



SOS PRESENTS:

How To Pursue A Career In Teaching



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Why Teach?

- Inspire those around you
- Share your passion with others
- Make a difference in your community

5 Easy Steps to Becoming a Teacher in Ontario...

Step 1: Get a well rounded high school education, including good marks in mathematics, science and liberal arts.

Step 2: Gather experience working with children.

Step 3: Decide what level and subject you'd like to teach. Explore the university and faculty programs to see which ones suit you.

**YOU ARE NOW A
CERTIFIED TEACHER IN
ONTARIO!**

Step 5: Apply to become a member of the Ontario College of Teachers. Once the College certifies you, you can seek employment in Ontario's schools .

Step 4: Earn a postsecondary degree and a Bachelor of Education degree or equivalent.

What Kind of Teacher Do You Want to Be?

Primary Interest	Teaching Qualification	Undergraduate Degree Requirement
<i>Primary</i> Kindergarten – grade 3	Primary/Junior	General Degree or Honours Degree
<i>Junior</i> Grades 4- 6		
<i>Intermediate</i> Grades 7-10	Junior/Intermediate	General Degree or Honours Degree
<i>Senior</i> Grades 11-12	Intermediate/Senior	Honours Degree

Overview (3 Stages)



- Stage 1: Pre-Teacher's College
- Stage 2: Teacher's College
- Stage 3: Post-Teacher's College



STAGE 1: PRE-TEACHER'S COLLEGE

“Getting a Good Foundation”

Requirements For Teaching

- To teach in Ontario you need at least a 3 year undergraduate degree (e.g. B.Sc. or B.A.)
- Bachelor of Education Degree
- Technological education teachers require 5 years of work experience and no undergraduate degree



Teaching in Elementary Schools

- Elementary school teachers teach most school subjects
- In university: specialize in one or two subjects from the elementary school curriculum (i.e. English, History, Science or Math)
- Courses in psychology, child development or sociology of the family are helpful



Teaching in Secondary Schools

- Secondary school teachers require academic credentials in at least two subject areas

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- In University, obtain academic credentials in 2 of the following: Science (Physics, Chemistry or Biology), Math, English, Religious Studies, Philosophy, History, etc.
- Take an Honours degree if you want to be a subject specialist (Teach Grades 11 & 12)

Gaining Experience


- Application process requires completion of a personal statement indicating all volunteer/work experience
- Volunteer with students in age group you want to teach
- Ideal experience would be in a classroom setting, as a teaching assistant for example.



Ways to Get Involved

- Volunteering for or helping out with charity work
- Coaching
- Tutoring
- Hospital work
- Anything to show you're a committed individual





Stage 2: Teacher's College

“To get through the hardest journey, we need to take only one step at a time, but we must keep on stepping”

-Chinese Proverbs

General vs. Technological

- **General Teachers** require a degree as mentioned previously.
- **Technological Teachers** on the other hand can teach if they have a minimum of at least 5 years of working experience in a field.

Concurrent vs. Consecutive Education

- **The Concurrent Education**
Program allows teacher candidates to pursue an undergraduate degree at the same time as a Bachelor of Education
- **The Consecutive Education**
Program is designed for those candidates who have already obtained their undergraduate degree



Consecutive Education Program

- Students can apply in the last year of their degree, or after graduating.
- Can complete program on a part time (3 years) or full time (1 year) basis.
- Starting September 2015, the program will require full time studying for 2 years.
- Approximately 7000 students compete for about 700 spaces (York U). About a 10% acceptance rate.

Concurrent Education Program

- Students usually apply by the end of the first or second years of their undergraduate degrees.
- Bachelor of Education is completed at the same time as your bachelor degree.
- Must be completed in 5 years (6 years starting September 2015)
- Take a stop-out year in 3rd or 4th year to focus strictly on courses for your bachelors degree, not teaching degree

Teacher Education Application Service

- Should use TEAS to apply for admission to a teacher's college
- Apply online to teachers college through TEAS
→ <http://www.ouac.on.ca/teas/>



Application Fees

- For TEAS: \$145 for 3 choices of Faculties of Education, and \$47 for each additional application
- \$12 per transcript
- Each institution also has additional supplemental fees

Supplementary Fees (in Canadian Funds)

Institution	Fee
Brock	\$60
Lakehead	\$55
Laurentienne	\$50
Nipissing	\$60
Ottawa	\$80
Queen's	\$80
Trent	\$65
UOIT	\$65
Western	\$80
Wilfrid Laurier	\$80
Windsor	\$50
York	\$100

Teachers Education Program

Brock University <ul style="list-style-type: none">○St. Catharines○www.brocku.ca/registrar/admissions	Queen's University <ul style="list-style-type: none">○Kingston○www.educ.queensu.ca
Charles Sturt University <ul style="list-style-type: none">○Burlington○www.charlessturt.ca	Redeemer University <ul style="list-style-type: none">○Ancaster○www.redeemer.ca/BEd
Lakehead University <ul style="list-style-type: none">○Thunder Bay○www.admissions.lakeheadu.ca	University of Ontario Institute of Technology <ul style="list-style-type: none">○Oshawa○www.education.uoit.ca
University of Toronto <ul style="list-style-type: none">○Toronto○www.oise.utoronto.ca/admissions	University of Ottawa <ul style="list-style-type: none">○Ottawa○www.education.uottawa.ca

Teachers Education Program

University of Western Ontario <ul style="list-style-type: none">○London○www.edu.uwo.ca	Trent University <ul style="list-style-type: none">○Peterborough○www.trentu.ca/education
Laurentian University <ul style="list-style-type: none">○Sudbury○www.laurentian.ca	Tyndale University <ul style="list-style-type: none">○Toronto○www.tyndale.ca/university/education
Niagara University <ul style="list-style-type: none">○Niagara○www.niagara.edu/teach	University of Windsor <ul style="list-style-type: none">○Windsor○www.uwindsor.ca/edfac
Nipissing University <ul style="list-style-type: none">○North Bay○www.nipissingu.ca	Wilfred Laurier University <ul style="list-style-type: none">○Waterloo○www.wlu.ca/education
York University Toronto, www.edu.yorku.ca	

Consecutive Program

■ Requirements:

- Create an account and fill out an application form through the Teacher Education Application Service (TEAS)
<http://www.ouac.on.ca/teas/teas-info/>
- Review each university's requirements:
<http://www.ouac.on.ca/teas/teas-schools/>
- http://www.ouac.on.ca/docs/teas/b_tetas_b.pdf
- Overall Grade Point Average of at Least a B (6 / 9 on York's Scale)

Consecutive Program Cont' ...

- 2 Reference Letters
- Personal Statement
(Why do you want to be a teacher)
- Summary of all volunteer and
community involvement



Concurrent Program

- Teaching Practicum required each year: students teach a high-school class once a week for duration of the school year
- Requires a minimum B overall GPA (York) for admission **B+ to an A to be competitive**
- Personal statement
- 2 reference letters
- Personal profile



TEAS Important Dates

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December 1, 2014 (11:59 pm ET)

Deadline for TEAS to receive applications and program choice amendments.

December 8, 2014

Deadline for TEAS to receive payment for online applications.

February 16, 2015

Queen's University releases offers of admission to successful applicants. You can view/respond to Queen's offers of admission online.

March 2, 2015

All other universities release offers of admission to successful applicants. You can view/respond to offers of admission online.



Stage 3: Post-Teacher's College

“Getting Certified”

Ontario College of Teachers

- The OCT was established by legislation to serve and protect the public interest through certifying, governing and enforcing the standards of practice for the teaching profession
- Teachers in publicly funded schools (and some private schools) must be members in good standing with the OCT



Ontario
College of
Teachers

Ontario College of Teachers

■ **Functions:**

- set out clear standards of practice
- provide for ongoing education of teachers
- investigate complaints involving members
- conduct hearings about professional misconduct

Application Fees



■ OCT fees:

- Registration Fee (educated in Ontario) → \$140
- Evaluation Fee (Teachers educated outside of Ontario) → \$222

- Annual Membership fee → \$150
- Reinstatement of a member or renewal of lapsed membership → \$130

- Fees change year to year but they will inform you about it once you're in the program

Teaching Outside of Ontario

- There are many opportunities for Canadian teachers to teach abroad
- Many of the Colleges offer international courses and programs to help support and encourage teachers to teach abroad
- Should check with each faculty separately

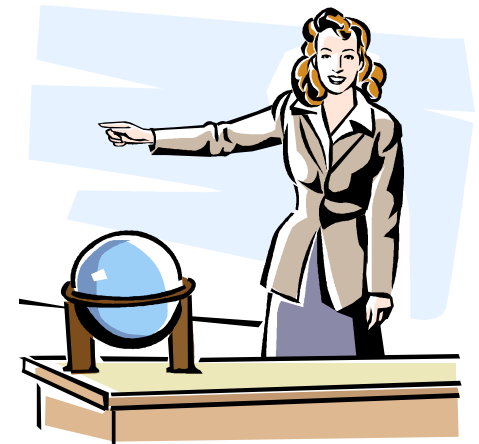


Other Career Opportunities



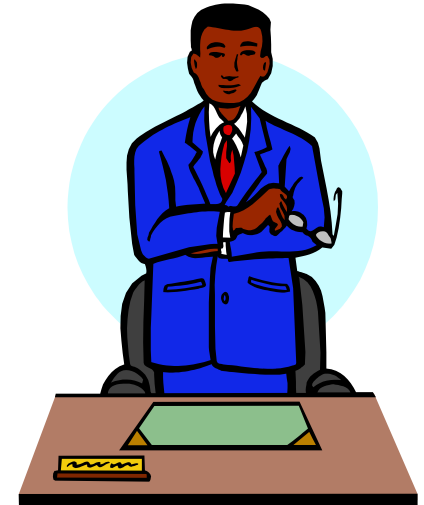
Becoming a Professor

- Ph.D. – Doctoral Degree
- High grade point average
- Published writings



High-School Principal

- Undergraduate degree
- Teaching experience
- Certification in 3 of 4 teaching divisions
- Additional qualifications/Master's degree



For More Information:

- http://www.oct.ca/become_a_teacher/
- <http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/general/list/faculty.html>
- <http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/teacher/employ.html>
- <http://www.ouac.on.ca/teas/teas-fees/>
- <http://Edu.yorku.ca>



Questions?