
Graduating Student and Parent Information Night

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To Graduate YOU need 80 Credits...

- At least **16 credits** must be at the Grade 12 level, including a required Language Arts 12
- At least **28 credits** must be elective course credits
- **52 credits** are required from the following:
 - Two Career Education courses (8 credits total)
 - Physical and Health Education 10 (4 credits)
 - Science 10 (4 credits), and a Science 11 or 12 (4 credits)
 - Social Studies 10 (4 credits), and a Social Studies 11 or 12 (4 credits)
 - A Math 10 (4 credits), and a Math 11 or 12 (4 credits)
 - A Language Arts 10, 11 & 12 (12 credits total)
 - An Arts Education 10, 11, or 12 and/or an Applied Design, Skills, and Technologies 10, 11, or 12 (4 credits total)

Acceptance to SFU for a BA

Approved Grade 12 courses

Course list updated March 2018

Students must complete a minimum of 5 approved grade 12 courses, including the following required courses:

LIST A		REQUIRED
	English 12 or English First Peoples 12 (min 70%) or Français langue premiere 12	✓
One of:	Biology 12 Pre-Calculus 12 Calculus 12 Chemistry 12 Foundations of Math 12 Physics 12	✓
Two of:	BC First Nations Studies 12 Comparative Civilizations 12 Economics 12 English Literature 12 Geography 12 History 12 Law 12 Philosophy 12 Social Justice 12	✓✓
One of:	French 12 or Français langue seconde 12 German 12 Japanese 12 Mandarin 12 Punjabi 12 Spanish 12 or one additional course from any in List A, above	✓

plus any additional courses from List A or List B.

LIST B
Arts Foundations 12
Choral Music 12
Dance Choreography 12
Dance Performance 12
Drama: Film & TV 12
Geology 12
Instrumental Music 12
Studio Arts 12
Sustainable Resources 12
Theatre Performance 12
Theatre Production 12
Visual Arts 12

FYI: Next Year UBC's Admissions is changing

In the past, UBC looked at your grades in a limited number of academic Grade 11 (junior level) and Grade 12 (senior level) courses. Starting in 2019, we'll consider all Grade 11 (junior level) and Grade 12 (senior level) classes in the admissions decision and look at academic factors beyond grades too.

Admissions to TRU

Bachelor of Arts
*Exit Credential after
two years: Associate
of Arts*

73% in English 12; Math 11 or higher strongly recommended for students pursuing education or major in geography, sociology or psychology;
Recommended to take any second language to grade 12

Admissions to Carpentry at BCIT

- **Recommended for success**
- To be successful in this apprenticeship program, students are recommended to have the following:
- Grade 10 education or equivalent*
- English 10 or [English language proficiency](#)
- Math 10
- Science 10

*High school graduation is preferred.

Admissions to BCIT Mechanics

- **English:** two years of education in English in an English-speaking country with **one** of the following:
 - English 12 (50%) or
 - Communications 12 (67%) or
 - 3.0 credits of post-secondary [English, humanities or social sciences](#) (50%) from a [recognized institution](#) or
 - [BCIT English Trades Entry Assessment](#) (for applicants who have two years of education in an English-speaking country only)
- **Math:** one of the following:
 - [Any Math 11](#) or
 - [BCIT Math Trades Entry Assessment](#)
- [BCIT Mechanical Reasoning Trades Entry Assessment](#)
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Admissions to Emily Carr

- English 12 or First Peoples English 12 (a minimum grade of 60% or 'C' is required)
- Two other grade 12 academic courses chosen from: English Literature 12, History 12, Other Language 12, Comparative Civilizations 12, Geography 12, Geology 12, BC First Nations Studies 12, Biology 12, Chemistry 12, Apprenticeship & Workplace Mathematics 12, Principles of Mathematics 12, Foundations of Mathematics 12, Pre-Calculus 12, Calculus 12, Physics 12, American Sign Language 12, Conservatory Canada 12, Royal Conservatory Music 12, Psychology 12, Law 12, Writing 12 (Creative, Journalism or Media), Marketing 12, Economics 12, Accounting 12, Applications of Mathematics 12, Communications 12 and Technical and Professional Communications 12.

Important Ministry Terms

P.E.N - Personal Education Number: a specific 9 digit number necessary for applications and exams.

Transcript - official academic records detailing place and time of study, courses completed and grades received. Transcripts can be ordered here:

www.StudentTranscripts.gov.bc.ca

Student Transcript Service (STS) is a new online application for students to view their school marks, government scholarships, and send transcripts electronically to the post-secondary institutions of their choice.

If your Institution of choice requires a paper copy, order from the office!

Important Terms

PSI - Post Secondary Institute

Admission Requirements - a set of rules that each PSI outlines for students to be accepted into the institution.

Prerequisite - requirements) that must be met *before* students may register for a particular course or program.

Apprenticeship - program of on-the-job training supplemented by in-school instruction. Students are employed in a trade and registered through their employer.

Diploma - two academic years of full-time study geared towards employment in a particular career.

Certificate - one year of study and successful completion of a particular program of study, geared toward a single career.

Important Terms

Bachelor's Degree - undergraduate program of study usually consisting of 4 years (or 120 credits), often with a specific Major, Minor, or concentration.

Master's Degree - graduate program completed after a Bachelor's degree. Usually 1-2 year programs in specific area.

Graduate Program - program leading to a Master's degree.

Undergraduate Program - program leading towards a Bachelor's degree (Undergraduate student is someone completing their first degree).

Doctorate - a degree granted after four years of doctoral studies once a student has completed a Bachelor's and a Master's degree. Most commonly a PhD.

Post Secondary Information

College

College --> University

University

Technical School

Certificate

Diploma

Degree

Choosing a Post-Secondary Institution

PSI Day - October 16, 2018. Hosted every year at Lucerne!

Viewbooks - each institution prepares a program guide and sends to Lucerne.
All available in the counselling office.

Campus tours and career fair days

- Experience Selkirk Day
- See posters for options!

Pick an area of study, and then a PSI - talk with parents, teachers, or school counsellor.

Online research - www.educationplanner.bc.ca

GET THE DETAILS!

Admission requirements vary from institution and program.

Check the website or viewbook to make sure you have ALL the specific details.

Talk with the school counsellor.

Contact the academic advisor at the institution.

**MOST IMPORTANT:
Prerequisites and Deadlines!**

Applications and Deadlines

Applying to Post-Secondary Institutions

Apply EARLY

Apply to MORE THAN ONE

Stay Organized; keep a binder of application records

Use the Education Planner:

www.educationplannerbc.ca

One common application for many PSIs.

Preparing to Apply - Gather your details

- Personal contact information, including an email address you check regularly (also...a professional looking one).
- Proof of citizenship
- High school transcript access information (the Personal Education Number - PEN)
- Program name, campus location, and estimated start date

Organize supplementary details:

- Personal statement about why you would like to take the program
- Career goal statement outlining how the program you are applying to fits your career goals
- Reference letters (if required)
- Writing sample from a project or essay you have done in another class
- Resume or portfolio

Common Application Deadlines

November 1, 2018 - BCIT starts to accept applications. Apply early!

January 15, 2019 - UBC general admission undergraduate programs.

January 15, 2019 - Emily Carr

January 30, 2019 - Selkirk College

February 28, 2019 - University of Victoria (UVic)

March 1, 2019 - Thompson Rivers University

Scholarships and Financial Aid

What's the difference?

Scholarship - **non repayable** monetary award given based on academic or other criteria

Bursary - **non repayable** monetary sum given based on financial need or other criteria

Student Loan - **repayable** government supplied funds that accrue interest after program completion (StudentAidBC.ca)

Grant - **non repayable** government supplied funds based on financial needs

Student Line of Credit - **repayable** credit provided by your bank or other financial institution.

Scholarships - BC Provincial Scholarship Program

Scholarship	Application required	Application process	Winners selected by	Vouchers mailed
BC Achievement Scholarship \$1,250	No	None	Ministry	October
District/Authority Scholarship \$1,250	Yes	Student applies to District/Authority	District/Authority & Validated by Ministry	October
BC Excellence Scholarship \$5,000	Yes	Each school's selected Grade 12 nominee applies directly to Ministry	Ministry Committee	September
Pathway to Teacher Education Scholarship \$5,000	Yes	Student applies to Ministry	Ministry Committee	September

Scholarships and Awards - out of school

Loran Leaders of Character Scholarship

Schulich Leadership Scholarship

Horatio Alger Scholarship

TD Community Leadership Scholarship

ETC... See School Counsellor or Principal as scholarships come up!

ScholarTree.ca

StudentAwards.ca

Yconic.com

Scholarships and Awards - PSI Based

Many Post-Secondary Institutes have their own entrance scholarships.

- Check websites for details.
- May have financial need bursary as well

Scholarships and Bursaries - School/Local based

Application package available in the new year. One cover form application for many scholarships at the local or school-based level.

Various scholarships, various criteria - apply to ANY that may fit!

Deadline is usually in the spring. Stay tuned!

- Some require short essays or paragraph responses in addition to the application form.
- I.e., Lane Haywood Memorial Scholarship (Due April 30).

Applying for Scholarships and Bursaries

- Recommendation or Reference letters - ask early and give details to include.
 - (teachers, employers, community members. NO family)
- Use your 'brag' sheet to help write your applications.
 - Be sure to highlight what you have done or achieved as it specifically relates to the criteria.
- Complete entire package and application requirements.
- Follow up (if appropriate).

Applying for Grants

StudentAidBC.ca - several government funded grants available.

Follow application steps online.

Applying for Financial Aid and Student Loans

- StudentAidBC.ca and CanLearn.ca - See School Counsellor for assistance
- Usually apply *after* acceptance into PSI (early June)
- Based on financial need
 - Automatic assessment for grants if eligible
- Full-time study equals more financial aid
- Interest is paid by government *while* you attend school
- Commence repayment once studies are completed
 - Loan Repayment Assistance program
- Other options - Student Line of Credit - inquire at your bank!

Stay Informed!

School Counsellor Appointments - Fridays

Wellness Block - Fridays

Post-Secondary INFO Bulletin board

Calendar of deadlines and due dates

Check school website and Facebook Page

Regular Grad Planning Meetings