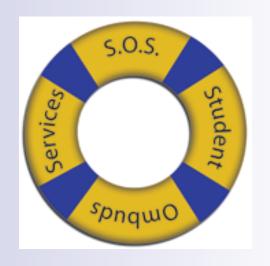


#### SOS PRESENTS:

# 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



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.

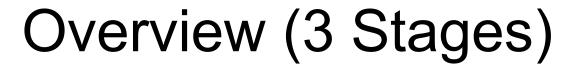
## YOU ARE NOW A CERTIFIED TEACHER IN ONTARIO!

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	Degree Requirements	Other Requirements
<i>Primary</i> Kindergarten – grade 3	3 Year Degree (90 credits)	Expert in one teaching subject
Junior Grades 4- 6	4 Yr Honours Degree (120 credits)	Expert in one teaching subject
Intermediate Grades 7-10	4 Yr Honours Degree	Expert in two teaching subjects
Senior Grades 11-12	4 Yr Honours Degree	Expert in two teaching subjects





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 a 4 year undergraduate

degree (i.e. B.Sc. or B.A.)

- Bachelor of Education Degree
- Technological education teachers require 5 years of work experience





#### 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)

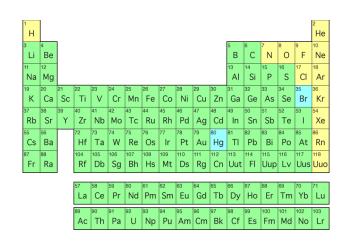


 Courses in psychology, child development or sociology of the family are helpful



## Teaching in Secondary Schools

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



- In University major and minor 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.



- 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.



- 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.
- 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
- Take a stop-out year in 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> year to focus strictly on courses for your bachelors degree, not teaching degree



- Should use TEAS to apply for admission to a teacher's college
- Apply online to teachers college though TEAS
   → www.ouac.com/teas





#### **Application Fees**

 For TEAS: \$135 for 3 choices of Faculties of Education, and \$44 for each additional application

- \$12 per transcript
- Each institution also has additional supplemental fees

Institution	Fee
Brock	\$60
Lakehead	\$55
Laurentian	\$40
Nipissing	\$60
Ottawa	\$60
Queen's	\$80
Toronto	\$100
Trent	\$65
UOIT	\$65
Western	\$60
Wilfrid Laurier	\$60
Windsor	\$50
York	\$100



## Teachers Education Program

Brock University  oSt. Catharines  owww.brocku.ca/registrar/ admissions	Queen's University  oKingston owww.educ.queensu.ca
Charles Sturt University  ○Burlington  ○www.charlessturt.ca	Redeemer University  oAncaster owww.redeemer.ca/BEd
Lakehead University  ○Thunder Bay  ○www.admissions.lakeheadu.ca	University of Ontario Institute of Technology  Oshawa owww.education.uoit.ca
University of Toronto  ○Toronto  ○www.oise.utoronto.ca/admissions	University of Ottawa ○Ottawa ○www.education.uottawa.ca



## Teachers Education Program

University of Western Ontario  oLondon owww.edu.uwo.ca	Trent University  ○Peterborough  ○www.trentu.ca/education
Laurentian University  Sudbury  www.laurentian.ca	Tyndale University  ○Toronto  ○www.tyndale.ca/university/education
Niagara University  oNiagara  owww.niagara.edu/teach	University of Windsor  OWindsor  Owww.uwindsor.ca/edfac
Nipissing University  ONorth Bay Owww.nipissingu.ca	Wilfred Laurier University  ○Waterloo  ○www.wlu.ca/education
York University Toronto, www.edu.yorku.ca	



#### Consecutive Program

#### Requirements:

- □ Fill out an application form through the Teacher Education Application Service (TEAS)
   <u>http://www.ouac.on.ca/teas/index.html</u>
- This is similar to OUAC when applying to Universities and Colleges in high school
- □ Overall Grade Point Average of at Least a B (6 / 9 on York's Scale) – use 14 point scale where B = 73%



#### 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 C+ overall GPA (York) for admission
   B+ to an A to be competitive
- Personal statement
- 2 reference letters
- Personal profile





## **Grading System**

- Teacher's College uses a 14 point grading system:
  - $\square$  A+ = 14, A= 13, A- = 12 ...

- Convert your current GPA to a letter grade, and then match it with the teacher's college scale
  - □ Grades could slightly increase or decrease upon conversion

# 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

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





#### OCT fees:

- □ Registration Fee (educated in Ontario) → \$140
- □ Annual Membership fee → \$120
- □ Fees change year to year but they will inform you about it once you're in the program



#### Informative brochure can be found at:

http://www.oct.ca/publications/pdf/tabat e.pdf





#### 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.

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.html
- http://Edu.yorku.ca





# Questions?

#### SOS is recruiting for next year!

Recruitment Letters: bethune.yorku.ca





- PA & PM Deadline: December 5, 21013
  - PT Deadline: December 2, 2013

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