

Athabasca University – Transferable Courses

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Use the following as a guide to completing the non-Education requirements for your BEd:

- **Teachable Subject Area** - 8 courses (24 units)
- **Foundational Areas**- 1 course in each of 6 areas (18 units)
- **Electives** - 5 courses (15 units)

→ **Tip:** Stay organized: Plan early, check with advisors, and confirm transferability before paying fees or registering

Start Here

- Run your **Academic Requirements Report** (Student Centre > Program & Advising) for missing courses
- Review the institution's **course catalogue** and **schedule**
- Check **delivery** (in-person/online; synchronous/asynchronous; paced/self-paced)
- Confirm **credit weighting** and **course level/coding**
- Review **prerequisites, antirequisites, and restrictions**
- **Transfer credit rulings can change** — use the **Transfer Credit Search Tool**
- Make sure it is **not a duplicate** of credit you already hold

→ **Tip:** Always confirm the latest offerings in the institution's course catalogue for up-to-date information.

Avoiding Duplicates & Restrictions

- A course can fulfill only one requirement (e.g., ENGL 251 counts as either Foundational or Elective)
- No credit is given for courses equivalent to one you already hold, or to their antirequisites (e.g., **MATH 265** or its antirequisite **MATH 249**)

→ **Tip:** Use extra caution if taking courses from multiple institutions.

Before You Register

- **Talk to an Advisor** – Email planned courses to upe@ucalgary.ca at least 2-weeks before the LoP deadlines

When emailing upe@ucalgary.ca, include:

- UCID number
- Intended semester of enrolment
- Institution name
- Course code(s) and title(s)
- Anticipated UCalgary equivalent(s)
- Degree requirement(s) the course will fulfill:
 - Example: *Northern Lakes College, ENGL 1000 = ENGL 203, literature foundational*

- Submit your **Letter of Permission (LoP)**, then email upe@ucalgary.ca to let us know
- **LoP Deadlines:**
 - October 15 – Winter*
 - March 1 – Spring/Summer*
 - June 15 – Fall*
- **Wait for approval** — do **not** enroll until your LoP is formally approved (you'll receive an approval email with the LoP attached).
- **Report changes** to upe@ucalgary.ca if you drop or swap a course.

Taking the Course(s)

It is your responsibility to...

- **Apply & Register** – You must apply directly to the external institution.
- **Pay all Fees** – You are responsible for tuition and any related fees.

After Completion

- Order **official transcripts sent directly to Admissions** (transcripts@ucalgary.ca) no later than July 1st each year, to ensure they are received in time for the August 1 deadline.
- Check your **Transfer Credit Report** around 2 weeks after requesting transcripts; if your transfer credit is not posted, connect with Admissions to confirm receipt of the transcript, and if you are still missing credit after 1 month has passed, email upe@ucalgary.ca.

Resources

- Step-by-step instructions for submitting a Letter of Permission: **LoP Guide (PDF)**
- Check how courses transfer: **Transfer Credit Search Tool**
- Your **Academic Requirements Report** shows your completed and pending degree requirements
- How to view your **Transfer Credit Report**

Foundational Courses (one from each of 6 areas):

English or French Literature Foundational		
Any approved course that transfers to UCalgary as ENGL or FREN with a primary focus on reading and analyzing literature		
Course Code	Course Title	UCalgary Equivalent
ENGL 211	Reading Novels and Short Stories	ENGL 251
ENGL 212	Poetry and Plays	ENGL 2XX
FREN 305	La littérature jeunesse	FREN 9XX

Visual or Performing Arts Foundational		
Any course that transfers to UCalgary as ARHI, ART, DNCE, DRAM, MUSI, MUED, MUPF, SCPA		
Course Code	Course Title	UCalgary Equivalent
ARHI 201	A Survey of Western Art I – Looking at Art from Ancient Times to the Middle Ages	ARHI 201
ARHI 202	A Survey of Western Art II – Looking at Art from the Renaissance to Present Day	ARHI 203

Physical Education or Health & Wellness Foundational		
Any course that transfers to UCalgary as KNES or is approved as fulfilling physical education or health and wellness content		
Course Code	Course Title	UCalgary Equivalent
HLST 200	Introduction to Human Health (I)	OPTN 2XX
NUTR 331	Nutrition for Health	KNES 337

Psychology Foundational		
Any course that transfers to UCalgary as PSYC		
Course Code	Course Title	UCalgary Equivalent
PSYC 289	Psychology as a Natural Science	PSYC 200
PSYC 290	General Psychology	PSYC 201

Science or Math Foundational		
Any course that transfers to UCalgary under the Faculty of Science or Schulich School of Engineering		
Course Code	Course Title	UCalgary Equivalent
ASTR 205	Universe - The Ultimate Frontier	ASTR 2XX
BIOL 204	Principles of Biology I	BIOL 2XX
CHEM 217	Chemical Principles I	CHEM 201
GEOL 200	Introductory Physical Geology	GLGY 201
GEOL 207	Intro to Environmental Geology	GLGY 2XX
MATH 209	Finite Mathematics	MATH 2XX
MATH 215	Intro to Statistics	STAT 213
MATH 260	Calculus for Social Sciences and Economics	MATH 2XX
MATH 265	Introduction to Calculus I	MATH 265
MATH 270	Linear Algebra I	MATH 211
PHYS 200	Introductory Physics I	PHYS 2XX
PHYS 210	Conceptual Physics	PHYS 2XX

Canadian Studies Foundational		
Any course that transfers to UCalgary as CNST or is approved as fulfilling Canadian Studies content		
Course Code	Course Title	UCalgary Equivalent

HIST 224	History of Canada to 1867	HTST 211
HIST 225	History of Canada, 1867 to the Present	HTST 213
INST 203	Indigenous Studies I	INDG 201 / 2XX
INST 205	Indigenous Studies II	INDG 201
LGST 230	The Canadian Legal System	LWSO 2XX
POLI 309	Canadian Government and Politics	POLI 321

Electives (5 courses, freely chosen):

Elective Suggestions		
Course Code	Course Title	UCalgary Equivalent
Any of the above courses not already used towards Foundational or Teachable requirements. Students may also choose to take courses not listed.		

Teachable Subject Area Courses (8 courses from your teachable area):

Students are required to complete 24 units in their teachable subject area. **9 units must be at 300 level or above.**

Calendar link for all program requirements

Early Childhood Teachable Area - 9 units must be at 300 level or above		
Course Code	Course Title	UCalgary Equivalent
3 units: EDUC 207 – offered by UCalgary in Fall semester		
3 units: EDUC 213 – offered by UCalgary in Winter semester		
3 units from Art, Art History, Drama, Music, or Music Performance		
ARHI 201	A Survey of Western Art I – Looking at Art from Ancient Times to the Middle Ages	ARHI 201
ARHI 202	A Survey of Western Art II – Looking at Art from the Renaissance to Present Day	ARHI 203
ARHI 301	Canadian Visual Culture	ARHI 9XX
6 units from Math/Science		
ASTR 205	Universe - The Ultimate Frontier	ASTR 2XX
BIOL 204	Principles of Biology I	BIOL 2XX
BIOL 207	Principles of Biology II	BIOL 2XX
BIOL 230	Human Physiology (6 units)	ZOOL 9XX (6 units)
CHEM 217	Chemical Principles I	CHEM 201
ENSC 200	Introductory Environmental Science	BIOL 9XX
GEOL 200	Introductory Physical Geology	GLGY 201
GEOL 207	Intro to Environmental Geology	GLGY 2XX
GEOL 313	Our Physical Resources	GLGY 9XX
MATH 209	Finite Mathematics	MATH 2XX
MATH 215	Intro to Statistics	STAT 213
MATH 260	Calculus for Social Sciences and Economics	MATH 2XX
MATH 265	Introduction to Calculus I	MATH 265
MATH 270	Linear Algebra I	MATH 211
PHYS 200	Introductory Physics I	PHYS 2XX
PHYS 210	Conceptual Physics	PHYS 2XX
3 units from Psychology		
PSYC 228	Introduction to Human Development	PSYC 351

PSYC 289	Psychology as a Natural Science	PSYC 200
PSYC 290	General Psychology	PSYC 201
PSYC 302	Biological Psychology	PSYC 375
PSYC 323	Developmental Psychology	PSYC 351
PSYC 333	Sensation and Perception	PSYC 369
PSYC 340	Introduction to Applied Social Psychology	PSYC 9XX
PSYC 345	The Psychology of Gender and Sexuality	PSYC 439
PSYC 355	Cognitive Psychology	PSYC 365
PSYC 379	Social Psychology	PSYC 345
6 units from English Literature		
ENGL 211	Reading Novels and Short Stories	ENGL 251
ENGL 212	Poetry and Plays	ENGL 2XX
ENGL 302	Introduction to Canadian Literature (6 units)	ENGL 9XX (6 units)
ENGL 305	Literature for Children (6 units)	ENGL 9XX (6 units)
ENGL 306	The Literature of Work	ENGL 9XX
ENGL 307	Women in Literature	ENGL 9XX
ENGL 308	Indigenous Literature in Canada	ENGL 376
ENGL 324	Shakespeare I	ENGL 499
ENGL 344	American Literature I	ENGL 9XX
ENGL 351	Comparative Canadian Literature I	ENGL 372
ENGL 361	Literature of the Harlem Renaissance	ENGL 387
ENGL 393	The Early Twentieth-Century English Novel	ENGL 9XX

English Language Arts Teachable Area - 9 units must be at 300 level or above		
Course Code	Course Title	UCalgary Equivalent
24 units from English		
ENGL 211	Reading Novels and Short Stories	ENGL 251
ENGL 212	Poetry and Plays	ENGL 2XX
ENGL 255	Introductory Composition	ENCO 2XX
ENGL 306	The Literature of Work	ENGL 9XX
ENGL 302	Introduction to Canadian Literature (6 units)	ENGL 9XX (6 units)
ENGL 305	Literature for Children (6 units)	ENGL 9XX (6 units)
ENGL 307	Women in Literature	ENGL 9XX
ENGL 308	Indigenous Literature in Canada	ENGL 376
ENGL 324	Shakespeare I	ENGL 499
ENGL 344	American Literature I	ENGL 9XX
ENGL 351	Comparative Canadian Literature I	ENGL 372
ENGL 361	Literature of the Harlem Renaissance	ENGL 387
ENGL 393	The Early Twentieth-Century English Novel	ENGL 9XX

Math Teachable Area - 9 units must transfer at the 300-level or higher		
Course Code	Course Title	UCalgary Equivalent
24 units from Mathematics or Statistics		
MATH 270	Linear Algebra I	MATH 211
MATH 265	Introduction to Calculus I	MATH 265
MATH 266	Introduction to Calculus II	MATH 267

MATH 309	Discrete Mathematics	MATH 271
MATH 209	Finite Mathematics	MATH 2XX
MATH 260	Calculus for Social Sciences and Economics	MATH 2XX
MATH 366	Complex Variables I	MATH 307
MATH 271	Linear Algebra II	MATH 311
MATH 365	Multivariable Calculus	MATH 331
MATH 376	Ordinary Differential Equations	MATH 376
MATH 409	Number Theory	MATH 9XX
MATH 476	Partial Differential Equations	MATH 9XX
MATH 370	Applied Real Analysis	MATH 9XX
MATH 480	Mathematical Modeling I	MATH 9XX
MATH 215	Introduction to Statistics	STAT 213
MATH 315	Methods in Applied Statistics	STAT 9XX

Science Teachable Area - 9 units must be at 300 level or above		
Course Code	Course Title	UCalgary Equivalent
24 units from ASPH, ASTR, BCEM, BIOL, CHEM, CMMB, CPSC, EARTH, ECOL, ESCI, ENSC, GLGY, GOPH, PHYS, PLBI, or ZOOL		
ASTR 205	Universe - The Ultimate Frontier	ASTR 2XX
BIOL 204	Principles of Biology I	BIOL 2XX
BIOL 207	Principles of Biology II	BIOL 2XX
BIOL 230	Human Physiology (6 units)	ZOOL 9XX (6 units)
BIOL 341	Human Genetics	BIOL 2XX
BIOL 345	Ecology	BIOL 313
BIOL 401	Cell Biology	BIOL 331
CHEM 217	Chemical Principles I	CHEM 201
ENSC 200	Introductory Environmental Science	BIOL 9XX
GEOL 200	Introductory Physical Geology	GLGY 201
GEOL 207	Intro to Environmental Geology	GLGY 2XX
GEOL 313	Our Physical Resources	GLGY 9XX
PHYS 200	Introductory Physics I	PHYS 2XX
PHYS 201	Introductory Physics II	PHYS 2XX
PHYS 210	Conceptual Physics	PHYS 2XX

Social Studies Teachable Area - 9 units must be at 300 level or above		
Course Code	Course Title	UCalgary Equivalent
3 units from History		
HIST 224	History of Canada to 1867	HTST 211
HIST 225	History of Canada, 1867 to the Present	HTST 213
HIST 326	Contemporary Canada: Canada After 1945	HTST 9XX
HIST 368	Indigenous Peoples in Canada to 1830	HTST 345
HIST 369	Indigenous Peoples in Canada Since 1830	HTST 9XX
HIST 370	The Métis	HTST 9XX
3 units from Geography		
GEOG 200	World Regional Geography	GEOG 213
GEOG 201	Introductory Human Geography	GEOG 251
GEOG 302	The Canadian North	GEOG 9XX

GEOG 365	Atmosphere, Weather, and Climate	GEOG 308
18 units from ANTH, ARKY, CNST, ECON, GEOG, GSXS, HTST, INDG, LWSO, POLI, PSYC, SOCI, RELS, or UBST		
ANTH 272	Time Travellers: Archaeologists at Work	ARKY 2XX
ANTH 275	Faces of Culture: An Introduction to Cultural Anthropology	ANTH 203
ANTH 278	Human Evolution and Diversity	ANTH 201
ANTH 320	Ancient Cities & Civilizations	ANTH 9XX
ANTH 336	The Story of Us: The Evolution of Human Behaviour	ANTH 435
ANTH 377	Archaeologies of Turtle Island	ANTH 9XX
ANTH 384	The Family in World Perspective	ANTH 9XX
ECON 247	Microeconomics	ECON 201
ECON 248	Macroeconomics	ECON 203
INST 203	Indigenous Studies I	INDG 201 / 2XX
INST 205	Indigenous Studies II	INDG 201
INST 368	Indigenous Peoples in Canada to 1830	HTST 345
INST 369	Indigenous Peoples in Canada Since 1830	HTST 9XX
LGST 249	Legal Literacy	LWSO 2XX
POLI 307	Political Ideologies	POLI 213
POLI 309	Canadian Government and Politics	POLI 321
POLI 330	International and Global Politics	POLI 381
SOCI 287	Intro to Sociology I	SOCI 201
SOCI 288	Intro to Sociology II - Social Movements	SOCI 205
SOCI 300	How Humans Organize: From Primary Groups to the World Wide Web	SOCI 9XX
SOCI 305	Sociology and Crime	SOCI 9XX
SOCI 331	Exposed! Sociology of Environment and Aging	SOCI 9XX
SOCI 435	Theories of Social Change	SOCI 485
WGST 201	Intro to Women's & Gender Studies	GSXS 201
WGST 322	Sexuality in Society	GSXS 9XX

Social Studies: Revitalization of Indigenous Languages Teachable Area - 9 units must be at 300 level or above		
Course Code	Course Title	UCalgary Equivalent
6 units from Canadian History		
HIST 224	History of Canada to 1867	HTST 211
HIST 225	History of Canada, 1867 to the Present	HTST 213
HIST 326	Contemporary Canada: Canada After 1945	HTST 9XX
HIST 368	Indigenous Peoples in Canada to 1830	HTST 345
HIST 369	Indigenous Peoples in Canada Since 1830	HTST 9XX
HIST 370	The Métis	HTST 9XX
6 units of Indigenous Studies		
INST 203	Indigenous Studies I	INDG 201 / 2XX
INST 205	Indigenous Studies II	INDG 201
INST 358	Aboriginal Women in Canada	INDG 9XX
INST 420	Indigenous Resistance	INDG 9XX
3 units EDUC 313 – offered by UCalgary in Spring		
6 units of Indigenous Languages		
<u>Note: students may need further courses in addition to these offerings, please contact upe@ucalgary.ca to discuss options.</u>		
3 units from ANTH, ARKY, CNST, GEOG, GSXS, INDG, LWSO, POLI, or SOCI		

ANTH 275	Faces of Culture: An Introduction to Cultural Anthropology	ANTH 203
ANTH 278	Human Evolution and Diversity	ANTH 201
ANTH 336	Evolution of Human Behaviour	ANTH 435
ANTH 377	Archaeologies of Turtle Island	ANTH 9XX
ANTH 384	Family in World Perspective	ANTH 9XX
INST 203	Indigenous Studies I	INDG 201 / 2XX
INST 205	Indigenous Studies II	INDG 201
INST 358	Aboriginal Women in Canada	INDG 9XX
INST 420	Indigenous Resistance	INDG 9XX
LGST 249	Legal Literacy	LWSO 2XX
SOCI 287	Intro to Sociology I	SOCI 201
SOCI 288	Intro to Sociology II	SOCI 205
SOCI 300	How Humans Organize: From Primary Groups to the World Wide Web	SOCI 9XX
SOCI 305	Sociology of Crime	SOCI 9XX
SOCI 435	Theories of Social Change	SOCI 485