



**Secondary Post-Degree Professional Program (September 2020 entry)**  
(Bachelor of Education degree or Diploma)

University  
of Victoria  
Education

**Guidelines for determining admission eligibility with General Science**

Questions? Contact Education Advising: [adve@uvic.ca](mailto:adve@uvic.ca)

Student name: \_\_\_\_\_

UVic student #: **V00** \_\_\_\_\_

**IMPORTANT: Please watch for updates on the Faculty of Education website ([www.uvic.ca/education/areas-study/teacher-ed](http://www.uvic.ca/education/areas-study/teacher-ed)) - changes to these admission requirements are expected for September 2021 program entry.**

**Program admission requirements**

1. Admissibility to the university. The Undergraduate Admissions and Records office determines eligibility for admission to UVic.
2. An acceptable undergraduate Bachelor's degree recognized by the University of Victoria.
3. 3 units of approved English (literature and composition or all literature).
4. Demonstrated competency in written English (grade requirement; see page 2).
5. A sessional grade-point average (GPA) of at least 3.00/9-point scale (UVic C+). See page 2.
6. A 30-unit GPA of at least 3.00/9-point scale (UVic C+). See page 2.
7. Approved academic studies in one or two teachable subjects relevant to the BC curriculum. The list of available subjects is provided on the program website at [www.uvic.ca/education/curriculum/undergraduate/home/programs/secppp](http://www.uvic.ca/education/curriculum/undergraduate/home/programs/secppp).
8. A minimum GPA of at least 4.00/9-point scale (UVic B-) on the specified courses in each teachable subject area (see below).
9. Applicants must describe their learning and teaching goals, relevant experience, skill, and interest in working with youth in educative ways via supporting documents (such as a statement of intent, résumé and two reference forms). Eligible applicants may also be invited to attend an interview.

→ Between September and January 2, go to [www.uvic.ca/education/curriculum/undergraduate/home/programs/secppp](http://www.uvic.ca/education/curriculum/undergraduate/home/programs/secppp) for application instructions and faculty selection criteria for the upcoming intake.

**Notes**

- A 1.5-unit course (equivalent to 3-4 credits at most institutions) meets for at least 3 hours per week for 13 weeks (one term).
- At UVic, 'upper-level' refers to 300 and/or 400-level courses normally taken in third and fourth year after introductory studies.

**Teachable subject area: General Science**

Courses completed 10 or more years ago must be reviewed for currency. Currency review required?  Yes  No

If you have completed science courses, but not the requirements specified for a teaching area in biology, chemistry or physics, you may be eligible for the general science teaching area. General science may not be combined with biology, chemistry, or physics teaching areas. A general science teacher needs a diverse science background. See the curriculum documents for science 8 – 10 on the BC Ministry of Education's web site.

Due to limited practicum opportunities and program seats, we strongly recommend combining this subject with a second teachable subject other than social studies.

Self Assessment		Course & institution (if not UVic)	units	grade
A	<b>Mathematics or logic:</b> <b>Accepted:</b> UVic's MATH (100 or 102 or 109), 101, 151, Stats (from a Math Department), or equivalent courses taken elsewhere. <b>Not accepted:</b> UVic's MATH 120, 161, 162, 242, 360 or similar topics.		1.5	
	<b>History or philosophy of science, medicine or technology</b> For example, UVic's BIOL 400, 489; ENGR 297; ES 314, 321; HSTR 130, 131; PHIL 220, 331, 333, 356, 430; or Thompson Rivers University online HUMN 3011 or 3991.		1.5	
	<b>Astronomy, chemistry, biology, earth &amp; ocean science, physical geography or physics (lower-level).</b> We require two courses from different disciplines areas.		1.5 1.5	
B	<b>Provide course numbers and titles for 12 units of science<sup>1</sup>.</b> Of these, at least 10.5 units must be upper-level. Courses in astronomy, biology, biochemistry chemistry, earth & ocean sciences, geology, microbiology, physics and physical geography may be considered for approval. Please provide the name of the institution(s) where the courses were taken if not at UVic.			
	1. Any level:		1.5	
	2. Upper-level:		1.5	
	3. Upper-level:		1.5	
	4. Upper-level:		1.5	
	5. Upper-level:		1.5	
	6. Upper-level:		1.5	
	7. Upper-level:		1.5	
	8. Upper-level:		1.5	
<input type="checkbox"/> Minimum B- average required on upper-level courses				

<sup>1</sup>Faculty of Science courses that cannot be used on a science degree program will not normally be accepted. Examples include: BIOL 334, BIOL 351, BIOL 359, BIOL 400, BIOL 489, CHEM 300A, EOS 350, EOS 365, GEOG 303, and PHYS 303.

For Adviser use only: At least 12 units of TRB-approved science  YES  NO

Reviewed by Adviser: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Admission requirements

### Undergraduate Bachelor's degree

Undergraduate Admissions and Records will confirm whether you have a recognized undergraduate bachelor's degree upon UVic application.

I was awarded a Bachelor's degree by (name of university) \_\_\_\_\_ in (month/year) \_\_\_\_\_

My Bachelor's degree is in-progress. I expect to graduate from (name of university) \_\_\_\_\_ by (month/year) \_\_\_\_\_

My major is: \_\_\_\_\_ My minor, if applicable, is: \_\_\_\_\_

Please list all other post-secondary institutions attended. **Include Advanced Placement and International Baccalaureate if applicable.**

1. _____	3. _____
2. _____	4. _____

### Approved English (3 units)

- 3 units of approved literature, or
- 1.5 units of approved literature and 1.5 units of approved English composition.

**Examples of acceptable UVic courses include: ENGL (115\* or 135\* or 215\*), 146, 147, 200A, 200B, 200C, 201, 202, 203, 207, 208, 209, or 260.**

\*English composition. (Note that ENGL 115 is no longer offered.)

Teacher Certification Branch regulations do not allow us to accept communications, creative writing, journalism, or technical writing courses or more than 1.5 units of composition\*.

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#### Notes

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*Institution, Course, Grade*

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### Written English Competency

- **This will be satisfied with a grade of C+ or higher in each of two approved English courses.**
- Consult an education adviser if you've completed any English course with less than a C+ grade.
- See Faculty of Education section 14.0 in the calendar at <https://web.uvic.ca/calendar2019-09/undergrad/education/teacher-admissions.html>

Satisfied with grades of C+ or higher in each of the above approved English courses.

Above approved English courses are planned or in progress.

Not yet satisfied with grades on the above approved English courses.

### Minimum Grade Point Averages

To be considered for selection by the Faculty, you'll need:

- An average of at least UVic 3.00/C+<sup>1</sup> on the most recent 30 units attempted to December 31. This GPA will be a factor in selection for program admission.
- An average of at least UVic 3.00/C+<sup>1</sup> on the most recent sessional GPA of at least 12 units attempted to April 30.
- An average of at least UVic 4.00/B-<sup>2</sup> on the specified courses included in the teachable subject area(s).

**Grade point average calculations and conversions from other institutions are done by Undergraduate Admissions & Records upon UVic application.** Information about UVic's grading system and a sample GPA calculation can be found at [www.uvic.ca/registrar/students/policies/calc](http://www.uvic.ca/registrar/students/policies/calc).

<sup>1</sup> 3.00 on UVic's 9-point scale is equivalent to C+ (UVic 65 – 69%).

<sup>2</sup> 4.00 on UVic's 9-point scale is equivalent to B- (UVic 70 – 72%).

### Application deadlines

**Application deadline** ..... Applications are accepted during the fall term and up to: January 2

**Document deadline (including transcripts showing grades to December 31 and in-progress registrations to April 30)** ..... January 31

**Completion of all admission requirements including a degree** ..... April 30

**Final document deadline (transcripts from elsewhere showing grades for courses completed to April 30)** ..... May 31

Information about the application process is available from the Faculty of Education website [www.uvic.ca/education](http://www.uvic.ca/education) from **September** to January annually