Approved English, Canadian Studies, Mathematics, and Lab Science courses at North Island College.

Based on the September 2017 University of Victoria calendar, North Island College 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 12 units of required courses and 3 units of academic electives. All courses must be approved. For more information about approved academic electives visit the program website linked above. 1.5 units is normally equivalent to 3-4 credits at other BC institutions.

**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:
- One of ENG 115 Essay Writing and Critical Analysis OR ENG 116 Essay Writing and Indigenous Perspectives OR ENG 117 Academic Writing
- ENG 120 Introduction to Literature: Short Stories and the Novel
- ENG 121 Introduction to Literature: Poetry and Drama
- ENG 125 Composition & Indigenous Literature I
- ENG 126 Composition & Indigenous Literature II

**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:
- FNS 200 Pre- & Post-Contact First Nations of Canada
- HIS 111 Canadian History: Pre-Confederation
- HIS 112 Canadian History: 1867 – Present
- HIS 250 History of Women in Canada, 1600-1920
- HIS 251 History of Women in Canada, 1920 – Present
- POL 108 Canadian Government
- POL 119 Canadian 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.
Select two from:
- MAT 102 Calculus for Life Sciences
- MAT 151 Finite Mathematics
- MAT 162 Math for Elementary Education I
- MAT 163 Math for Elementary Education II
- MAT 181 Calculus I

Notes:
- We suggest that you take MAT 162 and 163.
- 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:
- BIO 102 Principles of Modern Biology II
- BIO 103 Principles of Modern Biology I
- BIO 111 Concepts in Biology II (Inhabiting the Earth)
- **One of** BIO 110 Concepts in Biology I (Inhabiting the Human Body) OR BIO 160 Human Anatomy & Physiology I
- CHE 110 Chemical Principles I
- CHE 111 Chemical Principles II
- GEO 105 Physical Geography I
- GEO 106 Physical Geography II
- SSA 100 Introduction to the Solar System and Space Exploration

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.

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.
- Use the BC Transfer Guide [www.bctransferguide.ca](http://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.