

# K12 THEATRE ARTS

**THE MISSION** of the Department of Education is to prepare candidates for a North Carolina Standard Professional I Teaching License with a liberal arts foundation. The Department of Education prepares highly qualified teachers who will contribute to the teaching profession and positively impact students in the public school system. Teachers who complete our program have broad perspective; think critically, reflectively and creatively; are humane and committed to meeting the learning needs of all students; and guide students using active inquiry to become effective and productive citizens in the 21st century.

## **PROGRAM OVERVIEW**

For the undergraduate or transfer student, the teacher licensure program provides an opportunity to pursue a content major while attaining a license to teach. Students fulfill the course expectations of their chosen major and the coursework provided by the Department of Education (listed on the back). The department also offers post-baccalaureate opportunities for individuals who already hold a bachelor's degree or higher and desire an initial North Carolina Standard Professional I Teaching License, licensure in another area of teaching, or licensure renewal credits. For more detailed information about the teacher licensure program, please see the UNC Asheville Catalog ([catalog.unca.edu](http://catalog.unca.edu)).

## **STUDENT GOALS**

- Demonstrate knowledge of the depth, breadth, and interdisciplinary connections inherent in the specialty area discipline studied.
- Apply state and national standards, research-verified best practices, critical thinking, clear and thoughtful communication, creative expression, and honest open inquiry in designing, implementing, differentiating, assessing, and reflecting on effective pedagogy.
- Demonstrate professional dispositions in varied educational settings with regard to a diversity of students and all members of the school community.

**APPLY** to UNC Asheville at [admissions.unca.edu](http://admissions.unca.edu).

## **THEATRE ARTS GRADES K TO 12**

Participants in the Theatre Arts licensure program become competent, reflective individuals who demonstrate exemplary personal and professional attributes as theatre artists and as teachers. As an artist, each student will have a thorough understanding of the basic elements and principles of theatre and be able to effectively apply them to acting, directing, technical production and design, and management. As a teacher, each student creates and implements drama lessons appropriate to the developmental level, needs, and abilities of students in a diverse society. Topics of study and lesson planning include creative drama, improvisation, theatre history, theatre criticism, and aesthetics.

### **REQUIRED LICENSURE COURSES (HOURS)**

*EDUC 210 Teaching and Learning in the 21st Century, K-12 (3)*

*EDUC 211 Instructional Technology for Educational Settings, K-12 (1)*

*EDUC 314 Multiple Literacies in Content Area Classrooms (3)*

*EDUC 346 Teaching Students with Diverse Needs in the General Education Classroom (3)*

*EDUC 430 Lesson Planning and Classroom Management (3)*

*EDUC 438 K-12 Theatre Arts Teaching Methods (2)*

*EDUC 455 Clinical Practice and Seminar, K-12 (8)*

*EDUC 456 The Teacher as a 21st Century Professional, K-12 (4)*

*PSYC 319 Educational Psychology (3)*

### **LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS**

- Completion of the listed courses and all other Education Department requirements. Other coursework may be required.
- Students must pass all state-required licensure exams.

## **FIND OUT MORE**

For information on the licensure program in Theatre Arts, contact the Teacher Recruitment and Retention Liaison: 828.251.6304; [teach@unca.edu](mailto:teach@unca.edu).

UNC Asheville's teacher licensure program is accredited by the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP) and approved by the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction.