

# Teacher Education Programs

at Vancouver Island University



## Application Deadline

Applications are accepted commencing November 15 of the preceding year. Please refer to the Education website at [www.viu.ca/education](http://www.viu.ca/education) for deadline dates.

## Transfer from other institutions

To determine eligibility for block transfer from other institutions, please contact the Faculty of Education Advising Office (250) 740-6223.

## Access Initiative

The Faculty of Education Access Initiative is designed to give access to individuals who are members of groups in our society that have historically been under-represented in the teaching profession in BC and who have confronted identifiable barriers to post-secondary education.

## Certification

Successful graduates will be recommended for certification by the *BC College of Teachers*. A certification agreement also allows our graduates to teach in Alberta.

## Financial Assistance

Financial assistance is available to students demonstrating financial need. Information on sources of financial aid (loans, grants, scholarships, awards, tuition bursaries and general bursaries) is available at the Financial Aid & Awards office, Building 200 – Nanaimo campus, or call (250) 740-6423. Applications should be made eight to ten weeks prior to the start of your program. For more information, please visit [www.viu.ca/financialaid](http://www.viu.ca/financialaid).

## Further Information

The Vancouver Island University (VIU) Calendar is available online. Visit our website at [www.viu.ca/programs](http://www.viu.ca/programs).

## About Vancouver Island University

Vancouver Island University is a comprehensive post-secondary institution located on beautiful Vancouver Island in British Columbia. Our main campus is located in Nanaimo, and we have regional campuses in Duncan and Powell River, and a campus centre in Parksville. More than 14,000 full-time and part-time students are enrolled in academic, applied, career/technical, vocational, trades, and developmental programs leading to certificates, diplomas and degrees.

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[www.viu.ca/education](http://www.viu.ca/education)

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Our Mission is to educate teachers who will be distinguished by excellence in their knowledge, skills, and attitudes.



Our island lifestyle, scenic location and affordable tuition make Vancouver Island University the perfect environment for living and learning.

We are proud of our Faculty of Education program graduates who have found rewarding teaching positions in a wide variety of educational institutions. Our graduates are hired provincially and internationally.

Your success is our success!



## Degrees & Diplomas

### Faculty of Education Vision

Our dynamic interactive learning community inspires thoughtful reflection and dialogue in a supportive, collaborative environment.

Informed by current research, we model exemplary education practice. We value fun and laughter in the process of learning.

As a community, we engage with those on our educational paths with humanity and compassion.

Committed to a just world, we face the challenges of diversity across cultural, societal and geographic boundaries.

We build relationships and connections that empower future educators to be thoughtful innovators energized by moral courage and relentless hope.

Vancouver Island University (VIU) Faculty of Education recognizes the need for more teachers of Aboriginal ancestry in public schools and the need to prepare all teachers to work effectively with Aboriginal learners. In response to this need, we are committed to including Aboriginal perspectives throughout our teacher education programs.

### Track 1: Undergrad

- Bachelor of Education – Elementary  
5 year (enter in year three)
- Bachelor of Education (Post Baccalaureate)  
Elementary / Secondary Focus  
1 ½ year (following degree completion)

### Track 2: Post Degree

- Post Degree Diploma – Special Education
- Masters of Education (Educational Leadership)

For complete program outlines and course descriptions, please consult the Education website [www.viu.ca/education](http://www.viu.ca/education).

## Apply Today

### Prerequisites

#### Elementary B. Ed. Programs

- Six (6) credits of English
- Three (3) credits of Mathematics
- Three (3) credits of Science
- Three (3) credits of Canadian studies

#### Secondary B. Ed. Program

- Six (6) credits of English

### General Admission Requirements

- Vancouver Island University *Application for Admission Form*
- Personal Profile
- Min. GPA of 4.0 ("C+") (Post Baccalaureate most recent 60 credits attempted, Bachelor of Education most recent 48 – 60 credits attempted.)

### Notes on Admission

- Applicants to the Post Baccalaureate Secondary Program may be given preference with discipline specialties in

high need areas such as mathematics, languages, physical sciences, First Nations and special education.

- For additional notes on admission, please consult the Education website [www.viu.ca/education](http://www.viu.ca/education).

### How to Apply

1. Complete an *Application for Admission Form*\* available online at [www.viu.ca/forms/ApplicationforAdmission.pdf](http://www.viu.ca/forms/ApplicationforAdmission.pdf) or from Vancouver Island University Registration Centres at the Nanaimo, Duncan, Powell River or Parksville-Qualicum campuses.
2. Complete a *Personal Profile Form*\*. After completing the *Application for Admission Form*, students can access the online *Personal Profile Form* through their student record at <https://records.viu.ca/reg/htbin/weblogin>.
3. When the Registration Centre confirms that you have been admitted, you will be advised of when and how to register and pay for your courses.

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