

The Alberta Department of Education is this year inaugurating a short summer course for teachers lasting from July 7th to August 9th in Manual Training, Domestic Science and Art, Nature Study, Agriculture and School Gardening, Art and Physical Culture. The conditions demanded by the Strathcona Trust in the Physical Culture course will be satisfied and a qualifying certificate given at the close of the course. Credits will be given likewise for the work done in the other subjects with a view to completing these for qualifying courses in subsequent sessions. The course is to be given at the University, Edmonton South.

The report of the president at the annual convocation of the Alberta Provincial University at Edmonton on the 14th of May displayed some startling figures in relation to the growth of the institution. At the close of the 1908 and 1909 teaching year the enrolment numbered 45, with the figures in successive years, 82, 129, 185, and in the present year 325. The staff in the first year numbered 5 and is now 26. It is expected that 500 students will enroll this fall, and the staff will probably be 35. Two denominational colleges, Alberta and Robertson, belonging to the Methodists and Presbyterians respectively, are already in affiliation. The work in the University started with a single faculty of Arts and Science. The Faculties of Applied Science and Law have since been added, and a Medical Faculty will be established this autumn. The Faculty of Arts and Sciences has been expanded by the addition of courses in education and agriculture. A Faculty of Education will probably be added very soon. The University conducts the examinations for the dentists', architects', and surveyors' associations. Sixteen degrees were conferred at this year's convocation. Eight secured the degree of Arts, one the degree of Bachelor of Science, five of Applied Science, and two the Master's degree.

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To train teachers for rural elementary schools in Quebec a short course is to be inaugurated this summer at Lachute. It is expected that about one hundred teachers without any professional training, but merely teaching on permits, will attend.