

# University of Manitoba 2019 Counsellors' Seminar

## Questions and Answers

- 1. Are students enrolled at U of M eligible to take courses at Université de Saint-Boniface? Is there a maximum number of credit hours they can take?**

Yes, students enrolled at the University of Manitoba are eligible to take courses at Université de Saint-Boniface (USB). Most programs require a minimum of 30 credit hours of degree coursework to be completed at our campus. Therefore, USB students transferring to UM or UM students completing coursework at USB should plan to complete a minimum of 30 credit hours at the University of Manitoba.

- 2. Are international students eligible for entrance scholarships? Same list of courses? Same value? Same breakdown according to the three tiers?**

Yes, international student entrance scholarships are the same values, tiers and course list as general entrance scholarships for domestic students. International students that apply by March 1 will automatically be considered for entrance scholarships. The international entrance scholarships range from \$1,000 - \$3,000. For more information click [here](#) or see page 26 of the 2020 Viewbook.

- 3. What does it mean when students get a message on their portal saying “grades are waived” and no other information?**

“Waived” status is assigned to documents that will be requested on the student’s behalf; in this case, the student does not need to personally submit an official transcript. This status generally applies to students who apply for admission by March 1.

- 4. Are mid-term and semester 1 grades submitted digitally through our division, or does the student specifically need to submit them?**

The University of Manitoba will request grades on behalf of any Manitoba high school student who applies for admission by March 1. Students will be required to provide their Manitoba Education & Training (MET) number in the application, which allows us to electronically receive their grades.

- 5. If a student has graduated with a mature student diploma, do they need to submit transcripts from all of the high schools they attended previously?**

No, students applying with mature student status (min. 21 years of age) are not required to submit transcripts. However, submitting a transcript is still recommended for prerequisite purposes.

**6. Do you still have 'what can I do with a <blank> degree' on your website?**

Yes, the [Career Compass](#) is an online tool developed by Career Services to help students explore and map out their career pathway. Each Career Compass includes a list of potential careers as well as recommended academic activities, career tips, volunteer & work experience, and more.

**7. How do you know if a student is an appropriate match for SAS (Student Accessibility Services)?**

We encourage students to reach out and contact [Student Accessibility Services](#) directly at 204-474-7423. Students can fill out an [assessment form](#) to start the process. The assessment form, as well as information on the services and supports that SAS provides, can be found on the [SAS website](#).

**8. Is there a test application site that counsellors can use to practice or show students sections of the application?**

Counsellors are welcome to create a test user account and application to practice sections of the application with students. As long as the application is not submitted, you will be able to log in to the application anytime, and create a new application (with the same user account) each year. Visit [umanitoba.ca/applynow](http://umanitoba.ca/applynow) to create your account and test application.

**9. What is the criteria for accessing the food bank?**

- All enrolled students (full or part-time) may access the food bank once every three weeks.
- Students simply go to the food bank and present their UM Student ID card. Enrolment is verified at time of entry.
- Students are guided to create a hamper, which helps offset the cost of groceries.
- The food bank is a confidential service: names and students numbers are not shared with anyone.

**10. What is the criteria to qualify for a bursary?**

- We offer a wide range of bursaries to both new and continuing full-time and part-time students who are enrolled in classes from September to April.
- Students must complete the online application form found in their Aurora Student account. Applications are available in early August and have a due date of October 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Students must demonstrate financial need and a minimum academic standing (70% for entering students and a 2.0 for continuing students).
- Bursaries range in value, and do not have to be re-paid.
- Award amounts are entered to term two fees.
- Bursaries are primarily based upon financial need (as opposed to scholarships, which are primarily based upon academics/marks).
- All bursary applications require students to complete a budget section – assessed need is determined by calculating available resources minus all expenses.

**11. For students interested in the Faculty of Education, what are the high school prerequisites for university-level courses?**

- The Bachelor of Education (B.Ed.) at the University of Manitoba is an After-Degree program. The B.Ed. itself is a two-year program that follows the completion of a first degree, including stream-specific requirements. Because there are several different pathways students can select for their first degree, it can be challenging to provide one response to this question. Instead, a discussion and investigation must take place.
- Students should start by choosing a teaching stream (Early Years, Middle Years, or Senior Years). Refer to the table on page 53 of the [First Year Planning Guide](#) for a list of teachable subject areas and recommended first degrees.
- Next, consider courses that will contribute to teachable subjects (the student's teachable Major and Minor). For specific details, see the First Year Planning Guide's Recommended Introductory Courses list, which begins on page 142.
- Students can also refer to specific degree program pages to review the *High School Prerequisites for University-Level Courses* sections.
- Regarding high school prerequisites, the Faculty of Education provides the following statement: *If choosing Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Mathematics, and/or Physics as teachable subjects, note that introductory courses in these teachable subjects all have 40S level prerequisites.*
- For more information, contact the Faculty of Education - Student Services Office by phone at 204-474-9004; E-mail: [bachofed@umanitoba.ca](mailto:bachofed@umanitoba.ca); or online: [www.umanitoba.ca/education](http://www.umanitoba.ca/education)