

At the beginning of the 1960-61 academic year, the latest year for which an accurate count has been made, there were 354 institutions of higher learning serving a population of nearly 18,000,000 with an enrolment of 113,857 full-time university-grade students.

Of these institutions, 59 granted degrees in one or more fields (including 19 that granted degrees in theology only); and 51 of junior college level offered fewer than the minimum number of years required for a first degree. The other 244 institutions provided instruction to the bachelor-degree level or higher, their degrees being granted by institutions to which they were affiliated. Some 212 of the total were in the Province of Quebec, including about 100 classical colleges giving an eight-year course from Grade VII leading to a bachelor of arts degree granted by a university, and about 50 normal schools giving instruction in pedagogy.

In each of the 10 provinces, there was at least one degree-granting institution, and in eight of the 10 at least one junior college. (Appendix I distributes all institutions in 1960-61 by type of controlling body, and by the proportion of enrolment in each type.)

The larger universities show similar organization, their faculties or schools representing the broad areas of human knowledge: arts, pure science, applied science and engineering, commerce, agriculture, law, education, medical and related science, and certain other fields. The smaller institutions tend to concentrate more on arts and pure science, or on single professional fields such as education or theology. Most of the degree-granting institutions offer work leading to graduate degrees in addition to their undergraduate courses. The master's degree, or the French-language licence or maîtrise, is usually obtained one year after an honours bachelor degree or two years after a pass or general degree. The doctorate is normally earned after a minimum of two years beyond the master's degree.

#### University admission requirements

Admission requirements vary from province to province. Students usually start their pre-university schooling in Grade I at six years of age and reach the level commonly called junior matriculation (minimum university entrance) at 17 or 18, when they complete Grade XI in some provinces (Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, Quebec, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta, and the Northwest Territories), or Grade XII in the others, including the Yukon. A further year of secondary schooling in most provinces leads to senior matriculation standing, which may be roughly equated to the first year of a four-year degree course in Arts for credit purposes. In both Saskatchewan and Alberta, and for most universities in Ontario, this senior matriculation standing is required for entrance to university. It will also be required by The University of Manitoba, beginning in the fall of 1964.

The Bachelor of Arts degree is normally obtained four years after junior matriculation or three years after senior matriculation, depending on the entrance requirements of the institution. An honours bachelor degree usually requires an additional year of study.

Entrance to professional faculties, which in Canada are almost exclusively connected with universities, may be on the same basis as for arts, or may require one or more years of college or even a bachelor degree as is usual for such faculties as law and medicine.

Admission of students from outside Canada is arranged between the student and the university concerned, and is based on individual evaluation of previous educational records. Evidence of ability to comprehend the language of instruction used must be shown. In addition, pertinent regulations of the Department of Immigration must be met. These include proof of sufficient funds, good health, good character, and a certificate of acceptance by a Canadian university or college. The Canadian Department of Citizenship and Immigration has issued a booklet, Admission of University Students to Canada: Immigration Requirements, giving further information. It is obtainable directly from the Department