At the University of Northern Colorado (UNC) our Vision and Mission Statements drive all of our educational practices including teaching and research. Our belief is that *Education is a Transformational Enterprise*, and this framework serves as the foundation for decision-making and planning for the Professional Education Unit (PEU) as well as our college. Collectively, the Vision, Mission, and PEU Candidate Outcomes of the College of Education and Behavioral Sciences (CEBS) represent the philosophical constructs upon which the dedicated efforts of faculty members, staff, colleagues, and constituents are grounded. We offer 56 approved licensure programs in almost all areas of education (28 graduate and 27 undergraduate), as well as a variety of related service provider programs that include on-campus, off-campus, and online instructional formats. Education is at the heart of our university and we know the best ways to prepare educational professionals since that has been our calling for some 116 years. How will you shape the future?

**VISION STATEMENT**

We support the belief that education is transformational; that candidates who successfully complete our professional education programs make a difference in the lives of their students and clients. For humankind, according to Paulo Freire, “to transform the world is to humanize it” (1998, p. 501). The vision of the CEBS is to lead conversations around issues of human enlightenment, social conscience, content knowledge, and mutual caring. This ideal includes helping candidates acquire the skills, the ability, and the will to impact all students’ life chances. Our vision is to inspire in candidates a heightened and consequential sense of responsibility for stewardship of our schools, our communities, and our world.

**MISSION STATEMENT**

The College of Education and Behavioral Sciences contributes to the betterment of society through research, professional service, and the preparation of individuals who are skilled, lifelong learners capable of working effectively with diverse populations in an evolving global community.

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