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GUIDELINES FOR

BACHELOR OF ELEMENTARY EDUCATION

Admission into the Bachelor of Elementary Education degree requires a minimum of 60 academic credits. TRU students typically prepare for entry by completing coursework from the Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Fine Arts, or Bachelor of Science programs.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS	EXAMPLES
1. 6 credits of English Literature and Composition	Two of: ENGL 1100, 1110, 1120, 1140, or 1210 Must include BOTH Literature & Composition (Max 3 credits in Composition)
2. 3 credits of Mathematics	Math – MATH 1000, 1070, 1100, 1140, 1150, 1170, 1420, 1650, 1700, STAT 1200, **MATH 1900 (recommended)**
3. 3 credits of Science	Astronomy – ASTR 1140, 1150 Biology – BIOL 1040, 1050, 1110, 1210 Chemistry – CHEM 1500 Physics – PHYS 1100, 1130, 1150 Environmental Studies – NRSC 1110, 1120, 1220 Geology – GEOL 1110, 2050. **Physical** Geography – GEOG 1000, 2020, 2050 **NOTE:** Computing courses do not satisfy this requirement
4. 3 credits of Canadian Studies	Preferred: History or Geography – GEOG 2220, 2230, HIST 1120, 1220, 2020, 2700

5. 15 credits of coursework in **subject areas** relevant to **BC Elementary curriculum**. **Note**: This list includes TRU courses as well as other subject areas not offered at TRU but accepted by the Teacher Certification Branch.			
	BC Curriculum	TRB Certification Categories	TRU Course Work
	Applied Design, Skills, and Technologies	Computer Science	Computing
	Arts Education	Drama	Theatre
		Dance	Not available
		Music	Music
		Art	Visual Arts
	English Language Arts	English	English, *Creative Writing
	Languages (excluding Linguistics)	Languages	Second languages: French, German Japanese, Spanish
	Mathematics	Mathematics	Mathematics
	Physical and Health Education	Physical Education	Physical Education
	Science	Astronomy, Biology, Chemistry, Earth Science, General Science, Physics	Astronomy, Biology, Chemistry, Physical Geography, Geology, Physics
	Social Studies	First Nations Studies, Geography, History, Social Studies	Anthropology, Canadian Studies, Economics, Indigenous Studies, Geography, History, Political Science, Sociology

For GPA requirements, please see the B.Ed. (Elementary) webpage: tru.ca/edsw/schools-and-departments/education/bed

NOTE: All required coursework needed to meet admission requirements must be completed by the end of winter semester of the year in which application to the program is made. All final grades must be entered to your student record by May 15th for you to be eligible to participate in the Fall intake.

SUPPLEMENTARY REQUIREMENTS: Submission deadline of February 15 (recommend a minimum of 15 hours of relevant experience with groups of school-aged children. If applicable, this experience should be described in the supplementary form), two letters of reference, and application questionnaire. Please see B.Ed. (Elementary) webpage: tru.ca/edsw/schools-and-departments/education/bed

ENGLISH		
IF YOU TOOK	YOUR GRADE	CHOOSE
English Studies 12 **or** English First Peoples 12 **or**	73% or higher	ENGL 1100 (recommended) **or** ENGL 1110 **or**
ESAL 0570 <u>and</u> 0580 **or**	65% or higher	ENGL 1120 **or** ENGL 1140 **or** ENGL 1210
ENGL 0600 **or** ENGL 0620	65% or higher	
English Studies 12 **or** English First Peoples 12	Below 73%	ACCUPLACER Assessment **or** ENGL 0600 **or** 0620

FIRST YEAR PLAN — BACHELOR OF ARTS STUDENT	
FALL SEMESTER	**WINTER SEMESTER**
ENGL 1100 **or** 1110 **or** 1120 **or** 1140 **or** 1210 Science **or** Math (MATH 1900 recommended) Second Language **or** Elective – List A, B, or C Elective – See Teachable Subject Areas HIST 1120 **or** GEOG 2220 **or** GEOG 2230	ENGL 1100 **or** 1110 **or** 1120 **or** 1140 **or** 1210 Math **or** Science (MATH 1900 recommended) Second Language **or** Elective – List A, B, or C Elective – See Teachable Subject Areas HIST 1220 **or** GEOG 2220 **or** GEOG 2230

FIRST YEAR PLAN — BACHELOR OF SCIENCE STUDENT	
FALL SEMESTER	**WINTER SEMESTER**
ENGL 1100 **or** 1110 **or** 1120 **or** 1140 **or** 1210 CHEM 1500 MATH 1140 **or** 1150 PHYS 1100 **or** 1150 **or** Elective – List A, B, or C BIOL 1110 **or** Computing **or** Geology	ENGL 1100 **or** 1110 **or** 1120 **or** 1140 **or** 1210 CHEM 1510 **or** 1520 MATH 1240 **or** 1250 PHYS 1200 **or** 1250 **or** Elective – List A, B, or C BIOL 1210 **or** Computing **or** Geology

SECOND LANGUAGE	LIST A HUMANITIES	LIST B SOCIAL SCIENCES	LIST C CREATIVE/PERFORMING ARTS
Chinese (CHIN) First Nation (FNLG) French (FRAN) German (GERM) Japanese (JAPA) Spanish (SPAN)	Communications (CMNS)* English (ENGL) History (HIST) Linguistics (LING)* Philosophy (PHIL)* Speech (SPEE)*	Anthropology (ANTH) Archaeology (ARCH)* Economics (ECON) Geography (GEOG) Indigenous Studies (INDG) Political Studies (POLI) Psychology (PSYC)* Sociology (SOCI)	Creative Writing (CRWR)* Film (FILM)* Visual Arts (VISA) Music (MUSI) Theatre (THTR)
*These subjects are not teachable areas but can still be used towards fulfilling the 30 credits of general undergraduate coursework.			

KEEP IN MIND
Course Load: Feel free to speak with an Academic Advisor to discuss course sequencing and workload.
Resources: More about the program requirements in the Academic Calendar.   More about prerequisites, corequisites and courses: Course Schedule.
Institutional Learning Outcomes (ILOs): May be required for your program. Using the Degree Works planning tool will help you identify which courses apply.
Degree Works Planning Tool: More information is available through the Degree Works website at: tru.ca/current/academic-supports/degreeworks

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TRU BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ELEMENTARY) – PRE-ADMISSION CHECKLIST

Min. of 60 credits must be completed prior to entry to the program (students may apply with courses in-progress)

30 cr. in subject areas related to the BC elementary curriculum		
15 cr. required courses		**COURSE**
1.	English Composition	
2.	English Literature	
3.	Mathematics	
4.	Science (lab component not required)	
5.	Canadian Studies (e.g. History or Geography)	
Additional 15 cr. in approved subjects		
1.		4.
2.		5.
3.		

30 cr. in any academic subject areas		
COURSE		**COURSE**
1.		6.
2.		7.
3.		8.
4.		9.
5.		10.