TEACHER EDUCATION PROGRAM
INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE (IB)
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WHY IB?
INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE

• An option for teacher candidates with an interest in an international education that is concept-based, inquiry-driven, and student-centred.

• Teachers create enriching, hands-on learning opportunities that promote discovery, exploration, and thinking about real-world issues.

• The International Baccalaureate Organization (IBO) has partnered with UBC because of our strong alignment with the educational practices and underpinnings of the IB, including a focus on inquiry, reflective practice, Indigenous perspectives, and diversity in its many forms.
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• UBC offers the only dual-certification program for IB in Canada, and one of the only programs of its kind in North America.

• Teacher candidates accepted to one of the IB cohorts will be invited to enroll for an IB Certificate in Teaching and Learning from the IBO for the PYP, MYP or DP after commencing the UBC Teacher Education Program in August.

• At the successful conclusion of the UBC Teacher Education Program, teacher candidates will be eligible for both certification from the BC Teacher Certification Branch, as well as from the IBO.

• As the IBO is associated with schools around the globe, this presents an outstanding opportunity for teacher candidates to obtain credentials which will assist them in gaining employment virtually anywhere.
IB OPTIONS AND REQUIREMENTS
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IB Primary Years Programme (PYP)
• As this is a cohort for teacher candidates in the elementary & middle years program, seats in this option have already been determined through the regular cohort selection process.

IB Middle Years Programme (MYP)
• This is an option for teacher candidates in the secondary program.

IB Diploma Programme (DP)
• This is an option for teacher candidates in the secondary program.

Placements for teacher candidates in both the MYP and DP cohorts will be made in select IB World Schools throughout the Lower Mainland. Placements will be made in SECONDARY SCHOOLS—do not be confused by the name MYP, as placements will NOT be made in ‘middle schools’ for this cohort.
ADDITIONAL PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

**IB-PYP**

- Teacher candidates are required to participate in a one-day orientation on **Monday August 31, 2020**.
- **Thursday, September 3** will be a general orientation for all students in the Teacher Education Program.
- Teacher candidates will be registered in a weekly IB seminar and IB-PYP inquiry seminars during Terms 1 and 2.
- Teacher candidates in the IB-PYP will complete **an additional 3 credits** to fulfill their program requirements (compared to those in the non-IB program).
ADDITIONAL PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

**IB-MYP**

- Teacher candidates are required to participate in a four-day orientation during the week of **August 31 – September 4, 2020** (Mon, Tues, Wed, and Fri).
- **Thursday September 3** will be a general orientation for all students in the Teacher Education Program.
- Teacher candidates will be registered in a weekly IB seminar and IB-MYP inquiry seminars during Terms 1 and 2.
- Teacher candidates in the IB-MYP will complete **an additional 1 credit** to fulfill their program requirements (compared to those in the non-IB program).
ADDITIONAL PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

IB-DP

• Teacher candidates are required to participate in a four-day orientation during the week of **August 31 – September 4, 2020** (Mon, Tues, Wed, and Fri).
• **Thursday September 3** will be a general orientation for all students in the Teacher Education Program.
• Teacher candidates will be registered in a weekly IB seminar and IB-DP inquiry seminars during Terms 1 and 2.
• Teacher candidates will also take a two-day IB-DP subject-specific seminar during Term 1.
• Teacher candidates in the IB-DP will complete **an additional 2 credits** to fulfill their program requirements (compared to those in the non-IB program).
HOW TO APPLY
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Application period: May 15 to June 5, 2020
Application form: teach.educ.ubc.ca/apply-to-ib

Please note:

• You MUST select a minimum of 5 districts where you are willing to accept a placement for the practicum; failure to do so will result in your application being incomplete and not considered.
• Your placement preferences for your IB application will supersede those made on your regular (non-IB) practicum placement form.
• It is NOT advantageous to select every district on this form, unless you truly are open to going anywhere for your practicum placement.
COHORT ACCEPTANCE PROCESS

Seats in the IB cohorts will be determined throughout the month of June, and students will be notified of their acceptance to one of the IB cohorts in early July. Acceptance to the IB cohorts will be dependent on many factors, including the following:

• Your declared district preferences;
• Your program preferences and teachable subject areas (e.g. if you are applying for IB-DP and are teaching a subject not typically offered in that option, such as PE or Technology Education, your chances for selection will not be high);
• The availability of placements at IB schools in your particular subject area(s);
• The number of teacher candidates in your subject area(s) who apply for IB;
• Your availability for the August orientation week.