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 2022 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 at both the institution(s) offering the courses and UVic. Refer to course descriptions on institution websites for possible notes related to combining courses. Refer to the BC Transfer Guide (linked above) for information about how courses transfer to UVic as well as notes about course combinations that will not receive credit. **It is your responsibility to check the BCTG for the term(s) you are taking coursework to ensure you can expect transfer credit.** Note: official transfer credit is still only confirmed by Undergraduate Admission upon admission to UVic.

See **admission requirements** on our program website: 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 point 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 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. Refer to the **program website** for details about this requirement, including the number of hours required (**updated each September for the following year’s intake**)

**Approved English**

Select **two** from:

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

**Notes:**
- You’ll need a grade of UVic C+ or higher in each course to demonstrate competency in written English.
- We are not able to accept communications, technical or creative writing courses.
- We can’t accept two English composition/academic writing courses. At least one course must be a literature 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:

- FNST 101 First Nations Studies I
- HIST 201 Pre-Confederation Canada
- HIST 202 Post-Confederation Canada (from 1867)
- HIST 208 Canadian-American Relations
- HIST 211 Women in Canada: 1920 to the Present
- HIST 230 Canada’s Environmental History
- INDG 105 Introduction to Health and Wellness in Indigenous Communities

- INDG 203 Indigenous Ways of Knowing
- POLI 203 Canadian Government & Politics

**Notes:**
- Pan-Canadian topics are recommended.
- *No more than one approved regional studies course will be accepted.
- We are not able to 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

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
- GEOG 101 Introduction to Physical Geography
- GEOL 105 An Introduction to Geology
- GEOL 106 Physical and Historical Geology

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 prior to year three. Tip! Academic electives must be complete before entering year four of the program.

Notes:
- You'll need a UVic C+ average or higher in 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 are not able to accept courses completed more than 10 years prior to program entry.
- We are not able to accept pre-calculus or introductory college algebra.

- BIOL 181 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:
- * We recommend courses with a weekly 3-hour lab, but will accept those that average at least 1.5 hours lab time a week.
- We are not able to accept more than one human anatomy/physiology course.
- We are not able to accept courses completed more than 10 years prior to program entry.

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 advc@uvic.ca - we aim to respond to email within five business days

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