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

Guidelines for determining admission eligibility with Mandarin  

Questions? Contact Education Advising: adve@uvic.ca  

This information is subject to change. Consult an adviser if you are planning to enter this program after 2017.

Program admission requirements common to all teaching areas

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).
4. Demonstrated competency in written English (grade requirement; see page 2).
5. A sessional grade-point average (GPA) of at least 3.00/9-point scale (UVic C+). See page 2.
6. A 30-unit GPA of at least 3.00/9-point scale (UVic C+). See page 2.
7. Academic preparation in one or two approved subjects (referred to as one teaching major or two teaching concentrations) relevant to the BC curriculum.
8. A minimum GPA of at least 4.00/9-point scale (UVic B-) on the specified courses in each teaching 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).
- You may be eligible to apply with a ‘teaching major’ even though you did not complete a major in that subject in your first degree.
- At UVic, ‘upper-level’ refers to 300 and/or 400-level courses normally taken in third and fourth year after introductory studies.

Mandarin teaching concentration requirements

All prospective candidates, including native speakers of Mandarin, require at least 12 units of university-level Mandarin studies (including at least 9 units at the upper-level) to qualify for admission. Prospective Mandarin candidates will have their transcripts reviewed on a case-by-case basis.

You may be interested in reviewing the BC secondary Mandarin curriculum documents (IRP) on the BC Ministry of Education’s website.

All prospective candidates, including native Mandarin speakers, must successfully pass a language proficiency examination (oral and written) normally held in April.

An approved teaching major must be combined with the Mandarin teaching concentration. Because Mandarin is not taught in every BC secondary school, it may not be possible to find a suitable practicum placement. In that event, the practicum placement will be made based on the teaching major.

My teaching major is: ____________________________

Self Assessment

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minimum B- average required on upper-level courses (9 units)

Reviewed by adviser: ____________________________ Date: ____________________________
Admission requirements

Undergraduate degree from an accredited university (this will be evaluated by Undergraduate Admissions and Records 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.

1. __________________________________________ 3. __________________________________________

2. __________________________________________ 4. __________________________________________

Approved English Literature and Composition (3 units)

No more than 1.5 units of composition can be accepted*. Teacher Regulation Branch regulations do not allow us to accept communications, creative writing, journalism, or technical writing courses. Examples of acceptable UVic courses include: ENGL (135* or 215*), 146, 147, 200A, 200B, 200C, 201, 202, 203, 207, 208, 209, or 260. *English composition course.

Approved English:

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Written English Competency

See Faculty of Education section 8.1 in the calendar at http://web.uvic.ca/calendar2017-01/undergrad/education/teacher-admissions.html.

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.

☐ 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.

Required grade averages (these will be calculated by Undergraduate Admissions and Records upon application).

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

• a C+² average on the last 30 units attempted to December 31

• a C+ average on most recent session/term or most recent 12 units attempted.

• a B-³ average on the upper-level courses included in the teaching area(s). If there are fewer than 9 units upper-level, 200-level courses will be included.

• Information about UVic’s grading system and a sample GPA calculation can be found at www.uvic.ca/registrar/students/policies/calc/index.php.

²A C+ is equivalent to 3.00 on UVic’s 9-point scale (UVic 65 – 69%).
³A B- is equivalent to 4.00 on UVic’s 9-point scale (UVic 70 – 72%).

One teaching major or two teaching concentrations

☐ Required teaching concentration/major course work is complete or in-progress. See previous page.

☐ Course work is required. See previous page.

Application deadlines

Information about the application process is available from the Faculty of Education website www.uvic.ca/education from September to January annually.

Application deadline ................................................................................................................................. January 2

Document deadline (including transcripts showing grades for courses completed to December 31) .................................................................................................................. 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