

Concurrent Education

Get to know CONCURRENT EDUCATION

Concurrent Education at Queen's is a program that prepares students who are passionate about teaching and learning to become educators.

ConEd grads are caring, critically reflective and dedicated to inclusivity, social justice, collaboration, and leadership. They are viewed favourably by school boards and other prospective employers due to their additional field experience in schools and early exposure to issues and policies in education.

Our "ConEddies" are a close-knit group of students who bond during their first four years at Queen's, through shared activities and leadership opportunities. One of the highlights of the fifth year of the program is the two-week Experiential Learning Placement, which can be done outside a school setting and anywhere in the world as long as it is related to your area of study. Queen's also offers travel fellowships to support these international placements.

With Queen's ConEd, you will be working on two degrees at the same time – an Honours Bachelor of Arts, Science (including Kinesiology), and a Bachelor of Education degree – both from day one! The BEd degree from Queen's is widely accepted for teacher certification across Canada and around the world. What makes Queen's grads more marketable is that they will all graduate with a concentration in one subject area, as listed under Degree Options.

A Common START

Queen's ConEd offers two program options that lead to teacher certification: Primary-Junior (Junior Kindergarten – Grade 6) or Intermediate-Senior (Grades 7–12). Students select one option at the end of first year.



Queen's Concurrent Education is a five-year program. Our graduates are out into the job market a year earlier, since most other Ontario Faculties of Education offer their programs over six years with typical fall/winter semesters.

Your first year of Queen's ConEd is all about exploring options. You will all take an introductory teaching course and complete practical experience placements in non-traditional educational settings with a focus on those in grades K-8 before choosing your preferred divisions.

Course HIGHLIGHTS

All students take courses about:

- teaching and curriculum
- assessment and evaluation
- professional teaching practice
- equity and inclusivity
- special education
- psychology and philosophy
- social justice

These courses will allow you to critically reflect on how you will practice as an educator.

Degree OPTIONS

Bachelor of Arts / Science / Music

Bachelor of Education

Final Year concentrations may include ***At-Risk Adolescents and Young Adults / At-Risk Children / Indigenous Teacher Education / Assessment and Evaluation / Exceptional Learners / International Education***

/ Educational Leadership / Educational Technology / Environmental Education / Social Justice.

We Offer optional Final Year Program Tracks in

- ***Artist in Community Education***
- ***Indigenous Teacher Education***
- ***Outdoor & Experiential Education***
- ***Primary-Junior French as a Second Language***

Intermediate-Senior (IS)

TEACHING SUBJECTS

Candidates in the IS program option choose two of the following subjects:

- Dramatic Arts
- English
- First Nations, Métis and Inuit Studies
- French as a Second Language
- History or Geography
- Mathematics
- Music - Instrumental or Vocal
- Science - Biology
- Science - Chemistry
- Science - Physics
- Visual Arts
- Social Sciences
- Health & Physical Education
- Social Sciences

Concurrent Education MAJOR MAP



BACHELOR OF EDUCATION | BACHELOR OF SCIENCE HONOURS | BACHELOR OF ARTS HONOURS | BACHELOR OF MUSIC HONOURS | BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (KINESIOLOGY)



Knowledge & Workplace Skills

- Your time at Queen's will give you valuable skills to boost your employability, including:
- Knowledge of **educational theories and practices**
 - Ability to **develop learning materials** and lesson plans
 - **Interpersonal skills** to help you understand group dynamics and resolve or mediate conflicts
 - **Oral and written communication**, including how to give instructional presentations
 - Ability to **manage a classroom** and the behavior of individual students
 - An understanding of **learning and physical exceptionalities**, and other factors that influence learning
 - Knowledge of **ethics guidelines**

Career Possibilities

- In addition to teaching in elementary and secondary schools:
- Children's Services
 - Communications, media, and publishing
 - Community development
 - Curriculum development
 - Educational technology
 - Instructional design
 - International education
 - Outdoor education
 - Professional development training
 - Public relations
 - Teaching – adult, college, early childhood education, and ESL

Taking time to explore career options, build experience, and network can help you have a smoother transition to the world of work after graduation.

*some careers may require additional training. Careers are suggestions only.

How to use this map
Use the 5 rows of the map to explore possibilities and plan for success in the five overlapping areas of career and academics. The map just offers suggestions – you don't have to do it all! To make your own custom map, use the [My Major Map](#) tool.

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Get started thinking about the future now – where do you want to go after your degree? Having tentative goals (like careers or grad school) while working through your degree can help with short-term decisions about courses and experiences, but also help you keep motivated for success.

Get the help you need

Queen's provides you with a broad range of support services from your first point of contact with the university through to graduation. At Queen's, you are never alone. We have many offices dedicated to helping you learn, think and do.

Ranging from help with academics and careers, to physical, emotional, or spiritual resources – our welcoming living and learning environment offers the programs and services you need to be successful, both academically and personally. Queen's wants you to succeed! Check out the [Student Affairs website](#) for available resources.



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Queen's **ADMISSIONS**

Students apply either to Queen's Concurrent Education Arts (QB), Concurrent Education Science (QF), Concurrent Education Arts-French (QBF), Concurrent Education Music (QMM), or Concurrent Education Kinesiology (QKF), through the OUAC (Ontario University Application Centre) website.

Secondary school prerequisites include six 4U and 4M courses, one of which must be English 4U. For QB, a minimum of three 4U courses are required. For QF, Advanced Functions 4U, Calculus & Vectors 4U, plus two of Biology 4U, Chemistry 4U, or Physics 4U must also be completed. For QTT, only two additional 4U courses are required. Art is recommended but not mandatory, and a Portfolio Examination is required. For QMM, English 4U plus a minimum of three 4U courses are required along with Royal Conservatory of Music (Toronto) levels, and a personal audition, interview, and aural examination test. Applicants outside of Ontario may have additional requirements.



Why study in Kingston?

Since 1841, our community has been more than a collection of bright minds – Queen's has attracted students with an ambitious spirit. Queen's has the highest retention rates, the highest graduation rates, and one of the highest employment rates among recent graduates. We are a research-intensive university focused on the undergraduate experience. The BBC has identified Kingston as one of the GREATEST UNIVERSITY TOWNS in the world – and it is often awarded the safest city in Canada. It is a university city at the core, just a quick drive to Toronto, Montreal, Ottawa and even New York. A university with more clubs per capita than any other university in Canada, and a city with more restaurants per capita than any other city in North America – you will have the experience of a lifetime at Queen's – and graduate with a degree that is globally recognized among the best.

