

MASTERS PREPARATION CERTIFICATE IN EDUCATION (MPCE)

The Masters Preparation Certificate in Education (MPCE) is a post-undergraduate certificate that prepares students for the rigors of graduate study in the broad field of Education and related disciplines.

MPCE courses include a seminar to help navigate the graduate school application process, English test-taking workshops and classes in educational foundations and organizations, Canadian cultural practices, critical thinking, pedagogy and research. These courses are designed and intended to improve English language proficiency, increase familiarity with Canadian practices and engage the student in the local community. The international student will be well-prepared to apply to — and succeed in — a graduate program in a Canadian university. Awards are available for both incoming students from emerging markets and graduating students who excelled in the program.

This one-year (two-term) academic program qualifies the international student to work while studying, as well as to apply for the Post-Graduate Work Program with Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC).



MPCE PROVIDES

- Academic credit that can be used to improve GPA
- Assistance in applying to subsequent graduate or college programs
- Canadian references
- Career guidance
- Community involvement
- Cultural adaptation
- Fourth-year credits for those with a three-year Bachelor's degree
- English test-taking preparation
- Advanced education tutoring and academic advising

Admissions Criteria

MPCE Conditional Track

Provides conditional admission to the MEd ISP program (with an 80% average in MPCE, 7.0 on the IELTS and no bands below 6.0). The MEd ISP Foundations term will be waived.

- IELTS: 6.5 (no bands below 6.0)
- Deadline: January 15 for earliest consideration
- How to Apply: brocku.ca/graduate-studies/future-students/apply
- Application Fee: \$140

MPCE Exploratory Track

Provides the opportunity to strengthen your application to graduate school, improve English proficiency, and demonstrate your ability to do well in the Canadian educational system — and explore opportunities in Canada at the same time.

- IELTS: 6.0 (no bands below 5.5)
- Deadline: Rolling Admissions
- How to Apply: brocku.ca/education/programs/certificate-programs/mpce/
- Application Fee: \$100

Application requirements

1. Digital copy of official transcripts from all post-secondary institutions showing completion of four-year bachelor's degree with the equivalent to 75% grade point average on the Canadian scale.
2. Digital copy of official degree certificate (you may apply if you are currently in your last year of your undergraduate degree)
3. Two reference letters (for Conditional Track)
4. Statement of Interest
5. Resumé
6. English Proficiency Test results. See the website page below for additional types of English Proficiency Test scores that this program will accept.
7. All applications are considered for the Emerging Entrance Award. Additional forms are not required.



Program outline - Start: September for two terms (one academic year)

First term	Second term	Graduation ceremony
September to December	January to April	June

MPCE classes prepare students for graduate school as well as provide cultural adaptation and academic support.

Notes

Don't have a 4-year degree? Because MPCE is an academic program, it may be considered as a fourth-year equivalent for those with three-year degrees.

Don't have a 75% GPA on the Canadian scale? Every year the MPCE program will accept a small quota of students with a lower average and provide them with the opportunity to demonstrate that they can do well in the Canadian academic system.

Estimated program expenses

- Tuition and textbooks (2020-2021) – \$16,151 CAD
- University fees and health insurance – \$1,600 CAD
- Housing, food and transportation – \$11,000 CAD

Courses

MPCE 6P00	Introduction to Educational Studies
MPCE 6P01	Graduate Study Preparation Seminar
MPCE 6F02	Canadian Cultural Practices
MPCE 6P03	Critical Pedagogy and Social Justice
MPCE 6F05	Introduction to Research
MPCE 6P07	In/Equity, Diversity and Change in Education
MPCE 6P08	The Organization of Canadian Higher Education
MPCE 6P11	Wellness in Canadian Higher Education



In the past three years MPCE graduates have gained admission to the following graduate programs:

- Brandon University
- Brock University
- Cardiff University
- Lakehead University
- Thompson Rivers University
- Trent University
- University of British Columbia
- University of Lethbridge
- University of Ottawa
- University of Prince Edward Island
- University of Victoria
- University of Windsor
- Vancouver Island University
- Western University
- Other students went on to short-term college programs or applied for their post-graduate work permit.

Contact foeipo@brocku.ca for more information.