

Second-stage admission

Candidates for the Bachelor of Arts with a Major in Journalism degree are selected after the first semester of second year. Application forms will be available at the Registrar's Office for interested students. The Journalism Major is limited in enrolment, and possession of the minimum requirements does not guarantee acceptance to the programme. Twenty students will be chosen each year to declare the Journalism Major. The deadline for applications, including all supporting documents, is December 1. Candidates will be selected on the basis of the following criteria:

1. Cumulative GPA on courses completed by September 1, not including Journalism courses: 40%
2. Grades in Journalism courses which would normally include Journalism 1013, 1023, 2023 (students who wish to apply without having taken all of these courses and presenting final grades for them must have the permission of the Director of Journalism): 30%
3. Personal essay (300 to 500 words) that answers the following question: How will I contribute to my community as a journalist? 10%
4. Two letters of reference describing the candidate's suitability for the programme and potential as a journalist (note: St. Thomas Journalism professors are part of the selection process and therefore not considered suitable referees): 10%
5. Suitability for the study of Journalism, demonstrated by two pieces of writing or works of Journalism not submitted as part of a course requirement (published or unpublished manuscripts are acceptable): 10%

Candidates who are not successful in their application to the Major in Journalism Programme will have an opportunity to continue their Journalism studies in the Media Studies Major and Journalism Minor Programme.

Bachelor of Applied Arts (Journalism)

Graduates of the New Brunswick Community College's (Woodstock) two-year Journalism Diploma Programme are eligible for admission to the Bachelor of Applied Arts (Journalism) Degree Programme. Contact the Admissions Office for further information.

G. Admission to Education

Admission requirements

The Bachelor of Education Degree Programme is limited in enrolment. Admission is highly competitive and possession of minimum requirements does not guarantee admission. All candidates must satisfy the following three minimum requirements:

1. possession of a bachelor's degree from a recognized university or college; or be a candidate for the degree by May of the year of application;
2. an academic record which shows evidence of academic interest and strength on an undergraduate programme with a minimum of 120 credit hours. This normally means a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.7 or a minimum average of 2.7 on

the most recent 60 credit hours of the programme;

3. university training which will permit the candidate to be eligible for teacher certification at Level 5 with the New Brunswick Department of Education. This will require a four-year undergraduate degree of 120 credit hours. Applicants must have either 30 credit hours as a Major in one university subject area or 24 credit hours in one major subject area, and 18 credit hours in a Minor university subject area. Majors and minors in the University subject areas are listed on the Education website: <http://www.stu.ca/prospective/programmes/ed.htm>

Note: Applicants who do not satisfy the above minimum requirements are not considered further in the selection process.

4. Candidates who satisfy the minimum academic requirements will be assessed on the basis of academic preparation and professional suitability. Academic records, letters of intent, and reference letters will be scrutinized for evidence of academic strength, teaching-related experience, and those qualities likely to contribute to teaching success.

Application procedures

Applications for admission, together with all supporting documents, must be submitted to the Admissions Office by January 15. Applications received after that date will not be considered. To complete the application process the following are required:

1. a completed application form for admission to the University;
2. a completed supplementary BEd application form;
3. a non-refundable application fee of \$35;
4. a letter of intent in which candidates discuss their interest in becoming a teacher, their teaching preference (elementary, middle/secondary or second-language French), their reasons for applying to the programme, any formal or informal teaching experience they may have had, and any skills or qualities they have that should be considered in the assessment of their applications;
5. three letters of reference which assess suitability for the teaching profession in terms of personal qualities and ability to work with young people (referees who can speak directly about a candidate's ability to work with children are preferred);
6. official transcripts of marks from all post-secondary institutions attended. If candidates are currently enrolled in university courses, they should ensure that transcripts of mid-year grades are submitted to the Admissions Office by January 15, and that arrangements are made to have final transcripts of marks forwarded after graduation.

Note: As part of the application process, candidates may also be contacted by the selection committee for a personal interview.

Notification of Admission

Candidates for admission to the BEd Programme will be notified of their admission status

upon completion of the selection process. Within ten days of receiving an offer of admission, accepted candidates are required to submit a non-refundable \$100 advance deposit on tuition as confirmation of their acceptance of placement in this programme. Those who do not meet the deadline for the confirmation deposit will be assumed to have withdrawn their applications and their seats will be reassigned.

H. Admission to Bachelor of Arts Co-op

All potential Arts Co-op students must first be accepted to the Bachelor of Arts Programme. After receiving notification of their acceptance to the Arts Programme, candidates may initiate their application for first-stage admission to the Co-op option. Minimum requirements for entry into the Co-op Programme include a final admissions average of 75%. To apply for the Co-op option, candidates must complete the BA Co-operative Education application form and submit it to the Coordinator of Co-operative Education by May 15. The selection process will be concluded by June 15 and applicants will be notified of their status shortly thereafter. (Late applications will be considered if space is available in the programme). Candidates are assessed on a combination of academic standing, commitment to personal development and career preparation, and volunteer, community, or extracurricular involvement. To ensure suitability for the Programme, candidates are asked to submit a written assignment which is outlined on the application form.

Once students have successfully completed the first Co-op course, COOP 1003 Introduction to Experiential Learning, they may pursue the second-stage application process for official acceptance to the BA Co-op Programme. The details of this application process are given in the COOP 1003 course.

I. Certificate Programmes

Admission Requirements

Certificate in Criminology and Social Justice

Candidates must have at least one year of work experience in the field of criminal justice and either have successfully completed a university preparatory high school programme or satisfy the University's Adult Learner applicant requirements.

Certificate in Gerontology

Candidates who have acquired at least one year of experience in the field of aging may be considered for admission. All candidates must either have successfully completed a university preparatory high school programme or meet the University's Adult Learner requirements.

Certificate in Social Work

This programme is made available by special offering only.

Certificate Programme Application Procedures

Applications for admission are submitted to the Admissions Office and consist of: