This handout lists courses offered at College of the Rockies that you can take to make yourself eligible for admission to the University of Victoria’s four-year elementary teacher education program. The handout is based on the September 2020 University of Victoria Calendar, the College of the Rockies website, and the online BC Transfer Guide. This information is subject to future change.

Tip! When planning your course combinations, it is important to confirm that they do not have overlapping content and that you can receive credit for all of your selected courses at both the institution(s) offering the courses and UVic. Refer to course descriptions on institution websites, which contain notes about course combinations, and the BC Transfer Guide (link above), which provides information about how courses transfer to UVic and notes about course combinations that won’t receive credit.

Want to take a course that is not listed here? Not sure whether a course you took prior to 2020/21 is approved? Contact Advising for the Faculty of Education by calling 250-721-7877 or by writing to adve@uvic.ca.

For complete information about the admission, experience, and program requirements, refer to our website:
- Faculty of Education <https://www.uvic.ca/education/curriculum/undergraduate/home/programs/elmbed/index.php>

What do I need to be eligible for admission?

To be considered for entry to year two, you must satisfy both academic and experience requirements. More details are provided on the faculty website (see link above).

Academic requirements:
- approved coursework in each of English, Canadian studies, mathematics, laboratory science
- minimum UVic C+ average in two approved math courses
- minimum UVic C+ grades in each approved English course
- sessional grade average of a least UVic C+ based on a minimum of 12 UVic units or eight half-year courses.

These requirements must be completed by April 30th of the year of application so that a final transcript is received at UVic by May 31.

Experience requirement
You’ll need 75 hours of relevant experience working with groups of children in educative ways. Babysitting experience would not satisfy this requirement, but working as a camp counsellor would, for example.

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:
- You’ll need a grade of UVic C+ or higher in each course.
- We can’t accept communications, technical or creative writing courses.
- We can’t accept two English composition/academic writing courses. At least one must be a literature studies topic.

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

Select two from:
- One of ANTH 105 Introduction to Health and Wellness in Indigenous Communities or FNST 203 Indigenous Ways of Knowing
- *ANTH 120 Introduction to Indigenous World Views (BC Focus)
- FNST 101 First Nations Studies. I
- HIST 201 Pre-Confederation Canada
- HIST 202 Post-Confederation Canada (from 1867)
- HIST 208 Canadian-American Relations 1867 to the Present
- HIST 211 Women in Canada: 1920 to the Present
- HIST 230 Canada’s Environmental History
- POLI 203 Canadian Government & Politics

Notes:
- Pan-Canadian topics are recommended.
- *No more than one approved regional studies course will be accepted.
- We can’t accept Canadian literature or fine arts courses.
**Approved mathematics**
Select two from:

- MATH 101 Finite Mathematics 1
- MATH 103 Differential Calculus
- MATH 104 Integral Calculus
- MATH 105 Mathematics for Teachers I
- MATH 107 Mathematics for Teachers II
- STAT 106 Statistics

**Notes:**
- You’ll need a UVic C+ average or higher on two mathematics courses to demonstrate competency in mathematics.
- We suggest that you take Math 105 and 107.
- We may be able to accept maximum one statistics course if that course was taken from a mathematics department.
- We won’t accept courses completed more than 10 years prior to program entry.
- We won’t accept pre-calculus or introductory college algebra.

**Approved laboratory science**
We suggest that you choose courses from two subjects to develop a more comprehensive science background. You’ll teach all science subjects in your elementary classroom. The courses you take must include a laboratory component because elementary teachers are encouraged to take a field-based, hands-on approach to teaching sciences.

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
- ENSC 101 Introduction to Environmental Science (start date is September 2020, registration available in April 2020)
- GEOG 101 Introduction to Physical Geography
- GEOL 105 An Introduction to Geology
- GEOL 106 Physical and Historical Geology
- BIOL 181 Introductory Human Anatomy and Physiology 1 or KNES 190 Basic Human Anatomy or KNES 200 Functional Anatomy and Physiology I
- PHYS 103 Introduction to Physics 1
- PHYS 104 Introduction to Physics 2

**Notes:**
- May 2020 – April 2021: the minimum 1.5 hour per week in-person lab requirement is being temporarily waived due to current availability. The lab science course content requirements remain the same.
- We won’t accept more than one human anatomy/physiology course.
- We won’t accept courses completed more than 10 years prior to program entry.

**Approved academic electives**
This program includes two academic electives related to topics taught in BC schools. You can take these electives in year one or in a summer session following years one, two or three. Tip! You must complete both academic electives before entering year four.

**Notes:**
- Additional Canadian studies, English, and/or laboratory science courses may be taken as academic electives.
- We suggest that you take one or more French courses because you’ll teach French in your classroom. The BEd program includes EDCI 469 Teaching Oral French. While a university French course is not a prerequisite, it would be beneficial.
- Consider choosing your academic electives from COTR’s ANTH 101, ANTH 102, ANTH 216, COMP 105, CRWT 101, CRWT 102, FA 100, FA 105, FA 106, FA 107, FREN 101, FREN 102, FREN 111, FREN112, POLI 100, PSYC 101, PSYC 102, PSYC 151, SOCI 101, SOCI 102.
- Use the BC Transfer Guide www.bctransferguide.ca to confirm that the courses you want to take transfer to UVic. See the tip at the top of this form (page 1) regarding planning course combinations that do not have overlapping course content.

**How and when to apply**

**January 31 –** Application deadline. For information on how to apply, visit the Faculty of Education website starting in the fall. Tip! Submit your application in January after you’ve finalized your January – April course registration.

**January 31 –** First transcript deadline. Transcripts are required for all courses attempted to December 31 and all courses in-progress to April 30.

**May 31 –** Final transcript deadline. Transcripts are required for all courses attempted to April 30 (course completion deadline).

**Questions? Contact UVic Education Advising**
- by telephone at (250) 721-7877
- by email at adv@uvic.ca - we aim to respond to email within five business days