



**BRANDON  
UNIVERSITY**

# Welcome to BU

2016 HANDBOOK



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## From your application for admission through to graduation, you receive a personalized education not available anywhere else.

Class advisors help you select courses and plan your degree program; small classes guarantee unparalleled access to professors and undergraduate research opportunities; programs to assist students facing challenges provide support when needed.

BU has implemented many innovative programs including Applied Disaster and Emergency Studies, and Clinical Specialization in Native Studies - both programs the first of their kind in Canada. Our exceptional School of Music is recognized internationally with alumni performing in critically acclaimed groups and ensembles.

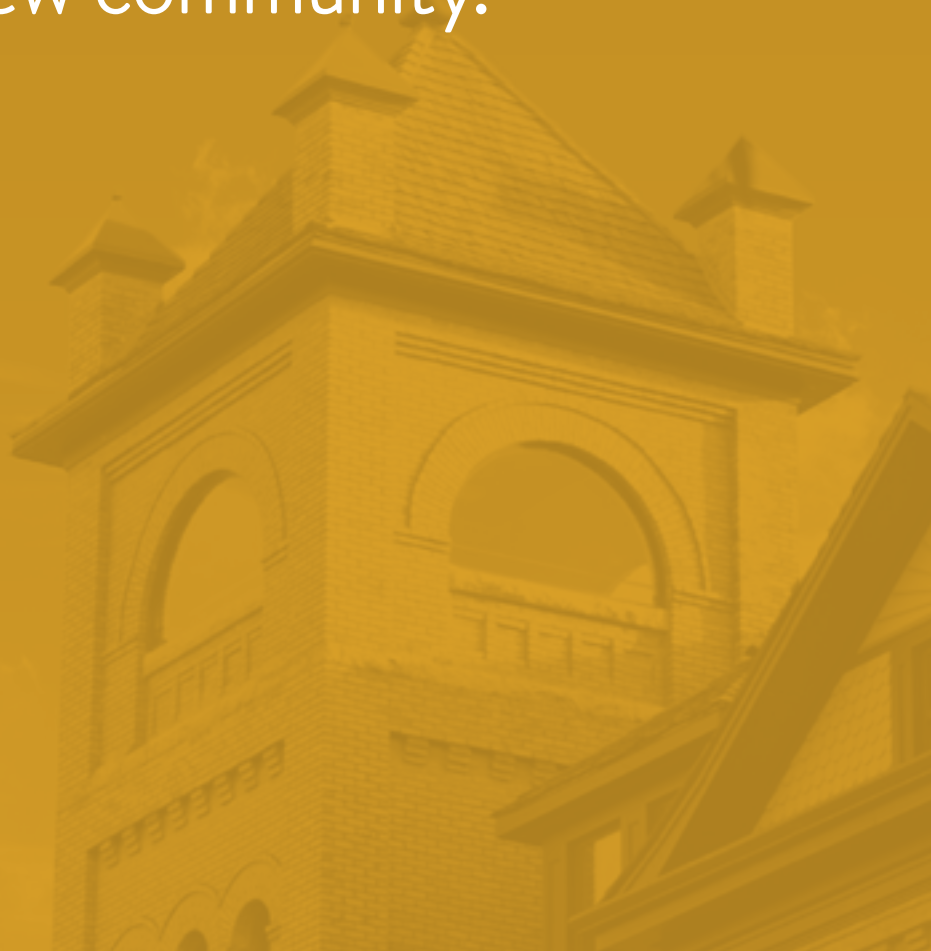
We are a lead partner in changing the face of Aboriginal education, providing tailored assistance to Aboriginal students to ensure their success, including comprehensive tutoring, mentoring, and social and cultural support. The Indigenous Peoples' Centre provides culturally sensitive services to First Nations, Métis and Inuit students, and promotes cross-cultural understanding on campus. 50% of Aboriginal teachers employed in Manitoba come from the BU Faculty of Education.

Our campus, like the city in which we reside, is safe and welcoming. International students enhance our academic and multicultural environment. Student services support the learning community and provide resources to maximize your success as a student and future leader.

The University's students' union strengthens the sense of community through the organization of student-led clubs and activities. The outstanding Bobcats Athletics program has fielded many national calibre athletes and top-contending teams in volleyball and basketball.

What will you gain from a liberal arts education at BU? The skills to effectively communicate, problem-solve and adapt, by thinking critically and analytically. Our graduates anticipate change and search for exciting, unique ways of doing. As you move through life, these skills are valuable and enduring.

Welcome to a personalized  
education, career opportunities,  
and a new community.



# The Bobcat Life



## ORIENTATION

Where else can you meet over 500 new friends at once? Throughout the week, you can participate in various workshops and activities to get you into the BU groove.

## EVANS THEATRE

Enjoy critically acclaimed international movies on weekends right on campus for only \$6.

## THE STUDENT UNION DRINKING SPOT

More than just food and drink, the Student Union Drinking Spot (aptly nicknamed "SUDS"), hosts many events throughout the academic year. Jazz, coffee, and trivia nights are regular features.

## BOBCAT GAMES

Watch our Men's and Women's Basketball and Volleyball teams play

against our western Canadian rival universities. In the fall, watch our men's and women's club soccer teams. BU will host the CIS Women's national volleyball championship in March 2016. Prizes are handed out each game for fans with outstanding Bobcat spirit! Admission is free for all BU students.

## BATTLE ON THE BORDER

Have a good throwing arm? Then we need you for BU's annual (friendly) battle with the students from Minot State University at the International Peace Gardens. Named as one of the top nine coolest university traditions by *University Affairs*, dodgeball is the game and braggin' rights are on the line.

## SENIOR COLLOQUIUM

The annual Spring Senior Colloquium features the work of senior students in Arts and Science programs. Presentation topics range from global challenges to astrophysics to creative writing.

## CLASSICAL + JAZZ CONCERTS AND RECITALS

Whether your taste is classical, new age or something in between, your ears will be enthralled! Throughout the academic year, guest performers, and faculty and students from our renowned School of Music, offer a variety of musical performances.

## ART SHOWS

Love art? The Glen P. Sutherland Gallery of Art is located on the southwest corner of the campus. This gallery shows the works of students, faculty, and visiting artists, as well as thesis exhibitions of graduating students.

## FIRST-YEAR ADVISING

First-Year students (excluding Education After-Degree) receive one-on-one course advising to help you begin your studies at BU.



70% of our courses have

20 STUDENTS

or fewer



In 2014, BU awarded over

\$400,000

in entrance scholarships

2,972

attended BU  
in 2014

23.9

is the average age  
of a BU undergrad

13.9%

of the student  
body is Aboriginal

Welcome to our city



# Brandon: The Wheat City


The City of Brandon is home to a lively cultural life, vibrant economy and many all-season recreational opportunities.

Brandon is located one hour south of Riding Mountain National Park, two hours west of the City of Winnipeg and one hour north of the North Dakota border. Brandon is located in traditional Dakota territory in Treaty #1.

Brandon hosts numerous arts festivals every year, such as the Brandon Festival of the Arts, Brandon Jazz Festival and the Brandon New Music Festival. As well, Brandon's Keystone Centre is one of Canada's most versatile venues. Most notably, it is the home of the Brandon Wheat Kings and the Royal Manitoba Winter Fair, and it is the complex of choice for hockey tournaments and horse shows. The community Sportsplex is another favourite spot for swimming, racquetball and hockey or skating.

- ▶ *Second largest city in Manitoba*
- ▶ *Population: 46,000*
- ▶ *More than 2,000 hours of sunshine per year*

Brandon has been consistently chosen as one of Canada's top cities in which to live thanks to its manageable size, the friendliness of its citizens, its green spaces, and its safe nature.



There is more to  
life than studying

# Healthy Living

## HEALTHY LIVING CENTRE

Check out our Healthy Living Centre (HLC) where you will find over 79,500 square feet of fitness and recreational space in addition to state-of-the-art fitness equipment. The Healthy Living Centre is the place where you can strive to be your best – mentally, physically and emotionally. As part of your enrolment at Brandon University, you will have the opportunity to utilize this great facility and enjoy many of the Campus Recreation activities that are organized throughout the year.

## CAMPUS RECREATION

To help you unwind, stay fit and have fun, Campus Recreation offers a wide variety of programs and in-house tournaments during the academic year.

Aerobics, basketball, badminton, curling, fencing, floor hockey, judo, soccer, touch football, volleyball, yoga and Zumba are some of the options available.

## CLUB TEAMS

You can now try out for our cheer team or men's and women's club soccer teams!

## INTER-UNIVERSITY ATHLETICS

Brandon University is a member of Canadian Inter-University Sports (CIS) and over the decades the Bobcats have become one of the most nationally recognized programs.

In 2011, the Men's Volleyball team brought home the silver medal from the national finals. Students get in free to all Bobcat home games in the HLC. The Bobcats are your team. Be proud. Be loud.

**Go Bobcats!**

## FITNESS ROOM

- ▶ *State-of-the-art cardio equipment*
- ▶ *Netpulse, an interactive network linking HLC fitness equipment which allows you to digitally track your workouts, create personalized music and video playlists, and watch favourite TV programs. We are the first university in Canada to use this service.*
- ▶ *Wheelchair-accessible fitness equipment*
- ▶ *Personal trainers are available for hire*

[GoBobcats.ca/HLC](http://GoBobcats.ca/HLC)



Your  
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home

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## ENJOY THE CONVENIENCE

**Sleep in!** The BU campus is one city block in size so you are just steps away from your classes and the new Healthy Living Centre.

**Stay warm!** All three residences are connected to the main dining hall, Brodie (Science) and Student Union Buildings, and the Residence Office.

**Relax!** Cable and internet, as well as mini fridges, are available for purchase. Living in residence opens doors to opportunities that non-residents do not often experience.

### Residence Student Mentors

Our mentors are part of the Residence Academic Mentorship Program. They are senior students who know what it takes to be successful. All of our Residence Mentors are scholarship or academic award recipients. A mentor typically emails or texts helpful information about academic resource material, starting an essay, and where to receive help in areas of weakness. This program is free to all first-year residents.

## RESIDENCE HALLS

We offer three residence halls:

### A – Darrach Hall

Men only, featuring a new games and television room, work-out room and sauna.

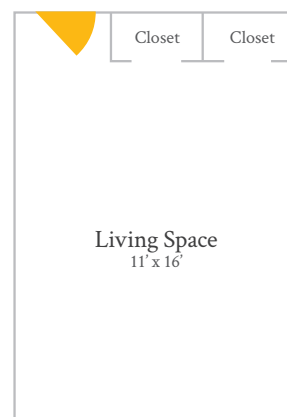
### B – Flora Cowan Hall

Women only and our most popular residence. Flora Cowan Hall features a television room, fireplace, multi-purpose room, kitchenette, and study.

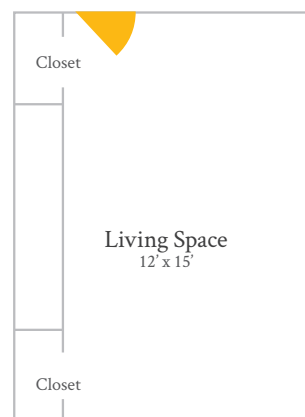
### C – McMaster Hall

Co-ed, McMaster Hall features a television and games lounge, a work-out room, a study room, and a music practice room.

A – Darrach Hall



B – Flora Cowan Hall



C – McMaster Hall



## GET INVOLVED

There are over 200 well-organized activities, social opportunities and other events for those living in residence. Not only do residents benefit from the social aspects of residence, but they can also participate in leadership opportunities.

**Academic Residence Assistants:** Senior students who are employed by the Residence Hall Programs Office to help new students adjust to the rigors of university-level study.

**Residence Assistants:** Senior students who are responsible for assisting and advising residence students as well as developing and encouraging residence activities, events, and programs.

**Residence Council:** A three-member executive and a floor representative in each hall that are responsible for governing the hall and considering proposals. These senior students ensure that assistance is available twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week.



## YOU AND YOUR MEAL PLAN

Students now have the option to choose between two meal plan options: The Premium Plan and the Value Plan! Our Food Services Department offers a wide selection of menu items at three different on-campus dining locations: the main dining hall, Charley Biggs' and the Canteen (Healthy Living Centre). Our mandatory meal programs are designed for convenience. No grocery shopping, no prep time, no dishes to clean.

[BrandonU.ca/Residence](http://BrandonU.ca/Residence)

# Student Success

Brandon University is committed to helping you achieve your academic goals and be successful during your university studies.

Brandon University offers a wide variety of services to assist students. Most of the services on campus are available at Student Services in the A. E. McKenzie Building, conveniently located in the middle of campus. Those services include:

- ▶ **Academic Advising Services:** First-year students are now required to see an academic advisor prior to registering for courses. Your assigned advisor will be able to assist you in course selection and in working out the details of your overall degree.
- ▶ **Counselling Services:** Counselling helps students sort through mental and emotional concerns like stress, worry, depression, anxiety and other issues. New in 2015, is the addition of Wellness Peer Helpers and group counselling sessions.
- ▶ **The Academic Skills Centre (Writing, Math, Learning Skills):** The Centre offers a broad range of academic support services to assist students. The Centre's primary goal is to help students become more efficient learners, equipped with greater confidence, motivation and skill. Peer supports are available.
- ▶ **Career Planning and Placement:** The Career Planning and Placement Office offers a wide variety of services to students seeking job information. Among other things, the staff can provide assistance with writing résumés and cover letters, conducting job searches, and preparing for interviews.
- ▶ **Student Accessibility Services:** Student Accessibility Services ensures that students with learning, emotional and physical disabilities have equal access to university programs. Students with disabilities should contact the Accessibilities Coordinator in Student Services.
- ▶ **Office of International Activities (OIA):** The OIA assists all international students with immigration, visa, study permit and health insurance questions. The Office provides an orientation session in the fall and continuous international student advocacy, including referrals to counselling and advising services.



## EARLY ALERT & FRESH START PROGRAMS

We know that your first semester can be exciting and overwhelming at the same time. Staff members from Services Students will contact you if you receive a poor grade on your first assignment or test (Early Alert) or after first semester (g.p.a. lower than 2.0). A friendly staff member will offer help in finding the service on campus that best meets your needs.



## STUDENT PROFILE

### Sarah Wallace

#### ARTS DEGREE 4<sup>TH</sup> YEAR

I chose BU originally because I wanted to stay close to my family despite being accepted to two out-of-province universities. I couldn't be happier with my decision.

The small size is fantastic, I have great relationships with my professors and have made great friends since I came to BU.

BU has helped me be successful in so many ways. I couldn't imagine being in any other place. I plan on being a teacher when I graduate and can thank my time at BU for helping me reach my potential and realize my path.

# Indigenous Peoples' Services

## INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' CENTRE (IPC)

The IPC is the student's home away from home. Here you will find couches to relax on, a kid's area for play, an Elder's room for smudging, and a kitchen where soup is made most days for lunch. Most important though, we offer you a family and friendships that will last a lifetime.

We coordinate a wide range of services designed to enhance success within the University. Services

**We learn through gathering that even though we may lead different lives, we are all the same.**

include holistic and developmental advising, orientation, academic support and social opportunities. We provide computers, a telephone to call home, a boardroom, meeting areas for off-campus education counsellors, employment information and information about financial awards like scholarships and bursaries. IPC is a resource area on campus and in the community that makes referrals and provides information on resources, student leadership, and peer support, as well as kitchen facilities. We are located in the heart of the university, nested right between the library and student services area. The IPC is here to serve the heart and the mind.

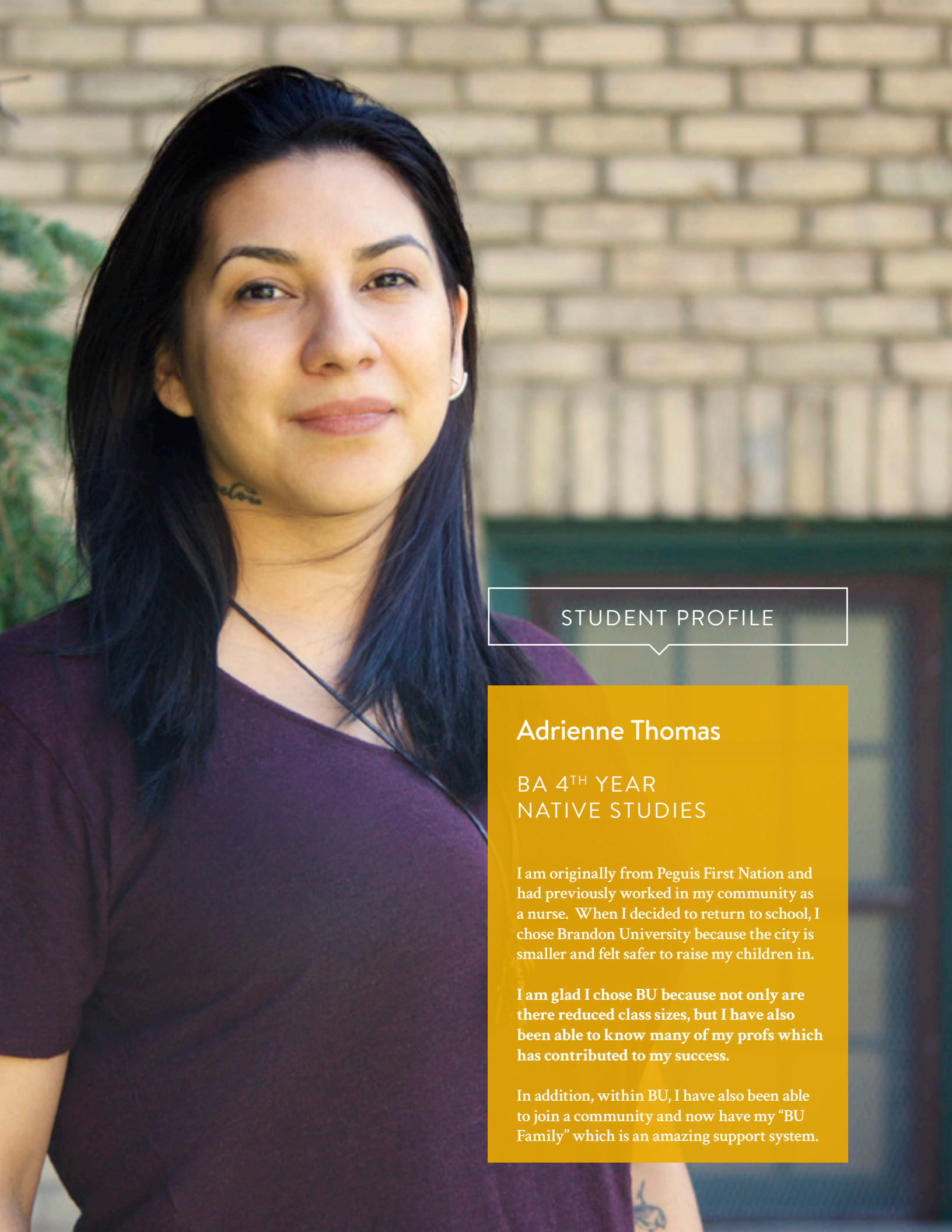
Brandon University Aboriginal Student Council (BUASC) offers a variety of other social, recreational, and cultural activities throughout the year. BUASC and IPC encourage, support and help keep students engaged! We want you to feel confident that you can reach your goals.

The IPC is home to all Indigenous students regardless of origin (First Nations, Status / Non-Status, Inuit and Métis) and it is a welcoming space for all students to learn, share, and participate in our activities and events.

Métis Student Centre (Room 2-02, Clark Hall)

- ▶ *A place where Brandon University's Métis students can gather to study, tell stories and make friends.*
- ▶ *The space is decorated to create a comforting, quiet gathering place where students can refresh themselves, in times of stress or cultural need.*

We are not only involved in the university; we have formed relationships and networks in the community that create opportunities for us all to make a difference!



## STUDENT PROFILE

### Adrienne Thomas

BA 4<sup>TH</sup> YEAR  
NATIVE STUDIES

I am originally from Peguis First Nation and had previously worked in my community as a nurse. When I decided to return to school, I chose Brandon University because the city is smaller and felt safer to raise my children in.

I am glad I chose BU because not only are there reduced class sizes, but I have also been able to know many of my profs which has contributed to my success.

In addition, within BU, I have also been able to join a community and now have my "BU Family" which is an amazing support system.



# ARTS



# Bachelor of Arts

The Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences are thriving at Brandon University. This is good for students and parents as well as local, regional, and provincial communities and beyond. Being the heart and soul of a liberal arts education, the Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences provide students with the skills--critical and creative thinking, oral and written communication, complex-problem solving, and innovation--which employers continue to identify and value as crucial to success in life and work after university. Moreover, students are encouraged to be curious, willing to explore new ways of knowing, and to become lifelong learners. The fact is that a liberal arts education is more relevant today than ever before.

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--and they may also pursue the popular Master's in Rural Development at the graduate level. The Faculty of Arts is also home to two professional degree programs – the Bachelor of Business Administration and the Bachelor of Fine Arts. Our world-class faculty members are excellent teachers and active researchers, writers, performers and artists. Their commitment to pedagogy and successes in their disciplines translate into unique and lively classroom experiences. Given this faculty's 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.

A Brandon arts degree provides the foundational skills that are in constant demand by a wide array of employers;

moreover, our graduates are well prepared to successfully pursue training in such fields as law, medicine, education and accounting or to enrol in graduate programs.

As a student in the Faculty of Arts at Brandon University, you will enjoy considerable freedom to choose your first-year courses and to develop a program of study that reflects your interests.



## CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Teaching Research Government Archives Archaeology \*

\*The careers above are only a small sample of the possible opportunities available to graduates.

## MAJORS & MINORS

- ▶ *Aboriginal Art (minor only)*
- ▶ *Anthropology (Archaeology stream)*
- ▶ *Applied Disaster & Emergency Studies*
- ▶ *Art History 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 (3 year and 4 year major only)*
- ▶ *Gender and Women's Studies*
- ▶ *Geography*
- ▶ *History*
- ▶ *Interdisciplinary Studies (major only)*
- ▶ *Liberal Arts Distributed Major (major only)*
- ▶ *Music Arts (3 year major only)*
- ▶ *Native Languages (minor only)*
- ▶ *Native Studies*
- ▶ *Native Studies (Clinical Specialization)*
- ▶ *Painting (minor only)*
- ▶ *Philosophy*
- ▶ *Political Science*
- ▶ *Psychology (Applied Stream)*
- ▶ *Religion*
- ▶ *Rural and Community Studies*
- ▶ *Sociology*
- ▶ *Sociology (Crime & Community Stream or Cultural Diversity & Equity Stream)*



FINE ARTS





# Bachelor of Fine Arts

The Visual and Aboriginal Arts program provides professional preparation for careers in the visual arts.

The program offers a technical, academic and practical environment for the creative visual process. As a well-rounded education in visual art, it includes studio practice and the exposure to issues, ideas and histories of both Western and Aboriginal art.

Visual arts studio classes accommodate both beginner and advanced levels of study.

Introductory courses in ceramics, painting and drawing offer basic technical skills and a historical overview of each discipline. Courses in art history and visual culture offer a broad exposure to both historical and contemporary art concepts.

Once a major in either painting, ceramics, Aboriginal art or drawing is determined, students further specialize their studio practice through more advanced technical and academic knowledge. Studio art can serve as a teachable major in an education degree. A non-studio minor in Art and Visual culture focuses on art history and contemporary art theory towards specialization in careers including arts administrator, curator and art historian.

Students may combine the two-year diploma in Interactive Media Arts from Assiniboine Community College with two years of university courses in Visual and Aboriginal Art for a BFA with a major in Digital Media and Design.

## SPECIAL FEATURES

Students will be actively engaged with the local art community through the student-run art gallery, the Glen P. Sutherland. This experience will allow them to further branch out to other national and international exhibition opportunities. Guest speakers from across the country add enrichment and keep BU students abreast of current trends in art.



### CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Studio Artist Art History Arts Administration Curation\*

\*The careers above are only a small sample of the possible opportunities available to graduates.

[BrandonU.ca/Visual-Aboriginal-Art](https://brandonu.ca/Visual-Aboriginal-Art)



BUSINESS  
ADMINISTRATION



# Bachelor of Business Administration

The BBA program aims to:

- ▶ *Prepare students for careers in business administration, management or entrepreneurship*
- ▶ *Prepare students for further study in business and management*
- ▶ *Foster critical thinking and strengthen written and oral communication skills*

Built on a foundation of courses in the core areas of business including accounting, information management, marketing management, human resources, operations and production management and finance,

the BBA challenges students to refine their knowledge and understanding of general business.

The BBA capstone course, Small Business Management, requires students to integrate all their knowledge through the preparation and presentation of a comprehensive business plan and through the completion of a hands-on consulting project, working with local businesses. BBA students complement their business administration studies with required co-requisite courses, courses from the humanities and natural sciences and electives of their choice.

Students interested in obtaining a professional accounting designation should consider the Bachelor of Business Administration – Accounting as their pathway for admission to the CPA professional program. An Honours option is also available for the BBA.

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.



## CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Accounting

Marketing

Management

Human Resources

Entrepreneur\*

\*The careers above are only a small sample of the possible opportunities available to graduates.

[BrandonU.ca/Business-Administration](http://BrandonU.ca/Business-Administration)



EDUCATION



# Bachelor of Education

Teaching is a rewarding profession and a great opportunity to have a positive impact on children's lives. BU's Faculty of Education prepares teachers for Early Years (Kindergarten-Grade 4), Middle Years (5-8), and Senior Years (9-12).

The Bachelor of Education After Degree (B.Ed.AD) program is the option for most students. You can apply to the program in the last term of your three- or four-year undergraduate degree (e.g. Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science). The deadline for applications is February 15 each year.

When applying to the B.Ed.AD program, you will be evaluated based on your degree GPA, which must be a minimum 2.5, your teachable subject areas, (all teachable area courses must be at grade C or above), your work experience with children, your references, your cover letter and résumé.

Within your undergraduate degree, you will need two teachable subject areas. **For Early and Middle Years, you need 18 credit hours (six courses) in your first teachable subject area and 12 credit hours (four courses) in your second teachable subject area. Additionally, there is a breadth requirement to ensure a comprehensive knowledge base.**

**For Senior Years, you will need 30 credit hours (ten courses) in your first teachable subject and 18 credit hours (six courses) in your second teachable subject area with no additional breadth requirement.**

## TEACHABLE SUBJECT AREAS

First		Second	
▶ Art	▶ Mathematics	▶ Art	▶ Mathematics
▶ Biology	▶ Music	▶ Biology	▶ Music
▶ Chemistry	▶ Native Studies	▶ Chemistry	▶ Native Studies
▶ English	▶ Physical Education	▶ Earth Science	▶ Physical Education
▶ French	▶ Physics	▶ English	▶ Physics
▶ Geography	▶ Theatre	▶ French	▶ Theatre
▶ History	▶ General Science	▶ Geography	▶ General Science
		▶ History	(SY only)

[BrandonU.ca/Education/Programs](http://BrandonU.ca/Education/Programs)

# Bachelor of Arts/ Bachelor of Education (5-YEAR INTEGRATED)

The Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Education (5-Year Integrated) program serves students who have a goal of becoming an Early Years of Middle Years teacher.

The Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Education (5-Year Integrated) Degree is 150 credit hours consisting of 90 credit hours in the Faculty of Arts (Liberal Arts Distributed Major) and 60 credit hours in the Faculty of Education (Bachelor of Education). In order to complete the program in 5 years, students must complete 30 credit hours per year. If desired, students have the option of completing their 90 credits in the Faculty of Arts on a part-time basis.

After completing the first 30 credit hours in the Faculty of Arts, courses will be reviewed to ensure they meet the minimum requirements to continue in Education.

# Bachelor of Physical Education Studies

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

## SPECIAL FEATURES

- ▶ A broad range of courses including Anatomy, Motor Development, Psychology of Sport, Sociology of Sport, Exercise Physiology;
- ▶ A variety of physical activity courses;
- ▶ Opportunity to receive certification in coaching through the National Coaching Certification Program.



## CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

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|------------------|--------------------|
| Teacher          | Coach              |
| Personal Trainer | Sports Management* |

\*The careers above are only a small sample of the possible opportunities available to graduates.



# HEALTH STUDIES

# 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. Year 2 of the BN program accepts 48 students per year. If there are more applicants than space available, GPA in the Pre-Nursing courses is the primary criterion for admission.

## SPECIAL FEATURES

At Brandon University, students have the advantage of getting to know their professors and classmates on a personal level as class sizes remain small and course assistance is readily available. The Bachelor of Nursing program has a phenomenal group of experienced faculty, who are described by students as “approachable, inspiring teachers who go above and beyond.”

The opportunity to connect with other students and faculty in a personal atmosphere, combined with the physical attractiveness of a newly constructed Health Studies Complex, contributes to an optimal learning environment.

A wide variety of unique and exciting clinical opportunities in acute care settings, long-term care facilities, rural hospitals, mental health and community placements exist throughout the program.



## CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates can work in areas such as emergency rooms, labour and delivery, public health/community nursing, medical/surgical units, pediatric units, rural/northern hospitals, home care, occupational health, and long-term care facilities.

[BrandonU.ca/Health-Studies/  
Programs/Bachelor-of-Nursing](https://brandonu.ca/Health-Studies/Programs/Bachelor-of-Nursing)

# Bachelor of Science in Psychiatric Nursing (BScPN)

Today’s psychiatric nurses enjoy a dynamic and growing profession. With their education and experience, they possess a unique ability to meet the challenges presented in mental health service provision and mental illness prevention. 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. If there are more applicants than space available, GPA in the Pre-Psychiatric Nursing courses is the primary criterion for admission.

## SPECIAL FEATURES

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



## CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Psychiatric nurses work independently or collaboratively as part of a clinical team in a wide variety of settings. Roles may include staff psychiatric nurses, case managers, counsellors, clinical specialists, managers, care coordinators, researchers, consultants and faculty.

[BrandonU.ca/Health-Studies/  
Programs/BSCPN](https://brandonu.ca/Health-Studies/Programs/BSCPN)



MUSIC



# Bachelor of Music

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 students.

The Queen Elizabeth II Music Building is one of the finest facilities of its kind. It houses teaching and 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/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 of Music) is a four-year degree program with an emphasis in school music and is available to students who wish to pursue a B.Ed. after completion of the BMus degree. Graduates of the B.Ed. program, which involves two years of study after completion of the BMus, receive a Manitoba Permanent Teacher's Certificate.*
- ▶ *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 go on to graduate studies 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, 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 the first year.*
- ▶ *Bachelor of Music (Performance – Jazz Studies) is offered in saxophone, guitar, bass guitar, voice and drum set. Two large jazz ensembles, small groups, jazz history, improvisation and literature classes add richness to this intensive jazz program. Admission to the program is by audition at the end of the first year.*



An internationally-acclaimed musician and teacher at BU has released her debut album, exploring themes of European folk tunes and Romanticism. Violinist Kerry DuWors joins forces with pianist Futaba Niekawa in the group duo526 to present BALLADE.

Released through Navona Records, BALLADE features violin sonatas by composers Leoš Janáček, George Enescu, and Edvard Grieg. "These pieces are rarely performed together," says DuWors. "The selections are extremely musical, highlighting sustained vibrato, harmonic sensitivity, rhythmic spontaneity, as well as precision."



## CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Teacher Performer Composer Music Administrator\*

\*The careers above are only a small sample of the possible opportunities available to graduates.

[BrandonU.ca/Music/Programs](https://brandonu.ca/Music/Programs)



SCIENCE



# Bachelor of Science

Our students study biological diversity and ecology, human behaviour and the human condition, resource conservation and utilization, disaster management, complex math and computer science, the earth and the universe. They conduct research across the sciences, including microbiology and biochemistry, plant ecology, physics and astronomy, conservation biology, forest and watershed restoration, climate change, paleobotany, and ecotourism.

## If it's science – we do it.

Our graduates are doctors, environmental scientists, high school math and physics teachers, university faculty members, chemists and veterinarians. They measure the earth from space, conduct research in human behaviour, develop software, make communities safer, and manage large mining operations. With small class sizes, our approach is experiential and student-centred, applied and theoretical – combining critical thinking with the development of real-world knowledge and skills.

- ▶ *Applied Disaster & Emergency Studies*
- ▶ *Biology*
- ▶ *Biology (Ecology & Evolution Stream)*
- ▶ *Biology (Biomedical Stream)*
- ▶ *Chemistry*
- ▶ *Computer Science*
- ▶ *Geography*
- ▶ *Geography (Environmental Studies Concentration)*
- ▶ *Geography (Geomatics Concentration)*
- ▶ *Geology*
- ▶ *Mathematics*
- ▶ *Physics & Astronomy*
- ▶ *Psychology (Applied Stream)*



## CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Medicine      Graduate Studies      Research  
Pharmaceuticals      Government\*

\*The careers above are only a small sample of the possible opportunities available to graduates.

# Bachelor of Environmental Science

Environmental Science is the study of the interaction between plants, animals and the environment, and human impacts on these systems. This four-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 environmental sector seeing rapid employment growth across Canada. Students select one of three streams of specialization: Biodiversity, Physical Sciences, and Resource Management. The program includes courses offered by each of the Science departments, principally Biology, Chemistry, Geography, and Geology as well as courses from the Faculty of Arts, like Environmental Ethics.

## SPECIAL FEATURES

All students complete a final-year project in preparation for professional practice. This project can be completed working with a BU professor or as part of a co-op placement with Parks Canada, Agriculture and Agri-Foods Canada or another federal or provincial agency. Students can additionally receive course credit for approved work placements with these agencies or other employers in the environmental industry.

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



## CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Environmental Management      Monitoring Officer  
Sustainable Resource Management      Research Scientist  
Environmental Assessment      Graduate Studies and Careers  
Conservation Officer      in Post-Secondary Education\*

\*The careers above are only a small sample of the possible opportunities available to graduates.

[BrandonU.ca/Science](http://BrandonU.ca/Science)

[BrandonU.ca/Environmental-Science](http://BrandonU.ca/Environmental-Science)

# Our Partnerships

Brandon University belongs to the National Student Exchange consortium, a group of nearly 200 member campuses in the United States, Canada, Guam, Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

Students can study for one or two terms at any of the member campuses, usually while paying BU's tuition rate. Students seek exchange opportunities to experience life from a different point of view, access new courses, search for graduate schools or future employment, expand personal and educational experiences, acquire life skills, and break out of their comfort zone.



## BU AND ASSINIBOINE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Want the best of both worlds? Brandon University and Assiniboine Community College (ACC) offer four different 2+2 programs. Your program will afford you the opportunity to experience hands-on learning and theoretical knowledge, giving you a competitive advantage in the workforce. Spend your first two years at ACC, then transfer to BU in your third year.

### **2 + 2 programs are currently offered in:**

- ▶ *Business Administration*
- ▶ *Environmental Technologies: GIS/Geography (Geomatics)*
- ▶ *Environmental Technologies: Land & Water Mgmt/Geography*
- ▶ *Interactive Media Arts/Digital Media and Design*

Transfer credit available for students taking Early Childhood Education, Practical Nursing or Police Studies.



## BU AND THE UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

Enjoy the dual benefits of BU's personalized education, featuring small class sizes and undergraduate research opportunities coupled with reaping the benefits of the University of Minnesota's reputation as one of the top engineering schools in North America, by choosing to enter the 3+2 year B.Sc./B.Eng. dual degree program.

While enjoying one of the lowest tuition rates in the country at Brandon University, as a Manitoba resident take advantage of reciprocity agreements between Manitoba and the University of Minnesota to pay tuition rates comparable to the in-state Minnesota tuition rates (\$13, 022 for 2013-14) for your final two years of study.

### **Other collaborations include:**

- ▶ *In collaboration with Dakota College at Bottineau: Urban Forestry Horticulture/Biology*
- ▶ *In collaboration with Red River College: Transfer credit available for students taking Business Administration or Early Childhood Education*
- ▶ *In collaboration with Mount Royal University: Performance Diploma/Bachelor of Music*

# Pre-Professional Programs

Students can take advantage of Brandon University's smaller class sizes and exceptional student-to-faculty interaction before embarking on a professional program at a different post-secondary institution.



Study at Brandon University for at least one year (30 credit hours) to be considered for entry into the following professional programs:

- ▶ *Environmental Design (Architecture)\**
- ▶ *Medical Laboratory Sciences*
- ▶ *Medical Radiologic Technology*
- ▶ *Pharmacy\**
- ▶ *Respiratory Therapy\**
- ▶ *Social Work\**



Study at Brandon University for at least two years (60 credit hours) for:

- ▶ *Dentistry\**
- ▶ *Journalism*
- ▶ *Law\**
- ▶ *Veterinary Medicine*



Study at Brandon University for at least three years (90 credit hours) for:

- ▶ *Bio-Medical/Medicine programs*
- ▶ *Chiropractic Studies*
- ▶ *Engineering*
- ▶ *Occupational Therapy\**
- ▶ *Optometry*
- ▶ *Physical Therapy\**

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

## Graduate Programs

It's not too early to begin to think about graduate programs.

[BrandonU.ca/  
Graduate-Studies](http://BrandonU.ca/Graduate-Studies)

Brandon University currently has the following graduate programs:

- ▶ *Graduate Diploma in Education*
- ▶ *Master of Education*
- ▶ *Master of Environmental Life Sciences*
- ▶ *Master of Music*
- ▶ *Master of Psychiatric Nursing*
- ▶ *Graduate Diploma in Rural Development*
- ▶ *Master of Rural Development*

# Money Matters

## FEES AND EXPENSES FOR ONE ACADEMIC YEAR

(8 months of study September – April)\*

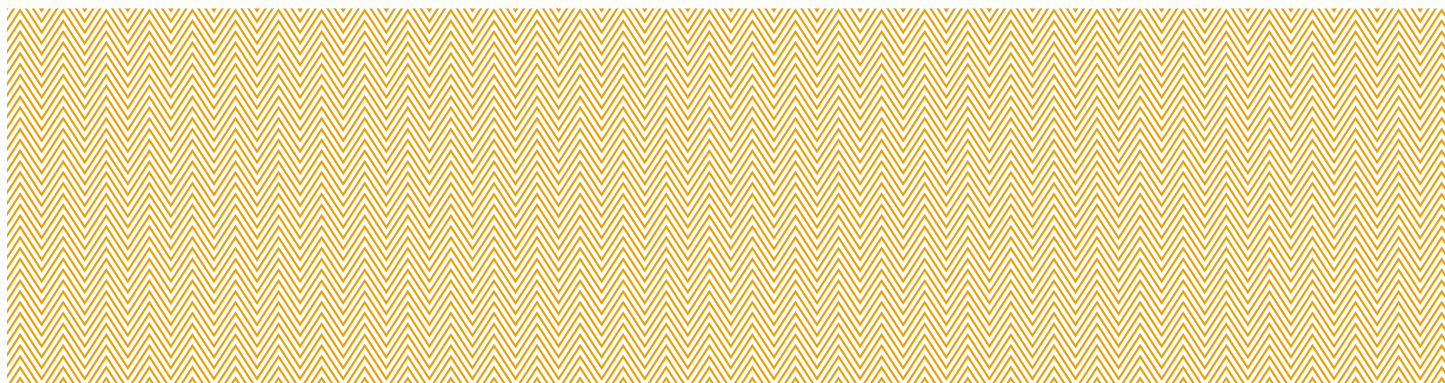
Full-time status is 3-5 courses or 18-30 credit hours per academic year.

Canadian Student Expenses	Canadian (Cdn.) Student Living at home	Cdn. Student Living in McMaster Hall (Double)**	Cdn. Student Living in Darrach Hall (Double)**	Cdn. Student Living in Flora Cowan Hall (Double)**
Application fee (non-refundable)	\$65.75	\$65.75	\$65.75	\$65.75
5 courses (per semester) in <b>Arts</b> (including fees)*	\$4209	\$4209	\$4209	\$4209
5 courses (per semester) in <b>Science</b> (including fees)*	\$4494	\$4494	\$4494	\$4494
5 courses (per semester) in <b>Music</b> (including fees)*	\$4414	\$4414	\$4414	\$4414
5 courses (per semester) in <b>Health Studies</b> (including fees)*	\$4558	\$4558	\$4558	\$4558
5 courses (per semester) in <b>Education</b> (including fees)*	\$4269	\$4269	\$4269	\$4269
Books	\$1700	\$1700	\$1700	\$1700
Residence Application fee (\$60), Room, and Meal Plan***	–	\$8364.55	\$7300.55	\$7557.80

\*Figures are estimated based on the 2015/16 academic year and are subject to change. Some programs include additional costs. All fees are quoted in Canadian dollars.

\*\*Single residence rooms are available. Please visit [BrandonU.ca](http://BrandonU.ca) for rates.

\*\*\*Two-tiered meal plan is now available. **Prices indicated are for the premium meal plan.**



## FIRST-YEAR SCHOLARSHIPS AND BURSARIES

Brandon University values academic excellence. Board of Governors (BOG) Entrance Scholarships will automatically be offered to students who have graduated from a Canadian high school with Grade 11 or 12 marks of 85% or higher. Scholarship eligibility shall include Grade 11 marks if students apply before **March 1** of the year they graduate from high school. Students who apply after March 1 shall have their eligibility assessed on final Grade 12 grades.

Board of Governors Entrance Scholarships	
Tier I Average greater than or equal to 95%	\$2,000.00
Tier II Average greater than or equal to 92.5%	\$1,700.00
Tier III Average greater than or equal to 90%	\$1,400.00
Tier IV Average greater than or equal to 87.5%	\$1,100.00
Tier V Average greater than or equal to 85%	\$800.00

Students who are awarded BOG Entrance Scholarships on the basis of one or more Grade 11 (30s) courses may have their award increased should Grade 12 averages at graduation result in a higher award. In no case shall the award be reduced.

## ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP) COURSES

Students entering first year will be awarded \$250 for each Advanced Placement (AP) course with a grade of **5 or better** and \$175 for each AP course with a grade of 4. These amounts will be in addition to any amounts awarded under the BOG Entrance Scholarships.

## INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE (IB) PROGRAM

Students who have completed the entire IB Diploma will receive scholarships in the following amounts, depending upon their aggregate IB score; they are eligible for this scholarship amount or a Board of Governors Entrance Scholarship, whichever is higher, but not both.

Score	Amount
43-44	\$2800
40-42	\$2500
37-39	\$2200
34-36	\$1900
31-33	\$1600
28-30	\$1300
26-27	\$1100

Students entering first year, who have completed one or more individual IB courses, will receive a scholarship for excellence in individual courses according to the following scale:

- ▶ **For each grade of 7 on the higher level: \$250**
- ▶ **For each grade of 6 on the higher level: \$200**

- ▶ **For each grade of 5 on the higher level: \$150**
- ▶ **For each grade of 7 on the standard level: \$200**
- ▶ **For each grade of 6 on the standard level: \$100**

These awards are in addition to any amounts granted for completing the IB Diploma Program or for students receiving a Brandon University Board of Governors Entrance Scholarship. (Please ensure that a copy of your International Baccalaureate transcript is provided to the Scholarship Office or the Admissions Office). For information on transfer credits for AP and IB courses, please visit [BrandonU.ca/future-students/](http://BrandonU.ca/future-students/) and click on the link to the Transfer Credit database.

Last year we gave out just over \$400,000 to entrance students; there are 60+ awards that are designated specifically for entrance students!

# Admission Requirements

## MANITOBA HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS AND GRADUATES

If you are currently attending or have graduated from an accredited high school in Manitoba (with no ‘M’, ‘T’ or ‘E’ courses), you will be given a conditional letter of acceptance once we receive your application and high school marks.

## HIGH SCHOOL PREREQUISITES FOR BRANDON UNIVERSITY MAJORS/PROGRAMS

If a student is lacking a prerequisite, Brandon University offers 090 courses in biology, math, chemistry, physics, and bookkeeping, which are the equivalent of Biology 40S, Pre-Calculus 40S, Chemistry 40S, Physics 40S, and Principles of Accounting 30S and Systems of Accounting 40S.

Please refer to Table 1.

## HOMESCHOOLED STUDENTS

Students who have been homeschooled in Canada or the United States may be eligible for admission provided their application is accompanied by written confirmation from a duly authorized representative of the provincial or state department of education stating that they have completed Grade 12 under Homeschooling provisions in the province or state. Homeschooled students not registered with the province or state will be considered for admission to Brandon University on an individual basis. Students must submit a letter and supporting documents including academic record to the Admissions Office.

## UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Grade 12 with a minimum “C” average.

TABLE 1: HIGH SCHOOL PREREQUISITES

BU Subject	High School Course(s)
Biology	BIO 40S, ENGL 40S, CHEM 40S, Phys 30S (40S preferred), Pre-Calculus 40S
Business Administration	Pre-Calculus 40S or Applied Math 40S, Principles of Accounting 30S
Chemistry	CHEM 40S, Phys 30S (40S preferred), Pre-Calculus 40S
Computer Science	Applied Math 40S, Pre-Calculus 40S
English	ENGL 40S
Environmental Science	Applied Math 40S or Pre-Calculus 40S, BIO 40S, CHEM 40S, ENGL 40S
French	Placement test on the first day of class
Geology (4 year/ 4 year honours)	CHEM 40S, Pre-Calculus, Phys 40S (honours only)
Mathematics	Pre-Calculus 40S
Physics	PHYS 40S, Pre-Calculus 40S
Pre-Nursing (strongly recommended)	ENGL 40S, Pre-Calculus 40S or Applied Math 40S, Biology 40S
Pre-Psychiatric Nursing (strongly recommended)	ENGL 40S, Pre-Calculus 40S or Applied Math 40S, Biology 40S, Chemistry 40S



## INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE/ ADVANCED PLACEMENT

(Note: Please consult our Transfer Database to see if a course is transferable)

### INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE (IB)

Students with an International Baccalaureate Diploma with an overall score of 24 points are considered to have the equivalent of Manitoba High School Graduation for purposes of admission to Brandon University. The IB Diploma must contain at least three Higher Level courses, with the remaining courses being either the Higher Level or the Subsidiary Level.

Students taking Grade 12 along with the IB Diploma or IB subjects will be considered for admission on the basis of their regular Grade 12 subject areas. A minimum score of 4 is required on each higher level IB course to be considered for possible transfer of credit. Transfer credit is voluntary. Students eligible to receive transfer credit must complete the *Request for University Credit for International Baccalaureate Results form*. Depending upon the grades attained, students who have completed one or more IB courses may also be eligible for scholarship funding in addition to any other entrance awards they may receive.

### ADVANCED PLACEMENT

Transfer credit for Advanced Placement is granted in specific subject areas, provided that a minimum score of 3 is achieved with some departments requiring a minimum score of 4. Accepting transfer credit for Advanced Placement is voluntary. Students eligible to receive transfer credit must complete the *Request for University Credit for Advanced Placement Results form*.

### Admission Requirements for Students from other Canadian Provinces

Alberta	Grade 12 with a minimum average of 60% in five Grade 12 courses including English.
British Columbia	Grade 12 with a minimum overall average of 60%, including English 12 and three other Grade 12 courses.
New Brunswick	Grade 12 with a minimum average of 60% in at least six Grade 12 courses including English.
Newfoundland	Grade 12 with a minimum average of 60% in ten courses including English.
Northwest Territories	Alberta Grade 12 with a minimum average of 60% in five courses including English.
Nova Scotia	Grade 12 with a minimum average of 60% in five courses including English.
Nunavut	Grade 12 with a minimum average of 60% in five courses including English.
Prince Edward Island	Grade 12 with a minimum average of 60% in five courses including English.
Ontario	Grade 12 with a minimum average of 60% in six Grade 12 “U” or “M” courses including English.
Quebec	One year CEGEP with an overall average of at least 60% on 12 credits including English or Grade 12 standing from a Quebec Department of Education recognized private school.
Saskatchewan	Grade 12 with an overall average of 60% with at least five courses at the 30 level including ENG A30 and ENG B30.
Yukon	See British Columbia.

Depending upon the grades attained, students who have completed one or more AP courses may also be eligible for **scholarship funding** in addition to any other entrance awards they may receive.

### DUAL CREDIT ADMISSION

A Manitoba high school student in good standing (i.e. has completed, enrolled in or pre-registered for all of the compulsory courses required to meet high school graduation), has a minimum average of 80% across all Grade 11 and 12 courses completed at the time of application and a recommendation from his/her Principal or designate to

pursue dual credit status.

### WAIVER OF ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY REQUIREMENT

If your first language is not English, proof of English language proficiency is required. Please visit [BrandonU.ca/future-students/apply/international/requirements/](https://brandonu.ca/future-students/apply/international/requirements/)

For more information, please refer to the online undergraduate calendar at [BrandonU.ca/Calendar](https://brandonu.ca/Calendar)

# How to Apply

## Review our programs

Choose a program that interests you and make sure you review the courses needed for certain majors. For detailed descriptions and career opportunities for each program, please visit us online at:

[BrandonU.ca/Future-Students/Programs](http://BrandonU.ca/Future-Students/Programs)

Please call us at 204.727.9737 if you are unsure which program is right for you.

Email [FutureStudents@BrandonU.ca](mailto:FutureStudents@BrandonU.ca) to make an appointment with a Student Success Officer.

## 2. Apply Online

Along with the application you will need to submit the \$65.75 application fee and any supporting documents such as your high school or post-secondary transcripts. The final application deadline for most programs is the first day of class in each semester. Programs with specific application deadlines:

- ▶ *Bachelor of Education (After Degree): February 15*
- ▶ *Bachelor of Science Mental Health (Post Diploma): June 1*

**Send your transcripts to:**  
Admissions Office  
c/o Brandon University  
270 18th Street, Brandon,  
MB, R7A 6A9

[BrandonU.ca/Future-Students](http://BrandonU.ca/Future-Students)

## 3. Visit Brandon University

The best way to get a feel for Brandon University is to experience it first-hand: Walk through the buildings, speak with a faculty member, eat lunch with some students, and tour the City of Brandon.



Visit our social media channels to get a glimpse of what it is like to be part of the BU community.

# Campus Map



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| 1. Glen P. Sutherland Gallery of Art                         | 12. Clark Hall (Arts Building)   |
| 2. Healthy Living Centre / Gymnasiums                        | 13. A.E. McKenzie Building<br>(Admissions Office and Student Services)             |
| 3. Flora Cowan Hall (Women's Residence)                      | 14. Queen Elizabeth II Music Building<br>(Kinsmen Hall, Lorne Watson Recital Hall) |
| 4. John R. Brodie Science Centre                             | 15. BU Early Learning Centre   |
| 5. McMaster Hall (Co-Ed Residence)                           | 16. Education Building   |
| 6. Main Dining Hall  | 17. Western Manitoba Centennial Auditorium   |
| 7. Darrach Hall (Men's Residence)                            | 18. Dr. James & Lucille Brown Health Studies Complex                               |
| 8. Knowles-Douglas Students' Union Centre                    |  |
| 9. Physical Plant Building                                   |  |
| 10. Power Plant Building                                     |  |
| 11. George T. Richardson Centre<br>(John E. Robbins Library) |  |

## CAMPUS TOURS

Brandon University prides itself on being responsive to prospective students. Grade 9 to 12 students interested in learning more about Brandon University, our programs, and the education opportunities we provide, are encouraged to visit the BU campus. To better serve you, we request that campus tours be booked a minimum of two weeks in advance.

[BrandonU.ca/Tours](https://BrandonU.ca/Tours)

## STUDENT-FOR-A-DAY

The Student-For-A-Day experience includes attending a first-year class, eating lunch in the dining hall, and participating in a campus tour.

Future students may arrange a number of other activities when they register, including staying overnight in residence, attending a sporting event (if available), and meeting with an Academic Advisor.

[BrandonU.ca/Tours/Student-For-A-Day](https://BrandonU.ca/Tours/Student-For-A-Day)

## OPEN HOUSE

The Open House includes an academic fair, a guided tour, lunch and free time to explore residences, labs and much more. Meet current faculty, staff, and students and learn about our first-year advising program, scholarships and programs geared to a successful transition to university life.

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