MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN THE LIVES OF YOUNG CHILDREN

Do you already have a bachelor’s degree and would like to make a difference in the lives of young children? If so, the Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Birth through Kindergarten Initial Licensure Program (BK:ILP) may be the program for you. It provides graduate level training to prepare you to teach and lead in diverse, inclusive early childhood settings.

This innovative and interdisciplinary program is offered jointly by UNCG’s departments of Human Development and Family Studies, and Specialized Education Services. Upon completing the program you are eligible to obtain an initial NC BK teaching license.

PROGRAM AT A GLANCE

- Fully online — synchronous courses
- 20 credit hours
- 4 core graduate courses and a 10-week student teaching experience
- Fall semester start
- Can be completed in 3 or 5 semesters
- Designed to meet the needs of working professionals
- Students generally meet online each week at a specific time
- Experienced and supportive faculty
- Credits count towards the Master’s in Education (M.Ed.) in Birth–Kindergarten: Interdisciplinary Studies in Education and Development

TUITION ASSISTANCE

- Available for qualified students who wish to enroll in the BK Initial Licensure Program
- Full tuition support and a stipend to assist in covering program expenses
- Funding is available through a grant from the U.S. Department of Education Office of Special Education Program
- Application deadline to be considered for this grant opportunity is February 1
- More information can be found on uncg.edu/hdf/graduates/BK_initial_license_graduate

ses.uncg.edu
This is a 20-hour graduate certificate resulting in eligibility for the initial B–K teaching license. Students are required to complete 10 weeks of full-time student teaching in approved placements.

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TOTAL CREDITS BY SEMESTER 7 7 6

HOW TO APPLY
Candidates must submit an application to The Graduate School at UNCG. Application information is available at grs.uncg.edu.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS
• Bachelor’s degree in early childhood or related area
• Undergraduate GPA of 3.0 or better
• One copy of all official academic transcripts
• Professional statement describing reasons for obtaining BK licensure and career goals
• Three letters of recommendation with at least one academic reference
• Résumé
• No GRE required

Note: Prerequisite courses may be required for students applying from fields other than early childhood education.

APPLICATION DEADLINES
• February 1: Applications to the program and to the grant opportunity, including all supporting materials, due
• Applications received after this date will be reviewed until the program fills
• All applications are for a Fall start

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