

faculty of education



PRACTICE MAKES PERFECT

{ BEd students teach a high school
advanced chemistry class

UPEI is a place where people really matter, where ideas are actively sought and valued, and where community connections enrich life on campus. Our faculty of education students have many options to broaden their understanding of themselves and the world in which they live. For example, education students have taught in aboriginal and francophone communities, created and performed a play about bullying, conducted literacy and arts-based research, and worked in schools in over 25 countries. These are memorable experiences that will influence their personal and professional lives.

CHALLENGING QUESTIONS, SUPPORTIVE ENVIRONMENTS

Students in the faculty of education are encouraged to think critically and creatively about the purpose and practice of education in local communities and global society. Our professors recognize that a supportive and inclusive learning environment cultivates a healthy spirit of enquiry in our students. The close rapport between students and professors is often cited as the most valued aspect of a student's experience in the UPEI education program.



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My first year in the education program at UPEI was very exciting. Classmates and professors are open to new ideas and allow the development of your own personal teaching style which is very rewarding. With a faculty and staff that will go out of their way to help both inside and out of the classroom, you can't help but grow as a teacher. I can't wait to see what lies ahead.

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Mark Ogley

BEd'12 (BSc'06) is co-president of the education society

BACHELOR OF EDUCATION PROGRAMS

We admit approximately 75 students to our two-year, post-degree program each year. Our graduating teachers are highly sought after by schools on Prince Edward Island and across Canada—especially in rural schools, and across the Northern territories—as well as internationally.

The faculty also offers a two-year BEd français langue seconde, and a four-year bachelor of education specializing in human resource development, in collaboration with Holland College, designed for those wishing to teach adult education. A specialized BEd (kindergarten) is currently offered to early childhood educators who are transitioning to the K-12 system on PEI.

Please refer to upei.ca/education for program details.

| | SPECIALIZATION | | | | | | |
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| FACULTY OF EDUCATION | | | | | | | |
| Bachelor of Education | ■ | | | | | | |
| International Education | | | | | ■ | | |
| Indigenous Education | | | | | ■ | | |
| BEd français langue seconde | ■ | | | | | | |
| BEd in Human Resource Development | ■ | | | | | | |
| Adult Education | | | | | ■ | | |
| Inclusive Education | | | | | ■ | | |
| School Librarianship | | | | | ■ | | |
| MEd in Leadership in Learning | | | | | | | ■ |
| Doctor of Philosophy in Education Studies | | | | | | | ■ |

CERTIFICATE AND GRADUATE PROGRAMS

Our master's and certificate programs integrate theory and practice in ways that are intellectually stimulating and professionally rewarding to our students. The MEd in leadership in learning is open to school and college teachers and those involved in other professions, including journalism, law, and nursing. We also offer outreach MEd programs in Fort McMurray, Alberta, and central locations in Nunavut. The PhD program in educational studies accepts up to four students each year.

INTERNATIONAL AND INDIGENOUS EDUCATION — YOUR PASSPORT TO THE WORLD!

The specialization in international education prepares our graduates to work internationally and/or bring a global perspective into Canadian classrooms. With the specialization in indigenous education, students have an opportunity to become familiar with First Nations history and culture and the specific educational needs of indigenous students. In both specializations, students undertake a final teaching practicum in either an aboriginal or an international setting. Opportunities for school placements exist in situations as diverse as Innu communities on the Labrador coast, rural villages in Uganda or Kenya, cosmopolitan capital cities in Europe, or Maori neighbourhoods in New Zealand. There are also options for creative PEI-based practica focused on themes, such as the arts, literacy, or technology.

PERSONALIZED APPROACH

Our students receive personalized attention and support, which is an integral component of every educational experience. This kind of support allows students to have the freedom to express themselves while learning to think critically about the world around them.

WHAT DO I NEED TO ENTER FACULTY OF EDUCATION PROGRAMS?

Admission requirements vary, depending on the program. For complete and current admission information and program requirements, please visit our website.

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Kati Ross (BEd'10) did her international practicum in northern Sweden and Finland, working with Sámi students. She is now employed as a social studies teacher in Nunavut.





WHAT CAN YOU DO WITH A DEGREE IN EDUCATION?

Teaching children of all ages is generally the career goal of people going into teacher education programs. However, the training you receive in communication, organizational, and people skills can be an excellent grounding for other careers, too. There is no limit to where your imagination can take you!

BE A TEACHER IN

- The public school system
- A private school
- Another country
- An adult education setting
- A school library
- A special needs classroom
- An early childhood education setting
- Tutoring one-on-one
- A music program
- French immersion
- Indigenous education
- Physical education
- English as an additional language

OR BE A

- Literacy specialist
- Researcher
- Education administrator
- Education textbook or website writer or editor
- Case worker for a non-profit agency
- Children's museum liaison
- University financial aid worker
- Trainer in government or a corporation

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people ▪ excellence ▪ impact



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The faculty of education is ideal for aspiring and practicing educators who seek to make a difference, whether on Prince Edward Island, across Canada, or around the world. Our programs provide opportunities for pre-service, in-service, and advanced educational studies in a critically reflective environment.

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Miles Turnbull

Interim Dean, Faculty of Education