

BACHELOR OF EDUCATION

Two-Year BEd

EXPERIENTIAL MAJOR MAP



FIRST YEAR

- Check program requirements on the [Academic Calendar](#).
- Read through the [Academic Regulations](#).
- Familiarize yourself with your [myInfo](#) account, self help, and degree audit tools.
- If you need academic accommodations, meet with [Student Accessibility Services](#).
- Attend mandatory Seminar Wednesdays with professionals to learn essential and current information about the field, and engage in networking.
- Attend Career Days. These provide teacher candidates the opportunity to meet with potential future employers, and the opportunity to be interviewed by boards.
- Experience your 55 days for student teaching.
- Look into elective course(s) of personal interest.
- Explore the remedial course available to all (Enhancing the Practicum) as needed.
- Engage in the Mentorship and Active Participation (MAP) Journal under Year 1.
- Attend literacy/numeracy coaching.
- Complete the Math Competency Exam for Primary/Junior Division.
- Complete the DELF B2 French Exam for Intermediate/Senior French teachables and Primary/Junior French immersion.



DEVELOP

a Course Plan and Build Academic Skills

FINAL YEAR

- Visit the [Student Success Centre Academic Support Zone](#).
- Meet with your Chair or a Student Central Professional to discuss your academic progress.
- Check your degree audit (found on [myInfo](#)) with every course addition, drop, or change to confirm how the change affects degree completion.
- Submit your Intent to Graduate.
- RSVP for convocation ceremonies.
- Attend Seminar Wednesdays with professionals to access essential and current information in the field.
- Attend Seminar Wednesdays to engage in networking with professionals.
- Attend Career Days. These provide teacher candidates the opportunity to be interviewed and meet with potential future employers.
- Complete 50 days of student teaching.
- Explore elective course(s) of personal interest.
- Look into the 20 day alternative placement available (including international opportunities).
- Complete the Applicant Profile with the Ontario College of Teachers.
- Complete Faculty Reports to Ontario College of Teachers.
- Ensure you have your Awards for Convocation decided.
- Attend the remedial course available to all (Enhancing the Practicum) as needed.
- Complete your Preparation for Professional Development courses.

ACADEMIC SUCCESS

ACADEMIC SKILLS CHECKLIST

- Volume, vocabulary and expression
- Effective instructions
- Clear expectation for oral and written lessons
- Uses multiple forms of feedback
- Maintains culturally appropriate behavior
- Acts calmly and non-judgmentally
- Knows necessary content to the depth and breadth required by the curriculum documents
- Confident understanding of learning outcomes
- Manages multiple job duties
- Establishes a comfortable and safe place to promote a successful learning environment

- Engage with faculty and peers. Visit your professors during office hours.

- Attend Seminar Wednesdays to meet professionals and discuss relevant ideas. Attend events by Guest speakers.

- Look into extra supports being available for Maple Leaf/International Learners as needed (i.e. Conversation Cafe).

Join committees that need student representation.

- Join the ESTA (Education Student Teacher Association).



CONNECT

and Gain Experience with the Local and Global Community

- Build professional networks with peers, mentors, employers, and faculty.

- Join different networking platforms such as [Lakehead Connect](#) and [LinkedIn](#). Take the EDUC 3910 Teaching Internationally Elective.

- Look into the extra supports available for Maple Leaf/International Learners as needed (i.e. Conversation Cafe).

- Explore Alternative Student Teaching Placements that have international opportunities.

- Join the ESTA (Education Student Teacher Association).

- Attend the [Education Fair](#).

EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING CHECKLIST

- Complete 105 days of student teaching.
- Take field trips to outdoor education centres and other unique education settings.
- Look into PPODS Professional Program On-Site Delivery for Primary/Junior division.
- Attend conferences as a volunteer or participant.
- Boost your resume through completing [online soft skill certificates](#).
- Consider joining Toastmasters to build essential public speaking skills.
- Network with employers on and off campus.
- Network during Volunteer and Career Fairs. Check the Career Zone [calendar](#) to see what networking events you can join.
- Consider arranging an [Informational Interview](#).
- Consider checking out [Resources and Tools](#) on the Career Zone Website).
- Keep track of your skills and experiences for your cover letters and resumes.
- Keep track of your extra-curricular activities on campus and add them to your Co-Curricular Record (CCR) on [mySuccess](#).



FIRST YEAR

FINAL YEAR

ACADEMIC SUCCESS



PREPARE

for Postgraduation or Career

- Visit the [Student Success Centre Career Zone](#) to find out about the career services offered!
- Discuss bursary and award opportunities with [Student Central](#).
- Check out the job bank on [mysuccess](#) to learn about summer jobs and on-campus opportunities in your program.
- Start building networks with professionals and mentors: you'll need recommendation letters in the future.
- Attend specific seminars with School Boards (both local and regional).
- Attend seminars with International opportunities.
- Attend specific seminars with Ontario College of Teachers (OCT).
- Attend seminars with Teacher Associations such as ETFO, OECTA, OSSTF/FEESO and OTF.
- Engage with Post Placement Learning Plans. French immersion.

- Complete preparation for Professional Development courses and programs.
- Complete the Applicant Profile with the Ontario College of Teachers.
- Complete Faculty Reports to the Ontario College of Teachers.
- Practice for the Math Competency Exam (MCE).
- Request recommendation letters from your network.
- Complete Post Placement Learning Plans.

CAREER DEVELOPMENT CHECKLIST

- Graduate from Education
- Complete Additional Qualifications
- Consider Pursuing a Master's in Education and PhD in Education

▶ What skills do employers want?

- Teaching skills
- Development and implementation of engaging lessons
- Knowledge of learner developmental continuum
- Assessment (as/for learning)
- Content-specific communication skills
- Differentiated instruction
- Cooperative teaching strategies
- Scaffolding
- Communication skills
- Organizational skills

▶ What skills will I gain with this major?

- Communication skills; volume, vocabulary and expression; verbal and non-verbal
- Interpersonal skills
- Cognitive and metacognitive skills
- Supervision skills

▶ What types of minors can I do?

- We offer the Certificate in Education Studies.

▶ What can I add to my degree?

- AQ - Basic and Specialist opportunities abound (i.e. Reading/writing specialists; special education)
- Learners can expand P/J or I/S degree into other panels (i.e. P/J can extend into I/S)
- Principal and Superintendent papers

▶ What graduate degrees could I pursue?

- Master of Education
- PhD
- Range of other Master Degrees

▶ What careers can I pursue?*

- Elementary/secondary teaching in and beyond Ontario
- International recruiter for educational positions
- Adult education
- Professional education in any field (assuming learner has background in that field; i.e. nursing, business)
- Non-traditional teacher in range of areas
- Native language teacher
- Superintendent/director of education

*Your career path is not limited to this list. There could be other options to explore!

▶ What field of work are alumni working in?

- A huge range of fields related to education (such as teaching younger learners as well as adults) in traditional and non-traditional school/work settings in Ontario, other provinces and internationally
- Instructing in higher education institutions

▶ What percentage of graduates are employed after graduation?

- Within 6 months of completing the program, over 98% of graduates from Lakehead Thunder Bay's Education program are employed full-time.

STUDENT SUCCESS CENTRE

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