

Please note: Students must maintain a B- average to stay in a conjoint programme.

Admission

All applicants are assessed by the Faculty of Education for suitability to the teaching profession. This involves meeting set criteria, having supportive referees, making declarations about any criminal convictions or health and disability issues and successfully taking part in an assessment exercise.

For those with English as a second language, admission to teacher education programmes requires a minimum IELTS test score of 7.0 in each of the four categories assessed. If English is not your first language you should undertake an IELTS test and submit the test results with your application.

First Year

Your first year will usually be comprised of six (potentially seven) courses over Trimesters 1 and 2. If you have any space left over after meeting the requirements for your teaching subjects, you can include elective courses.

In Trimester 3 (summer trimester) you will take your first BTeach course. The teaching assessment exercise will take place during your first year.

The Conjoint Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Teaching (Primary and Secondary) combines study in two teaching subjects with teacher training. This allows you to complete a BA and graduate with a teaching qualification in four years, qualifying you to teach from Years 1 to 13.

Degree Example:

BA/BTeach, first teaching subject English Studies, second teaching subject Mathematics

1/3	2/3	3/3
ENGL 111 20 pts	FILM 101 20 pts	EPSY 131 15 pts
MATH 151 15 pts	MDIA 102 20 pts	
ENGL 117 20 pts	MATH 142 15 pts	
	THEA 112 20 pts	
145 points		
BTeach course	First teaching subject	Second teaching subject
Elective		

Note: Some combinations of subjects may require more than 540 points, e.g. this example would require 565 points to complete the qualification.

Degree Requirements

- The BA/BTeach requires 540 points.
- At least 325 points shall be from courses numbered 200–399 (second and third-year courses), including at least 145 from courses numbered 300–399.
- At least 240 points shall be from the BA schedule, including at least 135 from courses numbered 200–399.
- At least 280 points shall be from the BTeach schedule, including at least 190 from courses numbered 200–399.
- Students are required to select two teaching subjects from two different Curriculum Studies areas: one BA subject to be taken as a BA major (see BA majors in the *Guide to Enrolment*), and the other to at least 200-level.
- In special circumstances, selected courses from subjects outside the list may be approved for the 200-level subject.
- Individual programmes of all students will be subject to advice and approval during enrolment.

Teaching subjects

- You will need to take two subjects from the list below as part of your BA – these will be your secondary school teaching subjects. Your two subjects will need to come from different BTeach Curriculum Studies Areas.

BTeach Curriculum Studies Area	BA Degree Subject
Arts	Theatre
English	English Literature, English Studies
Learning Languages	Chinese, French, German, Japanese, Māori Studies**, Samoan Studies, Spanish, Te Reo Māori
Mathematics	Econometrics*, Mathematics*
Social Sciences	Economics*, Geography*, History

* Majors listed under the BA Statute, but administered by other faculties.
 ** Māori Studies, students must include Te Reo Māori language courses to at least 200-level.
 ^ Courses only, not a major.

- Your first teaching subject will be your major for the BA and needs to come from one of the non-starred BA Degree subjects above.
- Your second teaching will be taken to at least 200-level (second year). Starred subjects are not taught by the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences; if you take too many of these courses, they will not count towards your overall degree. Please speak to Student Recruitment, Admission and Orientation if you're considering taking a starred subject as your second teaching subject.

First-year programme structure

Trimester 1	Pts	Trimester 2	Pts	Trimester 3	Pts
100-level BA course	20	100-level BA course	20	EPSY 131	15
100-level BA course	20	100-level BA course	20		
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For more information on the BA/BTeach, please visit www.victoria.ac.nz/education or refer to the *Guide to Enrolment*. For course details, prescriptions and timetables, visit www.victoria.ac.nz/coursecatalogue.

GRADUATE DIPLOMA OF TEACHING

The one-year Graduate Diploma of Teaching qualifications are designed for applicants with an undergraduate degree. These full-time qualifications are offered on campus and online. The programmes start in mid-January of each year and continue through to mid-December. Applicants will need to go through the same admission process as students enrolling in the conjoint degree programmes for teaching (see overleaf).

There are three Graduate Diploma of Teaching qualifications you can choose from, depending on which age group you want to teach.

Graduate Diploma of Teaching (Early Childhood Education)

- Under five years of age
- Applicants must have completed any undergraduate degree

Graduate Diploma of Teaching (Primary)

- Year 1 to Year 8
- Applicants must have completed any undergraduate degree

Graduate Diploma of Teaching (Secondary)

- Year 9 to Year 13
- Applicants must have completed an undergraduate degree which includes two teaching subjects, one to 200-level (second year) and one to 300-level (third year). Just as with our conjoint degrees, the two subjects must come from different Curriculum Study Areas.

The different Curriculum Study Areas are as follows:

- English
- Health
- Home Economics*
- Learning Languages
- Mathematics and Statistics
- Music
- Performing Arts including:
 - Dance*
 - Drama
- Physical Education*
- Science including:
 - Biology
 - Chemistry
 - Physics
- Social Sciences including:
 - Accounting
 - Economics
 - Geography
 - History
 - Social Studies
- Technology
- Visual Arts

* Starred Curriculum Study Areas are not offered at Victoria University as degree majors.

Please note: The requirement for two teaching subjects may be waived for high demand subjects. Please refer to the Faculty of Education website for a complete list of high demand subjects.