

Programs Under Review
(April 1, 2023 to January 18, 2024)

Note: Information pertaining to each program is available in the language of the submitting institution only.

Program	Date of Receipt	Proposal Type	Program Description	Assessment Type	Decision (date, where applicable)
NEW BRUNSWICK					
Mount Allison University					
No proposals being considered at this time					
St. Thomas University					
No proposals being considered at this time					
Université de Moncton					
Maîtrise ès arts (sciences du langage) à Maîtrise ès arts (sociolinguistique)	27 avril 2023	Modification	L’UdeM propose de changer les noms de deux programmes : la maîtrise ès arts (sciences du langage) devient la maîtrise ès arts (sociolinguistique) et le doctorat en sciences du langage devient le doctorat en sociolinguistique. Les séminaires offerts dans le cadre de ces deux programmes ont également été modifiés afin de mettre l’accent sur leur composante sociolinguistique. La durée minimale de la maîtrise est de 2 ans; la durée minimale du doctorat est de 3 ans (maximum de 7 ans).	Stade I	Approuvé (le 28 juin 2023)
Doctorat en sciences du langage à Doctorat en sociolinguistique	27 avril 2023	Modification		Stade I	Approuvé (le 28 juin 2023)
Maîtrise en éducation (enseignement)	4 mai 2023	Modification	L’UdeM propose de modifier le mode de prestation de son programme de maîtrise en éducation (mentions enseignement et administration de l’éducation) pour l’offrir en ligne, le rendant ainsi plus accessible aux étudiant(e)s à temps partiel qui sont déjà sur le marché du travail. La maîtrise en éducation compte 30 crédits et la durée du programme est de 12 mois à temps plein et 4 ans à temps partiel.	Stade I	Approuvé (le 19 juillet 2023)
Maîtrise en éducation (administration de l'éducation)	4 mai 2023	Modification		Stade I	Approuvé (le 19 juillet 2023)
Maîtrise professionnelle en études de l’environnement	6 juillet 2023	Nouveau	L’UdeM propose trois nouveaux programmes de deuxième cycle en études de l’environnement : une maîtrise professionnelle (36 crédits, 3 semestres à temps plein), un diplôme (24 crédits, 2 semestres à temps plein), et un certificat (12 crédits, 1 semestre à temps plein). Un cheminement à temps partiel est également possible pour chacun de ces trois programmes.	Stade I	Approuvé (le 5 décembre 2023)
Diplôme d’études supérieures en études de l’environnement	6 juillet 2023	Nouveau			
Certificat de deuxième cycle en études de l’environnement	6 juillet 2023	Nouveau			
University of New Brunswick					
Bachelor of Science in Engineering Physics with co-op option (with streams in Space Systems Engineering and Optical Engineering) (UNB, Fredericton)	March 7, 2023	New	UNBF is proposing a new BSc in Engineering Physics with two streams, one in Space Systems Engineering and one in Optical Engineering. Both streams will have a co-op option. The programs will be 160ch comprised of 145ch of core courses and 15ch of electives (with 6 core courses specific to the chosen stream). Nine new courses will be introduced. The programs will be jointly offered by the Faculty of Engineering and the Department of Physics.	Stage I	Approved (May 16, 2023)
Bachelor of Arts in Critical Studies in Health (multiple programs) (UNB, Fredericton)	April 27, 2023	New	UNBF is proposing a new multidisciplinary four-year, full-time Bachelor of Arts in Critical Studies in Health to be housed in the Department of Sociology. The program includes major (36 cr.), double major (30 cr.), honours (42 cr.), and joint honours (36 cr.) options.	Stage II	Approved with conditions (October 19, 2023)
Bachelor of Education in Early Childhood Education (UNB, Fredericton)	May 29, 2023	Modification	UNBF has submitted a proposal to extend the program beyond the pilot period (i.e., to approve it as a regular/permanent program offering).	Stage II	Withdrawn (September 21, 2023)
Bachelor of Science Major in Applied Coastal Ecology (UNB, Saint John)	June 15, 2023	New	UNBSJ is proposing a new BSc Major in Applied Coastal Ecology (4-year FT, also available on a part-time basis to a maximum of 10 years), to be housed by the Department of Applied Science and Engineering (Faculty of Science). It is an interdisciplinary program comprised of existing Biology, Chemistry, Economics, Math, Statistics and Computer Science courses and 7 new required courses with a specific focus on coastal ecology.	Stage I	Approved with conditions (September 18, 2023)
Bachelor of Social Work (UNB, Saint John)	June 16, 2023	New	UNBSJ is proposing a 60-credit two-year full-time Bachelor of Social work program which includes 13 required courses (36 credits) and 3 field placements (24 credits). In order to be admitted, students must have completed 60 credit hours of university courses (including specific prerequisites) or completed a Social Service Community Worker Diploma granted by NBCC.	Stage I	Approved with conditions (September 27, 2023)
Bachelor of Science in Engineering (Geodesy and Geomatics Engineering) Bachelor of Geomatics Diploma in Geomatics (UNB, Fredericton)	September 7, 2023	Modification	UNBF is proposing to modify their undergraduate Geomatics and Geomatics Engineering programs to continue providing students the option to complete the programs fully online (through blended, Hyflex program delivery) post-pandemic for those completing the Cadastral Surveying option.	Stage I	Approved with conditions (November 9, 2023)

Bachelor of Arts in Classics, Bachelor of Arts in Classical Studies to Bachelor of Arts in Ancient World Studies (UNB, Fredericton)	October 31, 2023	Modification	UNBF is proposing to reorient and rename the Classics and Classical Studies programs to programs in Ancient World Studies. This reorientation will reflect the development of the Classics discipline, incorporating a broader focus on the entirety of the ancient Mediterranean world and decentering the traditional Classicist focus on Ancient Greece and Rome. UNB will keep most existing courses and develop new courses that reflect the expanded chronological and geographic focus and goals of the modified program. The new program will be supported through the hiring of two new faculty with expertise in Ancient Western Asia and/or Egypt and North Africa, and Medieval/Early Modern History.	Stage I	Approved (January 17, 2024)
Certificate in Foundations of Biomedical Sciences (UNB, Fredericton)	November 20, 2023	New	Program description not available at this time	To be determined	Assessment in progress
NOVA SCOTIA					
Acadia University					
Bachelor of Science in Applied Science (two streams: Science and Business of Beverage, Science and Business of Biopharma)	September 14, 2023	New	Acadia is proposing a new 120-credit hour Bachelor of Science degree program, in Applied Bioscience. The program is split into two streams that include specialized courses directed at the beverage and biopharma industries. The core program is designed to provide students with foundational knowledge in Biology, Chemistry, and Business. Courses in Biotechnology and other select electives provide students with specialized training and knowledge development in their chosen stream. The program is also designed to provide students with experiential learning opportunities and pathways to careers in the beverage or biopharma industries through a mandatory cooperative education component, and the use of full- and part-time teaching staff with industry experience. Due to the coop component the program is expected to be completed in five years (eight academic terms, 4-month work placements).	Stage I	Approved with conditions (December 11, 2023)
Master of Science in Computer Science Master of Science in Computer Science (with co-op) (multiple programs)	December 4, 2023	Modification	Program description not available at this time	To be determined	Pending response to comments
Atlantic School of Theology					
Bachelor of Theology	May 24, 2023	New	AST is proposing a 90 credit (3yr full-time, 6yr part-time) Bachelor of Theology degree which includes compulsory courses in biblical, theological, and pastoral foundations as well as research methods.	Stage II	Approved with conditions (October 24, 2023)
Cape Breton University					
Post-baccalaureate Diploma in Rapid Manufacturing	May 17, 2023	New	CBU is proposing a new two year 39ch Post-Baccalaureate Diploma in Rapid Manufacturing. Students in the program will have the option to complete a capstone project or a 12 week internship.	Stage II	Withdrawn (August 25, 2023)
Bachelor of Arts Community Studies, Gaelic Language and Cultural Sustainability Certificate in Gaelic Language Certificate in Cultural Sustainability (replaces the BA/BACS Concentration in Celtic Culture)	June 13, 2023	New	CBU is proposing a new major within the 4-year Bachelor of Arts Community Studies (BACS) degree: Gaelic Language and Cultural Sustainability. If approved by MPHEC, students will also have the option of pursuing a modified version of the program within a 3-year BACS degree. This new 4-year major will replace the 3-year BA/BACS Concentration in Celtic Culture, which will be retired. It consists of 48 credits: 24 in Gaelic language and 24 in cultural sustainability. One half of the major is therefore focussed on language acquisition in Gaelic and the other half around the knowledge and skills necessary to facilitate cultural sustainability. CBU simultaneously proposes the creation of two standalone 30-credit certificates, one in Gaelic Language and the other in Cultural Sustainability, based on the two halves of the proposed major.	Stage I	Approved with conditions (November 28, 2023)
Bachelor of Science in Nursing	June 16, 2023	Modification	CBU is proposed to establish a satellite campus at Acadia University with the intent to transition the satellite offering to a joint Acadia-CBU program no later than 2026. The proposed modification is carried out with financial support from the provincial government.	Stage I	Approved with conditions (July 24, 2023)
Bachelor of Education (Elementary Education) Bachelor of Education (Intermediate/Secondary Education) (multiple programs)	November 27, 2023	Modification	CBU is proposing changes to the duration and delivery mode of its BEd programs: it is proposing a one-time short-term accelerated online program from January-August 2024, and to shorten the length of its ongoing BEd from 15 months to 12 months and to offer an online pathway for that program by May 2025. It will also increase the number of seats in its programs. Students in the modified programs will take all the same required courses as in the current programs (48 credits of coursework and 12 credits of practicum work over 18 weeks) in order to meet the same learning outcomes articulated in the umbrella curricula and to meet the requirements of accreditation with regard to competencies and practicum. These modifications were proposed following consultation with the Province to address the critical shortage of certified teachers and supply teachers in Nova Scotia.	Stage II	Approved with conditions (December 20, 2023)

Dalhousie University					
Master of Business Administration (includes co-op option) (multiple programs)	March 10, 2023	New	The MBA at Dalhousie is currently offered through a set of separate pathways (MBA Corporate Residency, MBA Financial Services and MBA Leadership, and the JD/MBA pathway in partnership with the Schulich School of Law). With the proposed modifications, the Corporate Residency pathway will now be a full-time 48ch degree for students with less than five years of work experience, consisting of six-week Foundations courses taken on campus, 12-week Core courses taken on campus (blended with Career Advance students discussed below), followed by an eight-month paid work experience with an employer partner, and six-week common electives (online synchronous or asynchronous). Students who wish to do a joint JD/MBA would complete this pathway. The Career Advance pathway (which merges the MBA Financial Services and the MBA Leadership) will now be a part-time 36ch degree for those with more than five years of work experience; it consists of the 12-week Core courses (taken in online/blended format with CR students) and the six-week common electives. The MBA/MEng will be terminated.	Stage I	Approved (May 19, 2023)
Post-Diploma Bachelor of Health Science (Emergency Medical Services Management)	April 11, 2023	New	Dal is proposing a new Post-Diploma Bachelor of Health Science stream in Emergency Medical Services Management, open to licensed Advanced Care Paramedics. Students complete 60 credit hours of online, asynchronous courses (equivalent to a further 2 years of full-time study; 3 or more years for part-time students) including 14 required and 6 elective courses.	Stage I	Approved with conditions (May 31, 2023)
Bachelor of Health Science (Diagnostic Medical Ultrasound)	April 28, 2023	Modification	Through a number of mechanisms, Dal has identified that the Bachelor of Health Sciences (Diagnostic Medical Ultrasound) curriculum needs to better support students in gaining foundational knowledge and skills in cardiac sonography prior to Year 4 when they may choose to specialize in cardiac ultrasound. Dal is therefore proposing several modifications to the program content (including modifying courses, adding new courses, and removing/replacing courses).	Stage I	Approved (June 15, 2023)
Bachelor of Arts in Black and African Diaspora Studies (multiple programs) Bachelor of Science, Combined Honours or Double Major in Black and African Diaspora Studies Certificate in Black and African Diaspora Studies	May 10, 2023	New	Dal is proposing to expand its existing interdisciplinary Minor in Black and African Diaspora Studies to include a full range of Majors, Honours, and a Certificate option.	Stage I	Approved (July 17, 2023)
Master of Applied Science in Biomedical Engineering	May 24, 2023	Modification	Dal is proposing to modify its MASc in Biomedical Engineering, bringing the minimum course requirements down to 4 (from 6), redesigning the (3) core courses and tying them to a new set of program outcomes.	Stage I	Approved (August 24, 2023)
PhD in Philosophy	May 26, 2023	Modification	Dal is proposing to introduce a part-time option to its longstanding PhD in Philosophy.	Stage II	Approved (June 29, 2023)
Master of Nursing, Advanced Practice in Mental Health and Addictions	May 26, 2023	New	Dal is proposing a new two-year Master of Nursing, Advanced Practice in Mental Health and Addictions (MN-AP MH&A) to build on its two existing streams in the MN program (Nurse Practitioner and Professional) and its existing Graduate Certificate in Mental Health and Addictions. The new stream will be comprised of ten courses, two of which have clinical practica components (of 50 hours and 200 hours respectively) in mental health and/or addictions settings, offered in a hybrid delivery mode (both onsite and online).	Stage I	Approved (August 3, 2023)
Master of Physician Assistant Studies	August 22, 2023	New	Dal is proposing a new Master of Physician Assistant Studies (MPAS) program, offered by the Faculty of Medicine. This is a two-year full-time program designed in a medical model, paralleling physician training, and restricted to Nova Scotia residents. The Department of Health and Wellness (Province of Nova Scotia) has committed to expanding the use of physician assistants as part of their overall efforts to relieve pressure on the health care system. Graduates of the proposed program will be equipped to challenge their certification examinations and enter the workforce.	Stage I	Approved with conditions (September 22, 2023)
Master of Science in Occupational Therapy	October 17, 2023	Modification	Dal is proposing major modifications to its MSc in Occupational Therapy (MScOT) including changes to admission requirements and pre-requisites, redistribution of course content and credit hours, inclusion of Indigenous content through introduction of a new course, expanding the research courses, and increasing total credit hours for the program.	To be determined	Stage I Assessment in progress
Bachelor of Technology - Landscape Architecture and Diploma in Technology Managed Landscapes to Bachelor of Landscape Architecture and Diploma in Landscape Horticulture	November 24, 2023	Modification	Dal is proposing curriculum and program name changes for its Bachelor of Technology Landscape Architecture (BTLA) and the Diploma in Technology Managed Landscapes (DTML) offered by the Faculty of Agriculture. The modifications include: renaming the two programs to best represent content and to meet accreditation standards; introducing new courses to support skill development and intended learning outcomes; revising existing courses to realign and update content; relocating content of a few courses to improve the overall pedagogical effectiveness of the program and increase complementarity with other courses; and removing a few courses.	Stage I	Approved (January 17, 2024)

Mount Saint Vincent University					
Tourism and Hospitality Management programs (certificate, diploma, degree) Business Administration programs (certificate, diploma, degree) (multiple programs)	March 27, 2023	Modification	MSVU has submitted a proposal to update the delivery mode for its undergraduate Tourism and Hospitality and Business Administration programs.	Stage I	Approved with conditions (June 12, 2023)
Bachelor of Arts in Psychology Bachelor of Science in Psychology (multiple programs)	March 31, 2023	Modification	MSVU has submitted a proposal to update the delivery mode for its undergraduate Psychology programs.	Stage I	Approved (May 23, 2023)
Master of Education: Literacy Education	March 31, 2023	Modification	MSVU has submitted a modification proposal for some of the longstanding Master of Education programs in order to update the delivery mode to maintain online delivery post-pandemic.	Stage I	Approved with conditions (July 6, 2023)
Master of Education: Curriculum Studies (Technology Integration Focus Area)	March 31, 2023	Modification	MSVU has submitted a modification proposal for some of the longstanding Master of Education programs in order to update the delivery mode to maintain online delivery post-pandemic.	Stage I	Approved with conditions (July 6, 2023)
Master of Education: Curriculum Studies - Supporting Learners with Diverse Needs and Exceptionalities	March 31, 2023	Modification	MSVU has submitted a modification proposal for some of the longstanding Master of Education programs in order to update the delivery mode to maintain online delivery post-pandemic.	Stage I	Approved with conditions (July 6, 2023)
Master of Education: Elementary and Middle School Education	April 5, 2023	Modification	MSVU has submitted a modification proposal for some of the longstanding Master of Education programs in order to update the delivery mode to maintain online delivery post-pandemic.	Stage I	Approved with conditions (July 6, 2023)
Bachelor of Arts (Child and Youth Study) Bachelor of Arts (Child and Youth Study) Honours	June 16, 2023	Modification	MSVU has submitted a proposal to update the delivery mode for its undergraduate Child and Youth Study programs.	Stage I	Approved (October 3, 2023)
Master of Arts (Child and Youth Study) Master of Child and Youth Study	November 29, 2023	Modification	MSVU's longstanding Master of Arts (Child and Youth Study) (MACYS) requires a minimum of 5.0 units (30ch equivalent) including a 1.0-unit thesis. MSVU is proposing a non-thesis option, to be identified from the existing program with a different credential: Master of Child and Youth Study (MCYS). The program requirements for the non-thesis option will be the same as the MACYS except the MCYS substitutes the 1.0 unit thesis with two new 0.5 unit courses: GCYS 6120 - Applied Research Seminar and GCYS 6121 - Graduate Project.	To be determined	Assessment in progress
Nova Scotia College of Art and Design University					
No proposals being considered at this time					
Saint Mary's University					
Bachelor of Arts, Interdisciplinary Major in Public Humanities and Heritage	November 2, 2022	New	SMU is proposing a four-year full-time BA, Interdisciplinary Major in Public Humanities and Heritage (IPHH). The 42-credit Major includes select electives from a broad range of disciplines, as well as nine credits in experiential learning/field experiences, nine credits of coursework in decolonization/de-marginalization/reconciliation (revised thematic title under development), as well as six credits in a language other than English at any level. The program also includes three IPHH-specific courses: IPHH 1000 Intro to Public Humanities and Heritage, IPHH 3000 Public Humanities and Heritage Field Placement, and IPHH 4000 Public Humanities and Heritage Capstone.	Stage II	Approved with conditions (July 4, 2023)
MSc in Industrial/Organizational Psychology (Online stream)	November 21, 2023	Modification	SMU is proposing an online version of the MSc in Applied Psychology – Industrial/Organizational Psychology Stream. The online version of the program will largely mirror the existing in-person version of the program. The online version is being proposed to attract students who wish to pursue the credential but are not able to move to Halifax for the duration of the program. Of note, the Canadian Armed Forces is interested in the creation of the program, as it would like to advertise it to its members.	To be determined	Assessment in progress
Graduate Diploma in Personnel Psychology (Online)	November 21, 2023	New	SMU has proposed an 18-credit Graduate Diploma in Personnel Psychology to be delivered entirely online. This program is unique within Canadian universities and will offer an opportunity for specific training in a field where there need for more trained professionals. The online delivery will allow access for students from across Canada. Of note, the Canadian Armed Forces has expressed support for the program and intends to promote it to its members as a preferred professional development opportunity. The courses for the diploma are online versions of existing courses, all of which will also be taken by students in the proposed MSc in Applied Psychology program online.	To be determined	Assessment in progress
Certificate in Forensic Psychology	January 11, 2024	New	Program description not available at this time	To be determined	Pending receipt of comments

St. Francis Xavier University					
Post-baccalaureate Diploma in Digital Marketing (with co-op option)	May 1, 2023	New	StFX is proposing a new Post-baccalaureate Diploma in Digital Marketing, which will be a 2-year (4 semesters) program of 48 credits for students who have graduated from an undergraduate degree. Students will also have the option to complete a 4-month co-op placement.	Stage I	Approved (June 15, 2023)
Post-baccalaureate Diploma in Business Studies (with co-op option)	May 10, 2023	New	StFX is proposing a new Post-Baccalaureate Diploma in Business Studies, with an optional co-op. The PBD is a 2-year (48ch) standalone credential, comprised of 24ch of required business courses and 24ch of elective business courses. The program is intended to provide a variety of foundational and advanced business courses to students seeking to build their business knowledge and skills.	Stage I	Approved (June 28, 2023)
Bachelor of Science in Earth Sciences, Master of Science in Earth Sciences (multiple programs) to Bachelor of Science in Earth and Environmental Sciences, Master of Science in Earth and Environmental Sciences (multiple programs)	June 20, 2023	Modification	StFX has submitted a proposal to change the name of their undergraduate and graduate programs in Earth Sciences to Earth and Environmental Sciences. They are also proposing a more simplified concentration structure for their Major, Advanced Major, and Honours students. This involves the introduction of two new optional concentrations (one in Geoscience and one in Environmental Systems) and the removal of the following four-degree options: Professional Geoscience stream; Professional Environmental Geoscience stream; Environmental Earth Science concentration; and Geochemistry concentration. A revised program structure is also proposed for the main degree and the concentrations to add and integrate environmental science content into the degree.	Stage I	Approved (November 3, 2023)
University of King's College					
No proposals being considered at this time					
Université Sainte-Anne					
No proposals being considered at this time					
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND					
University of Prince Edward Island					
Bachelor of Science in Paramedicine (with Honours option) to Bachelor of Applied Health in Paramedicine (with Honours option)	March 15, 2023	Modification	UPEI is proposing to change the status of its pilot Bachelor of Science in Paramedicine program to a renamed permanent program: Bachelor of Applied Health in Paramedicine. The proposal also includes the addition of one course requirement, IKE 1040 – Indigenous Teachings of Turtle Island (3 credits), which is a graduation requirement for all UPEI undergraduate students.	Stage I	Approved (April 24, 2023)