



PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SCHEDULE 2023-2024

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<u>DATE</u>	<u>WHO</u>	<u>EVENT NAME</u>
Sept 20	Year 2/6	<p>ONTARIO COLLEGE OF TEACHERS - Final Pre-Graduation Information Session This is a required event.</p> <p>Time: 9:00 - 10:30am Location: Virtual (A link will be sent to your Brock email at least 48 hours in advance.) Registration Link: No pre-registration required.</p> <p>Teacher Candidates learn how to apply to the College for certification and registration, the rights and responsibilities certification brings, services and programming of interest to beginning teachers, and participate in a focused topic (AQ as example) of conversation related to professional issues.</p>
Sept 20	Year 1/5	<p>ONTARIO COLLEGE OF TEACHERS - Welcome Presentations This is a required event.</p> <p>Time: 11:30 - 12:30pm Location: Virtual (A link will be sent to your Brock email at least 48 hours in advance.) Registration Link: No pre-registration required</p> <p>Teacher Candidates receive a welcome and overview of this organization and learn how to initiate their OCT account.</p>
Sept 21	All	<p>ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION 101 – WORLD WILDLIFE ORGANIZATION</p> <p>Time: 1:00-2:30pm Location: Virtual Registration Link: https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/environmental-education-101-tickets-699675276587?aff=oddtcreator</p> <p>Join us for a free lunch and learn, as we introduce you to the core aspects of environmental education and share some interdisciplinary tools and techniques you can use in your teaching practice to inspire students to learn about and connect with nature!</p> <p>Through this introductory session, we'll touch on key learning theories and talk about the many benefits of environmental education to student health and development. By the end, you'll leave with some initial ideas that you can easily implement in your own classroom!</p>

Sept 30	All	<p>PROJECT WILD - WORLD WILDLIFE ORGANIZATION</p> <p>Time: 10:00 - 4:00pm Location: Burlington Campus Registration Link: https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/project-wild-workshop-brock-university-burlington-campus-registration-685850355877</p> <p>Certified training in science/environmental education from the World Wildlife Federation. With the interdisciplinary Project WILD Activity Guide, you'll explore topics from what types of habitats migrating birds need to make it to their wintering grounds to how new fishing technologies have affected fish populations. The guide features 121 complete lesson plans about wildlife and the environment that can each be adapted for any age, grade or subject.</p>
Oct 4	All (Additional date March 20)	<p>THE FUNDAMENTALS FOR DEAF & HARD OF HEARING STUDENT SUCCESS</p> <p>Time: 11:00 - 4:00 (includes lunch break) Location: Virtual Registration Link: https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_T6A3cpsDQ42TF-mEMUivDw#/registration</p> <p>A Series of General Educator Information Sessions for Supporting Deaf & Hard of Hearing Learners in the Mainstream Classroom. A certificate of completion will be provided to participants. 11:00– 1:00 pm Overview of Hearing Technology 1:00-2:00 pm - Lunch 2:00—4:00 pm Overview of ASL Incidental Learning, The Inclusive Environment, IEP Accommodations Case Study and Q&A</p>
Oct 18	Year 1/5 St. C Only (BUR on Nov 1)	<p>ONTARIO TEACHERS FEDERATION WELCOME & PROFESSIONAL BOUNDARIES (St Catharines Students) This is a required event.</p> <p>Times: Additional information sent via email Location: Pond Inlet, St Catharines Campus Registration Link: No pre-registration required</p> <p>OTF Welcome - The Ontario Teachers' Federation is the umbrella federation/union for all teachers working in publicly funded schools in Ontario. As teacher candidates, you become associate members of the OTF while at Brock and in practice teaching. The purpose of this presentation is to welcome you to the federation, help you to understand the history and purpose of the federation, and to ensure that you understand your rights and responsibilities as an associate member.</p> <p>Professional Boundaries - All members of the OTF are required to take training related to professional boundaries. This includes teacher candidates who are associate members. In this context, boundaries refer to an understanding of appropriate and inappropriate communication and contact with students,</p>

		parents, and professional colleagues. All Ontario teacher candidates receive this training.
Oct 25	P/J and J/I with practicum in DSBN	<p>DSBN MATH WORKSHOP - optional</p> <p>Time: Various times below (following Year 2/6 PCC) Location: St. Catharines Campus, rooms listed below Register here: https://forms.office.com/r/PquPV7KGcZ</p> <p><i>Each workshop is capped at 40 participants, based on timing/order of registration received. You will be notified by email if you have or have not secured a spot in this event.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • P/J Math 12:00 – 1:00 Room WH206 • J/I Math 1:00- 2:00 Room WH207 • P/J Literacy 1:00 – 2:00 Room Sankey Chambers • J/I Literacy 2:00 – 3:00 Room Sankey Chambers <p>For those anticipating practicum placements in, or applying to, the Niagara District School Board, this is an opportunity to gain hands-on experience with their many resources, including Phonics Companion, Bug Club Decodable Texts, Mathology, and the DSBN Scope and Sequence. These resources are found in most K-8 classrooms. Being familiar with them can be especially valuable in your work as an occasional teacher. Each workshop will be facilitated by a curriculum consultant. Attend one, or both 45-minute workshops. (This workshop is open to all teacher candidates.)</p>
Oct 28	All	<p>PROJECT WILD</p> <p>Time: 10:00 - 4:00pm Location: St Catharines Campus Registration Link: https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/project-wild-workshop-brock-university-st-catherines-campus-registration-685887817927</p> <p>Certified training in science/environmental education from the World Wildlife Federation. With the interdisciplinary Project WILD Activity Guide, you'll explore topics from what types of habitats migrating birds need to make it to their wintering grounds to how new fishing technologies have affected fish populations. The guide features 121 complete lesson plans about wildlife and the environment that can each be adapted for any age, grade or subject.</p>
Nov 1	Year 1/5 BUR Only (St.C on Oct 18)	<p>ONTARIO TEACHERS FEDERATION WELCOME & PROFESSIONAL BOUNDARIES (Burlington students) This is a required event.</p> <p>Time: Times: Please watch for additional information via email in September Location: GYM, Burlington Campus Registration Link: No pre-registration required</p> <p>OTF Welcome - The Ontario Teachers' Federation is the umbrella federation/union for all teachers working in publicly funded schools in Ontario.</p>

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Nov 1 Move d to Oct 25	P/J and J/I with practicum in DSBN	<p>DSBN MATH WORKSHOP - optional</p> <p>See October 25.</p>
Nov 7	All	<p>LEARN MORE ABOUT “STUDY ABROAD”</p> <p>Time: 7:00-8:00pm Location: Virtual Meeting Link: Meeting link</p> <p>Learn more about including study abroad in your academic plan. Information sessions will be held online at the dates and times below, and details can be found at: Education Abroad in the FOE – Faculty of Education (brocku.ca)</p>
Nov 8	All	<p>FOSTERING RESILIENCE: TRAUMA INFORMED ADVERSE CHILDHOOD EXPERIENCES (ACES) TRAINING</p> <p>Time: 1:00-2:30pm Location: Virtual Registration Link: https://experiencebu.brocku.ca/actioncenter/organization/foeprofessionallearningrecruitmentandretention/events/calendar/details/243227</p> <p>This workshop will be of particular interest to those aspiring to teach and currently teaching pre-kindergarten, kindergarten, and primary grades 1-6.</p> <p>Positive childhood experiences (PCE) are foundational to healthy brain development. Conversely, Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) have the potential to negatively influence a child’s health and well-being across the lifespan. Led by Brock alumnus, Erick Gonzalez BA (Psych), MPH, Health Promoter for Niagara Region, this presentation explores the background of Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) research, their impact on brain development, and the important role of safe, stable and nurturing relationships (SSNR) in fostering resiliency. Furthermore, the presenters will share data demonstrating the local impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on ACE risk and protective factors, and</p>

		evidence-based strategies to mitigate the impact of ACEs using an ecological framework approach. The final portion of the presentation will be dedicated to answering your questions and engaging in conversation.
Dec 5-6 (Must attend both days)	Year 1/5 I/S ONLY	<p>APPLIED SUICIDE INTERVENTION SKILLS TRAINING (ASIST)</p> <p>Time: 9:00-4:30pm Location: F2F, St. Catharines Campus Registration Link: https://experiencebu.brocku.ca/event/237865</p> <p>LivingWorks ASIST is a two-day face-to-face workshop featuring powerful audiovisuals, discussions, and simulations. At a LivingWorks ASIST workshop, you'll learn how to prevent suicide by recognizing signs, providing a skilled intervention, and developing a safety plan to keep someone alive. Two knowledgeable, supportive trainers will guide you through the course, ensuring your comfort and safety.</p>
Dec 5	Year 1/5 I/S ONLY	<p>OPHEA – SEXUAL VIOLENCE & CONSENT FOR SECONDARY TEACHERS</p> <p>Time: 10:00-12:00pm Location: Virtual Registration Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_o0wA_fslTnCuTYivrcnrw</p> <p>We all have a role in making sure schools are welcoming, diverse and happy places where everyone in a school community can learn, connect and build healthy, active lives free from violence. However, many people in Canada and around the world continue to face violence every day because of their gender, gender expression, gender identity or perceived gender.</p>
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Dec 5	Year 1/5 I/S ONLY	<p>OFSAA’S COACHING IN ONTARIO SCHOOLS (CIOS) FOR NON-PHE MAJORS</p> <p>Time: 1:00-4:00pm</p>

		<p>Location: Virtual</p> <p>Registration Link: https://www.trackie.com/event/coaching-in-ontario-schools/1000645/?admin=1</p> <p>CIOS is a program developed by the Coaching Association of Canada and the Ontario Federation of School Athletic Associations to give teacher-coaches and community volunteers the special skillset they need to coach effectively in the school environment. The three-and-a-half-hour course is NCCP accredited, and participants will also receive an OFSAA Certificate of Completion. The workshop is led by a NCCP trained Learning Facilitator and combines information required by coaches of beginner to intermediate athletes with skills they specifically need to work with student-athletes in the school environment.</p>
Dec 6	Year 1/5 I/S ONLY	<p>OFSAA'S COACHING IN ONTARIO SCHOOLS (CIOS) FOR NON-PHE MAJORS</p> <p>Time: 6:00-9:00pm</p> <p>Location: Virtual</p> <p>Registration Link: https://www.trackie.com/event/coaching-in-ontario-schools/1000646/?admin=1</p> <p>CIOS is a program developed by the Coaching Association of Canada and the Ontario Federation of School Athletic Associations to give teacher-coaches and community volunteers the special skillset they need to coach effectively in the school environment. The three-and-a-half-hour course is NCCP accredited, and participants will also receive an OFSAA Certificate of Completion. The workshop is led by a NCCP trained Learning Facilitator and combines information required by coaches of beginner to intermediate athletes with skills they specifically need to work with student-athletes in the school environment.</p>
Jan 17, 24	Year 2/6	<p>SCHOOL BOARD INFORMATION SESSIONS</p> <p>Time: Multiple times will be available</p> <p>Location: Virtual</p> <p>Registration Link: Available on the Student Resources Website</p> <p>Ongoing career support with links to agency website, career pages, and other information. Plus, live/virtual meetings with school boards and other agencies hiring BEd graduates. Multiple dates and times throughout the year, especially in January.</p>
Jan 31	Year 2/6	<p>AFFILIATE DAY</p> <p>This is a required event.</p> <p>Time: 8:30-4:30pm</p> <p>Location: St. Catharines Campus (Room TBD)</p> <p>Registration Link: Details available in December</p> <p>A day of professional development during which you will learn more about the affiliate federation associated with your practice teaching (OSSTF, OECTA, ETFO) and explore workshops on topics of our choice.</p>

<p>Feb 6</p>	<p>All</p>	<p>LEARN MORE ABOUT “STUDY ABROAD”</p> <p>Time: 7:00-8:00pm Location: Virtual Meeting Link: Meeting link (no pre-registration required)</p> <p>Learn more about including study abroad in your academic plan. Information sessions will be held online at the dates and times below, and details can be found at: Education Abroad in the FOE – Faculty of Education (brocku.ca)</p>
<p>Feb 28</p>	<p>Year 1/5</p>	<p>EDUCATION QUALITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICE (EQAO)</p> <p>Time: 10:00-12:00 – P/J, J/I 1:00-3:00 – I/S</p> <p>Location: Virtual Meeting Links: P/J/JI https://eqao.zoom.us/j/81693580832 I/S https://eqao.zoom.us/j/87268926656 Passcode 501509</p> <p>The School Support and Outreach Unit at EQAO provides school boards and faculties of education across the province with specialized presentations and workshops. This presentation is developed to assist educators to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understand the role of large- scale assessment in Ontario • Understand how educators use data to surface strengths and needs of learners • Understand the Modernizing of EQAOs assessments • Be introduced to resources to help them feel prepared for the Mathematics Proficiency Test
<p>Feb 29</p>	<p>All</p>	<p>HATE CRIMES: BUILDING YOUR KNOWLEDGE WITH NIAGARA REGIONAL POLICE</p> <p>Time: 2:00-3:00pm Location: In-person at St. Catharines campus, Pond Inlet Register here: https://teams.microsoft.com/registration/FRGudvwe8kqINuKyRDrxoA,wSjrSOhHKUiC3VgD2K9Nhg,FBA8orMdAU-4kGMYSptc_A,-NvsJCArmEWpWc64i57IIA,y8wJJvbEdkWfAKH7Gq1Cew,v9LLWPF3LUasse-VLM-BDg?mode=read&tenantId=76ae1115-1efc-4af2-a536-e2b2443af1a0</p> <p>The term “hate crimes” seems to appear in the news almost daily, yet many of us do not really know its meaning. Would you recognize a hate crime? Would you know how to report a hate crime or what happens once you make a report? Most of us would not. This presentation/workshop will begin to fill these gaps in knowledge.</p>

Members of the Niagara Regional Police Service, EDI Unit, appreciate that students, like all members of the public, are developing their understanding of this area of law. Please join Constable Gul Mohammad and Sergeant Habib Ranghi to enrich your understanding of hate crimes and explore this topic as it relates to your dual roles as a citizen and future educator.

Gul and Habib will begin with a presentation, provide relevant examples, and then move into a respectful, honest, dialogue with participants to answer your questions. Please note that one Officer will be in street clothes while one Officer will be in uniform.

Mar 6 Year 1/5 **EDUCATION QUALITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICE (EQAO)**

Time: 10:00-12:00 – P/J, J/I
1:00-3:00 – I/S

Location: Virtual

Meeting Links:
10:00-12:00pm - <https://eqao.zoom.us/j/89664682873>
1:00-3:00pm - <https://eqao.zoom.us/j/81641943613>

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March 6 All **HATE CRIMES: BUILDING YOUR KNOWLEDGE WITH NIAGARA REGIONAL POLICE**

Time: 6:00-7:30pm

Location: Virtual

Meeting Link: <https://events.teams.microsoft.com/event/0c1b678e-a8e8-48e7-9b35-db1f89f0d776@76ae1115-1efc-4af2-a536-e2b2443af1a0>

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Mar 12 & 20	Year 1/5	<p>ADDITIONAL QUALIFICATIONS INFORMATION SESSIONS</p> <p>Virtual sessions hosted by Jody Boone.</p> <p>March 12, 2024, from 1-2pm - https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting_M2E2OWUwMzAtZjk3Ni00NzFhLTk4MzQtMGY4YTaxOWY3NGM2%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%2276ae1115-1efc-4af2-a536-e2b2443af1a0%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%22fcdbf2e0-b19b-46b9-8db1-eb9a3459aa45%22%7d</p> <p>March 20, 2024, from 7-8pm - https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting_YzY0ZDaxMTYtMmM1NS00ODU3LTIiZDEtZDI2ZjE4MDIxZTFI%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%2276ae1115-1efc-4af2-a536-e2b2443af1a0%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%22fcdbf2e0-b19b-46b9-8db1-eb9a3459aa45%22%7d</p>		
Mar 20	Year 1/5	<p>SUPPORTING DEAF & HARD OF HEARING STUDENTS IN MAINSTREAM CLASSES</p> <p>Time: 9:00-2:30pm (includes lunch break) Location: St. Catharines campus, WH 324 from 9-12pm, WH209 from 1-2:30pm Registration Link: https://forms.office.com/r/x3hPg4mEym</p> <p>The Provincial and Demonstration Schools Branch (PDSB) of the Ministry of Education is offering training for future K-12 educators to support working with deaf and hard of hearing students in the mainstream classroom. Upon completion, participants receive a certificate for their portfolios.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overview of Hearing • Technology • Overview of American Sign Language • Incidental Learning • The Inclusive Environment • IEP Accommodations 		
Mar 27	Year 1/5 I/S Focus	<p>TVO</p> <p>TVO staff are excited to give you “teacher access” to their MOE supported resources. <u>No preregistration is required.</u> Simply use the link to join on the date and time provided.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Focus I/S March 27, 11:30 – 12:30 Click here to join the meeting Passcode: RhDBHx Meeting ID: 296 822 030 561 		
Mar 27	Year 1/5 I/S Only	<p>PLANNING FOR YEAR 2</p> <p>Time: 9:00-10:30am</p>		

		Location: Virtual Register here: https://events.teams.microsoft.com/event/c2b62bc1-5f64-4010-9621-dbe10adc485e@76ae1115-1efc-4af2-a536-e2b2443af1a0		
April 17	Year 1/5 P/J & J/I Only	PLANNING FOR YEAR 2 Time: 9:00-10:30am Location: Virtual Meeting Link: TBD		
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