



Secondary B.Ed. Post-Degree Professional Program (September 2023* entry)

Self-Assessment Form

University of Victoria
Education

Guidelines for determining admission eligibility with Biology

Questions? Contact Education Advising: adve@uvic.ca

Name: _____

UVic student #: V _____

*Admission requirements are subject to change for future intakes. Please watch for updates on the program website below.

Program admission requirements

1. Admissibility to the university. Undergraduate Admissions Services determines eligibility for admission to UVic.
2. An acceptable undergraduate Bachelor's degree recognized by Undergraduate Admissions Services.
3. 3 units of approved English literature (or English literature and academic composition).
4. Demonstrated competency in written English (grade requirement; see page two).
5. See the three grade point average (GPA) requirements described on page two.
6. Approved academic studies in one or two teachable subjects relevant to the BC curriculum. A list of available subjects is provided on the website below.
7. Applicants must satisfy the experience requirement described on the program website below. Eligible applicants may also be invited to attend an interview.
8. For current applicant selection criteria, please see the program website below. This is subject to change for future intakes; please see the program website updated annually each fall for the upcoming intake.

→ In the fall, go to the program website for application instructions and information for following year's September intake:

www.uvic.ca/education (→ Our Programs → Teacher Education → Secondary Post-Degree Professional Program)

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: Biology

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

Self Assessment		Course & Institution (if not UVic)	units	grade
A	Mathematics or logic: Accepted: UVic's MATH (100 or 102 or 109), 101, 151, Stats (from a Math Dept), or equivalent course taken elsewhere. Not accepted: UVic's MATH 120, 161, 162, 242, 360 or similar topics.		1.5	
	History or philosophy of science, medicine or technology 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	
	Organic chemistry (for example UVic CHEM 231)		1.5	
B	At least one approved course¹ in at least 4 of the following 5 areas must be included. To understand why we ask for these topics, please see the BC secondary science curriculum documents on the BC Ministry of Education's web site.			
	<input type="checkbox"/> Cell biology (including microbiology, bacteriology) _____			
	<input type="checkbox"/> Genetics (including cell regulation, molecular genetics, DNA, RNA, mutation) _____			
	<input type="checkbox"/> Botany (including plant diversity, algae, fungi, vascular plants, plant physiology, tree biology) _____			
	<input type="checkbox"/> Zoology (including animal physiology, invertebrate zoology, human anatomy, human physiology, neurology, wildlife studies, entomology, ichthyology, herpetology, animal behavioural studies) _____			
<input type="checkbox"/> Environmental sciences (such as ecology, conservation, limnology, soils, earth and ocean sciences, marine sciences, studies of non-human populations dynamics, pollution studies) _____				
C	Provide course numbers, titles, and name of college or university for 12 units of approved biology¹. Of these, at least 9.0 units must be upper-level (may include courses listed in section B above).			
	1. Any level:		1.5	
	2. Any 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- (UVic 4.00) average required on upper-level courses				

¹Courses that cannot be used on a biology degree program will not normally be accepted. Examples include: BIOL 334 Plants and People, BIOL 351 Biology Behind the News, BIOL 359 Food, Diseases and People, BIOL 400 History of Biology, BIOL 489 Conceptual Foundations.

For Adviser use only: At least 12 units of TCB-approved biology YES NO

Reviewed by Adviser: _____

Date: _____

Admission requirements

Undergraduate Bachelor's degree

Undergraduate Admissions Services 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 (2 courses, each worth 1.5 UVic units)

We will accept two literature courses **OR** one literature course with one academic composition course.

Examples of acceptable English courses: Literature: ENGL 146, 147, 200A, 200B, 200C, 201, 202, 203, 207, 208, 209, 260.
Composition: 1 of ATWP 135 (formerly ENGL 135 or 115) or ENGL 215.

BC Teacher Certification regulations do not allow us to accept courses in business/technical writing, communications, creative writing, journalism, linguistics, some cultural studies topics, or more than 1.5 units of composition. Preparatory/fundamental English courses which do not satisfy UVic's Academic Writing Requirement are not acceptable (for example, UVic ATWP 101, formerly ENGL 101).

Two approved English courses:

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Literature: _____ INP COM & grade is: _____

Literature or composition: _____ INP COM & grade is: _____

Written English Competency Requirement

This will be satisfied with a grade of UVic 3.00/C+ or higher in each of two approved English courses.

- Satisfied with grades of C+ (UVic 3.00) or higher in each of the above approved English courses.
- Above approved English courses are to be taken in the future 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 to satisfy the following three GPA requirements (refer to program website updated annually each fall for more information):

- An average of at least UVic 3.00/C+ on the most recent 30 units of graded studies attempted to December.
- An average of at least UVic 3.00/C+ on the most recent sessional GPA of at least 12 units of graded studies attempted.
- An average of at least UVic 4.00/B- on the specified courses included in the teachable subject area(s).

This is calculated by Undergraduate Admissions Services upon application.

Information about UVic's 9-point grade scale and a sample GPA calculation is available at www.uvic.ca/registrar/students/policies/calc.

Application deadlines

Application deadline	Applications are accepted during the fall term and up to: January 2
Experience requirement and supporting documents	January 2
Document deadline (including all official transcripts showing grades to December 31 and in-progress registrations to April 30)	January 31
Completion of all academic admission requirements including a Bachelor's degree	April 30
Final document deadline (official transcripts showing grades for courses completed to April 30)	May 31

Information about the application process is available on the Faculty of Education website www.uvic.ca/education from **September** to January annually