



May 30, 2018

To: New PDP Students – Fall 2018

**Re: Bachelor of Education as a Second Degree**

This letter is intended for all new PDP students accepted into the program with a degree awarded or those students who are ready to graduate. Students **must apply to graduate** with their first degree **no later than** the semester prior to starting the PDP in order to be eligible to declare the B.Ed. 2<sup>nd</sup> degree. Students beginning the PDP in September 2018 must have completed their degrees and applied for graduation in the Summer 2018 semester or earlier. Students must be successful in their application for graduation. Students completing their first degree either during or after the PDP are not eligible to complete a B.Ed. 2<sup>nd</sup> degree.

SFU introduced university-wide Writing, Quantitative and Breadth (WQB) graduation requirements for all students completing an undergraduate degree program and who were admitted in the Fall 2006 onwards. Students admitted to second degrees are exempt from the B requirement but are still required to complete a W and a Q course during this degree program. The W requirement is satisfied through successful completion of EDUC 401W/402W (the first semester of the PDP). Students need to ensure they successfully complete one Q course during the EDUC 404 academic coursework semester. Courses taken prior to the start of the 401W/402W semester cannot be considered as meeting the W or Q degree completion requirement. Students must be eligible to enroll in a W and a Q course.

In order to enroll in EDUC 401W and 402W, students must demonstrate literacy competence. Students must have attained either 75% or higher in their grade 12 English course or a C- or higher in a transferable post-secondary English course in order to enroll in a course designated as a W course.

In order to enroll in a Q course, students must demonstrate quantitative competence. Students must have attained either 70% or higher in a secondary Mathematics course or a C- or higher in a transferable post-secondary course recognized as a Q course by SFU. Students who completed MATH 190 with a C- or higher meet the requirements to enroll in the required Q course.

Students who completed an undergraduate degree at SFU will be eligible to enroll in the required W and Q courses as long as they were admitted to SFU to begin their degree program as of Fall 2006. Students who completed an undergraduate degree at SFU and were admitted to SFU prior to Fall 2006 do not automatically meet this requirement.

Students accepted into the PDP who do not meet the literacy and/or quantitative requirements may only be eligible to complete PDP and not be eligible to complete a B.Ed. 2<sup>nd</sup> degree.

If you have any concerns about meeting the requirements to enroll in a W or Q course please contact me as soon as possible: [educadv@sfu.ca](mailto:educadv@sfu.ca) and include your SFU student #.

Quantitative courses that can be taken during PDP as part of EDUC 404 may include:

- EDUC 313-3: Numeracy and Society
- EDUC 375-3: Struggle with Mathematics: Sources and Recovery
- EDUC 415-4: Designs for Learning: Secondary Mathematics
- EDUC 452-8: Environmental Education
- EDUC 454-4: Measurement & Evaluation in Environmental Education
- EDUC 475-4: Designs for Learning: Elementary Mathematics
- Special Topics Courses

An Advisor will conduct an advising session for each of your modules during EDUC 400. You will be provided with information to assist you with your course selection for the EDUC 404 academic coursework (summer) semester including the B.Ed. as a 2nd degree; the Education minors; and the requirements of the Teacher Regulation Branch. All interested and eligible students will be provided with the necessary paperwork to declare the B.Ed. 2nd degree during the advising session.

Sincerely,

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Undergraduate Advisor & Recruiter