University
of Victoria
Education

Guidelines for determining admission eligibility with English
Questions? Contact Education Advising: 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) - changes to these admission requirements are expected for September 2023 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 both 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/secpdpp.
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/secpdpp.
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: English

You'll find all BC curriculum documents by subject and grade on the BC Ministry of Education website.

☐ I will have an English major, an English honours degree or UVic's combined major in English and French (Canadian literature). **Go to section A.**

☐ I will have an undergraduate degree but not a major or honours in English. **Go to section B.**

☐ Prospective candidates with 3-year undergraduate degrees will have their transcripts reviewed on a case-by-case basis by the Faculty English Adviser.

A. Upper-level English course codes / titles / institution. See section B for curriculum-relevant topics (optional but recommended).

Applying with English as a single teaching area: total 15 units needed. Applying with two teaching areas: total 9 units needed.

		Units	Grade
1		1.5	
2		1.5	
3		1.5	
4		1.5	
5		1.5	
6		1.5	
7		1.5	
8		1.5	
9		1.5	
10		1.5	
	☐ **Minimum B- average required**	**9u or 15u**	

B. List courses that satisfy the requirements below.

Applying with English as a single teaching area: total 15 units needed, all must be upper-level.*
Applying with two teaching areas: total 15 units needed, at least 9 units of which must be upper-level.

				Units		Grade
1	**Canadian literature** (any-level*)			1.5	1.5	/
2	***Adolescent literature:** UVic EDCI 355 or EDCI 356 (*Note: Since EDCI 355/356 are not offered in the 2021/22 winter session, we will accept any 300 or 400-level English literature course for this requirement for Sept. 2022 only)			1.5		
3	**Approved writing** (200-level or higher required*)			1.5	1.5	/
4	**Shakespeare*** (upper-level)			1.5		
5	**English literature before 1900** (upper-level; not Canadian) (Maximum 1.5 units may be Shakespeare)			1.5	1.5	/
6	**English literature after 1900** (upper-level; not Canadian)			1.5	1.5	/
	If applicable: additional upper-level courses to attain necessary upper-level total above (i.e. due to lines 1 and/or 3 being lower level).					
	☐ **Minimum B- average required on the upper-level courses (9 or 15 units)**			**Total 15u**		

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: 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*.

Approved English: **Notes**

_____ 1.5 units _____
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 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+[1] on the most recent 30 units attempted to December 31. <u>This GPA will be a factor in selection for program admission.</u>
- An average of at least UVic 3.00/C+[1] on the most recent sessional GPA of at least 12 units attempted to April 30.
- An average of at least UVic 4.00/B-[2] 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 academic 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