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.