

School of Education

The St. Thomas BEd is a post-baccalaureate degree program that builds on your previous undergraduate education in arts, science, commerce or other comparable programs.

In other words, we expect students to have well-developed analytical, research and communication skills before they enter the BEd program. In addition, we'll expect you to have enough background and expertise within a particular subject area to teach content.

The BEd program is designed to provide you with a professional education to allow you to effectively share your knowledge and apply your skills in the classroom and other educational settings.

The St. Thomas BEd is an intensive 60 credit-hour program delivered in one calendar year. It offers you the opportunity to concentrate in one of the three teaching areas —elementary (K-5), middle and secondary (6-12), or second language (French).

The program is designed to encourage cross-disciplinary approaches to teaching. One component explores the use of technology for teaching and planning. Faculty have a very close relationship with BEd class members, carefully monitoring field placements and taking an active interest in students' professional development. As a member of the BEd class, you should anticipate a high level of interaction with your BEd peers. Because of the intensive nature of this course of study, you will find that the program's demands on your time, energy, and abilities simulate the kind of work expected of public educators.

A. Admission to Education

Admission is competitive and enrollment is limited. A majority of applicants often exceed the minimum academic requirement. A strong academic record by itself is not enough to ensure acceptance. Evidence of professional suitability, substantiated by letters of reference, is considered on an equal basis with your academic record. Most people who are admitted to the Program have considerable experience working with young people. Letters of reference should substantiate these experiences. You should select your referees judiciously. To strengthen your application, you may consider taking steps to both improve your grade-point average and expand your recent range and depth of work with young people. To be considered for admission to the Bachelor of Education Program, you must satisfy three minimum requirements.

1. A four-year (minimum of 120 credit hours) bachelor's degree from a recognized university, or be a candidate for the degree in the year you wish to begin your Bachelor of Education program.
2. A minimum cumulative grade-point average of 2.7 or a minimum of 2.7 on your most recent 60 credit hours attempted.
3. Teachables: You must be eligible for level 5 teacher certification with the New Brunswick Department of Education. This will require a four-year undergraduate degree of 120 credit hours. Applications must have either 30 credit hours as a major in a teachable subject area, or 24 credit hours in one major teachable subject area and 18 credit hours in another teachable subject area. Teachable majors and minors are listed at Required Teachables. They are required for New Brunswick teacher certification.

eligibility. Teachable subject areas may be found at <https://www.stu.ca/education/>

After receiving an offer of admission, accepted candidates are required to submit a non-refundable \$300 advance deposit on tuition as confirmation of their acceptance of placement in this program.

1. Please consult the electronic version of the calendar for the most up to date course offerings.
2. You will receive the Teacher Candidate Handbook upon acceptance. Please read carefully.

