Our new initiative will provide financial support to up to 50 teachers obtain their birth-to-kindergarten license from UNC Charlotte’s Cato College of Education. The accelerated program helps those with a bachelor’s degree seeking a Graduate Certificate in Teaching and a license to teach birth through kindergarten at MECK Pre-K, Mecklenburg County’s educational program for 4-year-olds.

Admission to the Graduate Certificate in Teaching program is required to apply for the grant. Applications are reviewed on a rolling basis, and interested candidates should apply as soon as possible.

https://gradadmissions.charlotte.edu/

The initiative funds:
- More than 85% of tuition
- Books and materials
- Expenses related to family care

The program is made possible through PNC Grow Up Great®, a $500 million initiative that helps prepare children ages birth to five, especially underserved children, for success in school and life.

Learn more about the Cato College of Education at education.charlotte.edu

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**Workforce friendly**
- Hybrid and online coursework paired with convenient on-site clinical training
- The program can be completed in as few as 18 months.

**Practical Training**
- Targeted practical experiences to support the needs of educators.
- Our faculty are among the top experts in the field. They focus on bridging theory and practice to provide you with practical knowledge that will help students grow.

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