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Welcome to Brandon University's Admissions Handbook!

In it, you will find helpful information about why the City of Brandon and Brandon University might be the right choice for you. Brandon University offers excellent programs in small, accessible classes where you will feel and be treated like an individual and not just another student number.

Brandon University has a wide range of academic disciplines to choose from. The campus combines the best of old traditions and 21st century facilities. In the warm and welcoming environment that is Brandon University, you can develop your educational specialization and grow as an individual.

The city itself is a vibrant, small and eclectic community that offers excellent social, cultural and sporting opportunities.

Brandon and Brandon University – a great community and a great university!

We hope that you consider Brandon University as your university of choice,

Deborah C. Poff, PhD
President and Vice-Chancellor



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A Liberal Education

BU is all about a liberal arts and science education. The word “liberal” comes from the Latin “to free” and “art” means a skill or ability to act. Therefore, a liberal arts education teaches you the skills that will set you free.



“A liberal arts and science education nurtures skills and talents increasingly valued by modern corporations. Our companies function in a state of constant flux. To prosper we need creative thinkers at all levels of the enterprise who are comfortable dealing with decisions in the bigger context. They must be able to communicate—to reason, create, write and speak—for shared purposes: for hiring, training, managing, marketing, and policy-making. In short, they provide leadership.”—statement by leaders of Canadian high-technology corporations

A Liberal Education at Brandon University

The liberal arts have always been at the centre of the BU experience. In practical terms, this means that a liberal education is one that teaches you how to communicate, employ effective interpersonal skills, adapt to change, apply critical and analytical thinking, and problem-solve. Liberal education graduates are predisposed to

anticipate, expect, and even search for, different ways of doing things: the really valuable and enduring talents for those entering the modern economy.

At BU, we prefer to talk about the “liberal arts and sciences” to avoid confusion with the Faculty of Arts. The curriculum of most courses is liberal, but Brandon University is special because a liberal arts and science approach to education touches every degree we offer at the program level. If you study English, you will have to take some science classes; if you study chemistry, you will need to complete a few courses from non-science departments. Even our professionally oriented programmes such as Applied Disaster and Emergency Studies, Business Administration, Environmental Science, and Indigenous Health and Human Services have a strong liberal studies component.

This kind of broad learning prepares our graduates for satisfying and well-paid employment in the new knowledge economy. People who are able to critically assess problems, formulate solutions, and lead others through change are sought after by employers in every business sector.

Employment Prospects

Brandon University offers many different degree programs that can lead to a wide range of employment opportunities.

The Future Requires University Graduates

A degree is more than a piece of paper stating that you have learned specific tasks; it

demonstrates your ability to learn, adapt and problem solve. This is the kind of education necessary to thrive in the new global knowledge economy that is all about the

generation of ideas and expert advice.

Earning power

The most recent census showed Canadian full-time workers with bachelor's degrees earned 57% more annually than workers who had not completed university.

Career Planning and Placement Services

Getting a job involves more than an academic component—you must also be able to market yourself to potential employers. To that end, Brandon University provides a number of services:

- Individual assistance for your job search
- On-campus recruitment
- Resumé writing
- Cover letter preparation
- Interview preparation



Overview

Brandon is a great place to live and learn. Every faculty, school or department has special features such as labs, areas of expertise, student exchanges, renowned researchers, fieldwork, and student clubs.

Be You

Your experience at Brandon University will be an undergraduate experience unlike any other university. These distinctive qualities are numerous, but include unique programs, unlimited free Internet access, great study facilities, free interlibrary loans, a safe and affordable environment, accessible student services, and classes taught by professors, not graduate students.

We have a low student-professor ratio

Class size does make a difference to academic success and enjoyment.

Sixty percent (60%) of our classes have fewer than 20 students.

Class Size	%
1-9 Students	35.4%
10-19 Students	23.9%
20-49 Students	33.4%
50-99 Students	6.0%
100+ Students	1.3%

We emphasize undergraduate education

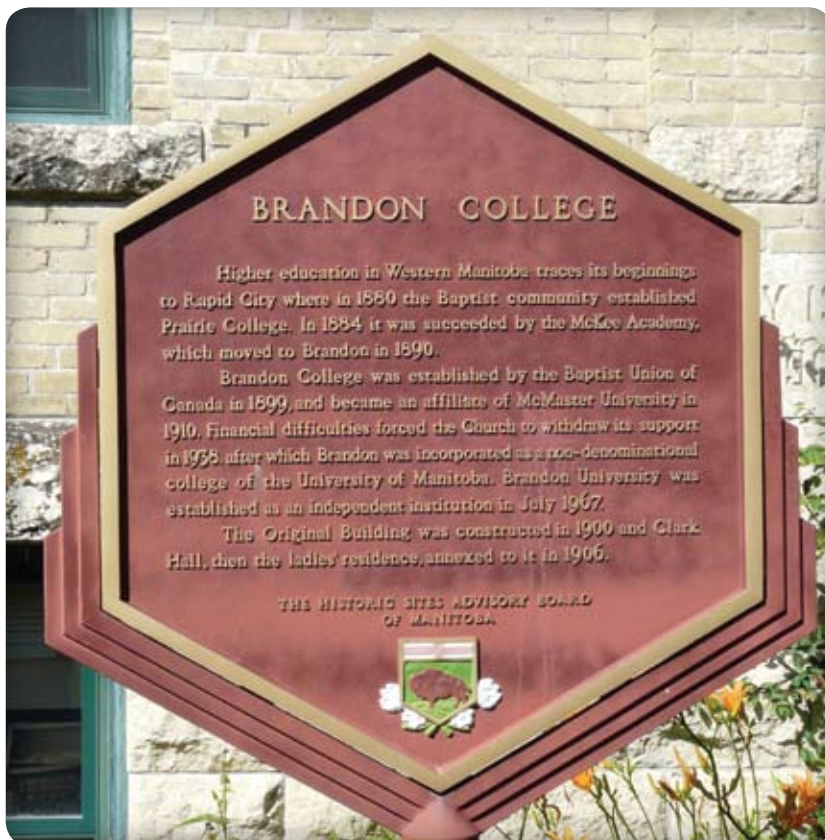
You are more likely to experience the time and attention that only graduate research students receive elsewhere.

Ninety-three percent of first-year students report being satisfied or very satisfied with their decision to attend Brandon University.

We are located in an ideal community

Brandon is a great place for a university. The warmth and friendliness of the city permeates the campus: students are people at BU.

You can be yourself and get the attention you deserve at BU.



Come and See Brandon University

You don't have to take our word for it. Learn what graduates think about Brandon University. Better yet, hear what a current student has to say about studying here. Our **student-for-a-day program** puts you together with a student who will provide a tour of the

campus, take you to a couple of classes, show you a residence room and answer your questions. Come and see why this university is increasingly recognized as something special on the Canadian educational landscape. (Contact information is on the back cover.)



City of Brandon

Brandon is a dynamic community serving a rich agricultural and farming region—that is why it is called “The Wheat City.” Brandon is a very beautiful city, dotted with parks, many along the Assiniboine River that winds its way through the valley. The city offers a wide variety of indoor and outdoor recreational activities for all seasons. Brandon is a city of just the right proportion: big enough to offer all the benefits of city life, but small enough to remain warm and friendly. Whether you live on-campus or off-campus, the community of Brandon offers you a varied and exciting life outside of class time.

The Centre is an excellent point from which to access an extensive trail system, interpretive ponds and natural prairie habitat. In addition to natural trails, Brandon boasts many kilometers of paved biking/walking paths. Cross-country skiing and hiking trails are found in the city and the adjacent Brandon Hills.

Westman Communications Group Place is a large complex housing skating rinks, a curling club, and the arena where the WHL hockey team, the Brandon Wheat Kings play. These, along with its many other facilities attract a great many special events.

Brandon delivers excellent social, cultural and sporting opportunities—many available at Brandon University itself. The Centennial Auditorium is located on the campus. Brandon has film, folk and jazz festivals. There are art galleries and museums such as the Commonwealth Air Training Plan Museum at the Brandon Airport.

The River Bank Discovery Centre lies at the heart of the Assiniboine River Corridor through Brandon.



Accommodations

University Residence

There is much more to residence than convenience and economy. It is also an incredible opportunity to meet hundreds of new people, participate in many new activities, develop new skills, and experience new things. You can do all this while enjoying campus life.

Brandon University has three residences, and each offers double and single occupancy rooms. Facilities in each residence include games rooms, television lounges, multi-purpose rooms, study rooms and laundry facilities. In addition to the BU gymnasium and the School of Music's more than 20 practice rooms, residence students have access to two dedicated fitness centres and a music practice room.

Each residence room (approximately 175 square feet) includes all the furniture you will need including beds, dressers, desks, bookshelves, chairs and night tables. We also include bed linen, pillows and a blanket. Rooms have a telephone jack, lamps, and are wired for cable television. McMaster and Flora Cowan Hall rooms are wired for internet access through the University's network or through local service providers. Darrach Hall rooms are not wired for the University's service, however, internet is available through local service providers.

www.brandonu.ca/ancillary/

Food Services

Food Services offers a wide variety of menu options including a Mr. Sub and Charley Biggs' Chicken & Pizza franchise. The Wok Bowl and Grill stations offer you meals cooked to order with a wide variety of extras and condiments.

The Dining Hall offers an extensive lunch/supper selection. The salad bar has an excellent selection of mixed greens, freshly made

salads, dressings and toppings, while Mr. Sub franchise offers specialty subs and wraps made to your liking. In addition to the regular specials and snacks, Food Services serves healthy, well-balanced meal choices with vegetarian options.

All residence students join the value-packed Meal Program which saves you time and money.

"Off Campus" Meal Cards

Meal cards are available if you live off campus. This card can be used in the Main Dining Room and Charley Biggs' Chicken & Pizza. The card is extremely convenient—you do not need to carry cash—so whether you are getting the lunch special or just a coffee and muffin, the Off-Campus Meal Card is a practical and economical way to eat.

Off-Campus Housing

The university campus is situated adjacent to a residential area offering plenty of affordable housing. Many students find accommodation in houses or apartment blocks close to campus and are able to walk to school year-round. Most students who live off campus find it easy to locate accommodation through the local newspaper.

Students' Union

The Students' Union is your official voice at BU. BUSU offers many services such as: food bank; numerous clubs and societies; mature students' lounge; student newspaper (*The Quill*) and radio (digital broadcasting).



University Services

At Brandon University, you will find an extensive range of facilities and services to help your intellectual, vocational, personal and social development. A successful university education depends on far more than a well-stocked library.

Academic Support

At Brandon University, we will work with you to help you reach your full academic potential. Before you begin your studies, you will meet with an academic advisor to choose the courses you'll need to succeed. Once at Brandon University, we have services to help you realize your academic and career goals. As a first-year student, take advantage of our Academic Skills Centre and one-to-one learning skills assistance to improve your likelihood of early and continued success. You can also learn practical approaches to managing your time, achieving school/work/life balance, improving your math and writing skills and discovering your personal learning style. Some of the services we provide include:

- Academic Advising
- Academic Skills Centre (Writing, Math, Learning Skills)
- Disability Services
- Personal and Career Counseling
- Residential Learning Communities
- Library
- Study Rooms
- Computer Labs

Clubs and Organizations

Join one or more of the 50 student union clubs, which include ethnic, academic and political clubs.

Student Orientation

We will give you a great start, academically and socially. Attend the academic sessions during orientation to fine tune your skills in tackling research, lectures and note-taking. Socially, connect with your peers at events such as the Amazing Race, BU has Talent, Launch and more!

Be Active

Brandon University's Campus Recreation Programs provide a variety of opportunities in men's, women's and co-ed sport teams throughout the academic year. Some activities include: Aerobics, Badminton, Basketball, Belly Dancing, Curling, Floor Hockey, Fencing, Judo, Kickboxing, Slo-pitch, Soccer, Touch Football, Volleyball and Yoga. As well, tournaments are often held throughout the year in the following sports: Archery, Beach Volleyball, Broomball, Bowling, Dodgeball, Hockey, Indoor Soccer, Ping Pong and Road Hockey.



Student Government

Interested in politics? Consider becoming involved with the student newspaper and the Brandon University Students' Union (BUSU).

Campus Opportunities

Find out how you can boost your resumé with opportunities on campus as a student assistant! We have several exciting and engaging opportunities to work with staff and faculty members throughout the year.

Community Outreach

BU students are regularly part of service learning programs run by their academic program or a student club, that give back to the community and expand their experience.

Investing in Your Future

You will accomplish great things! BU professors will be your teachers and mentors. You will be exposed to new ideas that will open up whole new worlds to you, while enjoying some of the lowest tuition rates in western Canada.

Going to university might seem expensive, but you get tremendous value for your money. Brandon University offers small classes and extensive academic and extra-curricular supports at a competitive tuition rate. Canadian students at Brandon University only pay about 25% of their true education costs; the rest comes in the form of a government grant. Also, tuition fees are not costs; they are investments—investments in your future. A university education can take you places that are otherwise inaccessible.

Expenses

Tuition (incl. Fees)	\$3,713 - \$4,030
Residence (incl. Fees)	\$2,757 - \$4,698
Residence Meal Plan	\$3,450
Textbooks (estimate)	\$1,000

Note: All figures are for undergraduate Canadian students attending regular session full-time during 2010-2011. Please contact us for the most current figures.



Scholarships & Bursaries

If you have worked hard to achieve great grades you will not go unnoticed at BU. Scholarships and bursaries are a great way to finance your education. At Brandon University we recognize and support the brightest and the best.

In addition to scholarships that are awarded solely on the basis of grades, we offer a variety of awards that take into consideration other factors, such as community involvement, athletic pursuits, extra-curricular interests, intended field of study, and leadership potential. Scholarships are for real students with real lives! Be sure to see if we have one for you.

Apply Early (Canadian Applicants)

Advanced Early Admission deadline is December 1.

Early Admission deadline is March 1.

Check www.brandonu.ca/canadian-undergraduate/deadlines.html for a complete list of application deadlines.

Entrance Awards

The number of students receiving awards has grown greatly in recent years. Over 375 outstanding first-year students annually receive awards totaling more than \$486,000.

The deadline to apply for entrance awards is May 1, preceding each year's regular session.

Board of Governors Scholarships

If you are a graduate of an accredited Canadian high school, and Brandon University is the first post-secondary institution that you will attend, you are guaranteed one of the following scholarship amounts:

95 - 100%	\$2,000
90 - 94.9%	\$1,400
85 - 89.9%	\$800

NOTE: Eligibility for awards and assistance for Campus Manitoba students depends on the number of Brandon University courses being attempted.

Bursaries

Brandon University offers a large number of bursaries. These are awards given out on the basis of financial need and sound academic performance rather than strictly scholarly excellence.

Continuing Support

Brandon University recognizes achievement in awarding close to \$479,000 annually to students returning to continue their studies after the first year.



"I have enjoyed Brandon University because of the close relationships that I have been able to build with other students in my faculty, as well as the professors in my department. The intimate and personal environment at BU has shaped my education and research skills."

— **Geordie Lancaster, 2010 Psychology Graduate and recipient of Joseph-Armand Bombardier Canada Graduate Scholarship (\$17,500 for research in a masters program).**

The Scholarship Office

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Fax: (204) 727-4072

Email: scholarships@brandonu.ca

degree programs

BA Bachelor of Arts

Students may complete Arts degrees at Brandon University in the Humanities, Social Sciences, Fine and Creative Arts, Business Administration and Applied Disaster and Emergency Studies. The Faculty of Arts is also home to two professional degree programs – the Bachelor of Business Administration and the Bachelor of Fine Arts. Our faculty members are active researchers, writers, performers and artists. Their successes in their disciplines translate into unique and lively classroom experiences. Because we have small class sizes, students often have an opportunity to participate directly in original research and to share an experience reserved for graduate-level study at other universities. The Arts Faculty

is located in the historic Clark Hall-Original Building, restored to provide a very attractive and technologically advanced learning environment.

Arts degrees provide the foundational skills that are in constant demand by employers everywhere. Many of our graduates go on to additional professional studies in such fields as law, education, and accounting, or on to master's programs.

You will have considerable freedom to choose your first-year courses, and to develop a program of study that reflects your interests. Please feel very free to contact any of the department chairs for information about their programs or visit www.brandonu.ca for

more information about Arts degrees. Likewise, the advising staff in Student Services would be pleased to assist you with your course selection.

Arts One

If you are interested in studying along with other students who are asking some of the same questions you are, then ARTS ONE may be the program for you. To learn more about our unique ARTS ONE program for the current academic year, please visit: www.brandonu.ca/arts_one.

Majors and Minors

- Aboriginal Art (minor only)
- Anthropology
- Applied Disaster & Emergency Studies
- Art and Visual Culture (minor only)
- Business Administration
- Canadian Studies (major only)
- Ceramics (minor only)
- Creative Arts (major only)
- Creative Writing (minor only)
- Drama (minor only)
- Drawing (minor only)
- Economics
- English
- French
- Gender and Women's Studies
- Geography
- History
- Interdisciplinary Studies
- Liberal Arts
- Music Arts
- Native Languages (minor only)
- Native Studies
- Painting (minor only)
- Philosophy
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Religion
- Rural and Community Studies
- Sociology

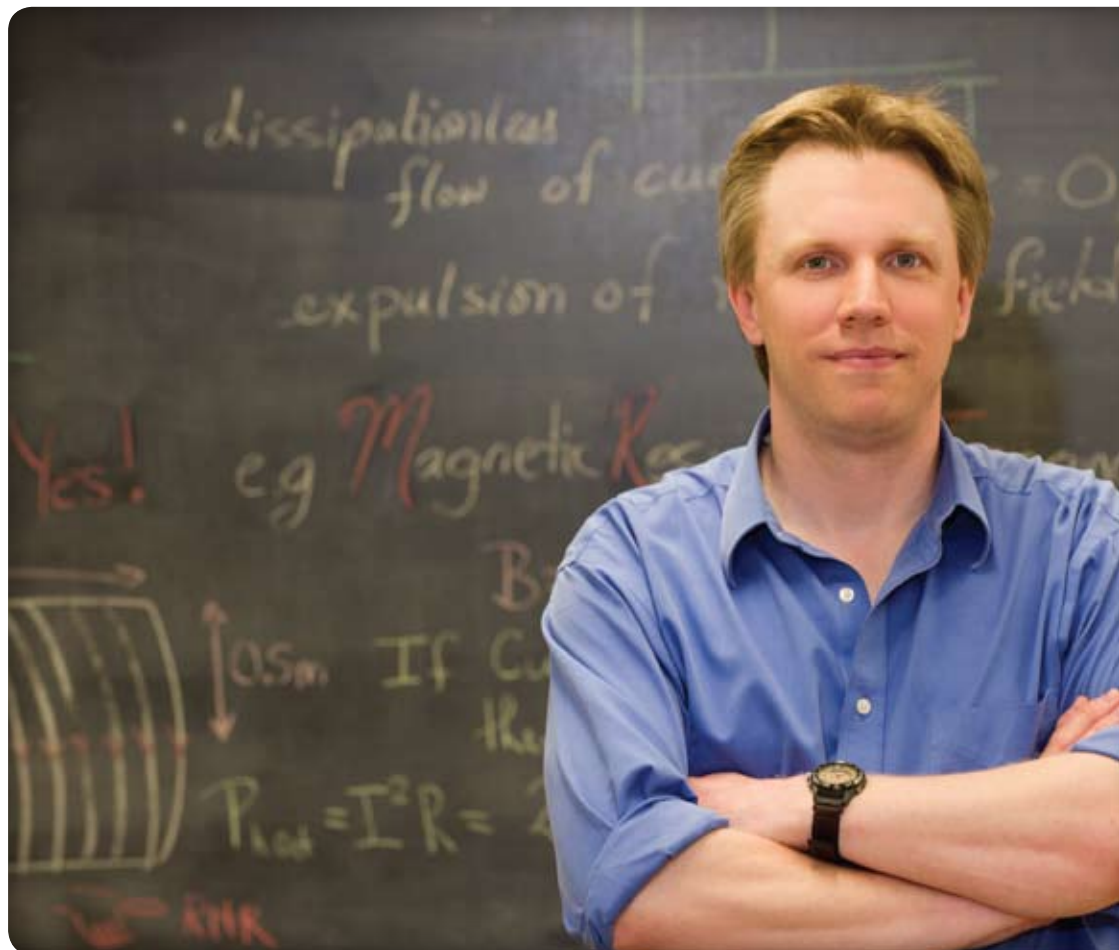


BSc Bachelor of Science

A student pursuing a BSc at Brandon University has an opportunity to study in a small class setting with instructors well known for their teaching abilities. Students are able to interact with their professors, both in the classroom and outside, for an unsurpassed educational experience. Our faculty members are also renowned worldwide for their research, providing opportunities for students to understand and participate in research activities. Thus, students can enhance their research skills and expertise in the use of sophisticated analytical equipment in classrooms and laboratories.

While you have considerable freedom to choose your first-year courses, regulations are in place to make sure you get a balanced liberal education. You are encouraged to seek advice from the advising staff in Student Services and the faculty members in the subject area you are interested in. They will help you to make informed decisions about your course of study.

At Brandon University, two of the social sciences (Geography and Psychology) are included with the more traditional natural sciences within the Faculty of Science. This combination provides a unique perspective for students and faculty – one that highlights that people are an integral part of science. The liberal education at the foundation of the study of science is important because the advances made in the realms of science are having an enormous



impact on the world, and future advances promise to change our lives even more.

Brandon University offers a number of program options that may qualify students for entry into professional programs at other universities in Canada.

Majors and Minors

Applied Disaster & Emergency Studies
Biology
Chemistry
Computer Science
Distributed Major
Geography
Geology
Mathematics
Physics
Psychology



BEd Bachelor of Education

Bachelor of Education— BEd (After Degree), BMus/BEd (After Degree)

Brandon University's Faculty of Education has a long and distinguished history of preparing teachers for Manitoba schools. The Faculty prepares teachers for early years (Kindergarten-Grade 4), middle years (Grade 5-Grade 8), and Senior Years (Grades 9-12).

Bachelor of Education (5-Year Integrated)

As a high school student, if you already know you would like to become an early or middle-years teacher, you can apply to the Bachelor of Education (5-Year Integrated) degree.

Bachelor of Education (AD-After Degree)

If you already have or are getting an undergraduate degree, like a BA or BSc, you can apply to be certified as a teacher through our After Degree program which takes two years and 60 credit hours of coursework.

Bachelor of Music / Bachelor of Education (Concurrent)

If you would like to teach music, you will need a Bachelor of Music/ Bachelor of Education, which is a five-year concurrent program jointly offered with the School of Music.

As part of your teacher preparation, you will spend about 25 weeks in classrooms practicing the art of teaching and learning about your own strengths as a teacher.

Community-Based Teacher Education

The Faculty of Education also offers the Bachelor of Education (5-Year Integrated) program through community-based programs. This option, where it is available, offers students the opportunity to become teachers while studying in their own communities. For information on the Brandon University Northern Teacher Education Program (BUNTEP), Community-Based Education (CBE), or Project for the Education of Native Teachers (PENT), contact the Faculty of Education.

For more information on becoming a teacher, see our website at: <http://www2.brandonu.ca/Academic/Education/>



BFA Bachelor of Fine Arts

The Bachelor of Fine Arts is a professional studio-based program offering four-year majors and minors and an Honors program. Students entering the program with advanced standing may be able to complete the program in three years. Majors include Painting, Ceramics, Aboriginal Art and Drawing. A major in Digital Media and Design is available in collaboration with Assiniboine Community College. Minors include Art and Visual Culture, Painting, Ceramics, Aboriginal Art and Drawing.

The Bachelor of Fine Arts includes studio courses in art practice, art

and visual culture lecture classes and at least one business course. The studio programs foster an informed, independent, professional studio practice in the majors listed above. Students are encouraged to immerse themselves in a wide spectrum of creative directions and opportunities while acquiring essential skills for professional activity in their chosen fields such as Multi-Media and Printmaking. Ceramic majors have the opportunity to hand-build, wheel-throw, and create clay sculpture in a new state-of-the-art ceramic studio. For non-practicing artists, the field of

Art and Visual Culture opens the way to understanding and appreciating visual expressions from many different cultures and time periods.

The department and the Brandon University Fine Art Student Association (BUFASA) are partners in the exhibition programming for the Glen P. Sutherland Gallery of Art where student artworks are juried for presentation to the public. Students assist in all aspects of planning and mounting exhibitions in preparation for their thesis exhibitions and arts careers beyond the BFA.

BMus Bachelor of Music, BMus/BEd (Concurrent)

Brandon University has a long and distinguished history as a leader in post-secondary musical education. The School of Music maintains an exceptionally low student/teacher ratio and prides itself on the personalized instruction it provides to its students.

The Queen Elizabeth II Music Building is one of the finest facilities of its kind. It houses teaching studios, practice studios, the Lorne Watson Recital Hall, Music Library, Music Technology Lab, Electronic Music Studio, Media Room and many rehearsal halls and classrooms.

The School of Music offers five undergraduate degrees:

Bachelor of Music (Honours) is our most flexible program. In conjunction with a faculty advisor, this four-year degree is tailored to the needs of each individual student. Many students who plan to do graduate study in such areas as musicology, music theory, or music therapy select this program.

Bachelor of Music (Performance) is offered in all

orchestral instruments, as well as piano, organ, voice and guitar. Students are prepared for careers as professional performers or private teachers.

Admission to this program is by audition at the end of first year.

Bachelor of Music (Performance – Jazz Studies) is offered in such areas as saxophone, guitar, bass guitar, voice and drum set. Two large jazz ensembles, small groups, jazz history and literature courses round out this intensive jazz program. Admission to the program is by audition at the end of first year.

Bachelor of Music/Bachelor of Education is offered as a five year concurrent program with the Faculty of Education. The program prepares you to become a certified music teacher and graduates receive a Manitoba Permanent Teacher's Certificate.

Bachelor of Music (Specialist in School Music) is a four-year degree program with an emphasis in school music and is available to

students who wish to pursue a BEd after completion of the BMus degree. Graduates of the BEd program, which involves two years of study after completion of the BMus, receive a Manitoba Permanent Teacher's Certificate.



BBA Bachelor of Business Administration

The BBA program aims to:

- foster critical thinking and strengthen written and oral communication skills;
- prepare students for careers in business administration, management, or entrepreneurship; and
- prepare students for further study in business and management.

The Bachelor of Business Administration program is built on a foundation of the courses in the core areas of business including accounting,

information management, marketing management, human resources, finance, operations management and production and operations. The small business management course requires students to integrate their knowledge through the preparation of a comprehensive business plan and a consulting project with local businesses. Students interested in obtaining a professional designation in accounting are able to complete the required courses as electives within the BBA. BBA students complement their

business administration studies with a non-business minor, plus courses in the humanities and natural sciences.

Our program provides advanced standing to students who have completed a 2-year college diploma in business administration from a Manitoba college. Students must have attained at least a "B" average and have earned their diploma within the previous five years. Students with diplomas from other colleges are evaluated for admission on an individual basis.

BPES Bachelor of Physical Education Studies

The Bachelor of Physical Education Studies is a 3-year undergraduate degree. The BPES provides students with in-depth knowledge of the field of physical education and with the fundamental and specialized skills required by physical educators.

The program includes:

- A broad range of courses including Foundations, Anatomy,

Motor Development, Psychology of Sport, Sociology of Sport, Exercise and Physiology, Adapted Physical Activity, Health Education, Organization and Administration.

- A variety of physical activity courses.
- Opportunity to receive certification in coaching through the National Coaching Certification Program.

Careers

- Teacher • Sports Medicine
- Coach • Event Coordinator
- Fundraising/Promotions
- Athletic Therapist • Personal Trainer • Sports Management
- Sports Reporter
- Tourism/Program Coordinator
- Certified Sports Coach
- Sports Official • Public Relations





BScES Bachelor of Science in Environmental Science

Environmental Science is the study of the interaction between plants, animals and the environment, and human impacts on these systems. This 4-year, interdisciplinary program provides the scientific background necessary to address environmental issues such as pollution, climate change, resource management, and the conservation of wildlife and their habitats. This degree offers a wide range of career opportunities, with the environment sector seeing rapid employment growth across Canada.

Students select one of three streams of specialization: Biodiversity, Physical Sciences, Resource Management.

The program includes courses offered by each of the departments in the Faculty of Science, as well as courses from the Faculty of Arts such as Environmental Ethics.

Special features

All students complete a final year project in preparation for professional practice.

A transfer of 2-years credit is available to students who have completed Assiniboine Community College's Environmental Technologies - Land and Water Management Diploma.

Careers

- Environmental Management
- Sustainable Resource Management
- Environmental Assessment
- Conservation Officer
- Environmental / Pollution Monitoring Officer
- Research Scientist (effects of pollution, ecosystem rehabilitation)
- Graduate Studies and Careers in Post-Secondary Education





BIHHS Bachelor of **Indigenous Health and Human Services**

The BIHHS program will prepare graduates to engage in activities including counseling that will promote the health and well-being of Indigenous people, families, and communities by helping people become more self-sufficient, preventing dependency, strengthening family relationships, and restoring individuals, families, groups or communities to successful social functioning.

The degree program, unique in Canada, meets a growing and demonstrated demand for the culturally sensitive professional preparation of individuals to work in a variety of health and human service settings with and for Indigenous people.

This program continues Brandon University's long tradition of partnership with Indigenous communities in the development and implementation of post-secondary educational opportunities of high quality.



BN Bachelor of **Nursing**

Applicants who meet the general admission requirements of Brandon University will be considered for acceptance into the Pre-Nursing Year. Upon successful completion of the required Pre-Nursing courses, students are eligible to apply to Year 2 of the BN program.

This professional program prepares graduates to work in a variety of settings with individuals, families and

communities to promote, maintain and strengthen health.

Opportunities for careers in nursing are numerous and diverse. Graduates will be able to choose employment opportunities in hospital/community settings, educational institutions or administrative areas. BN graduates will be eligible to write the qualifying examination for licensure as a Registered Nurse with the College of Registered Nurses of Manitoba.



BScPN Bachelor of Science **Psychiatric Nursing**

Applicants who meet the general admission requirements of Brandon University will be considered for acceptance into the Pre-Psychiatric Nursing Year. Upon successful completion of the required Pre-Psychiatric Nursing courses, students are eligible to apply to Year 2 of the BScPN program.

This professional program prepares psychiatric nursing graduates to work in a variety of settings with individuals, families and communities.

Psychiatric Nursing is concerned with the health, especially the mental health, of individuals, families, groups and communities. Psychiatric nurses engage in therapeutic interactions with people to promote, maintain and restore health. They are concerned with those affected by psychiatric illness and developmental challenges, and with the influence of society on the mental health of people.

Graduates of the program will be eligible to write the qualifying examinations for licensure as a Registered Psychiatric Nurse with the College of Registered Psychiatric Nurses of Manitoba.

The Winnipeg Option

Brandon University, in collaboration with the University of Winnipeg, offers our four-year BScPN program in Winnipeg.

BScMH Post-Diploma Program in **Mental Health**

A program for Registered Psychiatric Nurses recognizes previous education and work experience leading to a bachelor's qualification in mental health/developmental habilitation.

Pre-professional Studies

To gain admission to many pre-professional programs you must first complete one or more years of university study. One of our specialties is pre-professional programs: a selection of arts and science courses that qualify you for admission to

a professional program such as medicine or social work at another university. We offer some professional programs of our own, but our focus on undergraduate education means that you can gain a great pre-professional education here.

The accompanying table lists a number of the pre-professional programs available along with the respective high school pre-requisites**. Consult the Brandon University calendar for a list of courses required in each program.

Program	High School Pre-requisites**	Time at BU (credit hours)
Agriculture*	CHEM 40S, (Pre-Calculus), MATH 40S, PHYS 30S (40S preferred), BIO 40S recommended	1 year (30)
Chiropractic Studies	See Academic Advisor	3 years (90)
Dental Hygiene*	CHEM 40S, MATH 40S (Applied or Pre-Calculus), PHYS 30S (40S preferred), ENGL 40S, BIO 40S recommended	1 year (30)
Dentistry*	CHEM 40S, MATH 40S (Pre-Calculus), PHYS 40S, ENGL 40S, BIO 40S recommended	2 to 3 years (60 to 90)
Engineering*	CHEM 40S, MATH 40S (Pre-Calculus), PHYS 40S, ENGL 40S – Note: Must see Dr. Austin Gulliver	1 year (30)
Environmental Design (Architecture)*	Depends on the university courses selected	1 year (30)
Human Ecology*	Courses depend on the field selected in Human Ecology	1 year (30)
Journalism	Depends on the university courses selected	2 years (60)
Kinesiology*	See academic advisor.	1 year (30)
Law*	Depends on the university courses selected	2 to 3 years (60 to 90)
Medicine*	CHEM 40S, MATH 40S (Applied or Pre-Calculus), PHYS 40S, ENGL 40S, BIO 40S recommended	3 years (90)
Medical Rehabilitation* (Physical or Occupational Therapy)	CHEM 40S recommended, BIO 40S recommended, MATH 40S (Applied or Pre-Calculus). See Academic Advisor	1 to 3 years (30 to 90)
Optometry	CHEM 40S, MATH 40S (Pre-Calculus), PHYS 40S, ENGL 40S, BIO 40S	1 TO 2 years (30 to 60)
Pharmacy*	CHEM 40S, PHYS 30S (40S preferred), MATH 40S (Pre-Calculus)	1 year (30)
Respiratory Therapy*	BIO 40S recommended, ENGL 40S	1 year (30)
Social Work*	Depends on the university courses selected	1 year (30)
Veterinary Medicine	CHEM 40S, MATH 40S (Pre-Calculus), PHYS 40S, ENGL 40S, BIO 40S	2 to 3 years (60 to 90)

* University of Manitoba requirements.

If you are interested in a profession, but do not see it listed here, please contact us to speak with an academic advisor.

** Note: Students should check with the institution they plan to attend to be certain of transferability of credits.

Graduate Studies

Master of Education and Graduate Diploma in Education

The Faculty of Education's Department of Graduate Studies and Field Research has more than two hundred students. The Master of Education degree helps develop new skills and leadership abilities, and is available in both a 36 and 54 credit-hour program. The areas of concentration are: Curriculum and Instruction, Educational Administration, Guidance and Counselling, and Special Education. The programs offer either a research route through a project or thesis, or a coursework only route.

The Graduate Diploma in Education program is 30 credit hours in length and serves either as a terminal program for special education teacher certification programs, or it can be used as entrance to either of the two Master of Education programs. All graduate level programs in the Faculty of Education encourage research-related activities for students by providing professional and financial support.

Master of Music – MMus

The Master of Music Degree is available with a major in Performance and Literature and in Music Education.

Master of Music (Music Education)

This program offers teachers the opportunity for advanced study with practical emphasis in elementary music, choral music, or instrumental music. The program requires 24 credit hours of course work followed by a Master's Thesis or 24 credit hours of course work followed by a Comprehensive Examination or 30 credit hours of course work followed by a Research Project.

Master of Music (Performance and Literature)

This program is offered in piano, collaborative piano, composition, strings, clarinet, and choral/instrumental conducting. It is intended to further a student's professional expertise in



performance or composition, with additional emphasis on pedagogical practices. The program requires 30 hours of course work.

Master of Rural Development/ Graduate Diploma in Rural Development – MRD/GradDipRD)

The Master of Rural Development degree provides you with:

- Knowledge of current development theory
- The ability to apply knowledge in your selected area of interest
- Skills in understanding and participating in rural governance
- Technical skills in research design and reporting
- Basic training in community relations, networking, group facilitation and development planning
- An understanding of the formulation and role of policy in rural development
- Knowledge of the structure and functioning of rural society

The Graduate Diploma in Rural Development is designed to provide graduate-level study to those who wish to extend their knowledge of theory and practice through course work, but are not interested in the research-training component of graduate study.

Master of Psychiatric Nursing – MPN

This new graduate program is designed for students who are seeking advanced practice roles in psychiatric nursing. Foundational courses in advanced practice are complemented by a focus on a selected stream. Streams are offered in advanced clinical practice, administration and education. The streams are supported by research courses which, when combined with content from the selected stream, enable graduates to evaluate current practice and contribute to innovation in service delivery. Graduates are prepared to be leaders in psychiatric nursing and health care. Graduates are also prepared to undertake doctoral study.

majors & minors

Anthropology (BA)



Anthropology is the study of people, and there are four sub-fields in this discipline.

1. Physical Anthropology is the study of the origin and evolution of our species.
2. Archaeology is the study of ancient life styles and cultures through the exploration and examination of prehistoric artifacts.
3. Cultural Anthropology is the study of the description and analysis of past and present societies.
4. Linguistics is the study of language.

The program in anthropology has four main objectives: to teach introductory courses spanning all four sub-fields of anthropology, to offer

general interest courses useful as part of a liberal arts education, to provide service courses where applicable and to provide a strong academic foundation for students proceeding to graduate studies. Many disciplines have an interest in anthropology and therefore some of the available courses are taught through other departments such as: Human Origins and Linguistics (Native Studies), and the Anthropology of Religion (Religion).

Careers

- Business • Civil Servant • Lawyer
- Researcher • Teacher • Heritage Consultant

Applied Disaster & Emergency Studies (BA or BSc)



This program introduces students to a broad range of technological and environmental risks with an emphasis on how social and physical factors interact in disasters. Graduates of the program are able to assist with all aspects of emergency management, including traditional preparedness and response activities as well as recovery efforts to help people affected by disasters get their lives back to normal, and mitigation planning to prevent future damages. Applied Disaster and Emergency Studies adopts a liberal arts and sciences approach to foster an appreciation for the interdisciplinary nature of the field. The ADES curriculum balances theory and practice as well as the social and physical science perspectives. A minor is also available to complement any BA or BSc major.

Sample of ADES courses

- Introduction to Disaster Studies
- Introduction to Emergency Management
- Hazards: Causes and Physical Dynamics
- Hazards and Risk Assessment
- Emergency Management Law
- Disaster Response Management
- Disaster and Emergency Practicum
- Disaster Mitigation/ Sociology of Disaster
- Disaster Modeling/ Disaster & Development
- Risk Communication

Careers

- Emergency management at the municipal, provincial or federal level in many sectors including health, public safety or transportation • Private sector business continuity planning • Insurance industry • Non-government organizations

Biology (BSc)

Biology at Brandon University explores all facets of the study of life on Earth. Students are introduced to the study of biomolecules, evolution, and biodiversity in their first year. In subsequent years, emphasis is placed on cell and developmental biology, ecology, evolution, genetics, physiology, systematics, and the in-depth study of animals, fungi, plants and prokaryotes.

Our students tailor their programs to reflect their interests in Biology by selecting one of two streams. The Biology Stream is intended for students who are preparing for careers as laboratory or clinical technologists or who wish to pursue graduate studies in biology. The Biomedical Stream satisfies the entrance requirements of medical, veterinary and allied health professional schools. This stream is also intended for students interested in pursuing graduate studies in biomedical research. Both streams are suitable for students entering the after-degree Bachelor of Education program.

The Biology Department has a reputation for producing competitive, high-caliber students who earn post-graduate degrees at prestigious Canadian and U.S. universities. After two or three years in a Biology program, our students qualify to apply for admission to professional schools to

pursue careers in dentistry, medicine, optometry, and veterinary medicine.

Careers

- Agriculture • Clinical or Health Science
- Medicine • Conservation Biology • Dentistry
- Forestry • Optometry • Horticulture
- Park Services • Teaching • Research Biology
- Veterinary Medicine • Wildlife Biology
- Food Science

Special Features

Senior students in our Biomedical Stream participate in extensive dissections through supervised and self-directed learning.

Our courses in biodiversity and ecology feature fieldwork experiences that capitalize on local and regional habitats (i.e., sand dunes, mixed-grass prairie, deciduous and boreal forests, lakes, rivers, and wetlands).

Students interested in agriculture can complete courses offered through the Biology Department and other departments at Brandon University that are accepted as the first one or two years of the University of Manitoba's BSc programs in Agriculture, Agro-ecology, Agribusiness or Food Science.



Business Administration (BBA or BA)

Students interested in majoring in business may complete a 4 year Bachelor of Business Administration, or a 3 or 4 year Bachelor of Arts with a major in Business. The program provides students with a strong foundation in the major functional areas of business, including accounting, finance, management, human resources, marketing, information management, and operations management.

The department offers a comprehensive range of advanced elective courses in accounting, allowing students to fully prepare for a career as a C.A., C.M.A. or C.G.A.

Students are required to have Grade 12 Precalculus or Applied Math in order to take statistics. Students without Grade 11 Accounting must complete 16:090, Introduction to Bookkeeping.

Students who have completed a two-year business diploma at a recognized college may be eligible for a 60 credit hour advanced standing towards a 4 year business degree.

Careers

- Accounting • Banking • Financial Planning
- Business Management • Marketing
- Human Resource Management • Law



Canadian Studies (BA)



Canadian Studies is a program designed for students who wish to undertake a detailed study of Canada and its people. The program is a package through which students can study Canadian history, geography, government and culture.

Special Features

The special attraction of the Canadian Studies Program is that it allows you take courses from the wide variety of disciplines (history, sociology, etc.) through which Canadian society is interpreted.

Careers

- Journalist • Lawyer • Civil Servant • Teacher

Chemistry (BSc)

Chemistry deals with the nature of and changes in matter, which is why there are few sciences that do not involve chemistry.

to students some of the limitations of present knowledge and the need for further research.

High School Pre-Requisites for Majors

CHEM 40S, MATH 40S (Pre-Calculus), PHYS 30S (40S preferred)

Careers

- Business • Environmental Science
- Industrial Chemistry • Public Service

Chemistry courses are prerequisites for entrance into professional schools such as medicine, dentistry, pharmacy and veterinary medicine.

Chemists study the nature of atoms, how atoms combine to produce molecules, and the properties of these molecules and how they react to produce new substances. Many of the comforts and conveniences we enjoy today are the result of the effective use of chemical knowledge. Think about fuels, plastics, food additives and drugs—these are only a few of the chemical products we use daily. While yielding many benefits to our society, chemistry has also been at the forefront of controversy, such as with pollution, global warming and chemical warfare. The Chemistry Department attempts to convey



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I have managed to grow in all aspects of life at Brandon University. I feel I adjusted so well in the B.U. community because of its size and the support from student services.

— **Immaculate Nabisere, 4th year Applied Disaster and Emergency Studies**

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Computer Science (BSc)

Computer technology is growing rapidly and affecting our lives in many different ways. The computer is a powerful tool for storing, retrieving, manipulating and presenting data. A special by-product of studying computer science is the learning and developing of an ability to solve the problems that are important in today's changing world.

In first year computer science, you will learn the Java programming language. The course is designed to challenge people who are fond of computers and mathematics, and possess the ability to think logically. Students with these interests or abilities will find computer science courses fascinating.

In "Introduction to Information Technology," you will learn to use software development languages and software productivity packages. Emphasis is placed on developing the ability to examine a problem, discover a solution and then implement that solution.

Careers

- Business • Research • Systems Analysis
- Systems Testing and Support
- Software Development

Special Features

In addition to the various computer laboratories, the department runs the "BitCave" High-tech laboratory for senior students.



Creative Arts (BA)

Creative Arts is an interdisciplinary program providing a breadth of preparation in the fine and performing arts to students majoring in the area.

Creative Arts:

- combines the strengths of multiple areas within the extended creative arts traditions
- provides a balanced and integrated approach to Western and indigenous cultures through an integrated curriculum of study
- provides both theoretical and experiential/applied knowledge of the creative arts
- allows for the integration of interests across the creative arts, for example art and creative writing.

Students pursue two streams of focus from Aboriginal art, creative writing, drama, music, and visual art.

Careers

- Painter • Actor • Playwright • Author
- Musician • Songwriter • Teacher
- Web Design • Journalism • Television
- Radio • Software Development • Politics
- Sales • Marketing • Arts Administration
- Community Recreation • Arts Therapy
- Counselling • Tourism • Arts Management



Drama (Minor)



Improvise a scene, be a Shakespearean hero, improve your voice, tell a story, learn what makes a character tick, even perform in public!

The study of drama is far from a vocational exercise. Familiarity with theatre and other arts provides essential life skills that manifest themselves in a variety of employment settings.

Any career that requires you to deal with the public, communicate verbally, and respond spontaneously would benefit from a Drama class or two. Graduates of the Drama program are 'performing' in their chosen careers, whether it be on stage, in classrooms or boardrooms. Drama courses will help you discover your role in the 'creative' economy.

Careers

- Actor • Educator • Playwright
- Broadcaster • Lawyer • Sales • Marketing

Economics (BA)

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I like B.U. because of the small, close-knit campus: It makes meeting people a lot easier! You are able to build strong one-on-one relationships with professors and classmates alike.

— **Kathleen Richards,**
4th year Creative Arts

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Societies are confronted with three basic questions when managing their economic resources.

- Which goods and services are required and how much of each should be produced?
- What techniques should be used to produce these goods and services?
- What allocation of these goods and services should be made?

Economists help society to understand why interest rates fluctuate and oil prices rise and fall. They assist society in using its economic resources wisely.

Courses in the Economics Department can be divided into three categories.

1. Those that explain the techniques of analysis within the discipline.
2. Those that apply these techniques to

particular sections of the economy.

3. Those that explain the influence of economic forces in the development of particular societies.

The honours degree program provides students with enhanced employment skills and the necessary background for successful entry into a master's degree.

Careers

- Banking and Finance • Government
- Economic Research • Industry
- International Organizations •
- Life Insurance • Stock Market

Special Features

Certificate in Labour Studies

English (BA) (Major or minor in English; Minor only in Creative Writing)

The English and Creative Writing Department offers students the opportunity to study fascinating and provocative works of literature as well as to develop the skills to create their own masterpieces. In English literature classes, students will explore abundant and wide-ranging literary works written from classical times to the present, engaging critically with these texts in order to develop their own understandings of different literary periods, genres, and cultures. In Creative Writing classes, students will study the process of literary creation and develop their writing skills by producing original works of literature in a variety of genres.

Students can choose from a diverse collection of literature and creative writing courses. Courses range from Beowulf to Postmodern Literature, from classical Greek Drama to Ecopoetics, from Milton and Shakespeare to the Restoration and the Romantics. Students can explore their interests in Canadian, British, American, and

World Literatures. Creative writers can gain expert guidance in how to write poems and plays, screenplays and short stories, works of creative non-fiction and multimedia projects. They will develop skills such as literary and textual analysis, critical thought, academic writing, creative writing, written and oral communication, knowledge of historical literary periods, literary genres, and national literatures.

Careers

- Academic Research • Advertising
- Arts Administration • Bookstore Management • Communications • Creative Writing
- Government • Journalism • Law • Library Work • Media • Publicity • Teaching

High School Pre-Requisite for Majors

ENGL 40S



Gender and Women's Studies (BA)

In the Gender & Women's Studies Program students learn about historical, global and local dimensions of gender—including its intersections with ethnicity/race and social class. They also have the opportunity to discuss (and argue about) gender in politics, religion, literature and philosophy. Students engage in lively debates about topics such as the wage gap between women and men, global labour markets, feminist activism, abortion, pornography, men and masculinities, violence, body image and the media, and motherhood. In the process, students gain the ability to challenge and rethink prevailing notions about gender and sexuality.

Skills: critical thinking, sound writing, advocacy & community development

Special Features

- The program is interdisciplinary—drawing on courses and disciplines across the Faculty of

Arts and beyond. This interdisciplinary focus fosters genuine breadth of knowledge among our students.

- The program is enriched by the Margaret Laurence Endowment Fund which provides funding for scholarships, visiting speakers, library resources, and grants to local feminist organizations.
- The program includes a practicum course where students gain valuable hands-on experience within local organizations.

Careers

- Front-line Advocacy • Community Development • Counseling and Psychotherapy • Government • Health Services
- Journalism • Law • Media & Communications • Politics • Public Administration
- Sexuality Education • Social Work



Geography (BA or BSc)



If you are interested in the relationships between the environment and society and want to learn about landscapes and people, consider studying geography. Geography is about place and space. It studies the interdependence among regions, natural systems, physical features, society, and cultural activities. Using a “spatial” perspective, it aims to form a coherent understanding of Earth. Geographers explore answers to questions like: Where are things or people located on the surface of the earth? Why are they located there? What processes are at work in developing those regions or features?

People with geography skills apply what they know successfully in a wide variety of fields. Our recent grads have embarked on careers in urban and regional land use planning, conservation and resource management, mapping, geographic information systems and remote sensing, parks and recreation, teaching and research.

Students have an opportunity to gain hands-on experience through a practicum course, which

applied academic training in geography to a project on or off campus. Others work closely with faculty to pursue their interests in a specific field of geography in a Directed Studies or Undergraduate Thesis course.

Special Features

The department hosts the Centre for Geomatics, which is a dedicated computer lab with facilities for geographic information systems (GIS), remote sensing and cartography. Practical training in this field significantly increases your employment marketability upon graduation.

Brandon University and Minot State University, Bottineau, North Dakota, offer a formal link between Brandon’s geography program and MSU’s water quality program. The arrangement allows you to earn credit at each campus towards a BSc from Brandon University and a Diploma in Water Quality Technology from Minot State University.

Geology (BSc)



Geology is the study of the planet Earth. It is concerned with the origins of our planet, the evolution of life, the materials and morphology of the Earth and its history. It deals with the processes that shape the present landscape and those that acted throughout geologic time. The Earth is a naturally occurring physical-chemical system; hence geology draws on other sciences such as chemistry, physics, biology, mathematics and geography. The modern geologist is a well-rounded scientist.

Geology is a practical science—geologic knowledge is applied in the search for, and sustainable development of, Earth’s mineral and energy resources, and the evaluation of groundwater resources and environmental concerns. The Earth is dynamic and geoscientists study and predict earthquakes, volcanic eruptions and other natural phenomena, and their mitigation.

Careers

- Petroleum Industry • Mining Industry
- Environmental Geologist • Government Agencies • Teaching • Graduate Studies in Geology • Consulting

Special Features

The Geology Department, in conjunction with alumni, the petroleum and mining industries, and appropriate government departments, operates a successful co-op work experience program for geology students.

The four-year degree program provides the academic requirements to become a registered Professional Geoscientist.



“ I chose B.U. because of their stellar Education program. Ever since I was in kindergarten, I wanted to be a teacher. Brandon University offers a great two-year after degree program which features a lot of one-on-one learning and plenty of in-class student teaching.
 — **Nicole Robinson,**
1st year Education ”

History (BA)

Why did the Soviet Union collapse? Has the role of women in society changed? Why has Quebec nationalism been so persistent? How did the European enlightenment affect the way we think about the world around us? How did colonialism shape the modern global economy? Where does Manitoba fit into all these developments?

The past is always with us. Historians unearth and analyze the past in order to understand how societies change and how political and social institutions develop. For you, the study of history provides an opportunity to delve into the past—recent and distant—and to develop reading, writing, and analytical skills that will serve you well in your chosen careers in the “information age”.

Careers

- Archives • Business • Government
- Journalism • Law • Libraries • Museums
- Teaching

Special Features

Resources available to students include the Brandon University Archives with its broad collection of materials relating to both the history of Brandon University and the social history of southwestern Manitoba.

Summer employment opportunities in the Brandon University Archives are periodically available to senior history students.

Interdisciplinary Studies (BA)

Some students might discover that they would like to pursue a course of study that encompasses subjects from several different disciplines. The Interdisciplinary Studies Major allows you to do just that. This degree program combines the insight of different disciplines and applies this knowledge to a clearly defined set of questions or issues. In consultation with faculty members, students design a program of study that identifies the area of study that they would like to pursue. A few examples are Community and Social Justice; Global Studies, Social and Political Thought, Public Policy, Environmental

Ethics, Comparative Literature, Classics and Postmodernism. Interdisciplinary Studies majors meet all of the normal requirements of a B.A., including the liberal education requirements and the completion of a minor.

Careers (will vary by program of study)

- International Development • Law • Politics
- Government Service • Community and Social Services • Non-Governmental Organizations • Citizen Advocacy
- University Professor





Languages – Classical and Modern

Language is our basic tool for learning and communication. Technology makes it possible to send messages instantly around the world, but effective communication requires an understanding of foreign languages and cultures.

Language study broadens your general knowledge and cultural awareness and helps develop your powers of expression. The study of ancient languages and cultures can help you understand the development of our modern languages and society.

You can study French, German, Spanish, Chinese, Hebrew, Greek, Latin, Cree, Saulteaux,

Sioux, and Linguistics (major or minor available in French, and minor available in Native Languages.)

Careers

- Civil Servant • Diplomat • Interpreter
- Researcher • Teacher • Translator

Special Features

We offer French exchange programs, summer bursary programs, and a German Work/ Student Exchange Program.

Liberal Arts (BA)

Are you interested in pursuing a career as a doctor, a dentist, a lawyer, or a teacher? Many of these careers require that students complete an undergraduate degree before going on to pursue a particular professional program. Brandon University's Liberal Arts degrees are distributed majors specifically designed for students intending to apply to professional programs. These degrees allow both the depth and the flexibility required to meet a

variety of accreditation requirements for further professional studies.

Careers

- Education • Law • Government Service
- Community and Social Services • Citizen Advocacy • Journalism • Politics • Sales
- Marketing • Sports Administration
- Community Recreation • Tourism

Mathematics (BSc)

Mathematics involves the use of deductive reasoning and constitutes the basic language of the physical sciences. It is a way of thinking, a disciplined and logical approach to problem solving that will be of interest to people who enjoy mathematics either for its inherent interest or as a method of problem solving in related disciplines.

Mathematics is growing today more than ever before—both as a subject in its own right and in terms of its influence on science, engineering and business. Some of the more recent advances in physics, chemistry and biology use mathematical concepts. The divisions of science that previously used few, if any, mathematical skills are now putting more and more emphasis on mathematical reasoning and techniques. Statistics, which is an area of mathematics concerned with data analysis, is increasingly used in such

disciplines as psychology, sociology, business, and health studies.

Careers

- Accounting • Actuarial Science • Banking
- Insurance • Statistical Research • Teaching

Those pursuing careers in business management need to have some background in mathematics in order to understand some of the computer-based decision-making processes now in use.

High School Pre-Requisite for Majors

MATH 40S (Pre-Calculus)

Special Features

Senior students have the opportunity to work closely with their professors on a variety of research projects.



Native Studies (BA)

Native Studies, which concerns the scholarly recognition of Native culture and Native peoples of North America, is a relatively new discipline in Canadian universities. Programs like this reflect the increasingly important position of Aboriginal people throughout Canada and the world.

We provide a basic understanding of just who the Indian, Métis and Inuit people are, and what their aspirations and achievements are. The discipline includes the study of current affairs, history, economics, politics, family, and spiritual life. You can also study the expressive aspects of Aboriginal cultures through art, music and literature, and the practical side of contemporary Aboriginal life in Canada, including government and education. Archaeology is also part of Native Studies, providing the early history of Aboriginal people in this region.

Careers

- Administrators • Federal, Provincial and Community Government Officials
- Researchers • Teachers

Many graduates have become Chiefs and executive officers of public agencies.

Special Features

Students can participate in archaeological digs at Aboriginal camps from hundreds of years ago, and take traveling courses visiting such places as Santa Fe, New Mexico and the United States Pacific Northwest.

Certificate in Justice Studies



Philosophy (BA)



Can the existence of God be proven? Is the human mind immortal? What is the meaning of life? Are moral values relative or absolute? Can scientific and historical knowledge be objective? These are some of the questions you, as a philosophy student, will explore.

Philosophy attempts to provide critical, reflective and creative answers to some of the most fundamental questions we can ask about ourselves and the world around us. An important part of its task is to make these questions more precise—to clarify the issues involved, and to try to provide acceptable methods for answering them. No

part of philosophy's task, however, is to dictate answers—it is the journey that is important. In short, the study of philosophy develops skills that help us both to analyze and synthesize ideas.

Careers

- Business • Government • Journalism
- Law • Teaching

Special Features

Many small classes permit instructors to give students a maximum of individual attention. There is also an active student philosophy club.

Physics (BSc)

Physics is the study of the fundamental laws of nature that govern the structure and behaviour of matter and energy from submicroscopic fundamental particles to the entire universe. It also provides the foundation on which rests much of the technological innovation in the modern world, from computers to fiber optics to magnetic resonance imaging (MRI). Physicists today make important contributions using both classical physics (computer simulation of pharmaceuticals, detection of planets around distant stars, gravimetric sensing of mineral resources), and modern physics (quantum computing, precise calibration of GPS systems, materials development, search for new fundamental particles) in theory and applications that affect our daily lives and shape our outlook for the future.

physical challenges in today's technology driven workplace.

Careers

- Industrial Researcher • Medical Physicist
- Research Engineer • Astronomer
- Geophysicist • Financial Modeler
- Particle Physicist • Science Write • Teacher
- Software Developer • Meteorologist

High School Pre-Requisites for Majors

PHYS 40S, MATH 40S (Pre-Calculus)

Special Features

Departmental facilities include a research grade astronomical telescope and a well-developed Nuclear Magnetic Resonance laboratory and a 54 processor computing cluster. Most faculty members in the department hold external research grants. The department also supports a fully equipped open source student computer lab.



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I chose B.U. because it is a smaller University where you are more than just a number. It provides instruction in a friendly, personalized atmosphere where you can get to know your professors and classmates.

— **Danielle Paradis,**
2nd Year Nursing

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Physics is a basic science grounded in the scientific method with applications that permeate all other sciences, engineering and technology. Physics graduates are problem solvers, with well-developed skills that enable them to work on a wide variety of pure and/or applied

Political Science (BA)

Political Science is concerned with the study of political actors, institutions and processes that affect our daily lives. A healthy democracy requires an understanding of how governments work, how decisions are made, and the input that we as ordinary citizens can have in shaping our community. At the same time, an understanding of political science also helps us understand the world around us, and some of the global events and forces that shape politics at the international level.

Courses range from the basic Introduction to Politics to more advanced options in Canadian government, Political Theory, and Provincial Politics. You may also choose to take courses in American, European or Russian Politics, as well as the politics of the Developing World. We also teach courses in Contemporary World Politics, Canadian Foreign Policy, the United Nations, and Strategies of Major Powers. If you are interested in criminal justice and law, we offer courses in

Judicial Administration, Constitutional and Criminal Law, and Judicial Process.

Careers

- The Foreign Service; International organizations such as the UN or the World Trade Organization
- Federal, Provincial and Municipal Government
- Political Parties
- Journalism
- Law
- Interest Groups
- Public Policy Institutes
- Polling Firms
- Teaching
- Political Office

Special Features

BU Politics Club; Annual Brandon University-Minot State University International Peace Gardens Conference; Manitoba Legislative Internship Program; Guest Speakers.

Certificate in Justice Studies



Psychology (BA or BSc)

Since psychological principles operate anywhere there are people, an understanding of these principles helps you make sense of why people behave as they do and, most importantly, how people learn.

Psychology is one of the largest departments at Brandon University and serves a large percentage of the student body. Each faculty member specializes in a particular area of psychology both for teaching and research purposes. A wide variety of psychology courses are available at Brandon University. These courses represent major topics that psychologists consider important to understand behavior. You may select areas of study that offer opportunities to carry out laboratory or field research under the supervision of a faculty member.

Graduates of organizational psychology courses often proceed to business schools in Masters of Business Administration programs. Graduates with a BA or BSc degree find employment with social service agencies or choose to continue their education in graduate or professional school.

Special Features

Graduates who choose a career in academic psychology have a wide variety of paths to consider. Research into human social behaviour and personality, child development, life span psychology, brain and behavior, and all other areas provide numerous and fascinating challenges.

Psychology, like other sciences, has become dependent on the use of computer technology for the study of behaviour, artificial intelligence, and brain processes, so that students who are interested in computer applications will find many demands for their skills.

Careers

- Business Consulting
- Counselling
- Law
- Social Services
- Social Work
- Teaching





Religion (BA)

The study of religion is your opportunity to step back from one particular religion and observe all religions in context. You can make useful comparisons and contrasts of the many religious beliefs, practices, and organizations the world over. All religious phenomena are available for inspection, from prehistoric beginnings to contemporary expressions.

You will have an opportunity to explore

- Sacred texts from many religions
- The history of selected religions
- Philosophical implications of religious truth-claims
- Religious competition in an increasingly secular world
- The intersection between religion and politics
- The relationship between religion and gender
- In-depth investigation of a specific religion

The variety of courses offered in religion permit you to build a major that fits your interests. You might pursue how human cultures influence the expression of one or more religions. You can study the philosophical foundations of a particular religion (or a particular cluster of religions), or you can study a classical language in which sacred texts were written, such as Chinese, Hebrew, or Greek. You can even explore social, psychological and biological theories about why humans are a religious species. The emphasis of your study will be determined by your passions for this vast and fascinating aspect of our lives.

Careers

- Teaching • Law • Library or Museum Administration • Counselling
- Church Ministries • Politics or Political Science

Rural and Community Studies (BA)

We live in an increasingly complex world where changing trade patterns, new political alignments, rapid technological growth, pressure to compete globally in international markets and the rapid depletion of natural resources are accelerating the rate of social change. In this situation, we all have questions about environmental sustainability, population decline, safe disposal of hazardous waste, and maintenance of safe and secure access to fresh potable water supplies, access to high-quality medical care and the future of the family farm. These questions need to be balanced against the perceived benefits of continuous economic growth and development, increased industrialization, quality of life and full-time employment.

The Rural and Community Studies Program offers a multidisciplinary opportunity to examine

the implications of some of the changes rural society is currently experiencing. You will examine some of the problems these changes are creating for rural people, and gain an understanding of solutions being used and proposed.

Careers

- Banking • Business • Business Development • Chambers of Commerce
- Research • Consulting Firms • Federal, Provincial and Municipal Governments
- Finance • Planning • Regional Health Authorities • Tourism

Special Features

The program benefits from the presence of the University's very active Rural Development Institute, located on campus.

Sociology (BA)

Brandon University's Department of Sociology prepares you for active participation in the world around you by involving you in study, discovery, accumulation, and dissemination of knowledge about societal and community processes, issues, problems and needs. You will learn about how and why human groups are as they are, and how sociologists conduct research, share their ideas with others and influence the communities we live in. Sociology students have an opportunity to study areas such as criminology, social problems, family life, rural and community development, deviant behavior, gender relations, social psychology, medicine and the sociology of health and illness.

The Department offers a wide variety of courses that will help you develop the practical skills needed to critically assess and understand society. These include courses that will offer you a general overview of the field of Sociology and what sociologists do as well as more advanced courses in research methods and theory that will help you hone your ability to systematically collect information and view that information from differing perspectives.

- Ethnographic Research: A number of our faculty members hold expertise in ethnographic

and qualitative research. Our students have established a record of success in the use of ethnographic method in their own project/thesis research.

- Crime and Justice Studies: We offer a variety of courses in criminology, crime and deviance, corrections, law, policing, Aboriginal justice and restorative justice, preparing students for the legal profession, policing, corrections and other related careers. In cooperation with Native Studies and Political Science, this area also contributes to our Justice Studies Certificate.
- Gender and Women's Studies: We offer a broad range of cross-listed courses that critically examine gender relations, sexuality, marriage, family, body image and women's well-being. Students are encouraged to challenge prevailing notions about women and men and to develop alternative modes of being.

Careers

- Government Agencies • Social Services
- Non-Profit Organizations • Law Enforcement Agencies • Health Care Industry
- Business • Law • Military • Marketing Firms • Schools • Colleges • Universities



Visual and Aboriginal Arts (BA or BFA)

(Major in BFA or Minor in BA)

The Visual and Aboriginal Arts program provides a creative, academic, technical and practical environment for professional preparation in careers in the visual arts.

It equips students through a well-rounded education in art issues, ideas and histories of both Western and Aboriginal art. Visual arts courses accommodate both beginner and advanced levels of study. You begin with an overview of the contemporary art world and learn about the studio applications for the development of basic technical and interpretative skills. Continued development relies on a broad spectrum of art and visual culture knowledge.

Students pursuing the BFA must select a major in Painting, Ceramics, Aboriginal Art or Drawing.

Students who have completed the Web Design diploma program at Assiniboine Community College may select the Digital Media and Design major that includes two years advanced standing in the BFA.

Special Features

Students will be actively engaged in the workings of the local art community as well as realizing their place within the art world at large.

Careers

- Artist • Art Historian • Arts Administrator
- Museum or Gallery Curator • Museum and Gallery Art Educators • Museum and Gallery Researchers • Art Teacher



Applying for Admission

Manitoba High School Students and Graduates

If you are currently attending, or have graduated from, an accredited high school in Manitoba (with no 'M' or 'I' courses), you will be given a conditional letter of acceptance once we receive your university application, along with your grade 10 and 11 marks. You do not need to have graduated already to begin the application process—we will contact your high school in June to obtain your final marks.

Canadian High School Students and Graduates

If you are applying from another province in Canada, the information below

will help you to identify the requirements you need to successfully apply. Please do not hesitate to contact our Admissions Office if you need more details.

Advanced Placement/ International Baccalaureate

Transfer credit may be granted. Check the Undergraduate Calendar for more information.

Mature Admission

Canadian citizens or landed immigrants who do not meet the regular admission requirements are admitted on probation provided they are at least 21 years of age

Dual Credit Admission

Students who are currently in grade 12, have pre-registered or completed all compulsory courses for graduation, have an average of 80% on Grade 11 and Grade 12 courses and have a recommendation from their principal may be admitted as dual credit.

International Students

International students are required to supply proof of English proficiency if they are not residents of an exempted country. This is a mandatory requirement. The following are accepted:

TOEFL	550 paper-based test 80 internet based
MELAB	80
CAEL	60
IELTS	6.5
CPE	score of "C"
CanTEST	4.5 (reading) 4.5 (listening) 4.0 (speaking) 4.0 (writing)
EAP	Completion of Tier 4 English for Academic Purposes at Brandon University.

English Language Requirement Waiver

The English Language Waiver at Brandon University is for Permanent and Landed students who have resided a minimum of ten consecutive years in Canada. The period of residency will be the time elapsed between the 'Landed on' date on the 'Record of Landing' document and the first day of class in the term the applicant intends to register. The 'Record of Landing' document must be submitted to the Admissions Office.

Permanent and Landed students who do not meet the required ten consecutive years in Canada will be required to submit an acceptable English language proficiency score as recognized by Brandon University.

Alberta

Grade 12 with a minimum matriculation average of 60% on five Grade 12 subjects.

British Columbia

Grade 12 with a minimum overall average of 60% including English 12 and three other Grade 12 courses.

New Brunswick

A minimum average of 60% on at least six Grade 12 subjects.

Newfoundland

Grade 12 with a minimum average of 60% on ten credits.

Northwest Territories

Alberta Grade 12 with a minimum average of 60% on five credits.

Nova Scotia

Grade 12 with a minimum average of 60% in five subjects.

Nunavut

Grade 12 with a minimum average of 60% in five subjects.

Prince Edward Island

A minimum average of 60% in five Grade 12 subjects.

Ontario

One of the following:

- completion of Ontario Secondary School Diploma with an overall average of 60% on six Ontario Academic courses; or
- completion of the Ontario Secondary School (OSS) program with a minimum overall average of 60% on six Grade 12 'U' or 'M' courses; or completion of the OSS with a minimum overall average of 60% on six OAC or Grade 12 'U' or 'M' courses.

Quebec

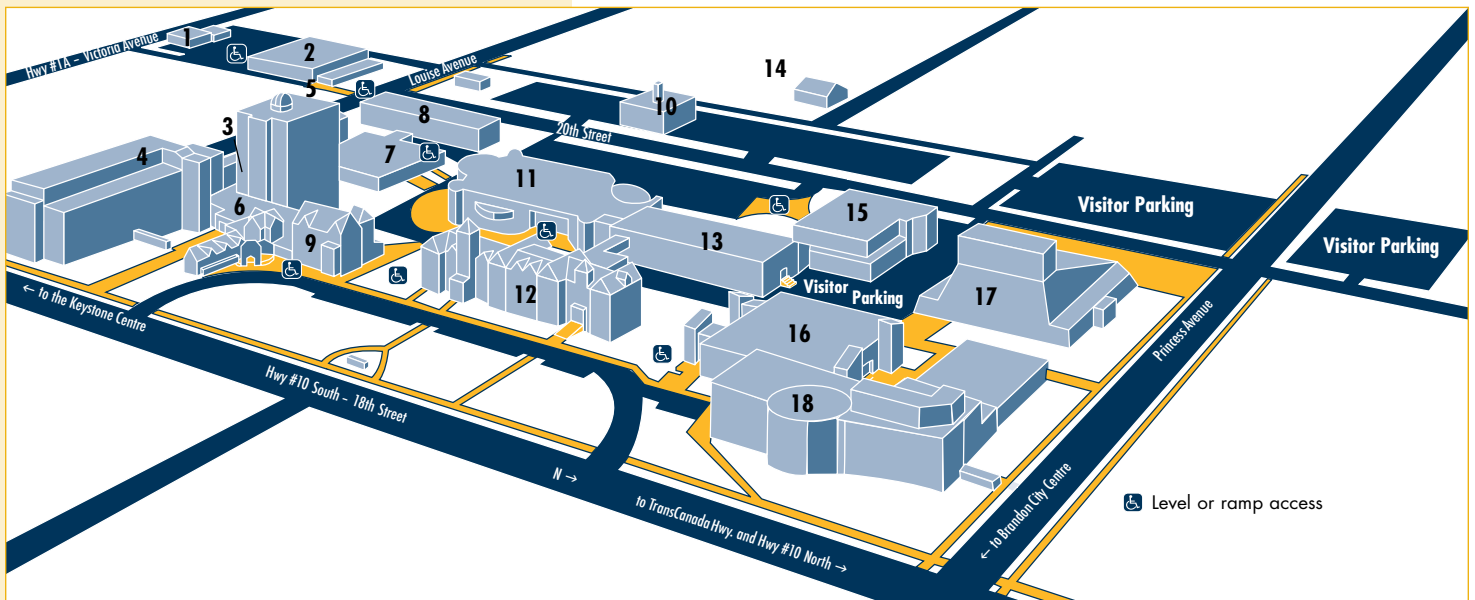
First year of the CEGEP with an average of 60% or Grade 12 standing from a Quebec Department of Education recognized private school.

Saskatchewan

High school graduate with an overall average of 60% with at least 5 subjects at the 30 level including ENG A30 and ENG B30.

Yukon

The same requirements as British Columbia.



Brandon University Campus

1. Glen P. Sutherland Gallery and Jeff Umphrey Centre
2. Gymnasium
3. Flora Cowan Hall
4. John R. Brodie Science Centre
5. McMaster Hall
6. Student ID Centre and Housing Office
7. Main Dining Room
8. Darrach Hall
9. Knowles-Douglas Students' Union Centre
10. Physical Plant and Power Plant Buildings
11. George T. Richardson Centre
12. Brandon College Building and Clark Hall
2nd Floor: Financial and Registration Services
13. A.E. McKenzie Building
Admissions Office and Recruitment Office
14. Bran-U-Daycare Centre Inc.
15. Queen Elizabeth II Music Building
16. Education Building
17. Western Manitoba Centennial Auditorium
18. Health Studies Complex



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