Recommendations for Entry to Upper Division of College of Education Major:

1. All majors and minors must complete Praxis Core (www.ets.org) with an overall score of 468 or earn individual passing scores on Reading - 156, Writing – 162, and Math – 150.
   OR
   Qualify for an exemption by having earned:
   - A total score of 1100 (Reading/Math combined) on the SAT - exempts you from Praxis Core
   - A composite score of 24 on the ACT - exempts you from Praxis Core
   - A 550 Math SAT or 24 Math ACT score - exempts you from the Math portion of Praxis Core
   - A 550 Reading SAT or 24 English ACT score - exempts you from the Reading and Writing portion of the Praxis Core

2. Elementary and Special Education-General Curriculum students must take the NC Foundations of General Curriculum and the Math Subtest before entering upper division. Test registration can be found here: http://www.nc.nesinc.com/

3. Successfully complete equivalent to Foundations of Education and Diversity in Schools (EDUC 2100 at UNCC) and Introduction to Students w/ Special Needs (SPED 2100 at UNCC). A grade of C or better is required for both courses and can be taken online at UNC Charlotte. More information about online offerings can be found at http://distanceed.uncc.edu/programs/education/pre-education-online-courses.

4. A transfer grade point average of 2.5 or higher is required to enter directly into the upper division of a COED major if all other pre-admission requirements are met. Review Academic Plan of Study of desired major for all detailed requirements.

5. Work on completing general education requirements (all majors), prerequisite courses (for Child and Family Development, Elementary Education, and Special Education) and elective/minor/concentration courses (for Elementary and Middle Grades Education).
If majoring in Child and Family Development, Elementary Education, or Special Education, complete the following prerequisite or related courses for your program:

1. **Child and Family Development (Birth – Kindergarten)**
   - Course equivalent for PSYC 1101
   - Course equivalent for SOCY 1101
   - Course equivalent for SOCY 2132

2. **Elementary Education (K-6)**
   - Course equivalent for BIOL 1110 + Lab
   - Arts Activity Course (Three credits of Art, Drama, Theater, Dance, or Music performance/activity)

3. **Special Education (K-12)**
   - Course equivalent for PSYC 1101 and PSYC 2120 or PSYC 2121

**Elementary Education (K-6)** majors are required to complete a minor at UNC Charlotte. You may want to begin to consider a minor and take equivalent courses that would apply.

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**Middle Grades Education** majors will be required to have two concentration areas. Any combination of the following is acceptable. Find course equivalents for concentration areas on the Middle Grades Education Academic Plan of Study (http://mdsk.uncc.edu/academic-programs/ba-middle-grades/academic-plan-study).

**Middle Grades (6-9)** education majors select two areas of concentration. The length of the concentration varies from 21 to 24 credit hours.

- English/Communications Skills
- Social Studies
- Math
- Science

**Secondary Education** minors have a major in the desired teaching area. Licensure for grades 9-12 is offered in Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Earth Science, Comprehensive Science, Math, History (social studies comprehensive), and English.

**Foreign Language Education** minor is a K-12 licensure minor taken in conjunction with a major in French, German, or Spanish.

**Arts Education** concentration is offered in Art, Dance, Music, and Theater. The K-12 Arts Education concentration is built into the desired art major plan of study.

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