE](https://ecu.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_8ffCCOCVlwjRMp)*

**Confirm your qualification for residency hire based on degree, coursework, or testing!**

2. **Secure Residency Hire** through an NC DPI-approved school or district.

Contact your desired school district to confirm subject area eligibility, current vacancies, and processes for applying for a job. You may be required to submit official transcripts or complete competency exams prior to qualifying. Find the NC Public Schools Education Directory [HERE](https://education.ecu.edu/al/residency/)

**Confirm your interest in serving as a teacher-leader under Residency!**

3. **Connect with us to confirm intent to enroll in ECU’s ERM!**

[https://education.ecu.edu/al/residency/](https://education.ecu.edu/al/residency/)

**FIRST STEP:** ERM Application Link: [https://ecu.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_8ffCCOCVlwjRMp](https://ecu.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_8ffCCOCVlwjRMp)

**Suggested Time Frames:**

*August for Spring start
*April for Fall start

Once you’ve secured residency hire with a DPI-approved school or district, please connect with us to begin the process of affiliation with our Educator Preparation Program at ECU. We will work with your licensure representative to confirm ECU admission, verify ERM enrollment, and request the residency license from NC DPI. Please note that this process requires careful engagement and timing, so we will collaborate to support you throughout.

**Confirm your hire and begin affiliation with ECU’s ERM!**

4. **Secure institutional admission with ECU Admissions!** [admissions@ecu.edu](mailto:admissions@ecu.edu)

**Suggested Time Frames:**

*September for Spring start
*May for Fall start

Once you’ve confirmed residency hire and your intent to enroll in ECU’s ERM, please secure institutional admission as an ECU student. The Office of Undergraduate Admissions maintains a Post-Baccalaureate Teacher Licensure application for this purpose. Please work with Admissions to secure admission for the appropriate term. Please find the Post-Baccalaureate Teacher Licensure application here: [http://www.ecu.edu/admissions/TeacherLicensure.cfm](http://www.ecu.edu/admissions/TeacherLicensure.cfm)

**Need Help?** Contact Admissions at 252-328-6640 or [admissions@ecu.edu](mailto:admissions@ecu.edu)

**Finalize enrollment as a Residency Educator in ECU’s ERM!**

*Note: ECU’s ERM is designed to support teachers in Residency to meet pedagogical coursework required of clearance. It is **not** designed to facilitate content hours to convert other teaching certificates (Permit to Teach; Emergency License) to Residency. For assistance with conversion through content coursework, please reach the Office of Alternative Licensure to secure a Self-Advising Content Guide for your desired licensure area.*

[https://education.ecu.edu/al/permit-to-teach/](https://education.ecu.edu/al/permit-to-teach/) - 252-328-2700

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Plan of Study / Licensure Clearance Requirements:

- Teach successfully for at least one full year in an approved residency position (NC public or approved DPI private/charter)
  - Evidence: Your LEA will need to submit a letter verifying success in teaching service (clinical requirement).
- Pass licensure area exam(s) for residency licensure subject area(s) prior to Residency Support 2
  - Evidence: official copy of passing PRAXIS II and/or Pearson scores for exam(s)
- Complete ERM coursework towards licensure
  - ERM participants must maintain a GPA of 2.7 or higher for Upper Division Coursework while an ERM candidate.

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TOTAL: 18 hrs

*Due to the pacing of courses in the ERM program, this plan is not financial aid friendly as it only requires one course (3 hours) per semester.

Special Notes for your ERM Plan of Study:

- Your plan of study remains valid if:
  - You remain employed as a lead teacher under residency in a DPI-approved North Carolina LEA/School;
  - You hold an unexpired residency license in the area for which you have been hired or emergency status with 24 hours of relevant coursework; if you hold an emergency license, you must convert to a residency license to remain in the program
  - The licensure area on your plan of study matches the licensure area on your residency license and service area;
  - You maintain a 2.7 or higher GPA for Upper Division Coursework while an ERM candidate.

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*Tuition Snapshot*

*Tuition Rates and Deadlines are enforced and maintained by the ECU Cashier’s Office. For more information, please access their website at [http://www.ecu.edu/cashier/](http://www.ecu.edu/cashier/) or connect with them via email (Cashier@ecu.edu) or phone (252-737-6886).*

A benefit of ECU’s Educator Residency Model is the utilization of **discounted distance education tuition rates**. ECU’s ERM provides incredible value as a means of residency licensure clearance. **In-state tuition** for the 2020-21 academic year is roughly $166 per credit hour (in-state). To qualify for in-state tuition you must have resided in the state of North Carolina for one full year. If not, these prices will not be the ones for you as you would have to pay out of state tuition costs that are significantly higher rates.

> [http://www.ecu.edu/cashier/tufee.cfm](http://www.ecu.edu/cashier/tufee.cfm)<

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$166 \times 2 \text{ credit hours} &= $332 \text{ per 2 credit course} \\
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In total, ERM participants complete 18 credit hours within their plan of study. **At $166 per credit hour, participants pay just $2988 in total to complete the 6-course program.**

*advertised tuition projections reflect 2019-20 in-state tuition rates*

**Financial Aid** requires 6 hours of coursework and this plan is not FA friendly as you take one course per semester.

- **Tuition payment plans are only available fall and spring Semesters.**

It is the candidate’s responsibility to establish in-state residency status for the purposes of tuition. Learn more about **establishing in-state residency** through the state’s Residency Determination System (RDS)

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