

Become the teacher you want to be...



How long does it take to complete the program?

It takes four years to complete the 126 credit-hour program. Applicable course work is transferable from accredited institutions.

Is a program that uses master teachers for mentors and has small class sizes expensive?

Tuition and fees are comparable with local state universities and community colleges.

Is financial aid available?

Financial aid, scholarships and student loans are available for qualified students.

Is the Center for Urban Education for me?

YES! If you're ready to take on the challenge of earning a bachelor of arts

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degree and becoming a master teacher—one who will do everything in your power for the students who will be entrusted to you.

How can I learn more?

Just ask. We'll enjoy sharing more information and helping you decide if the Center's unique programs are for you.

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You'll be learning from the best...

The University of Northern Colorado has been designated by the Colorado legislature as the state's primary institution for teacher education and the University's special education programs have received the Colorado Commission on Higher Education's Center of Excellence designation.

The Center for Urban Education offers a Bachelor's degree with licensure in one of three areas:

- Elementary Education (K–Grade 6)
- Early Childhood Education (Birth–Grade 3)
- Special Education (K–Age 21)

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Bachelor's Degrees with Teacher Licensure from the UNC Center for Urban Education

What is the University of Northern Colorado Center for Urban Education?

The Center for Urban Education is an undergraduate degree program of the University of Northern Colorado that has Denver as its home. Center students work in all metropolitan area school districts and in child care centers across the city.

But it's more than that—it's a place where traditional scholarship meets a rich real-world experience in a metropolitan-area school classroom—a place where students find a home for learning and growing as teaching professionals.

That happens because Center students work with early childhood, elementary school and special education students and

their teachers, developing instructional skills on a daily basis.

Who are Center for Urban Education students?

Our student body is richly diverse and includes recent high school graduates as well as individuals who have been away from school for quite some time.

The one thing they have in common?

A desire to work with children right away and to learn how to be the best teacher they can be.

What makes the Center different from other teacher prep programs?

It's a work-and-learn program. Here's what we mean:

Classroom Apprenticeship

Whether you're an elementary, early childhood, or special education major, you'll:

- Spend your mornings in a classroom teacher apprenticeship position with college credit—all four years.
- Be mentored by a master teacher who offers guidance and support for the classroom apprenticeship experience during all four years of your program.

That means you'll be part of the school environment as a working, contributing staff member while you complete your college education.

Academic Classes

Your major will be liberal arts-based, giving you a broad foundation for teaching and learning with your future students.



Here's what you'll do:

- Spend your afternoons in academic and teacher-preparation classes at the UNC Center for Urban Education at the Denver Center in Lowry. Evening classes now available.
- Focus on one academic class at a time, permitting you to complete individual classes in five weeks.
- Come away from each classroom experience richer in what you've learned because you're focused more clearly on the subject at hand.
- Immediately start taking instructional methods classes to learn how to teach all subject areas to children—you won't wait until your junior and senior years.
- Bring what you learn in the teaching methods classes into your apprenticeship classroom immediately—putting into practice what you learn and seeing for yourself what works.
- Take advantage of special seminars on extracurricular but critical topics such as classroom management, alternative reading strategies, ethics and stress management.

