Bachelor of Education
After-Degree

Why Choose the Werklund School of Education

Undergraduate Programs in Education
January 2023
I would like to acknowledge the traditional territories of the people of the Treaty 7 region in Southern Alberta, which includes the Blackfoot Confederacy (comprising the Siksika, Piikani, and Kainai First Nations), as well as the Tsuut’ina First Nation, and the Stoney Nakoda (including the Chiniki, Bearspaw, and Wesley First Nations). The City of Calgary is also home to Métis Nation of Alberta, Region 3.
Agenda:

1) Program Overview
2) Application and Admission
3) Werklund Opportunities and Supports
4) Questions
5) Connect & Follow-up
Program Highlights

• Ranked 4th in Canada in Education and Teaching by the QS World University Rankings, 2022!

• Over $1.5 million dollars in scholarships, awards and bursaries awarded to Werklund School of Education Undergraduate students in the 2021/2022 academic year!

• Numerous opportunities for students to publicly showcase their research to peers, instructors and the professional teaching community through various program showcases and conferences!

• Unique courses and pedagogy focused on emerging trends in Education including, STEM (Science Technology Engineering and Math), Indigenous Ways of Knowing, English Language Learners, Design Based Thinking, Interdisciplinary Thinking, Assessment and incorporating Digital Technologies!
What is a Bachelor of Education?

• An undergraduate degree
• Required to teach Kindergarten to Grade 12 in Alberta:
  • K-12 certification in Alberta means you can teach any grade or subject in the K-12 system (what you teach becomes a hiring decision)
  • Focus is to prepare you to be a teacher, first and foremost!
  • Our BEd is designed to equip you with the skills to teach any area in K-12, with added depth into one teachable subject area of specialization.
Teachables – On-Campus

**Elementary route teachable subject areas**
- Early Childhood Education (Note: Emphasis on grades kindergarten through three)
- English Language Learners
- English Language Arts
- Fine Arts
- French (Note: Applicants must be fully competent in oral and written French, and demonstrate this in an interview which will be administered by program instructors in the Bachelor of Education program at the University of Calgary - substitutions are not accepted)
- Inclusive Education
- Mathematics
- Physical Education
- Science
- Second Languages (Note: Education courses in the Second Languages teachable subject area will be taught in English. Applicants will be expected to teach in the target language. Where a Field Experience placement in the target language is unavailable, a placement will be provided in English)
- Social Studies
- Social Studies - Revitalization of Indigenous Languages

**Secondary route teachable subject areas**
- Fine Arts - Drama
- Fine Arts - Music
- Fine Arts - Visual Studies
- English Language Arts
- French (Note: Applicants must be fully competent in oral and written French, and demonstrate this in an interview which will be administered by program instructors in the Bachelor of Education program at the University of Calgary - substitutions are not accepted)
- Mathematics
- Physical Education
- Science - Biology
- Science - Chemistry
- Science - Physics
- Second Languages (Note: Education courses in the Second Languages teachable subject area will be taught in English. Applicants will be expected to teach in the target language. Where a Field Experience placement in the target language is unavailable, a placement will be provided in English)
- Social Studies
Teachables – Community Based

Elementary route teachable subject areas

- Early Childhood Education (Note: Emphasis on grades kindergarten through three)
- English Language Arts
- French
- Mathematics
- Science
- Social Studies
- Social Studies - Revitalization of Indigenous Languages

Secondary route teachable subject areas

- English Language Arts
- French
- Mathematics
- Science - Biology
- Science - Chemistry
- Science - Physics
- Social Studies
# Program Structure – On Campus

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Year One</th>
<th>Year Two</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td><strong>Fall</strong></td>
<td><strong>Winter</strong></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>EDUC 420: Issues in Learning and Teaching</td>
<td>EDUC 56X: Series</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>EDUC 427: Science, Technology, Engineering,</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM)</td>
<td>EDUC 551: Comprehensive School Health and</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Wellness</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>EDUC 430: Pragmatics of Learning and Teaching</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>EDUC 435: Literacy, Language and Culture</td>
<td>EDUC 556: Professional Development and</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Lifelong Learning</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>EDUC 440: Field Experience I</strong></td>
<td><strong>EDUC 460: Specialization I</strong></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td><strong>EDUC 465: Field Experience II</strong></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>**EDUC 445: Individual Learning – Theories</td>
<td><strong>EDUC 535: Specialization II</strong></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>and Applications</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>EDUC 450: Diversity in Learning</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>EDUC 456: Assessment</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>EDUC 460: Specialization I</strong></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>EDUC 465: Field Experience II</strong></td>
<td><strong>EDUC 560: Field Experience IV</strong></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
# Program Structure – Community Based

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Year One</th>
<th>Year Two</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td><strong>Summer</strong></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>EDUC 427: Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM)</td>
<td>EDUC 525: Ethics and Law in Education</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>EDUC 460: Specialization I</td>
<td>EDUC 535: Specialization II</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Fall</strong></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>EDUC 420: Issues in Learning and Teaching</td>
<td>EDUC 521: Design for Learning</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>EDUC 430: Pragmatics of Learning and Teaching</td>
<td>EDUC 530: Indigenous Education</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>EDUC 435: Literacy, Language and Culture</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><em>EDUC 440: Field Experience I</em></td>
<td><em>EDUC 540: Field Experience III</em></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Winter</strong></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>EDUC 445: Individual Learning – Theories and Applications</td>
<td>EDUC 56X: Series</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>EDUC 450: Diversity in Learning</td>
<td>EDUC 551: Comprehensive School Health and Wellness</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>EDUC 456: Assessment</td>
<td>EDUC 556: Professional Development and Lifelong Learning</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><em>EDUC 465: Field Experience II</em></td>
<td><em>EDUC 560: Field Experience IV</em></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Field Experience

There are 4 field experiences, one in each of your Education terms:

- **Field I** is two weeks during the Fall term
- **Field II** is four weeks during the Winter term
- **Field III** is six weeks long during the Fall term of the last year
- **Field IV** is eight weeks long during the Winter term of the last year

When you are in Field Experience you are at the school full-time. Your other EDUC courses are structured around Field Experience.

More information on Field Experience can be found [here](#).
Application and Admission
Admission

After-Degree Admission Requirements:

• A degree with a least 90 units (30 semester-long courses) from an accredited post-secondary recognized by the University of Calgary
• The competitive entrance GPA for their desired teachable
• A course in English or French Literature
• The course requirements stated for your desired teachable subject area

The Community-Based Pathway also has a Geographic Eligibility component:

• Preference for admission into this program is given to students in rural and remote areas of Alberta. As field experience (practicum) placements can be arranged across Alberta, the Territories, and in rural and remote British Columbia, students in these areas may also be considered.
How to Apply

• Application open from Oct. 1 – Mar. 1
• Application instructions: https://www.ucalgary.ca/future-students/undergraduate/apply
  • Community-Based is a Summer term start – Select the Summer term!
  • On-Campus is a Fall term start – Select the Fall term!!
  • Can pick a first and second choice in your application (for most after-degree applicants, this means two different teachables)
• Submitting Transcripts: https://www.ucalgary.ca/future-students/undergraduate/how-apply/documents
• Contact info for Admissions: https://www.ucalgary.ca/future-students/undergraduate/contact
Can I have two teachable subject areas?

- Teachable Subject Area is intended as an area of expertise, but not a limitation.
- Can only be admitted to one teachable subject area for the purpose of the program, two courses specific to your teachable.
- Other opportunities to explore other areas, such as:
  - Service Learning and other opportunities designed for Werklund student.
  - Research opportunities: BEd honours or research awards.
  - EDUC 56X series – your choice!
After you apply

Watch your email

After you apply, we’ll start communicating with you through email. Check your inbox for information about timelines transcripts and next steps. Contact Admissions: https://www.ucalgary.ca/future-students/undergraduate/contact

Check your status

Log in to your My UCalgary student centre to find details on your application status, required documents and deadlines specific to your application. MyUCalgary login: http://my.ucalgary.ca/

Apply for scholarships and awards

You don’t need to wait for an admission offer to complete our entrance awards application. Learn about awards: http://www.ucalgary.ca/registrar/finances/awards/entrance

Apply for residence if applicable http://ucalgary.ca/residence
You’ve Received an Offer: Congratulations!

- We will send you a welcome email with details about registration dates, deadlines, and preparing to start your program.
  - If you are admitted to the Community-Based pathway, you should book any accommodations – some options will be provided in the welcome email.

- Registration for incoming after-degree students opens April 4th
  - Please register as soon as you are able and for the full year

- It’s important to check your UCalgary email regularly, even before the program starts. Once you are a student, we have to communicate with you this way!
  - For example, we will be emailing you with important instructions on getting your PIC after July 1st!
Werklund Opportunities & Supports
Education-Specific Entrance Awards

Werklund School of Education Award for Advancement in Diversity, Equity and Inclusion ($4,700)
- based on academic merit and activities related to youth or education, demonstrating the advancement of diversity, equity and inclusion

Werklund Community Engaged Leadership Scholarship (up to $20,000)
- based on academic merit and extra-curricular volunteer activities related to youth or education, demonstrating leadership and community service

Check here for further information: https://werklund.ucalgary.ca/undergraduate-programs/future-students/entrance-awards

Application deadlines in mid-April!
Undergraduate Research

• University of Calgary is a top 5 research university!
• Undergraduate Research in Education: https://werklund.ucalgary.ca/undergraduate-programs/current-students/undergraduate-research
• Options for Werklund Undergraduate Students:
  • BEd Honours (apply in your first year), see: https://werklund.ucalgary.ca/undergraduate-programs/current-students/honours-program
  • Research Awards: PURE Program and Werklund Undergraduate Research Award
Experiential Learning

Service Learning
• Curated and coordinated volunteer opportunities

Professional Learning
• Build on academic learning from the program

Land-Based Opportunities
• Focus on Indigenous ways of knowing and connecting to the land

Teaching Across Borders
• Volunteer teach and experience a new culture

Mentorship
• Peer-to-Peer and Professional-to-Preservice

K-12 Tutoring Program
• Online tutoring semester by semester
Career Support

Advising Appointments

Resume and Cover Letter Support

Career Workshops and Sessions

- TWINS and TQS applications
- Alternative Career Paths

Resource Shell on D2L
Education Students’ Association

• Communicates between:
  • ESA members
  • Werklund School of Education
  • Students’ Union
  • Alberta Teachers’ Association (ATA)

• Assist, protect, and make aware of ATA policies and objectives

• Teacher preparation
  • Professional Development Workshops Online
  • Mental First Aid & ASIST training
Faculty and Campus Resources

Faculty Resources
• Student Advisors
• Field & Career Advisors
• Service Learning, TAB, Mentorship
• Director of Student Experience/Field

Campus Resources
• Wellness Center
• Writing Symbols Lodge
• Student Success Center
• Student Accessibility Services (SAS)
• Enrolment Services
• Financial Aid and Student Awards
Connect with us!

• Advising Team
  • Email: upe@ucalgary.ca
  • Appointment & Drop-in information: https://werklund.ucalgary.ca/undergraduate-programs/contact

• Application Issues?
  • Contact Admissions: https://www.ucalgary.ca/future-students/undergraduate/contact

• FOIP Regulations *(important for parents, spouses, etc.)*
  • https://ucalgary.ca/registrar/student-centre/privacy-policy