

Second-stage admission

Enrolment in the second stage is also limited to 30 students. To participate in the second stage admissions competition, candidates must satisfy the following minimum academic requirements:

1. Successful completion of one of the acceptable diploma programs at NBCC (Criminal Justice, Police Foundations, Correctional Techniques, or Youth Care Worker) OR CCNB (Techniques d'intervention en délinquance; Techniques correctionnelles; Techniques parajudiciaires; and Techniques policières)
2. A minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.70 (70%) on courses taken in the diploma programs at NBCC or CCNB. In addition, students must meet the minimum average of 2.70 (70%) on the following courses, if taken as part of the diploma program: Sociology, Psychology, Deviance, Criminal Justice, Abnormal Psychology, Criminology, and Victimology.

Candidates for admission to the second stage of the Bachelor of Applied Arts in Criminal Justice will apply to the St. Thomas University Admissions Office by February 15 of their second year at NBCC or CCNB.

Successful completion of the first stage of the Bachelor of Applied Arts in Criminal Justice Degree program does not guarantee admission to the second stage. Candidates not admitted to the second stage may apply for admission to the Bachelor of Arts Degree program. They must complete regular graduation requirements for the BA degree.

Application procedures

Candidates will apply to the St. Thomas Admissions Office for admission to the second stage of the Bachelor of Applied Arts in Criminal Justice. The application deadline is February 15.

Applications for second-stage admission will include:

1. completed application form;
2. official NBCC or CCNB transcript, an official high school transcript and, if applicable, official transcripts from other post-secondary institutions attended;
3. non-refundable application fee (please contact the Admissions Office for current fee).

D. Admission to Bachelor of Applied Arts in Gerontology

The Bachelor of Applied Arts in Gerontology is a four-year program of study that provides linked credentials. The student is awarded a certificate in Human Services by NBCC following one year of successful study in the program. The Bachelor of Applied Arts in Gerontology is awarded by STU following successful completion of the entire program. Students must successfully complete, in any order, three years of study at St. Thomas University plus the one-year Human Services Diploma at the New Brunswick Community College (NBCC).

Students interested in pursuing a Bachelor of Applied Arts (Gerontology) degree program must meet the Admission requirements of the institution where they begin their studies (either St. Thomas University or NBCC). Students who begin their studies at St. Thomas must meet the normal admission requirements for the Bachelor of Arts degree. For details on the BA admission requirements, consult Subsection A. "First-year Arts."

Both NBCC and STU students are required to have a GPA of 2.0 in their programs at their respective institutions to qualify for admission to the program at the partner institution.

E. Admission to Journalism

Bachelor of Arts with a Major in Journalism

The BA with a Major in Journalism offers a strong liberal arts focus in Journalism courses, combined with instruction in the latest technology used by professional media organizations across Canada. Admission to the Journalism Major is a two-stage process.

First-stage admission

Regular admission requirements for the Bachelor of Arts Degree program apply (see Section One, Part A. “First-year Arts”).

Second-stage admission

Candidates for the Bachelor of Arts with a Major in Journalism degree are selected after the first semester of second year. Application forms will be available at the Registrar’s Office for interested students. The Journalism Major is limited in enrolment, and possession of the minimum requirements does not guarantee acceptance to the program. Thirty students will be chosen each year to declare the Journalism Major. The deadline for applications, including all supporting documents, is December 1. Applicants are responsible for ensuring that, by the deadline, their St. Thomas transcripts are up to date, including credit for courses taken at any other institutions. Candidates will be selected on the basis of the following criteria:

1. Cumulative GPA on courses completed by September 1, not including Journalism courses: 40%
2. Grades in Journalism courses which would normally include Journalism 1013, 1023, 2023 (students who wish to apply without having taken all of these courses and presenting final grades for them must have the permission of the Director of Journalism): 30%
3. Personal essay (300 to 500 words) that answers the following question: How will I contribute to my community as a journalist? 10%
4. Two letters of reference describing the candidate’s suitability for the program and potential as a journalist (note: St. Thomas Journalism professors are part of the selection process and therefore not considered suitable referees): 10%
5. Suitability for the study of Journalism, demonstrated by two pieces of writing or works of Journalism (published or unpublished manuscripts are acceptable): 10%

Candidates who are not successful in their application to the Major in Journalism will have an opportunity to continue their Journalism studies in the Media Studies Major and Journalism Minor program.

Bachelor of Applied Arts (Journalism)

Graduates of the New Brunswick Community College’s (Woodstock) two-year Journalism Diploma program are eligible for admission to the Bachelor of Applied Arts (Journalism) Degree program. Contact the Admissions Office for further information.