Guidelines for determining admission eligibility with Spanish

Questions? Contact Education Advising: educ@uvic.ca

IMPORTANT: Please watch for updates on the Faculty of Education website (www.uvic.ca/education/areas-study/teacher-ed) - changes to these admission requirements are expected for September 2022 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/secpdpd.
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.

回顾: Between September and January 2, go to www.uvic.ca/education/curriculum/undergraduate/home/programs/secpdpd 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: Spanish

All prospective candidates, including native speakers of Spanish require at least 12.0 units of university-level Spanish courses to qualify for admission.

Prospective Spanish candidates who have completed UVic’s major or minor in Spanish or an equivalent program elsewhere are eligible for admission. The program must include at least 9 units of upper-level language and/or literature courses (not in translation) with at least B- average.

Note: We will accept up to 1.5 units of cultural studies provided that the course was taught in Spanish and not in English.

The requirements for UVic’s Spanish programs are outlined in the UVic calendar (www.uvic.ca/calendar). In addition to the required lower-level courses, you’ll likely take SPAN 350A, 350B; at least two of SPAN 370, 375, 380, 385; and at least two 400-level Spanish electives. For the electives, choose language and literature courses. We recommend that you choose from SPAN 450A, 490A, 490B and 490C.

You may be interested in reviewing the BC secondary Spanish curriculum documents (IRP) on the BC Ministry of Education’s website.

All prospective candidates, both native and non-native speakers, must successfully pass a language competency examination (oral and written) normally held in April.

Another approved teachable subject area must be combined with the Spanish teachable area. Because Spanish is not taught in every BC secondary school, it may not be possible to find a suitable practicum placement. In that event, the practicum placement will be made based on your other teachable area.

Please circle your other teachable subject area from the following options:
- Art, biology, chemistry, English, French, general science, math, music, physical & health education, physics, or social studies.

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☐ Minimum B- average required on upper-level courses (9 units)

Reviewed by Adviser: ____________________________ Date: ____________________________

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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: ATWP 135*, 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 and ENGL 135 are 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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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 calendar entry at https://www.uvic.ca/calendar/future/undergrad/index.php#/experiences/rJMBbwV6E

☐ 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+ 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+ on the most recent sessional GPA of at least 12 units attempted to April 30.
• An average of at least UVic 4.00/B- 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.

1 3.00 on UVic’s 9-point scale is equivalent to C+ (UVic 65 – 69%).
2 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 from September to January annually.