

Intermediate-Senior Stream Admission Requirements

1. Applicants to the Intermediate/Senior program must select two teaching subjects from the following: Economics, English (First Language), Environmental Science, Family Studies, French (Second Language), Geography, Health & Physical Education, History, Law, Mathematics, Music – Instrumental, Music – Vocal, Philosophy, Politics, Religious Education, Science–Biology, Science–Chemistry, Science–General, Science–Physics, Social Studies–General.
2. For the first teaching subject you select, five full or equivalent undergraduate or graduate credits, with a minimum average of 70%, are required.
3. For the second teaching subject you select, three full or equivalent undergraduate or graduate credits, with a minimum average of 70%, are required.

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English: Courses in English culture, linguistics, essay writing, and writing for business or science are not acceptable.

Family Studies: As a first teaching subject, at least three of the five following areas must be represented: Child and Family Development, Housing and Interior Design, Clothing and Textiles, Foods and Nutrition, or Family Resource Management (Consumer Economics). As a second teaching subject, at least two of the areas must be represented.

French (as either a first or second teaching subject): Applicants must possess oral and written fluency in French and a thorough knowledge of grammar. Five full French courses (or the equivalent), at least two of which must be language courses, are required for admission. One or more full course equivalents in French literature is desirable for those hoping to teach in French-immersion settings. The Faculty of Education reserves the right to test candidates to ensure they meet the required standard.

Geography: At least a half credit (and preferably a full credit) in Canadian Geography must be included. (May not be combined with Economics, History, Law, or Politics.)

Health & Physical and Health Education: Activity courses must be included. Three activity courses are preferred.

History: At least a half credit (and preferably a full credit) in Canadian History must be included. (May not be combined with Economics, Geography, Law, or Politics.)

Law: May not be combined with Geography, History, Economics or Politics.

Mathematics: At least one full senior math credit, or the equivalent, must be included.

Music: Candidates are strongly encouraged to select either Instrumental Music or Vocal Music as teaching options, but not both. Strong preference will be given during the admissions process to candidates who choose one Music option and accompany it with a teaching option from another subject area.

Music - Instrumental: Credits should include at least one instrumental conducting course, several minor instrument courses in woodwinds, brass and percussion and one music theory course.

Music - Vocal: Credits should include at least one choral or vocal techniques course, one choral conducting course, and one music theory course.

Philosophy: May not be combined with Social Studies-General.

Politics: May not be combined with Geography, History, Economics or Law.

Religious Education: As a first or second teaching subject, five full credits, or the equivalent, are required. Credits should cover several of the following areas: Old and New Testament studies, Catholic Church teachings in morality and social justice, sacraments, sexuality and marriage in the Catholic tradition, and Vatican II theology. Religious Education is offered as a teaching subject only for Roman Catholic schools; student teaching in this subject area will occur in Roman Catholic secondary schools only.

Science: Candidates must select only one teaching option from among the senior science courses of biology, chemistry, environmental science and physics. A senior science choice may be accompanied with either Science-General or a teaching option from another subject area.

Science General: Credits in at least three of the following areas are required: Biology, Chemistry, Earth and Space Science, Environmental Science, Physics.

Social Studies - General: A full credit in each of the following areas is preferred: Anthropology, Psychology, and Sociology. This is an optional subject in the secondary school curriculum, and entry to this teaching subject is limited. Applicants are advised to select this as a second teaching subject only. (May not be combined with Philosophy.)