Alternative Licensure Program (Certificate)
ELEMENTARY, SECONDARY, or SPECIAL EDUCATION 2012-2014

This program of study leads to teacher licensure for individuals who already hold a degree (bachelor’s, master’s, or doctorate) from a regionally accredited college or university. Teacher candidates can choose from one of the following courses of study:

- **Elementary Education**—work in diverse educational settings in grades kindergarten through eight.
- **Secondary Education**—work in diverse educational settings in grades seven through twelve.
- **Special Education**—work with a diverse learning population and acquire strategies that are effective for all learners.

**Admission to the Alternative Licensure Program**
1. Admission to Northern
2. Completed Alternative Licensure Program application
3. Letter of Intent
4. Two (2) letters of recommendation
5. Transcript (s) of highest degree conferred
6. Completed application materials will be reviewed by the College of Education and teacher candidates advised accordingly

**FOR ALTERNATIVE ELEMENTARY (K-8) you must have one of the following:**

- **Bachelor’s Degree** (from a regionally accredited college or university) including 30 semester hours in a combination of language arts, mathematics, science, history, fine & performing arts and modern, classical & native language
  OR
- **Master’s Degree** (from a regionally accredited college or university) including 12 graduate hours in a combination of language arts, mathematics, science, history, fine & performing arts and modern, classical & native language
  OR
- **Doctor’s Degree** (from a regionally accredited college or university) in elementary education

**FOR ALTERNATIVE SECONDARY (7-12) you must have one of the following:**

- **Bachelor’s Degree** (from a regionally accredited college or university) including 30 semester hours in a teaching field
  OR
- **Master’s Degree** (from a regionally accredited college or university) including 12 graduate hours in a teaching field
  OR
- **Doctor’s Degree** (from a regionally accredited college or university) in the teaching field

**FOR ALTERNATIVE SPECIAL EDUCATION (K-12) you must have one of the following:**

- **Bachelor’s Degree** (from a regionally accredited college or university) including 30 semester hours in a combination of language arts, mathematics, science, history, fine & performing arts and modern, classical & native language
  OR
- **Master’s Degree** (from a regionally accredited college or university) including 12 graduate hours in a combination of language arts, mathematics, science, history, fine & performing arts and modern, classical & native language
OR

**Doctor’s Degree** (from a regionally accredited college or university) in special education

**ELEMENTARY (K-8)**
- ED 401 Foundations of Education (3)
- ED 412 Teaching and Diagnosis of Reading (Elem) (3)
- ED 452 Pedagogy and Human Learning (3)
- ED 464 Reading and Writing Across the Curriculum (Elem) (3)
- ED 493 The Integrated Elementary Classroom (2)
- ED 492 Assessment and Evaluation of Student Learning (3)
- ED 496 Supervised Field Experience (Elem) (1)
- ED 496L Supervised Field Experience Lab (Elem) (2)

**TOTAL CREDITS: 20**

**SECONDARY (7-12)**
- ED 401 Foundations of Education (3)
- ED 452 Pedagogy and Human Learning (3)
- ED 462 Reading and Writing Across the Curriculum (Sec) (3)
- ED 474 Methods and Materials in Secondary Education (3)
- ED 492 Assessment and Evaluation of Student Learning (3)
- ED 498 Supervised Field Experience (Sec) (1)
- ED 498L Supervised Field Experience Lab (Sec) (2)

**TOTAL CREDITS: 18**

**SPECIAL EDUCATION (K-12)**
- SPED 401 Foundations of Education (3)
- SPED 455 The Special Education Program: IEPs and Assessment (4)
- SPED 465 Reading for Special Learners (3)
- SPED 475 Curriculum Methods and Materials for Special Learners (3)
- SPED 485 Teaching Reading in Special Education (3)
- SPED 497 Supervised Field Experience (1)
- SPED 497L Supervised Field Experience Lab (3)

**TOTAL CREDITS: 20**