



# **EDUCATION ASSISTANT DIPLOMA PROGRAM**

**DURATION** 348 hours of study

**TUITION** \$4200 (approximation)

**STARTING** 

Fall, Winter or Spring Terms.

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Since its inception in 1987, the Educational Assistant Diploma program had provided innovative and valuable training to educational assistants in our school system. Through this program, you will gain both the theoretical and practical knowledge you need to become confident and effective presence in the classroom. The program focuses on the role of the educational assistant within the learning system and provides a practical understanding of exceptional children and how to help them.

## **Getting Started**

Submit completed application form along with supporting documentation including completion of Canadian Grade 12 (or equivalent) **OR** Post-secondary transcripts (90 hours required for admission if Canadian Grade 12 not held).

Applicants whose first language is not English must submit a current language assessment completed within the last two years

## **Objectives**

- A through understanding of the school system and current education and school law issues
- A practical understanding of exceptional children and how to help them
- Knowledge about language development, human development and how students learn

#### Outcomes

Upon completion of this program, students should be able to:

- incorporate individual learning styles into the classroom
- · apply learning disability remediation
- apply math reading and writing remediation \*
- appropriately observe and record student behavior and apply behavior management techniques.

# Tuition

- \$4,200 \* (dependent on course and workshop selection)
- All course materials included

## **Academic Advising**

Please refer to the PACE website for further information about courses and their prerequisites. To customize an individual learning plan, please contact pacept@uwinnipeg.ca

#### **Employment opportunities**

- Educational Assistant
- Careers in child & youth services

#### **Graduation Requirements**

348 hours of required, elective and seminar hours. Students have up to 5 years to complete program

#### Articulation of Credit

Graduates of the Educational Assistant Diploma may be eligible for up to 12 hours of transfer credit towards a Bachelor of Education degree at The University of Winnipeg.

http://pace.uwinnipegcourses.ca/pathways-to-uw for details.

#### Curriculum

# Required Courses

Complete 210 hours:

- Cross Cultural Awareness
- Introduction to the Educational Assistant Diploma Program
- Helping Children Learn in a School Setting
- Language and Learning
- Observation Skills and Record Keeping
- Resiliency: Nurturing Students to Face Reality
- Working with Exceptional Children
- Working with Challenging Behaviors

#### **Elective Courses**

Complete 90 elective credit hours from the following

- Children's Literature: Strategies for sharing
- Developing Reading Skills
- Helping the EAL Child in the Classroom
- Human Development
- Learning Disabilities I
- Learning Disabilities II
- Remedial Math
- Supporting the ADHD Child
- The Writing Process: How You Can Help
- Working Effectively with Violent and Aggressive Students (WEVAS)

#### Workshops

Completion of 48 hours of one-day (6-hour) and /or two-day (12 hour) workshops, including but not limited to:

- Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD)
- Bullyproofing our Schools
- Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD)
- Indigenous Perspective
- Nonviolent Crisis Intervention (NVCI)
- Stress Management

\* Dependent on course/workshop selection