

Pre-admission requirements handout

Bachelor of Education Elementary Curriculum

Faculty of Education

University of Victoria



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 2018 University of Victoria Calendar](#), the [College of the Rockies](#) website, and the online [BC Transfer Guide](#). This information is updated annually.

Consult UVic Education Advising if you want to take a combination of courses from more than one institution or if you have taken courses prior to 2018/19 that aren't listed here.

For detailed information about the admission, experience, and program requirements, refer to:

- **2018 UVic Calendar** at <<https://web.uvic.ca/calendar2018-09/undergrad/education/BEEd-elementary.html#>>, and the
- **Faculty of Education website** at <[>](https://www.uvic.ca/education/curriculum/undergraduate/home/programs/elmbd/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 and the UVic calendar (see above for links).

Academic requirements:

- approved coursework in each of English, Canadian studies, mathematics, laboratory science
- minimum C+ average in two approved math courses
- minimum C+ grades in each approved English course
- sessional grade average of a least 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 C+ or higher in each course.
- We can't accept technical or creative writing courses.
- We can't accept two English composition/academic writing course. 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 Indigenous Worldviews on Contemporary Structures
- 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 102 Finite Mathematics 2
- MATH 103 Differential Calculus
- MATH 104 Integral Calculus
- MATH 105 Mathematics for Teachers
- STAT 106 Statistics

Notes:

-  You'll need a C+ average or higher on two mathematics courses to demonstrate competency in mathematics.
-  We suggest that you take two of MATH 101, 102, 105.
-  We may be able to accept **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 2
- 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 Introductory Human Anatomy and Physiology 1

- PHYS 103 Introduction to Physics 1
- PHYS 104 Introduction to Physics






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 may also be able to accept GEOG 101 and/or 102. Consult an adviser.
-  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, FREN 112, POLI 100, 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.
-  If you have doubts about your choices, consult UVic Education Advising.




How and when to apply

February 28 – Application deadline. For information on how to apply, visit the Faculty of Education website starting in the fall. **Tip!** Submit your application in January or February after you've finalized your January – April course registration.

February 28 – 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

-  in-person in MacLaurin room A225
-  by telephone at (250) 721-7877
-  by email at adve@uvic.ca - we aim to respond to email within five business days