

Here is some FAQ's that we can share:

### What Majors can students choose from?

Students can choose either General Science or English Language Arts as their Major.

### What Minors can students choose from?

Students can choose General Science, Mathematics or English Language Arts as their Minor.

### How will students know if they meet admission requirements?

Students who wish to be considered for the program must do the following:

- 1) Print off and fill out the attached GPRC Secondary Cohort Application Cover Sheet.
- 2) Fill out and print off the attached U of A paper application **INCLUDING credit card** payment information. Students will not be charged the application fee unless they are admissible to this cohort or if they are not, if they choose to be considered for on-campus or TEN instead.
- 3) Collect transcripts from **EVERY** postsecondary institution they have attended. For now these need not be official transcripts (although if they have to request them anyway, they may as well submit official transcripts directly to me at **ATTN: Liyan Derman** to the address in my signature). They must be sure that their current Winter registration is on the transcript or they must provide a list of what they are currently in if this is not on their transcript.
- 4) Fax or scan/email this package to our office directly. **These packages/transcripts DO NOT get sent to the Registrar's Office here at the U of A.**

**This means that evaluations need to be done by the U of A only.** If you have students that want to know if they are admissible, please do not try to advise them, simply get them to complete the above process. This is a unique program as we are starting so late and need to evaluate every potential student individually to get a feel of what needs to be offered in the next years/what sort of classes will be accepted toward the Majors/Minors.

### Can students just apply online?

Unfortunately no. We've heard the Registrar's Office needs a couple of months to update options on the online application so we are stuck with paper. Also, sending the paper application directly to our office allows us to start the evaluation process earlier as well as not charging students if they are not admissible. This is a non-precedent setting exception to Faculty of Education practice to facilitate the accelerated implementation of this program.

### Will the U of A admit students with less than 60 credits?

This cannot be answered until we evaluate all the applicants. Since students will not be charged the application fee unless they are admissible to the Secondary Cohort (or another route of their choosing after they are refused from the Secondary cohort), please stress that they should submit an application per the above instructions if they are between 48 and 60 credits.

### **Will the U of A admit students after only one year/24 credits of post secondary?**

No.

### **Can students that have applied to the TEN program already change their application?**

Absolutely! The Faculty will be sending emails to all of the students who have already applied to the GPRC TEN program giving them instructions on how to change their choice to the Secondary route. We will keep the TEN program as their Second Choice.

### **Can students that have applied to the Edmonton Campus Secondary program already change their application?**

Absolutely! The Faculty will be sending emails to students who have already applied the main campus Secondary program with GPRC as their last attended school giving them instructions on how to change their choice to the Secondary Cohort route. We will keep the On-Campus program as their Second Choice.

### **When will the U of A be emailing these students?**

USS anticipates sending out emails tomorrow (Wednesday March 30, 2011). Allison, Brenda, Jean and Jennifer will be copied on these emails.

### **What is the deadline for these applicants?**

Please strongly encourage students to submit the application faxes **prior to April 22, 2011**. The official deadline at this time remains May 1, 2011, but the earlier we can get a look at the applicant pool the earlier we can firm up what the remainder of the Cohort will look like and whether or not we will meet the minimum student count.

### **Can we see the Program Planner?**

Not yet ☺ There are a few tweaks to finish up and within a few days I imagine there will be something available. Just note that we really need the applicant evaluations to know certainly what the program would consist of so whatever you see may or may not be modified somewhat as the process moves along.