

## ADMISSION TO DEGREE PROGRAMS

New and reenrolling freshmen, unclassified and special admission students, and other students who have not yet been accepted into a degree program are assigned to the University College for academic support. Each of these students is assigned a University College advisor who assists the student in selecting courses to fulfill basic studies requirements, maintaining the required academic standards, and choosing a major. All University College advisors emphasize the importance of undertaking a rigorous academic load consisting of 15-16 credit hours each semester in order to complete all requirements for graduation within four years and can provide model four-year graduation plans for all majors offered by the university.

### Admission to the College of Arts and Sciences

University College students wishing to declare a major within the College of Arts and Sciences will request to have their records transferred to the appropriate department after earning 24 credits at UNCW but before or during the semester that they complete 45 semester hours of credit. See departmental requirements for any prerequisites to declaring a major.

### Admission to the Professional Schools

University College students wishing to declare a major within a professional school will request to have their records transferred to the appropriate school after earning 24 credits at UNCW but before or during the semester that they complete 45 semester hours of credit. These students will then be assigned to that school for pre-professional advising.

Students seeking admission to the Cameron School of Business or the Watson School of Education normally submit their applications to the appropriate school immediately upon completion of the third semester of study, provided the minimal requirements as stated in the university catalogue have been met at the time of application.

Students seeking admission to the Watson School of Education must submit application to the Office of the Dean, Education Building 326. Application forms are available on the Web site: [www.uncw.edu/ed](http://www.uncw.edu/ed).

Students seeking admission to the School of Nursing must submit applications to the Office of Student Services in the School of Nursing. Application forms and deadline dates are available from the School of Nursing and on the School of Nursing Web site: [www.uncw.edu/son](http://www.uncw.edu/son).

#### I. Requirements for Admission to the Cameron School of Business

To be formally admitted to the Bachelor of Science with a major in business administration program in the Cameron School of Business, a student must meet each of the following admission requirements:

1. Completion of a minimum of 12 credit hours at UNCW in courses in the Cameron School of Business and/or ENG 101, 201, (ENG 103 may be substituted for ENG 101 and ENG 201); MAT 151 or 161.
2. Completion of at least 30 credit hours.
3. Completion of each of the following courses with at least a "C-": ENG 101, 201, (ENG 103 may be substituted for ENG 101 and ENG 201); MAT 151 or 161; QMM 280; ACG 201, AGL 201; ECN 221, 222 and MIS 213.
4. An overall grade point average of at least 2.70 on a 4.00 scale for all course work attempted at UNCW.
5. Completion of the Cameron School of Business admission orientation and application.

To be formally admitted to the Bachelor of Arts with a major in economics program in the Cameron School of Business, a student must meet each of the following admission requirements:

1. Completion of a minimum of 12 credit hours at UNCW including at least 6 hours of economics at the 200 or higher level.
2. Completion of at least 30 credit hours.
3. Completion of each of the following courses with at least a "C-": MAT 151 or 161; QMM 280 or STT 215; ECN 221 and 222.
4. An overall grade point average of at least 2.70 on a 4.00 scale for all course work attempted at UNCW.
5. Completion of the Cameron School of Business admission orientation and application.

#### II. Requirements for Admission to the Watson School of Education and the Teacher Education Program

1. Completion of the university requirements in English, mathematics, and a science laboratory course with a grade of "C" or better in each course.
2. Completion of introductory educational foundations coursework:
  - a. For the education of young children, elementary education, middle grades education, special education, and special subject (i.e., physical education, health, music, and foreign language) programs, completion of EDN 200 with a grade of "C" (2.00) or better.
  - b. For the secondary education program, completion of SEC 200, 210 and 220 with a grade of "C" (2.00) or better.

3. Completion of four semesters or two academic years of full-time college study, or completion of required basic studies program. A minimum overall grade point average of 2.70 on a 4.00 scale on work attempted at UNCW is required. Transfer students must earn a 2.70 on a minimum of 12 hours completed at UNCW.
4. Passing scores on teacher education entry tests specified and mandated by the Board of Education of the state of North Carolina.

Note: Students may not enroll in EDN/SED 300- or 400-level courses beyond EDN 303 until they are admitted to the Watson School of Education.

### **III. Requirements for Admission to the Bachelor of Science Programs in the School of Nursing**

#### **Bachelor of Science in Professional Nursing**

##### **Prelicensure Option:**

1. Admission to the University of North Carolina Wilmington.
2. A 2.50 total GPA is required for evaluation of a student's transcript by the School of Nursing. Each student's total GPA, including the fall semester/quarter grades of application year, is calculated on all transferable college courses attempted at all accredited institutions of higher education according to the guidelines in use by the UNCW Admissions Office.
3. Completion of all basic studies and required nursing prerequisites prior to admission to the professional component of the program.
4. Minimum grade of "C" in all required prerequisite and corequisites courses and their accompanying labs: BIO 201, 240, 241, 246; CHM 101; MAT 111 or 151; either PAR 101, 110, 115, 205, 211, or 215; PSY 105, 223; either SOC 105, ECN 125 or 221; STT 210 or 215; and NSG 251.
5. Certification as a nursing assistant (CNA1) is required before application deadline. Applicants must have taken a course with a clinical component.
6. Application deadline for fall admission is January 10; application deadline for spring admission is August 10. Satisfactory score on standardized nurse admission examination is required. Contact the UNCW National Testing Office (910) 962-7444.
7. Physical, mental, and emotional health that enables a student to participate in and complete the program.
8. Criminal background check.

In addition to the minimum criteria the following will also be considered:

1. Students with a prior baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited institution.
2. Students with backgrounds in keeping with the university's commitment to a diverse student body.
3. Students' GPA on courses prerequisite to nursing. (See Admission Criterion #3 and 4)

##### **RN Access (RN to BS) Option:**

1. Admission to the University of North Carolina Wilmington.
2. A current unrestricted license to practice as a registered nurse in North Carolina or one of the states participating in the Nurse Licensure Compact.
3. A 2.50 total GPA is required by the School of Nursing. Each student's total GPA is calculated on all transferable college courses attempted at all accredited institutions of higher education according to the guidelines in use by the UNCW Admissions Office.
4. Completion of all basic studies and required nursing prerequisites prior to admission to the professional component of the program.
5. Physical, mental, and emotional health that enables a student to participate in and complete the program.
6. Criminal background check.

##### **Bachelor of Science in Clinical Research (CLR)**

1. Admission to the University of North Carolina Wilmington.
2. Completion of UNCW basic studies and prerequisite courses.
3. Grade of "C" (2.00) or better in required science courses.
4. Completed application to the Clinical Research Program with application fee.
5. Recommendation of Student Affairs Committee of the School of Nursing.
6. Approval of the clinical research faculty and the dean.
7. Criminal background check.