Secondary Post-Degree Professional Program (September entry)
(Bachelor of Education degree or Diploma)

Guidelines for determining admission eligibility with English

Questions? Contact Education Advising: adv@uvic.ca

This information is subject to change. Consult an adviser if you are planning to enter this program after 2018.

Program admission requirements

1. Admissibility to the university. The Undergraduate Admissions and Records office determines eligibility for admission to UVic.
2. An acceptable undergraduate bachelor’s degree recognized by the University of Victoria.
3. 3.0 units of approved English (literature and composition or all literature).
4. Demonstrated competency in written English (grade requirement; see page 2).
5. A sessional grade-point average (GPA) of at least 3.0/9-point scale (UVic C+). See page 2.
6. A 30-unit GPA of at least 3.0/9-point scale (UVic C+). See page 2.
7. Approved academic studies in one or two teachable subjects relevant to the BC curriculum. The list of available subjects is provided on the program website at www.uvic.ca/education/secondarypdp.
8. A minimum GPA of at least 4.00/9-point scale (UVic B-) on the specified courses in each teachable subject area (see below).
9. Applicants must describe their learning and teaching goals, relevant experience, skill, and interest in working with youth in educative ways via supporting documents (such as a letter of intent, résumé and reference forms). Eligible applicants may also be invited to attend an interview.

➔ Between September and January 2, go to www.uvic.ca/education/home/home/apply/ugapply/index.php for application instructions and faculty selection criteria for the upcoming intake.

Notes
- A 1.5-unit course (equivalent to 3-4 credits at most institutions) meets for at least 3 hours per week for 13 weeks (one term).
- At UVic, ‘upper-level’ refers to 300 and/or 400-level courses normally taken in third and fourth year after introductory studies.

Teachable subject area: English

☐ I will have an English major, an English honours degree or UVic’s combined major in English and French (Canadian literature). Go to section A.
☐ I will have an undergraduate degree but not a major or honours in English. Go to section B for the 15 units needed.

• 15 units of upper-level English with a B- average are required to apply with English as a single teaching area (one teaching major).
• The upper-level English requirement is reduced to 9 units for those with an approved second teaching area (two teaching concentrations).
• The topics listed in section B are recommended for all prospective applicants.
• Prospective candidates with 3-year undergraduate degrees will have their transcripts reviewed on a case-by-case basis by the faculty English adviser.
• You’ll find all BC curriculum documents by subject and grade on the BC Ministry of Education website.

A. Upper-level English course codes/titles/institution name

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B. List courses that satisfy the requirements below (total 15 units needed on lines 1-6 for the concentration or major).

If needed, due to any lower-level courses on lines 1-3, use line 7 to top up to the required total of upper-level English (15 units of upper-level English for a teaching major or 9 units upper-level for a teaching concentration).

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*1.5 units additional Shakespeare studies may count on line 5 (English literature before 1900).
## Admission requirements

### Undergraduate degree

Undergraduate Admissions and Records will confirm that you have a recognized undergraduate degree upon application.

- ☐ I was awarded a bachelor’s degree by (name of university) __________________________ by (month/year) ____________
- ☐ My bachelor’s degree is in-progress. I expect to graduate from (name of university) __________________________ by (month/year) ____________

My major is: __________________________ My minor, if applicable, is: __________________________

Please list all other post-secondary institutions attended. Include Advanced Placement and International Baccalaureate if applicable.

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### Approved English (3 units)

- 3 units of approved literature, or
- 1.5 units of approved literature and 1.5 units of approved English composition.

Examples of acceptable UVic courses include: ENGL (115* or 135* or 215*), 146, 147, 200A, 200B, 200C, 201, 202, 203, 207, 208, 209, or 260.

"English composition. Note ENGL 115 is no longer offered. Teacher Regulation Branch regulations do not allow us to accept communications, creative writing, journalism, or technical writing courses or more than 1.5 units of composition".

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### Written English Competency

- This will be satisfied with a grade of C+ or higher in each of two approved English courses.
- Consult an education adviser if you’ve completed any English course with less than a C+ grade.
- See Faculty of Education section 12.1 in the calendar at [web.uvic.ca/calendar2017-09/undergrad/education/teacher-admissions.html](http://web.uvic.ca/calendar2017-09/undergrad/education/teacher-admissions.html)

- ☐ Satisfied with grades of C+ or higher in each of the above approved English courses.
- ☐ Above approved English courses are planned or in progress.
- ☐ Not yet satisfied with grades on the above approved English courses.

### Minimum Grade Point Averages

To be considered for selection by faculty, you’ll need:

- An average of at least 3.00/9-point scale on the most recent 30 units attempted to December 31. This GPA will be a factor in selection for program admission.
- An average of at least 3.00/9-point scale on the most recent sessional GPA of at least 12 units attempted to April 30.
- An average of at least 4.00/9-point scale on specified courses included in the teachable subject area(s).
- Information about UVic’s grading system and a sample GPA calculation can be found at [www.uvic.ca/registrar/students/policies/calc/index.php](http://www.uvic.ca/registrar/students/policies/calc/index.php).

Grade point average conversions from other institutions and calculations are done by Undergraduate Admissions and Records upon application.

1 3.00 on UVic’s 9-point scale is equivalent to C+ (UVic 65 – 69%).
2 4.00 on UVic’s 9-point scale is equivalent to B- (UVic 70 – 72%).

### Application deadlines

- **Application deadline** .................................................................Applications are accepted during the fall term and up to: January 2
- **Document deadline** (including transcripts showing grades to December 31 and in-progress registrations to April 30) .................................................................January 31
- **Completion of all admission requirements including a degree** .................................................................April 30
- **Final document deadline** (transcripts from elsewhere showing grades for courses completed to April 30) .................................................................May 31

Information about the application process is available from the Faculty of Education website [www.uvic.ca/education](http://www.uvic.ca/education) from September to January annually.