

*The Warren Wilson College Teacher Candidate
is a reflective innovator serving in communities with
heart, head, and hands*

**Requirements for Formal Acceptance to the
Teacher Education Program**

Students should be formally admitted to the Teacher Education Program no less than one year before their student teaching semester. It is highly recommended that students complete Praxis I testing requirements in the beginning of their junior year. By state law, students must be fully admitted (**all requirements met**) by the College's drop/add deadline of the semester **before** student teaching in order to be approved for student teaching in the following semester. Students who do not meet this deadline must postpone student teaching until they have met the requirements for a subsequent semester.

In order to be formally admitted to the Teacher Education Program (and approved by the Teacher Education Committee), students must:

- 1) **Earn passing scores (as established by the State School Board of NC) on the ETS Praxis I tests of reading, writing, and mathematics.** It is possible to substitute an ACT score of 24, or an SAT combined score of 1100, to fulfill this requirement.
- 2) **Have at least a 2.5 QPA** cumulative with a minimum of 45 completed credit hours.
- 3) **Complete the Formal Admission Application including a thoughtful essay addressed to the Teacher Education Committee.** Formal Application required documentation includes
Part I: Candidate Information
Part II: Evidence of Preparation for Professional Obligations
Part III: Legal Record
Part IV: Application Essay
The essay requirement allows the Teacher Education Committee to be confident of a students' writing competency. The essay is a measure of the student's interest and commitment, and requires some reflection on the role of the teacher in public schools.
- 4) **Have a satisfactory record in the Office of the Dean of Student Affairs and in the Work Program Office** (representatives from both offices must sign your application).

The Teacher Education Committee considers formal applications to the program each semester: **the deadlines are NOVEMBER 15th and APRIL 15th each year.**
PLEASE NOTE: Students may not apply for formal acceptance to the Teacher Education Program in the same semester they apply for student teaching.

