

Trent University Launches Indigenous Bachelor of Education

Trent University, ranked as the number one undergraduate university in Ontario and second in Canada, has launched a unique Indigenous Bachelor of Education (B.Ed.) program that will put aboriginal knowledge and perspectives at the forefront of teacher training.

The Indigenous B.Ed. program is a concurrent five-year program open to teacher candidates who, at the time of application, self-identify as having indigenous ancestry (which includes First Nation, Metis, and Inuit students). This program will offer entry directly from high school in addition to transfer agreements with local community colleges and First Nation education institutes. Eligible students will also qualify for college credit based on their past educational experiences. Students will complete their first three years of learning with a wide range of Trent courses to achieve a well-rounded education. Their fourth and fifth years will focus on classes within the Indigenous B.Ed. program. Primary/junior and intermediate/senior teaching streams are available as well as a large selection of subject areas including Ojibway language.

This program leads to licensing by the Ontario College of Teachers and prepares graduates to teach in public, First Nation/Metis/Inuit, and Catholic education systems in both urban and rural areas.

Equity admissions are in place to support applicants who are under-represented in the teaching and professional community.

Visit the Trent University [Indigenous Bachelor of Education \(B.Ed.\)](#) website for more information.