

IHE Master's Performance Report

Elizabeth City State University

2009 - 2010

Overview of Master's Program

The Graduate Education Program at Elizabeth City State University is committed to contributing to the mission of the University by providing graduate-level programs to meet the diverse needs of the citizenry of northeastern North Carolina. With excellence permeating all of the activities, the programs seek to provide a challenging and supportive environment that prepares its students to compete and excel in an ever-changing technologically advanced society. The programs are designed to develop research skills, problem-solving skills and to develop the skills, knowledge and experience necessary for professional employment, professional growth, leadership development and/or further graduate study. Small classes, personal interaction with faculty members, and an atmosphere conducive to pursuing academic excellence enhance the educational experiences and quality instruction received by graduate students.

Special Features of Master's Program

The School of Education and Psychology offers the Master of Education in Elementary Education for advanced teacher preparation. A total of 36 credit hours are required to complete the Master of Education in Elementary Education. The primary goal is to ensure that teachers, through continuous decision making, become effective collaborators and leaders. The program's focus is to fully implement national standards for teachers, especially National Board for Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS), while incorporating student standards. Merging these standards, results in high quality education for P-12 students. The Master of Education in Elementary Education program seeks to fulfill its mission by preparing professional educators to: respond effectively to children's differences resulting from development, diversity, and exceptionalities; demonstrate knowledge of the content and pedagogy of the elementary curriculum; improve educational practice through reflection, self-evaluation, and applied research; and direct their own personal and professional growth as educators. The graduate level teacher education program at ECSU is a way for candidates to expand their knowledge, deepen their understandings, and sharpen the skills already acquired through their previous studies and professional experiences. Candidates complete a capstone research project, the Product of Learning, which enables candidates to work toward a solution of an educational problem within his/her own classroom. The Master of School Administration program requires 42 semester hours be completed combined with graduate classroom preparation along with a field-based practicum experience that provides candidates with the knowledge, skills, and dispositions to help them become highly qualified building level administrators and school leaders who are informed, competent, and effective decision-makers. Faculty in the MSA program work collaboratively with school districts, the university, and candidates to facilitate opportunities for

learning that responds to his/her strengths, challenges, and experiences in preparing to become a prospective school principal. Graduates of the MSA program must take and pass the School Leaders Licensure Assessment in order to be licensed as a school administrator by the State of North Carolina. Graduate studies in teacher education are focused, personalized, and characterized by academic rigor and professional relevance. The importance of technology for instructional purposes is evidenced and supported by technology rich classrooms and up-to-date technology labs.

II. CHARACTERISTICS OF STUDENTS

A. Headcount of students formally admitted to and enrolled in programs leading to licensure.

Full Time				
	Male		Female	
Graduate	American Indian/Alaskan Native		American Indian/Alaskan Native	
	Asian/Pacific Islander		Asian/Pacific Islander	
	Black, Not Hispanic Origin		Black, Not Hispanic Origin	
	Hispanic		Hispanic	
	White, Not Hispanic Origin		White, Not Hispanic Origin	
	Other		Other	
	Total	0	Total	0
Licensure-Only	American Indian/Alaskan Native		American Indian/Alaskan Native	
	Asian/Pacific Islander		Asian/Pacific Islander	
	Black, Not Hispanic Origin		Black, Not Hispanic Origin	
	Hispanic		Hispanic	
	White, Not Hispanic Origin		White, Not Hispanic Origin	
	Other		Other	
	Total	0	Total	0
Part Time				
	Male		Female	
Graduate	American Indian/Alaskan Native		American Indian/Alaskan Native	
	Asian/Pacific Islander		Asian/Pacific Islander	2
	Black, Not Hispanic Origin	1	Black, Not Hispanic Origin	43
	Hispanic		Hispanic	
	White, Not Hispanic Origin	3	White, Not Hispanic Origin	58
	Other		Other	
	Total	4	Total	103
Licensure-Only	American Indian/Alaskan Native		American Indian/Alaskan Native	
	Asian/Pacific Islander		Asian/Pacific Islander	
	Black, Not Hispanic Origin		Black, Not Hispanic Origin	
	Hispanic		Hispanic	
	White, Not Hispanic Origin		White, Not Hispanic Origin	
	Other		Other	
	Total	0	Total	0

B. Lateral Entry/Provisionally Licensed Teachers Refers to individuals employed by public schools on lateral entry or provisional licenses.

Program Area	Number of Issued Program of Study Leading to Licensure	Number Enrolled in One or More Courses Leading to Licensure
Prekindergarten (B-K)		
Elementary (K-6)	9	9
Middle Grades (6-9)		
Secondary (9-12)		
Special Subject Areas (K-12)		
Exceptional Children (K-12)		
Vocational Education (K-12)		
Special Service Personnel (K-12)		
Other		
Total	9	9
Comment or Explanation		

C. Quality of students admitted to programs during report year.

Masters	
MEAN GPA	3.66
MEAN MAT New Rubric	388
MEAN MAT Traditional	N/A
MEAN GRE New Rubric	N/A
MEAN GRE Traditional	*
MEAN NUMBER OF YEARS TEACHING EXPERIENCE	N/A
NUMBER EMPLOYED IN NC SCHOOLS	N/A
* To protect confidentiality of student records, mean scores based on fewer than five test takers were not printed.	
Comment or Explanation	

D. Program Completers (reported by IHE).

Program Area	Graduate		Graduate Licensure Only	
	PC	LC	PC	LC
PC Completed program but has not applied for or is not eligible to apply for a license				
LC Completed program and applied for license				
Prekindergarten (B-K)				
Elementary (K-6)	6	58		
Middle Grades (6-9)				
Secondary (9-12)				
Special Subject Areas (K-12)				
Exceptional Children (K-12)				
Vocational Education (7-12)				
Special Service Personnel				
Total	6	58	0	0
Comment or Explanation				

E. Scores of program completers on professional and content area examinations.

	2008 - 2009 Program Completers Licensure Pass Rate	
Specialty Area/Professional Knowledge	Number Taking Test	Percent Passing
Elementary Education	16	94
Institution Summary	16	94
* To protect confidentiality of student records, pass rates based on fewer than five test takers were not printed.		

F. Time from admission into professional education program until program completion.

Full Time						
	3 or fewer semesters	4 semesters	5 semesters	6 semesters	7 semesters	8 semesters
Masters-Upgrade/Add-On						
Masters-First Awarded						
G Licensure Only						
Part Time						
	3 or fewer semesters	4 semesters	5 semesters	6 semesters	7 semesters	8 semesters
Masters-Upgrade/Add-On				9		
Masters-First Awarded						
G Licensure Only						
Comment or Explanation						

G. Satisfaction of program completers/employers with the program in general and with specific aspects of the program, as rated on a 1 (lowest) to 4 (highest) scale.

Due to several factors affecting survey responses, survey results will not be reported at the institutional level this year.