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): edve@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 eight approved courses and two academic electives for a total of 15 UVic units, or 30 COTR credits.

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 web site 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 208 Canadian-American Relations 1867 to the Present
• 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

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 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

The academic electives must be related to topics taught in BC schools. Most students take the electives in year one, but you may complete them in the summer session following years one, two or three. The academic electives must be completed before entering year four.

Tips!
- Additional Canadian studies, English, and/or laboratory science may be taken as academic electives.
- We suggest you take one or more French courses because you'll teach French in your classroom. The BEd program includes EDCI 469 Teaching Oral French. University French is not a prerequisite to EDCI 469.
- 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 102, PSYC 151, SOCI 101, SOCI 102.
- Use the BC Transfer Guide www.bctransferguide.ca to confirm the courses you plan to take transfer to UVic.
- Check with an adviser in the Faculty of Education if unsure about your choices.