

INTERNATIONAL FIELD EXPERIENCE to BELIZE

Spring, 2014

Watson College of Education (WCE)

University of North Carolina Wilmington

Please complete this application for participation. Once you have submitted an application based upon the submission process below, the committee will review your submissions and invite selected candidates for a brief interview. The WCE international field experience committee will use predetermined program requirements to identify appropriate teacher candidates and **invite each to interview** for this highly selective program. The committee plans to have only one application deadline and only one acceptance date, but the committee reserves the right to re-open the field experience applications depending upon availability of quality teacher candidates.

The **application deadline** is **Monday, September 9th at midnight**. Any applications received after the deadline will only be considered if program availability exists. Upon review of field experience applications, the committee will select, notify and invite teacher candidates to interview. Those **invitations to schedule an interview** will be sent to each student's e-mail address on **Friday, September 13th by 5:00 PM**. Each interviewed student will be notified of the committee's **decision** no later than **Monday, September 30th at 5:00 PM**.

If accepted, each student will be required to make a **\$200 NON-REFUNDABLE deposit** no later than **Friday, October 18th**. You will also be required to attend mandatory orientation meetings during both Fall, 2013 and Spring, 2014 semesters. Check the webpage for any and all announcements (<http://people.uncw.edu/kubaskod/international.html>).

Submit a completed application in electronic copy to:

Dr. Dennis S. Kubasko

kubaskod@uncw.edu

Department of ITFSE

Watson College of Education

If you have any questions or require further information, please contact Dr. Dennis Kubasko at 962-3168 or kubaskod@uncw.edu.

Please type or write clearly:

1. Name: _____

2. ID : _____

3. Gender: _____

4. Date of Birth ____/____/____

5. Country of Citizenship: _____

6. UNCW Residency Status: In-state ☐ Out-of-state ☐

7. Local address:

8. Email address: _____

9. Phone (local): _____ Phone (Permanent): _____

10. Person (s) to contact in case of emergency:

Name (s): Relationship to you:

Address: _____

Phone: (with area code): _____

Email: _____

11. Do you receive federal or state loans? Yes ☐ No ☐

12. Do you receive UNCW financial aid? Yes ☐ No ☐

13. Do you receive tuition remission? Yes ☐ No ☐

14. Cumulative GPA: _____

15. Major field: _____ Minor field: _____

16. Recommendation(s): Please list the name of two or more UNCW faculty members who are willing to comment on your potential for success in this program.

17. This program involves some rigorous physical conditions (e.g., heat, humidity, hiking on uneven ground, long bus rides, etc.). Do you have any health conditions that might prevent you from full participation? Do you have any dietary restrictions?
(NOTE: We never make acceptance decisions on the basis of physical ability. This information is for the committee to plan for necessary accommodations and modifications.)

18. In programs such as this, there are a number of challenges, including:

- a. living and traveling as a group, and
- b. adapting to the local culture.

What strengths do you believe you have that will help you overcome these challenges?

What weaknesses do you believe you may have to overcome to get the most out of this experience? Please address each question.

19. The committee believes our past success integrating the field experience in Belize is due primarily to establishing 'reciprocal relationships' (both UNCW students and the Belizean community benefit from the work). What do you intend to give back to the San Pedro community as a participant in this field experience? How will your participation in the field experience benefit the community where you will be living and working for five weeks?

20. Please attach a typed personal statement outlining your reasons for wanting to participate in this program. Please address the following:

- a. Describe your **academic** goals
- b. Describe your **personal** goals.
- c. What are expectations do you have of **yourself**?
- d. What expectations do you have of your field experience **professors**?
- e. Describe any **past travel experiences** that are related to this program (international or national).