

Calendar of Professional Development Events 2021/22

About this professional development schedule

Professional development events are scheduled with professionals from across the education field. Often these colleagues cannot confirm their availability until the beginning of each school term. Therefore, times not listed in the chart below will be updated early in September. These updates are posted on this schedule and sent to you by email.

- This schedule confirms dates and the target audience – details such as exact time, registration links, fees will be provided to the impacted groups **via your Brock email** in advance of each event.
- **Registering for events.** Registration for events will open after August 30. You will register for events using links that will be provided as they become available, in updated versions of this schedule. Links may also be emailed to you for some events. Check this schedule regularly.
- Events identified as **REQUIRED** are restricted to the group noted and must be attended by teacher candidates within those groups.
- Optional events are attended at the teacher candidate's discretion.
- Not all teacher candidates will be available at the time of an optional event. This cannot be avoided.
- For events requiring fees, refunds are NOT given. Tickets can be sold/given to another teacher candidate.
- Teacher candidates may attend optional events in which they are not a member of the targeted audience but should be aware that content and the activities will focus on the program listed.
- Attendance is recorded at all events.
- In addition to the professional development opportunities listed below, teacher candidates can find volunteer/paid positions, presentations, webinars, conferences posted on the [Student Resources website](#) under the "Professional Opportunities" tile on the landing page. Additional university events can be found at the [BU4U website](#).

Optional, Online Certificates Available

Teacher Candidates may wish to pursue the following online professional development opportunities. Please register using your BROCK email.

1. SMART Board Training – Link [here](#)
2. Sexual Abuse: Canadian Centre for Child Protection - Link [here](#) and register as a Post-Secondary student to receive a discount
3. Mental Health Literacy - Link [here](#)
4. Transform Learning with Microsoft Teams - Link [here](#)
5. Crafting a collaborative learning environment with Class Teams – Link [here](#)
6. Flipped instruction with PowerPoint Recorder – Link [here](#)
7. Teaching from Home with Google Teach from Home – Link [here](#)

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Date	Required or Optional	Time (will be confirmed by email announcing event details)	Event Description & Registration Link Details will be confirmed via email
Sept 13 – Oct 10	Optional	Asynchronous	3D Modelling & Printing: September 13th - October 10th Our first Future Ready Session helps educators develop the skills and knowledge to begin integrating 3D modelling and printing in curriculum-based classroom activities. The instructional resources in this session are valuable assets for creating experiential learning opportunities for your students connecting engaging 3D technologies to The Arts, Science, Mathematics, and more. See Future Ready Sessions website for more details.
Sept 27 – Oct 4	Optional	Asynchronous	Coding & Robotics: September 27th - October 24th The updated Ontario Math curriculum places renewed emphasis on the use of coding in the classroom, and we want to help you prepare to fulfill this mandate with our next Future Ready Session focused on coding & robotics in education. If you're just beginning to explore these future ready strategies you will find this module is a great place to start, and if you already have some familiarity with these strategies this will be a good opportunity to build on that foundation. See Future Ready Sessions website for more details.
Sept 30	Optional	4:30 – 5:30pm	A Conversation About....Early Learning & Kindergarten A podcast-styled webinar with field professionals exploring topics such as: What does a JK/SK daybook look like? What does assessment look like? Guests will speak to their concerns about students, parents, and key information new teachers need to know! This will be an interactive session – so bring your questions to the discussion! Register: https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/kindergarten-conversations-tickets-177298874707 Meeting link: https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting_YzgyMDIxZmUtZTFkNC00MDQ2LWEzMTQtOTc1NGI5MjRjODhh%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%2276ae1115-1efc-4af2-a536-e2b2443af1a0%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%2213b1d3b0-2967-4a4a-aa65-2c46df058f31%22%7d

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Oct 6	Optional	Afternoon	<p>School Board Information An online portal for TCs to gain access to hiring school boards and live presentations. Directions to access this site are found at the bottom of the page. Additional presentation dates will be added throughout the year directly to the School Board Information Sakai site.</p>
Oct 11 – Nov 7	Optional	Asynchronous	<p><u>Electronics & Engineering</u>: <i>October 11th - November 7th</i></p> <p>Discover the value of integrating the engineering design process in your curriculum-based classroom activities. Innovation, critical thinking, and problem solving are just a few of the 21st century learning outcomes achievable through implementation of the design process. This module includes a guided exploration of an introductory electronics lesson, examined through the design process lens. See Future Ready Sessions website for more details.</p>
Oct 18	Optional	10:00 – 11:30am	<p>Financial Wellness Most students graduate with debt, inconsistent income, and little knowledge of how to manage their personal finance. This personal finance 101 is designed specifically for teachers by Tandia Credit Union (formally Teachers Credit Union). This is not a “sales” meeting. Basic concepts in personal finance (income, expenses, budgeting, your credit rating, and paying off debt) are covered. Register: https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/financial-wellness-by-tandia-credit-union-tickets-177319917647</p>
Oct 18	Optional	3:00 – 4:00pm	<p>ApplyToEducation Introductory Session Learn about...</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How to Register an Account 2. Completing your Portfolio information (Personal Info, Qualifications, Resumes, Cover Letters, Supporting Documents, etc.) 3. Applying to Jobs (How to search for positions, How to create a job alert, Navigating the application process, Three confirmations) 4. Questions and Review <p>Registration and meeting link are on the Sakai School Board Information Site</p>
Oct 23/24	Optional	9:00am – 12:00pm Each day	<p>Project Wild - World Wildlife Federation 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</p>

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		Fees apply	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. Register: https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/virtual-project-wild-workshop-brock-university-registration-167125523941
Oct 27	Optional	1:00 – 5:00pm	Fundamentals of Deaf and Hard of Hearing Student Success (mainstream classroom) 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. This professional learning event consists of 6 core sessions delivered over a half day. Upon completion, participants receive a certificate for their portfolios.
Oct 29	Optional	4:30 – 5:30pm	A Conversation About...Forest Schools & Alternate Pedagogies A podcast-styled webinar with Dr. Debra Harwood and Dr. Monique Somma exploring topics such as: What are forest schools? Where do they sit on the continuum of practice of such things as eco schools vs outdoor classes? How can forest schools inform traditional teaching and learning? Along with other topics. This will be an interactive session – so bring your questions to the discussion!
Nov 30	Optional	4:30 – 5:30pm	A Conversation About.. topic TBD
Jan 8/9	Optional	9:00am – 12:00pm Each day	Below Zero Where do dragonflies go when the snow flies? What keeps wood frogs from croaking in the winter? Most Canadians live with snow and ice for at least five months of the year, yet we know surprisingly little about life in frozen environments. Join us for an interactive workshop as we explore environmental activities and curriculum-based lesson plans that will help you connect students with the natural world in all seasons. Register: https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/below-zero-workshop-brock-university-registration-167125832865
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Jan 19	Optional	TBD	Ministry of Education Professional Development Program for Teacher Candidates: Anti-Racism and Anti-Discrimination I/S TCs only. Details will be shared in the fall.
Jan 26	Optional	TBD	Career Zone Overviews (IS only) It's never too early to start a career conversation! In this session you will learn about the many resources and services offered by CareerZone to help support your career journey.
Jan 30	Optional	4:30 – 5:30pm	A Conversation About.. topic TBD

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Feb 2	Optional	TBD	<p>Educational Technology & Makerspace Showcase</p> <p>A conference exploring practical and pedagogical aspects of educational technologies and makerspace. Join together - virtually - with celebrated clinicians, faculty members and fellow teacher candidates for this practical, practice-based, half-day of professional learning.</p> <p>Fees Apply</p>
Feb 9	Optional	8:30 – 12:00pm & 1:00 – 4:30pm	<p>Coaching in Ontario Schools Certification - OFSAA</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> <p>Register AM Session: https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZlof-Gorz8iGdcxZdyZHn2zbUMwER3dFVuZ</p> <p>Register PM Session: https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYtd-uorjsqHd2Kq3hwX834zwHSODbnkBUw</p> <p>Fees apply</p>
Feb 28	Optional	4:30 – 5:30pm	<p>A Conversation About....topic TBD</p>
Mar 2	Optional	TBD	<p>Ministry of Education Professional Development Program for Teacher Candidates: Virtual Teaching, Learning and Assessment/Reporting</p> <p>Details to follow.</p>
Mar 9	Optional	TBD	<p>Financial Wellness</p> <p>Most students graduate with debt, inconsistent income, and little knowledge of how to manage their personal finance. This personal finance 101 is designed specifically for teachers by Tandia Credit Union (formally Teachers Credit Union). This is not a sales meeting. Basic concepts in personal finance (income, expenses, budgeting, your credit rating, and paying off debt) are covered.</p>
Mar 31	Optional	4:30 – 5:30pm	<p>A Conversation About.... Topic TBD</p>

[School Board Information Sakai Site](#)

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The site hosts information about organizations employing teaching positions (K-12) requiring OCT certification as well as limited other education roles such as Early Childhood Educators. Think of the site as a series of information booths at a fair. Depending on the organization, you will find links to:

- the website
- career information page
- other information such as videos, etc.
- information about upcoming events

How to Join the “School Board Information” site

1. Log into Sakai
2. In **Home**, from the [_menu bar_](#), click **Membership**. (picture below)
3. Click **Joinable Sites** to see a list of all the available sites that you haven't joined.
 - a. The list is sorted by name or search as noted below
 - b. To search
 - i. **IMPORTANT:** If you use the search box (found at the top right) you must search using the words “school”.
 - ii. Click **Search**. Simply pressing Enter *will not* initiate the search.
4. Click **Join** to join the site you were searching for.
5. After you click **Join** the course you have just joined will no longer be listed, however, you will see the site you just joined if you click **My Active Sites** at the top of the page.

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Brock University

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School Board Information	Unjoin Now	Welcome to the "School Board" Information Site: companion to the ... (More)

To unjoin

1. In [Home](#), from the [menu bar](#), click **Membership**.
2. Under "My Current Sites", you'll see a list of all the sites to which you belong. (This includes sites you have joined, and sites that you have been added to as a participant by the creator of the site.) If you'd like to unjoin any of them, click the corresponding **Unjoin** link.

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