

THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT ASHEVILLE
FACULTY SENATE

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Statement of Faculty Senate Action:

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Add field experience requirement to EDUC 319

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1. Add: On page 131, to the course description for EDUC 319, before “Fall and Spring”:

Field experience is required.

Impact: This change will provide candidates with field experience that meets the current competencies for the North Carolina Department of Instruction and the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE). All other EDUC methods courses require field experience. This change will only affect the students who take this course. The impact will be minimal.

Rationale: The North Carolina Department of Instruction NCATE have specific standards for licensure programs. Given that the EDUC department has added a license in Health and Physical Education and EDUC 319 is the one elementary methods course for students seeking this license, a field experience is necessary. Additionally, based on best practices and student and teacher input, more frequent and early field experiences are the best learning tools for students.