B.Ed. Elementary Curriculum

Approved English, Canadian Studies, Mathematics, and Lab Science courses at College of the Rockies

Based on the September 2017 University of Victoria calendar, College of the Rockies website, and the online BC transfer guide. This information is subject to change if these sources change.

Have a question? Contact the Education Advising Office (Faculty of Education): adve@uvic.ca or (250) 721-7877

View complete details about the program format, admission requirements, and application deadlines at the program website: www.uvic.ca/education/elementarycurriculum.

This four-year program provides engaging, relevant and high-quality preparation for the responsibilities and challenges of today’s classrooms. The core education courses are offered over three winter sessions commencing with year two.

Students are accepted into year one (directly from high school) and year two of this program. Each entry point has specific admission criteria. You may make yourself eligible for year two entry by completing the first-year courses at UVic or another institution.

Year one includes 12 units of required courses and 3 units of academic electives. All courses must be approved. For more information about approved academic electives visit the program website linked above. 1.5 units is normally equivalent to 3-4 credits at other BC institutions.

Application deadline and first deadline for submission of official transcript(s): February 28

- Information on how to apply is available on UVic’s Faculty of Education website starting in October at www.uvic.ca/education/home/home/apply/ugapply/index.php.
- Your transcript(s) must list grades for courses attempted to December 31 and courses in-progress to April 30.

Final official transcript(s) deadline: May 31

- To meet this deadline, all required courses must be completed by April 30.

If you want to take a course that is not listed here, or take a combination of courses from more than one institution, or if you have taken courses prior to 2017/18, consult UVic Education Advising.

Approved English

Select two from:

- ENGL 100 English Composition
- ENGL 101 Introduction to Poetry and Drama
- ENGL 102 Introduction to Prose Fiction
- ENGL 270 Children’s Literature

Notes:

- Grades of C+ or higher in each of two approved English courses are needed to demonstrate written English competency.
- We can’t accept technical or creative writing courses.
- We can’t accept two English composition/academic writing courses (at least one must be a literature studies topic).

Canadian Studies

Choose courses that focus on the Canadian experience and that cover topics taught in the BC elementary social studies curriculum.

Select two from:

- One of ANTH 105 Introduction to Health and Wellness in Aboriginal Communities or FNST 203 Indigenous Ways of Knowing
- ANTH 120 Aboriginal Worldviews on Contemporary Structures
- FNST 101 First Nations Studies
- HIST 201 Pre-Confederation Canada
- HIST 202 Post Confederation Canada (from 1867)
- HIST 211 Women in Canada: 1920 to the Present
- POLI 203 Canadian Government & Politics

Notes:

- Canadian literature and art history courses are not acceptable.
- Pan-Canadian topics are recommended; a maximum of one approved regional studies course will be accepted.
Mathematics

Select two from:

- MATH 101 Finite Mathematics 1
- MATH 102 Finite Mathematics 2
- MATH 103 Differential Calculus
- MATH 104 Integral Calculus
- MATH 105 Mathematics for Teachers
- STAT 106 Statistics

Notes:

- We suggest that you take two of MATH 101, 102, 105.
- A C+ average or higher on two approved mathematics courses is needed to demonstrate competency in mathematics.
- Courses completed more than 10 years prior to entry to year two are not accepted.
- Pre-calculus and introductory college algebra topics are not accepted.

Laboratory Science

Elementary teachers are encouraged to take a field-based, hands-on approach to teaching sciences. Diversity in topics is recommended.

Select two from:

- ASTR 100 Astronomy
- BIOL 101 Introduction to Biology 1
- BIOL 102 Introduction to Biology 2
- BIOL 151 Biology of the Environment
- CHEM 100 Introduction to Environmental Chemistry
- CHEM 101 Fundamentals of Chemistry 1
- CHEM 102 Fundamentals of Chemistry 2
- GEOG 101 Introduction to Physical Geography 1*
- GEOL 105 An Introduction to Geology*
- GEOL 106 Physical and Historical Geology*
- One of BIOL 181 Introductory Human Anatomy and Physiology 1, KNES 190 Basic Human Anatomy, KNES 200 Introductory Human Anatomy and Physiology 1
- PHYS 103 Introduction to Physics 1
- PHYS 104 Introduction to Physics 2

Notes:

- Courses completed more than 10 years prior to entry to year two are not accepted.
- We recommend courses with a weekly 3-hour lab, but will accept those that average at least 1.5 hours lab time a week.
- Students who took GEOG 101, GEOL 105 or GEOL 106 prior to 2011 should consult an education adviser.

Academic Electives

- Courses transferable to UVic (BC Transfer Guide www.bctransferguide.ca) for a total of 3.0 UVic units are required either during year one or in a summer session before entering year four.
- Consult the program website for information about the approved electives. Call Education Advising if you are unsure that your choices are acceptable.