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TEACHER EDUCATION PROGRAM
Join our team

Come and join one of the most dynamic and innovative teacher education programs, situated on the traditional territories of the Algonquin people. Enjoy a unique opportunity to work with a team of educational leaders who have strong research relationships and professional partnerships with different local, national and international communities. Our mission is to prepare teachers to educate students to meet the ethical, social and technological demands necessary for fostering sustainable 21st century communities.

Why study education at the University of Ottawa?

- We are the largest bilingual English-French university in the world.
- There are opportunities to improve your French skills.
- We offer two-year teacher education programs in French as well as English.
- You can do community service learning placements in classroom and community settings.
- There are options to specialize in French as a second language for the Primary/Junior division.
- You can choose from one of the following five cohort programs: Comprehensive School Health; Global Education; Imagination, Creativity and Innovation; Second Language Education; and Urban Communities.
- You can study with world-renowned professors who are leaders in their fields of research.
- Our downtown campus is in the heart of the nation’s capital — a mosaic of world cultures, heritage sites and stunning architecture, boasting many museums, art galleries and festivals — located minutes from Gatineau Park, home to some of the best hiking, biking and cross-country skiing in Canada.

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Admission process

Attend an information session

Learn more about information sessions: education.uOttawa.ca/en/news/information-sessions-0

Choose your preferred divisions

When you apply to the Teacher Education program, you must indicate your preferred division (grade level range). You can apply for more than one division, but you must prioritize your choices, since we only make one offer of admission. See the “At a glance” for all your choices.

Application deadline: December 1

Apply online through the Ontario Universities’ Application Centre website: www.ouac.on.ca/teas

Admission requirements

General requirements:

- Hold a minimum three-year undergraduate degree from a recognized university or other degree-granting postsecondary institution
- Have a minimum average of 70% on your top 20 one-term undergraduate courses (or the equivalent)
- Meet the course requirements for the division and teaching subjects, where applicable
- Have relevant experience and skills, such as paid or volunteer experience in elementary and secondary schools, daycare centres, or sports and leadership camps
- Demonstrate proof of proficiency in English (as necessary)

Specific requirements in each division

See the “At a glance” table.


Statement of experience

You will receive an acknowledgement of application from the admissions office. It will contain a uoZone account ID and password, giving you access to information and services. Using the link provided in uoZone, complete your Statement of Experience profile and submit it.

Testimonial

While working as a teaching assistant during my graduate studies, I fell in love with the teaching side of academia. I have always had a love of learning and passion for education, and after growing up with many educators in the family, it was a natural fit for me to pursue a career in teaching. I chose the University of Ottawa because I was drawn by the program’s emphasis on integrating Indigenous perspectives, and its focus on 21st century learners and their needs.

– Elizabeth Cowan
Junior/Intermediate division

French language proficiency test

To be enrolled in our French as a Second Language program, you must pass a French language proficiency test. The test is compulsory and no other test (e.g., TestCan, DALF) can replace it.

Test registration: When you receive our acknowledgement of your application, it will include a password to access your uoZone account and register online. Tests will be held beginning in January. The test fee is available online.


How much will my studies cost?

Tuition fees for full-time students who are Canadian citizens, permanent residents or exempted international students range from $3,640 to $4,295 per term. To use our tuition fee calculator, go to www.registrar.uOttawa.ca and click University fees.

Admission scholarships

Every year, professional training scholarships are automatically awarded to students with the highest cumulative admission averages.

Other scholarships and bursaries

Once you enrol, you can apply for additional scholarships and bursaries through your account on the uoZone student portal. For more information, go to www.registrar.uOttawa.ca and click Financial aid and awards.
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**Application evaluation**

The Admissions Committee evaluates applicants’ files to ensure they meet all requirements. You are then ranked in descending order based on two equal components: your average on your best 20 one-term university courses and your score on the experience profile. We then send offers out according to the number of spaces available, for as many rounds as required to fill the program. Check the status of your application anytime through your uoZone account.

**Admission offers and acceptance**

The first round of admission offers will be sent out no later than **March 1st**. If you are accepted, respond by the deadline indicated to reserve your place in the program.

**Enrolment**

To accept your offer, follow the instructions in the enrolment kit and submit all required documents by the deadline. Enter your preferences for your practicum placements via uoZone. We enrol students between mid-June and mid-July, and then send a confirmation of enrolment email along with details regarding orientation.

**Police record check**

Students in the Bachelor of Education program are required by school boards and the Ontario College of Teachers to pass a police record check including the vulnerable sector, prior to beginning their school practicum and receiving their professional accreditation. We provide details on the police record check to admitted applicants. In the meantime, the Ontario College of Teachers has more information at oct.ca/FAQ.

**Program options**

**Divisions and cohorts/communities**

Teacher candidates choose a division, to be able to teach students at specific grade levels. Depending on the division you choose, you then enrol in one of several themed cohorts. You must indicate your cohort preferences; selection is on a first-come first-served basis following admission to the BEd program.

**Course sequence**

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**Divisions**

**Primary/Junior (P/J) division**

**Kindergarten to Grade 6**

Teacher candidates learn to integrate teaching and learning across the range of subjects taught at the elementary level: social studies, language arts, math, science, arts, and health and physical education.

**Junior/Intermediate (J/I) division**

**Grades 4 to 10**

Teacher candidates in the Junior/Intermediate (J/I) division are required to have one teaching subject.

**Intermediate/Senior (I/S) division**

**Grades 7 to 12**

Teacher candidates in the Intermediate/Senior (I/S) division are required to have two teaching subjects.

**Cohorts and communities**

For more information: education.uOttawa.ca/en/programs/undergraduate-studies/teacher-education. Click **Cohorts and communities**.

**Comprehensive School Health**

**P/J division**

This cohort is offered for teacher candidates who are interested in promoting health through teaching and learning, leadership, student engagement, social and physical environments, and home, school and community partnerships.

**Global Education Cohort**

**P/J and I/S divisions**

This cohort is offered for teacher candidates who would like to learn more about our world and how we can integrate global education across the school curriculum.

**Second Language Education**

**P/J division**

For P/J candidates who have a passion for language learning across the curriculum. It has two options — French as a second language (FSL) and English as a second language (ESL).
Your career

Career Fairs in Education
Meet over 50 employers from Ontario, other parts of Canada and abroad. For more information: education.uOttawa.ca/fairs

Professional development
All Ontario certified teachers can take additional basic qualification (ABQ) courses to teach in a division other than the one they were originally certified for. Teachers can also take (AQ) courses in order to teach French as a second language (core French, intensive French or French immersion) and numerous other AQ options. For more information: education.uOttawa.ca/en/continuing

Graduate studies
Complete a graduate diploma, a master’s or a PhD in education. Learn more about our graduate programs: education.uOttawa.ca/en/programs/graduate-studies

Career opportunities
Teacher education leads to career opportunities as an elementary or secondary school teacher, education officer, educational resource designer, occasional teacher, training consultant or administrator, in Canada and abroad.

Imagination, Creativity and Innovation (P/J and I/S divisions)
This cohort is for teacher candidates who are interested in bringing new, different and fun learning approaches to the classroom.

Urban Communities (J/I and I/S divisions)
This community is for teacher candidates who are interested in working in schools that are highly multicultural.

Testimonial
“I want to pursue a career in teaching because I want to help students. After working for a few years in addiction, it has become evident to me that education is the key to ending the cycle. I want students to succeed, and to know that there is more than one way to learn. I have committed myself to teaching students the way they need to learn, and to use education before it is too late.”

– Corinne Barrette
Primary/Junior division

Programs offered

Teacher Education
The Teacher Education program is an intensive two-year full-time professional program beginning in September and concluding 20 months later in April. The program prepares candidates to teach in Ontario elementary or secondary schools.

• Teacher candidates undertake two practica (placements) in Ottawa area schools, where they are mentored by experienced associate teachers, for a total of 80 to 90 days of school-based teaching experience.

• Teacher candidates also participate in two community service learning placements that extend their learning in classroom and community settings (e.g., in museums or early childhood education settings, in Canada and abroad).

• Courses in the Teacher Education program are provided through face-to-face and hybrid modes of delivery.

• The program prepares candidates to teach in Ontario elementary or secondary schools.

• The program leads to a Bachelor of Education and a recommendation for certification by the Ontario College of Teachers.

• The Faculty of Education offers an Aboriginal Teacher Education Program (ATEP),* leading to a certificate or BEd. For more information on the ATEP: education.uOttawa.ca/en/programs/undergraduate-studies/aboriginal-teacher-education.

* This program is not necessarily offered every year. See our website for more details.

French as a Second Language
The French as Second Language program option is available to candidates in all divisions. It provides the opportunity to teach in French immersion classrooms in English-language school boards. At least one practicum placement is in a French immersion or core French classroom. In addition to meeting the French language and literature prerequisites for the division to which you are applying, you must pass a French Language Proficiency test.

• P/J FSL program option automatically become members of the Second Language Education cohort.

J/I and I/S divisions
If you are interested in teaching French as a second language (French Immersion, Core French, Extended French), you have the option of selecting FSL as a teaching subject.

Formation à l’enseignement
The Faculty of Education also offers a two-year Formation à l’enseignement program in French that allows graduates to teach in French-language school boards in Ontario. For more information on our French language programs: education.uOttawa.ca.
# Divisions

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  - English/Linguistics/Languages  
  - Mathematics/Statistics  
  - Physical Sciences/Life Sciences  
  - Social Sciences/Humanities  
  - Visual Arts/Music/Drama |
| Primary/Junior FSL Option  | Candidates enrolled in the FSL program option automatically become members of the Second Language Education cohort. | 2 years        | Applicants must have taken six one-term university courses (or the equivalent) in French language or literature. |
| Junior/Intermediate        | Global Education Cohort; Urban Communities                                              | 2 years        | Applicants must have one teaching subject and must have successfully completed a minimum of six one-term university courses (or the equivalent) in their chosen subject:  
  - Dramatic Arts  
  - English  
  - French as a Second Language  
  - Geography  
  - Health and Physical Education  
  - History  
  - Mathematics  
  - Music (instrumental)  
  - Science (general)  
  - Visual Arts |
| Intermediate/Senior        | Imagination, Creativity and Innovation; Urban Communities                               | 2 years        | Applicants must have two teaching subjects. They must have successfully completed a minimum of ten one-term university courses (or the equivalent) in their first teaching subject and a minimum of six one-term courses (or equivalent) in their second teaching subject.  
  - Dramatic Arts  
  - English  
  - French as a Second Language  
  - Geography  
  - Health and Physical Education  
  - History  
  - Mathematics  
  - Music (instrumental)  
  - Science (biology)  
  - Science (chemistry)  
  - Science (physics)  
  - Visual Arts |

Note:  
*One course = 36 hours of class (minimum)  
*These teaching options cannot be combined