UBC's Community Field Experience
EDUC 430 - Secondary

Student Orientation
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Goals of Presentation

• What is a CFE?
• Why a CFE?
• Where and when can I do a CFE?
• How do I register for my CFE?
• How am I assigned a CFE?

UBC teacher candidate hiking near Prince Rupert
CFE in a Nutshell

- 3 week volunteer (unpaid) field experience

- Teacher candidate helps partner meet their educational objectives

- Teacher candidate observes, engages, assists, reflects upon, and learns about various (non-traditional) forms of teaching and learning

UBC teacher candidates tanning their own hide at Our Ecovillage
Development of the CFE @ UBC...

- “Extended Practicum Beyond the Classroom Option” (since 2004)
- 2011-12, Pilot Program
- 2012-13, *Enhanced Practicum* for all TCs
- 2013-19, Community Field Experience

Monterrey Tech Staff and UBC students
Zacetecas, Mexico
Community Field Experience (CFE)

Research finds that “non-formal” educational involvement helps teachers develop a broader, more holistic view of education than practica limited to classroom settings.
What teacher candidates say they learned through the CFE

64 students voluntarily reported:
95% - The CFE has influenced the way I see myself as a teacher

Leading a class into Husan Caves
- Zeballos, BC
85% - The CFE has increased my willingness to push myself beyond my comfort zone

Gardening Program
- OUR Ecovillage
The CFE helped improve/increase:

- Leadership skills (95%)
- Local Connections skills (89%)
- Communication Skills (82%)
- Self Confidence (82%)

New CFE Militia, Fort Langley BC
Q16 - The Community Field Experience (CFE) was an important part of the program.

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I loved my CFE experience at Quilchena Elementary School. I met another teacher candidate who shared the experience with me and we will continue to be friends throughout our lives. I had the privilege to work in the primary setting, which is different from the secondary setting of my formal practicum, and I learned much from it that I can apply in my work.

– Secondary TC
“Teaching at the SOS Village in Mbabane, Swaziland is one of those once in a lifetime opportunities that does not come along very often. I seized this amazing opportunity and am so glad that I did. Not only do you learn about another culture but being welcomed into the SOS Village with open arms and the relationships that you make with these inspirational children is something that I hold very dear to my heart. It was an experience that I will look fondly back on for the rest of my life”.

Laura S - Elementary TC
“Last Friday I was offered, and accepted, a .71 teaching position at Peter Skene Ogden Secondary in 100 Mile House! I have no doubt that a major reason I was hired for this position was that I spent my CFE in the Cariboo region and had the chance to meet, speak with, and be observed by members of the district”.

Heather K - Secondary TC
The CFE Experience...Student Reflections

Gemma Clarke – Rural Placement in Vancouver Island West (SD 84)
CFE Placements by Location

Community-Based, (Urban) 30%
School-Based (Urban), 34%
School-Based (Rural BC), 19%
Other, 17%
International, 16%
National, 1%
Where in the world are UBC’s international partners?

China (Chongqing, CMLES, Qingdao, Sanya), Germany, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Kenya, Uganda, Japan (Kyoto, Tokyo), England (London, Winchester), India, Mexico (Merida, Queretaro, Monterrey), New Zealand, France, Taiwan, Australia, Switzerland
2019 International CFE Information Session

September 17, 2018
Woodward 2
1230-200 PM
(optional)
Rural & Remote Partnerships

Formal Partnerships with nine BC School Districts:

Placements have incorporated both school and community partners, funding for accommodations and/or teacherages, and three-year commitments to this project.
2020 Community Field Experience
3 week field experience – June 8-26
And now a word from several of our partners...

Susan Geroofsky - UBC Orchard Gardens

Catriona Wilson – Ocean Wise

Katarina Smith – UBC Geering Up
How do I register?

A 4 step process
Step 1: Visit the CFE Website:

http://cfe.educ.ubc.ca/

- CFE overview
- List of Community Partners
- Placement Descriptions
- Testimonials
- Registration Portal
Step 2:

Review the choice of CFE partners and determine your preferences.

• International (optional)
• Rural (optional)
• Local (required - 7)
Step 3:

Locate the CFE Registration Form at:

cfe.educ.ubc.ca
Click right on the menu title, not the drop-down menu!!!
Community Partners

The key purpose of the Community Field Experience is for teacher candidates to experience teaching and learning in a new context that provides a more holistic view of teaching and enhances the teacher candidate’s formal teaching experience.

If you want to participate in the UBC Teacher Education Program 3-week Community Field Experience as a new Community Partner, complete this form.

If you are a returning Community Partner, renew your partnership.

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3. Click ‘Register for the CFE’
Step 4:

Complete Registration Form
University of British Columbia has made an announcement

CFE form

Click here for B.Ed student CFE form

Deadline to apply: October 4th, 2019 at 11:59pm

To activate the application form, type and select "UBC" as your affiliation, and select, "B.Ed Students - EDUC 430 (Community Field Experience) as your Application Type.

Visit the CFE website (http://cfes.educ.ubc.ca) to explore placement opportunities before submitting your preferences.

Need to make changes to your submission? Click here to find your form and go to Edit Selected to change your preferences.
Registration form

Affiliation *
All students - please type and select "UBC" below to activate the form.

UBC

Application Type *

- B.Ed students - EDUC 430 (Community Field Experience)

Current Academic Year *
Please select your current academic year.

- 2019/2020

B.Ed students - Program *
What program have you registered for?

- Elementary & Middle Years

B.Ed students - Elementary/Middle Years cohort *
Which cohort are you a part of?

- Education for Sustainability
B.Ed students - International Placements *

Would you like to request an international placement? (optional)

NB. International and Rural Placements will take precedence over any local placement requests made below due to the increased time and/or expense associated with these placements.

NB. Teacher candidates wishing to apply for an international CFE must also complete one or both of the following forms: 1) Self Placement form and/or 2) Structured Placements form. After you access the structured placement form, you may view the list of placements by:

1) Clicking on 'search experience'
2) Enter "CFE" in the Keywords field
3) Clicking on 'apply search'

☐ Yes  ☐ No

International Placement - First Choice *

International Placement - Second Choice

International Placement - Third Choice
B.Ed students - Rural Placements *

Would you like to request a rural placement? (optional)

NB. This section refers specifically to rural placements with partner school districts in British Columbia. There will be an opportunity to select other rural placement preferences later in this process if you are interested in placements that are not specifically tied to school districts.

Available districts:
- School District 5 - Southeast Kootenay
- School District 6 - Rocky Mountain
- School District 27 - Cariboo-Chilcotin
- School District 28 - Quesnel
- School District 46 - Sunshine Coast
- School District 58 - Nicola-Similkameen
- School District 60 - Peace River North
- School District 84 - Vancouver Island West
- School District 91 - Nechako Lakes

☐ Yes  ☐ No

B. Ed students - Rural Placements in order of preference

Indicate your preferred district numbers from the list above, in order of preference from first to last. List as many as you wish.

(e.g. 5, 60, 84 which means district 5 is your top choice)
B. Ed students - Local Placements

Indicate your top 7 placement preferences in the text fields below (one placement per field). These preferences must be selected from the existing list of community partners on the CFE website: [http://cfe.educ.ubc.ca/community-partners](http://cfe.educ.ubc.ca/community-partners) (link opens in a new window).

Do not include any international or rural options that you may have made in the first section of this form.

N.B. Please write the name of the community partner, in the text field, as posted on the CFE site: [http://cfe.educ.ubc.ca/community-partners/names/](http://cfe.educ.ubc.ca/community-partners/names/)

B. Ed students - Placement Preference (1st choice) *

B. Ed students - Placement Preference (2nd choice) *

B. Ed students - Placement Preference (3rd choice) *

B. Ed students - Placement Preference (4th choice) *

B. Ed students - Placement Preference (5th choice) *

All students must indicate 7 different CFE partners in this section of the registration.

Please copy the name of the CFE partner exactly as it appears on the CFE website.
Additional Comments

We'd like to hear from you! Please share any other information that would help us in placing you for the CFE (50 words max).

To submit your form, click SUBMIT. You will NOT receive an automatic email confirmation. We will contact you with more information about next steps.
Step 5:

(did I say there were 4 steps??)
CFE Q & As
When does registration open?

Thursday September 12, 2019 @ 2:00 PM
When is the latest I can submit my CFE registration?

Friday October 4, 2019. Registration closes at midnight.
Can I change my CFE registration after I submit it?

Yes. Until:

Friday October 4, 2019
When will I know about my CFE?

Typically, some time in December.
When will I meet my Community Partner?

Most TCs will meet their partners on the Community Partner Contact Day, Thursday January 16, 2020.
Will there be more information about international and rural CFE opportunities?

Yes.
International CFE Meeting:

Tuesday, September 17, 2019

12:30 – 2:00pm  Woodward 2
Rural CFE Information

Thursday, September 19, 2019

- 10:30 am - 12:15 pm
  District Info Booths – location TBA

- 12:30pm – 2:00pm
  District Presentations in Woodward 2
Are there National CFE placements?

No, with the exception of certain placements in Quebec/Ontario.
Are there funds for rural and international CFEs?

Yes.
How much?

Rural depends on location, and need.

International depends on location. Will be discussed at the information session on September 17.
Is there a CFE Guide?

Yes.

TCs must read the *TC CFE Guide* in its entirety before the CFE starts. It can be found at: cfe.educ.ubc.ca
What are the key CFE expectations for TCs?

1) TCs adhere to the principles of Professional Conduct at all times (BEd Policies & Guidelines)
2) TC’s work with their community partner 5 days a week for 3 weeks
3) TCs submit a weekly reflection of their CFE experiences to their FA – preferably in blog format

A full set of expectations can be found: http://blogs.ubc.ca/ubcfe/expectations
And Remember...

Registration opens Thursday September 12 @ 2 PM!!
## Contact Information:

More FAQs and info at [cfe.educ.ubc.ca](http://cfe.educ.ubc.ca)

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