POST-BACCALAUREATE TEACHER PREPARATION

The Post Baccalaureate Teacher Preparation (PBTP) program is designed for individuals who have a bachelor’s degree from an accredited four-year institution and who want to become licensed to teach in Vermont. Spaces are limited and acceptance is based on availability. The foundation of the PBTP is to fulfill the professional education requirements for state licensure. Areas and levels of licensure include:

- Birth-Grade 3: Early Childhood Education
- Grades PreK-12: Art, Music, Physical Education
- Grades K-6: Elementary
- Grades 5-9: Middle Level - English, Math, Science, Social Studies
- Grades 7-12: Secondary - English, Foreign Language (French, Latin, Spanish), Mathematics, Science (Animal Sciences¹, Biological Science, Chemistry, Earth Science, and Physics), Social Studies (Economics, History, and Political Science)

¹ Animal Sciences is an alternate route for the Biology Endorsement.

Applicants to the Post Baccalaureate Teacher Preparation (PBTP) program must meet the following entrance criteria:

1. Hold a bachelor’s degree from an accredited institution of higher education.
2. Possess a general education background based on those studies known as liberal arts which embrace the broad areas of social and behavioral sciences, mathematics, biological and physical sciences, the humanities, and the arts.
3. Demonstrate a commitment to the teaching profession.
4. Possess a minimum undergraduate coursework GPA of 3.00 as specified on program specific applications.
5. For Art candidates: Previous coursework must include thirty-six credits of appropriate studio art and twelve credits of art history.
6. For Elementary candidates: Previous coursework must include thirty semester credits in a single liberal arts discipline.
7. For Middle Level candidates: Previous coursework must include two approved areas of concentration, with eighteen credits in each area.
8. For Secondary candidates: Previous coursework must include a minimum of thirty semester credits with a minimum GPA of 3.00 in one of the academic areas listed above to meet Vermont state licensure requirements for the major academic concentration.

The Post Baccalaureate Teacher Preparation curriculum includes both undergraduate and graduate courses. Specific course sequences are determined by each PBTP program based on an applicant’s earned undergraduate degree and other course work. Nine graduate credits may apply toward the M.Ed. degree at UVM, contingent on acceptance into the Graduate College.

Requests for further information about the Middle Level and Secondary Education PBTP program and application process may be obtained by contacting the Middle Level or Secondary Education program, 411 Waterman Building, (802) 656-1411. Middle Level and Secondary Education also have a Master of Arts in Teaching degree option offered jointly by the College of Education and Social Services and the Graduate College.

Requests for further information about the Physical Education PBTP program and application forms may be obtained by contacting the Physical Education program, 208 Patrick Gymnasium, (802) 656-4456.

Requests for further information about the Elementary Education PBTP program and application forms may be obtained by contacting the Elementary Education program, 533 Waterman Building, (802) 656-3356.

Requests for further information about the Art PBTP program and application forms may be obtained by contacting the Department of Art and Art History, 304 Williams Hall, (802) 656-2014.

Requests for further information about other PBTP programs may be obtained by contacting the CESS Student Services Office, 528 Waterman Building, (802) 656-3468.