

WEST KOOTENAY RURAL TEACHER EDUCATION PROGRAM (WKTEP)

BACHELOR OF EDUCATION



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WKTEP



The 11-month UBC West Kootenay Rural Teacher Education Program (WKTEP) is located in Nelson, BC and surrounding communities.

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PROGRAM OVERVIEW

- Elementary and Secondary program options
- Full complement of UBC BEd coursework and practica
- Two-week and 10-week practicum hosted by various school districts around British Columbia
- Followed by a community field experience (CFE)



BENEFITS

- Small cohort sizes
- Host school placements are individualized and support the unique strengths and areas of interest of each teacher candidate
- Wide array of learning environments including multi-age and unique settings with a strong focus on rural education
- A focus on place-conscious learning



BECOME A TEACHER AT UBC IN NELSON, BC!



WKTEP class of 2023



ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS



DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

BACHELOR DEGREE

- **Equivalent to a four-year 120 credit UBC degree**
(1,560 hours in-class coursework)
- **Can be from any accredited university or college**
(domestic and international)
- **Can be in any discipline**



ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS

Elementary & Middle Years

You must present courses in the areas below:



Canadian Studies	3 credits
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Canadian History/Geography	3 credits
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English literature and composition	6 credits
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Lab Science	3 credits
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Mathematics	3 credits
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Admission Average:

Calculated on most recent 60 credits. 65% minimum required for consideration.

ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS

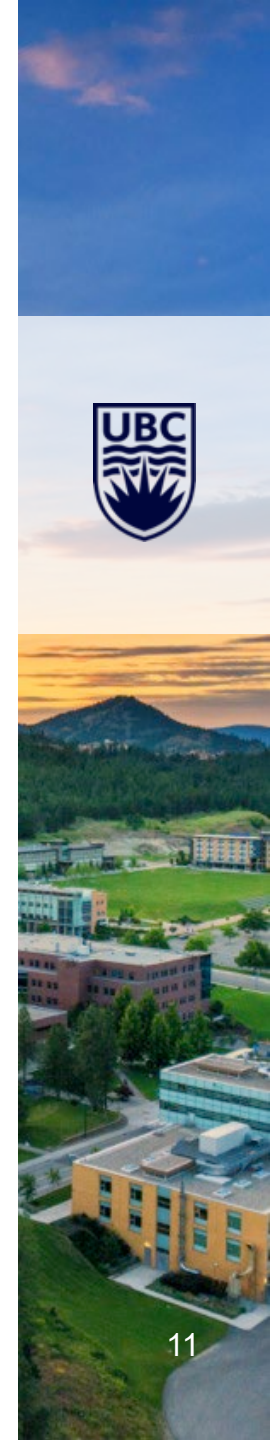
Secondary

You must present minimum 30 credits of coursework focused in at least one teachable subject.

Teachable Subject Area	Minimum 30 credits
English Literature & Composition	6 credits

Admission Average:

Calculated on 18-24 credits of upper-level coursework in teachable area. 65% minimum required for consideration.



ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS **Secondary**

You can enter the secondary program with up to two teachable subjects:

Art

Computer Science[^]

Culinary Arts Education

English

English Language Learner Education[^]

Mathematics

Modern Languages[^] – Mandarin, German, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Punjabi, Russian, Spanish

Physical Education

Science – Biological Science, Chemistry, Physics

Social Studies – Geography, History, Social Science

Theatre

(Business Education^{})**

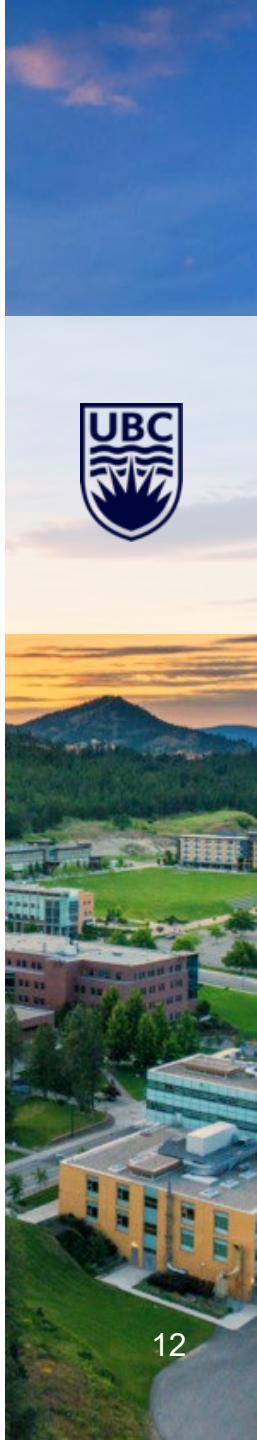
(Home Economics^{})**

(Music^{})**

(Technology Education^{})**

(Earth Science^{})**

^{}subjects unavailable through WKTEP**



COMPLETING PREREQUISITES

- **Applicants with courses in progress may still apply.**
- **Applications with degree and pre-requisite courses completed by January 15, 2024 are preferred for admission.**

Final deadline for course completion: JUNE 30, 2024



EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENTS



MINIMUM EXPERIENCE REQUIRED

- Applicants should have 100 hours of relevant, education-related experience with youth.

AGE GROUP	BEd PROGRAM OPTION
5 to 12 years old	Elementary
11 to 14 years old	Middle Years
13 to 17 years	Secondary



- Classroom-based experience preferred
- Coaching, group tutoring, summer camps, youth groups, faith groups also acceptable
- Experience can be in Canada or international (some Canadian experience recommended)
- 1-on-1 experience is considered on a case-by-case basis

CREATING OPPORTUNITIES

- ✓ **Find a school or learning centre, make contact with your resume, and say:**

"I am applying for a teacher education program and I am interested in learning what it takes to be a good teacher. May I support a teacher in your school?"

- ✓ **Volunteer**

Take a look at organizations that work with youth

- ✓ **Use your network**

Find a connection through your friends and family



PERSONAL PROFILE QUESTIONS

1. *Why do you want to be a teacher?* Maximum 1,500 characters

2. *Describe the kind of teacher you want to be.*

Give examples. Maximum 1,500 characters

3. *Give an example from your experience which illustrates your suitability for the teaching profession.*

For e.g., share a story of how you overcame a challenging situation, solved a problem in a professional manner, or learned from your mistake(s), etc.

DO NOT REPEAT information already stated. Maximum 1,500 characters.

teach.educ.ubc.ca/personal-profile



REFERENCES



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TWO professional references from appropriate individuals:

- 1. Must have experience working with youth or children.**
- 2. Must have observed you working in group settings with age-appropriate students or youth.**
- 3. Must be credible authorities who can speak competently about your experiences, interests, and abilities relevant to the teaching profession.**



REFERENCES

Appropriate references:

- School administrator (e.g., principal, vice-principal) who has observed you around age-appropriate groups of youth
- Teacher at an elementary or secondary school
- Camp director
- Daycare program coordinator

Inappropriate references:

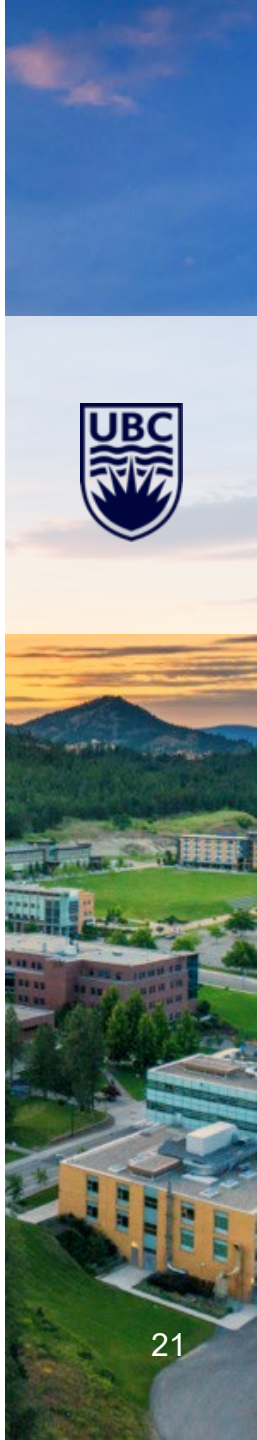
- Family members
- Personal friends
- Non-education related employers
- Parent of a child whom applicant tutored privately
- University professor (who supervised TA work or did not observe around youth)
- Classroom teacher whose only relationship to you is as their student



REFERENCES

- Referees must not, at any point, disclose any parts of the reference report to the applicant.
- Applicants receive instructions in their application acknowledgement email.
- Applicants must input their referees' contact information into a separate portal at the time of application.
- It is the applicant's responsibility to follow up with their referees to ensure they have submitted their reports.

Submission deadline: JANUARY 15, 2024



ADMISSION ASSESSMENT

50%

- **Meeting all required courses for admission**
- **Competitive admission average:**
must exceed 65% and be in competitive range (changes yearly)



50%

- **References (2)**
- **Personal Profile**
- **Experience**

HOW TO APPLY

Applications Open!

1. Submit online application form at apply.educationplannerbc.ca
2. Submit official supporting documentation
3. Submit the academic supplemental form
4. A WKTEP team member will speak with eligible applicants





HOW DO I APPLY?

Select UBC Vancouver and select WKTEP for your Program Choice 1.

See our Application Walkthrough Guide at teach.educ.ubc.ca/admissions/apply/



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APPLY


APPLY FOR ADMISSION

This is the application portal for admission to one or more BC post-secondary institutions. Not sure how to apply? Check out our step by step tutorial [here](#).

Note: To apply to the following institutions [click here](#).

- BC Institute of Technology
- University of Victoria
- Royal Roads University


To get started,

 [Sign Up for your EducationPlannerBC Account](#)

OR

EMAIL/USERNAME

PASSWORD



Login

[Forgot your password?](#)

TRANSCRIPTS

- Official transcripts, sent directly by your institution, are required for all post-secondary institutions attended.
- Please arrange to have official transcripts sent directly to the Teacher Education Office.
- Proof of registration is required for any coursework in-progress after January 15.

teach.educ.ubc.ca/admissions/apply/transcripts/



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- HOW TO APPLY

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- ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS

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- EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENTS

teach.educ.ubc.ca/admissions/apply/experience-requirements/

- ADMISSIONS FAQs

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WHO CAN APPLY AS AN INDIGENOUS APPLICANT?



Anybody who self-identifies as a First Nations (Status or Non-Status Indian), Métis, or Inuit person of Canada is eligible to apply as an Indigenous applicant.

HOW IS IT DIFFERENT?

- Program is the same for all applicants
- Some differences in the way application materials are collected/evaluated
- Funding opportunities available



ACCESSIBILITY ASSISTANCE



POLICY LR7



Policy LR7 applies to students with disabilities who are engaged in a course, program or activity offered by the University.

Under the definition in the Policy, a “student” includes a person who is registered in credit or non-credit courses offered by the University, as well as a person who has formally applied to the University as a prospective student.

PRIVACY

IMPORTANT



- Details of your disability **will not be disclosed to the TEO.**
- Once you have applied to the Centre for Accessibility, the information you provide **will remain confidential.**
- The Centre for Accessibility will provide the Teacher Education Office with advice and recommendations for accommodations **without breaking confidentiality.**

THINGS TO KNOW

APPLYING FOR 2024/2025



Applicants need to contact the Centre for Accessibility
by January 15, 2024.

- Accommodation requests are kept confidential and are not shared with evaluators.
- Only pertains to evaluation process.

QUESTIONS

Contact form:

teach.educ.ubc.ca/contact/hello

TEO email: teacher.ed@ubc.ca

WKTEP email: wktep.educ@ubc.ca

Sign up for another webinar with a different area of focus:

teach.educ.ubc.ca/webinars

