



Let's Stay Connected

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Office Hours

8:30am – 3:30pm
Monday-Thursday

Appointments

There is a sign-up sheet outside my office to schedule an appointment or parents can email me directly.

Drop-Ins

If I am available, you are welcome to drop-in during ILT, lunch, your spare block or after school.

Services

- Finding a direction
- Researching Options
- PSI Applications
- Registering for STS
- Scholarships
- Student Transcripts
- Resumes
- Job Search Tips

If not listed. . .please ask!

NDSS GRAD 2024 POST-SECONDARY & SCHOLARSHIP NEWSLETTER

FOR GRADE 12 STUDENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES

NOVEMBER 2023

IMPORTANT REMINDER TO GRADE 12'S

Once you graduate, you will lose access to your deltalearns.ca email account.

We recommend that students use a personal email for:

- Post-secondary applications and related correspondence
- Scholarship applications
- Registering for accounts such as Education Planner, BCeID, Student Transcript Service; and
- Any employment related documents.

POST-SECONDARY APPLICATIONS

Applications for Fall 2024 sessions are open; deadlines to apply vary.

University of Toronto's recommended early application date for some of their programs is **November 7th!** If you are interested in the major entrance scholarships at **UBC** and **SFU**, and your academic Grade 11 marks are in the 90% range you need to apply early (by **Dec 1st for UBC** and **Dec 15 for SFU**).

Limited Enrollment programs fill up early (i.e. Nursing) and Open Enrollment programs take applications until they are filled (more popular ones fill early).

Most institutions allow you to submit two choices when you apply; only UBC lets you apply for the same program at two different campuses.

NOTE: The research universities can be very competitive. Please remember that many of the smaller universities and colleges have excellent transfer programs. Please include them in your options when you are choosing where to apply.

Some Things to Consider When Choosing a Post-Secondary Program:

- Location – how far do you want to commute, is it transit friendly?
- Programs – does the institution have the program you're interested in?
- Class Size – would you prefer small class sizes over large lecture halls?
- Student Supports – what kind of supports are available to students?
- Cost & Fees – have you discussed the finances with your family?
- Campus Look & Feel – have you taken a tour to get the vibe of the campus?
- Athletics & Extracurriculars – do they have any activities you are interested in?
- Work Integrated Experience – are there co-ops, practicums, etc. available?
- Flexibility – how flexible is their program if you change your mind?
- Career Success – how does the program you're considering prepare you for further education or entering the workforce?

BCeID & STUDENT TRANSCRIPT SERVICE (STS)

Part of the application process to post-secondary institutions includes registering with Student Transcript Service (STS) where you will need to give the BC Ministry of Education permission to release your grades/marks to **EACH** institution that you apply to.

The STS is used for * all post-secondary institutions in Canada, and most universities worldwide.

Before you can register with STS, you will need to create a BCeID.

Instructions on how to register with both BCeID and Student Transcript Service are attached with this email OR you can watch Student Help Videos here:

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/education-training/k-12/support/transcripts-and-certificates/help>

Please see Ms. Robertson if you would like help with the process.

TIP: I would recommend that as soon as you apply to a post-secondary institution, you also go into your STS account and give permission for that institution to access your grades.

NOTE: Some schools will have access to your grades and also request that you self-report. Please follow instructions sent by the institution.

**Although BCIT will not access your grades through the STS, you do have access to your own transcript in the STS which you can download and send to them. (Different from the transcript available in MyEd.)*

SCHOLARSHIPS

I am starting to accumulate scholarship information in a **Red Binder** in the Career Centre. Although scholarships can come at any time of the year, many will start showing up in the New Year.

Entrance Scholarships: At the front of the scholarship binder there is a QR code for some of the more common institutions' webpage on Entrance Scholarships. It's worth taking a look at each institution you are applying to to see if you would qualify for an entrance scholarship.

District and School-based Community Scholarships will be available in the Spring and will include an application process (more info will provided at that time).

Currently I am aware of 4 scholarships that require that you be **nominated by NDSS Administration**. If interested, please review the eligibility and if you would like to be considered, please submit your name to Ms. Robertson and advise which scholarship(s) you would like to apply for.

Deadlines to have our nominations in are in January and February; further information on the process will be provided at a later date.

Cmolik Foundation: <https://thecmolikfoundation.com/undergraduate/>

Schulich Leadership: <https://schulichleaders.com/>

Beedie Luminaries: <https://beedieluminaries.ca/grade-12-program/>

BC Excellence Scholarship:

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/education-training/k-12/support/scholarships/provincial-scholarships/bc-excellence-scholarships>

UPCOMING NDSS EVENTS

POST-SECONDARY PRESENTATIONS @ NORTH DELTA SECONDARY (ILT 9:45 – 10:20)

The following Post-Secondary Institutions (PSI) will be making presentations **during ILT block (9:45–10:20)**. This is an excellent opportunity to hear what each institution has to offer and for you to ask questions.

Presentations will take place in the Library during ILT block. *Students should first report to their regular ILT block for attendance and then head to the presentation.*

Registration is not required – open to Grade 11 and Grade 12 students.

Monday, November 6: Douglas College

Tuesday, November 14: UVIC

Tuesday, November 28: SFU

Thursday, November 30: SFU BEEDIE SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

POST-SECONDARY BC (PSBC) FAIR – OPEN TO STUDENTS AND PARENTS

The PSBC Fair will include approximately 18 post-secondary British Columbia institutions. Grade 11 and 12 students are encouraged to attend to get a better idea of the many options available to them and the chance to ask questions while you are still deciding on your options for post-secondary.

Date: Thursday, November 16th

Where: Burnsvie Secondary School

Time: 6:00 – 8:00pm

OTHER POST-SECONDARY EVENTS

November is an excellent time to be attending in-person or virtual tours of campuses, information sessions and other Post-Secondary events.

I've attached a list of **Events & Deadlines**, however, there are too many events to list them all. You can Google the name of the institution you are interested in along with "Events" or "Tours" to get a list of what they have going on. Some institutions may have workshops on their application process.

For a full list of BC post-secondary institution events: www.postsecondarybc.ca

For a full list of Canadian post-secondary institution events: www.cuebc.org

Are you interested in Geography?

SFU has a one day conference on Saturday, November 25th to learn all about what geography has to offer. See the bulletin board outside the Student Services Offices or Ms. Robertson for more information.

UPCOMING DEADLINES

NOVEMBER

Nov 7 - University of Toronto Deadline to Apply for Early Admission Fall 2024

Nov 15 - TD Scholarship for Community Leadership Deadline to Apply

Nov 15 - UBC Deadline to submit an Award Application for International Scholars Program (Int'l Students)

DECEMBER

Dec 1 - UBC Deadline to Apply if wanting to be considered for Presidential Scholars Award

Dec 1 - UBC Deadline to Apply if wanting to be considered for International Scholars Program

Dec 15 - SFU Deadline to Apply if wanting to be considered for Entrance Scholarships

Dec 15 - Selkirk College - NURSING Deadline to Apply

A list deadlines for the year will be distributed each month with the Newsletter. Please review for any updates.

PREREQUISITES

This is a good time to be checking out the pre-requisites for programs you are interested in.

If you think you need to change any courses for next Semester - please speak to your Counsellor.



UNSURE WHAT TO DO AFTER HIGH SCHOOL?

Some ideas to help you find a path.....

- Talk to family, friends and teachers about what strengths you have and if they have any suggestions for you
- Talk to your Counsellor
- Look at the various viewbooks in the Student Resource Centre, speak to Ms. Robertson about programs she's heard about at the Counsellor Days for institutions she's visited, take a couple of assessments
- Attend the Post-Secondary information sessions during ILT, the Post-Secondary BC Fair at Burnsvue on November 16th and talk to the student recruiters/advisors on November 16th.
- Register for info sessions and campus tours (virtual or in person) put on by the various institutions