

# North Delta Secondary

## COURSE PLANNING PARENT NIGHT



**FEBRUARY 2026**

# **IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS...**

Please use the chat function to ask questions as the presentation occurs

# OUR SCHOOL

- First opened in 1957 and was the very first secondary school in North Delta
- Current Population: approx. 1360 students from Grade 8-12
- Offer a full selection of academic and elective courses, and a variety of extra-curricular opportunities



# OUR HUSKY ADMINISTRATORS



**Ms. Sahota**  
**Principal**



**Mr. Richards**  
**Vice Principal**  
**Grade 8 & 10**  
**Grade 12 (A-M)**



**Mr. Nikic**  
**Vice Principal**  
**Grade 9 & 11**  
**Grade 12 (N-Z)**

# NDSS COUNSELLING TEAM



**Mr. Schaeferle**  
Gr.8 & Gr. 10



**Ms. Bousserska**  
Gr. 8 & Gr. 11



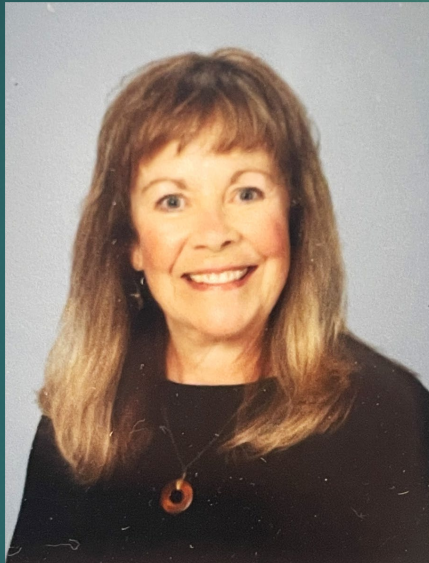
**Ms. Khaira**  
Gr. 8 & Gr. 12



**Ms. Cipriano**  
Gr. 8 & Gr.9

# Student Services

Ms. Robertson



Career & Post Secondary  
Advisor

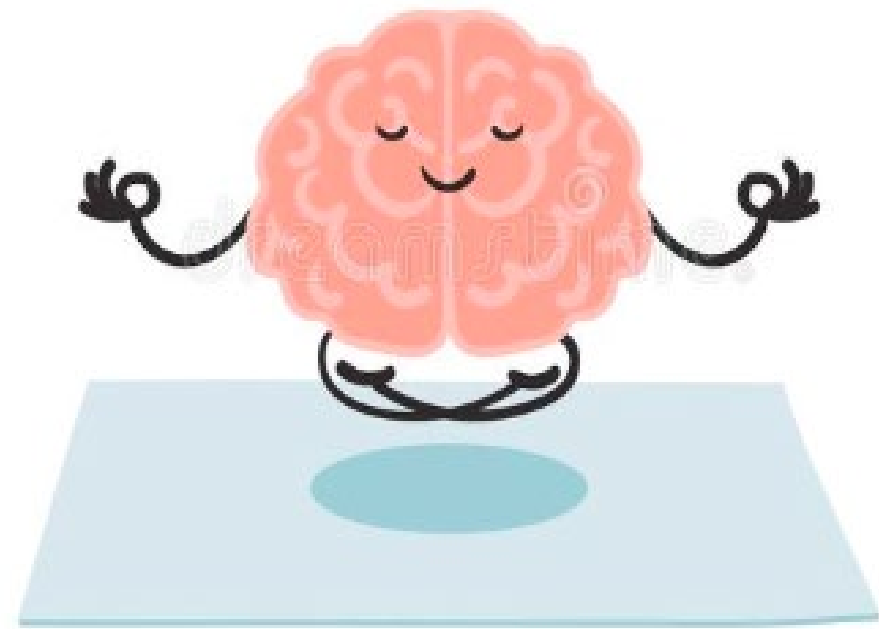
Ms. Hiddelstrom



Career Programs & Delta  
Hockey Academy

# ND CHILD AND YOUTH CARE WORKERS (CYCW'S)

- Ms. Subreena Sidhu
- Ms. Ikjot Sandhu



# ND MULTICULTURAL YOUTH WORKER & YOUTH EMPOWERMENT PROGRAM

- Mr. Rob Grewal

# CAREER PROGRAMS

## Optional Experiential Learning

**WORK**  
EXPERIENCE

*Experience in an  
occupation of  
interest.*



*CADD (Drafting) &  
Early Childhood  
Education*

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**WORK**  
IN TRADES

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**TRAIN**  
IN TRADES

*Start an apprenticeship  
while in high school.*

*For more information visit*  
**[www.deltalearns.ca/careers](http://www.deltalearns.ca/careers)**

# Work Experience (90 Hours)

1. Identify a career focus or goal. Example: carpenter, doctor, accountant, social worker, artist, travel agent...
2. Select ONE focus area that best relates to your career plans.



Business & Applied Business	Fine Arts, Design and Media
Fitness and Recreation	Health and Human Services
Liberal Arts and Humanities	Science and Applied Science
Tourism, Hospitality and Foods	Trades and Technology



# Apprenticeship

Post-secondary education that combines paid, work-based training with technical training in a classroom or shop setting.



SkilledTradesBC  
Formerly called the ITA

## RESOURCE

<https://youth.skilledtradesbc.ca/>



SKILLEDTRADES<sup>BC</sup>

# Apprenticeship Programs for High School Students



## Working in a Trade

Hired as an Apprentice

- Hired as an apprentice
- Obtain high school courses (up to 4 courses total)
- This can be for any red seal trade. The supervisor must be a certified journey person



## Training in a Trade

Post Secondary Schooling

- If accepted, the school district will pay the tuition
- Applications due before spring break
- For students going into grades 11 or 12 the following school year



# Student Apprenticeship Options

Electrician (BCIT @ NDSS Secondary)	Auto Service Technician (Seaquam)
Professional Cook (Seaquam)	Millwright (KPU Cloverdale)
Welder (KPU Cloverdale)	Baking & Pastry Arts (VCC Downtown)
Carpenter (BCIT - Willingdon)	Motorcycle & Power Equip. Tech (BCIT - Willingdon)
Plumber (KPU Cloverdale)	Metal Fabricator (BCIT - Willingdon)
Auto Refinishing Prep (VCC - Broadway)	Commercial Painter (FTI - Surrey)

Prerequisites & more info found at [www.deltalearns.ca /careers/](http://www.deltalearns.ca/careers/)

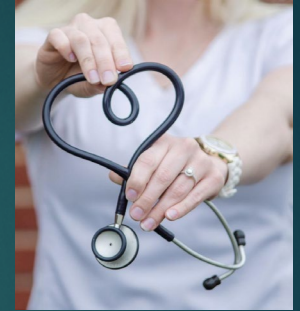


# Biomedical & Health Science



In Partnership with:

- If accepted, the school district will pay the tuition.
- Students complete two courses per semester.
- Apply before February 28
  - Nurse or Psych Nurse
  - Biomedical Scientist or Biotechnologist
  - Public health officer or medical manager
  - Other career in these fields



**More info and prerequisites can be found on the career website!**



# Early Childhood Education

**For students entering Grade 12 next year - Program in partnership with Douglas College**

- **Full courseload in S2 of Gr. 12:**
  - **February to April – 10 weeks for each theory course**
  - **April to May – practicum experience (200 hours at childcare center)**
- **Successful completion of Grade 12 English (67% or better) and other mandatory graduation courses by end of first semester of program year**
- **Previous experience with children**
- **More info and prerequisites can be found on the careers website - [deltalearns.ca/careers](http://deltalearns.ca/careers)**

# Junior Firefighting Camp

**Calling all Grade 11 & 12 students - application due Date Feb 28 2026!**

- Students must be 16 or older to apply, have good attendance, be registered in a Delta school and have a genuine interest in firefighting, volunteering and community service.
- More info and prerequisites can be found on the career website!

In Partnership with



**Delta School District**  
*Inspired Learning*



# Aquatic Leadership

- Grade 11/12 students in September
- Apply before February 28
- Bronze Cross, Bronze Medallion, Swim and Lifesaving Instructor, Standard First Aid and Active Living 11/12
- Swim at a Swimmer 6 or better
- Wednesdays 6:30am – 8:30am AND Thursdays 6:00am – 7:45am from September to June



More info and prerequisites can be found on the career website!



# Delta POLICE



# 2026

Are you currently in grade 11 or 12?

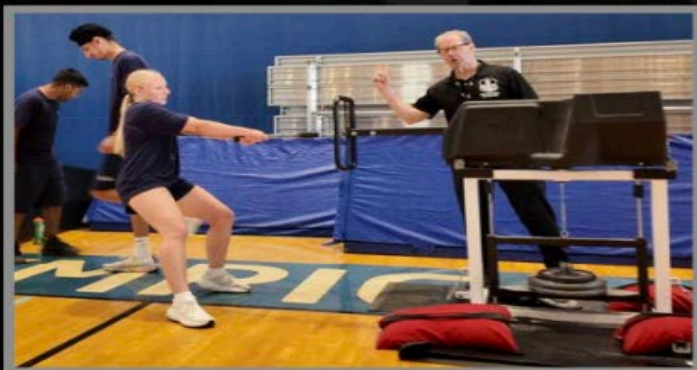
Are you interested in a career in policing?

## STUDENT POLICE ACADEMY

July 7<sup>th</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup>

For more information, contact your  
School Liaison Officer or Career  
Counsellor, or scan the QR code below:

**SCAN  
ME!**



# Graduation Requirements...

## **ENGLISH**

Language Arts 10 4 Credits

Language Arts 11 4 Credits

Language Arts 12 4 Credits

## **SOCIAL STUDIES**

Social Studies 10 4 Credits

Social Studies 11 or 12 4 Credits

## **SCIENCE**

Science 10 4 Credits

a Science 11 4 Credits

## **MATH**

a Math 10 4 Credits

a Math 11 4 Credits

## **P.E.**

Physical Education 10 4 Credits

## **F.A. & A.S.**

Fine Arts or ADST 10, 11 or 12 4 Credits

## **OTHER**

Career Life Education 10 4 Credits

Career Life Connections/Capstone 4 Credits

## **ELECTIVES**

Elective Courses (12 credits must be Gr. 12) 28 Credits

**80 Credits**

# Grade 9 Requirements...

- English 9
- Socials Studies 9
- Science 9
- Math 9 (Principles, Fundamentals, Numeracy or Challenge)
- Physical Education 9
- Elective – Applied Skill
- Elective – Fine Arts
- Elective – French / ADST/ FA /ELL



# GRADE 10 COURSE PLANNING

- ENGLISH 10            *New Media or Creative Writing*
- MATH 10            *Workplace, Pre-Calculus or Challenge*
- SOCIAL STUDIES 10
- SCIENCE 10
- PHYSICAL EDUCATION 10
- CAREER LIFE EDUCATION 10
- ELECTIVE 10
- ELECTIVE 10

# GRADE 11 COURSE PLANNING

- ENGLISH 11 English First People's  
New Media  
Creative Writing
- SOCIAL STUDIES 12 Genocide Studies12  
Law 12  
Social Justice 12  
BC First Peoples' 12  
History 12
- Math 11 Workplace Math, Foundations of Math or Pre-Calculus Math 11
- Science 11 Life Sciences, Chemistry, Physics, Science for Citizens and  
Sports Science 12
- Elective
- Elective
- Elective
- Elective

# GRADE 12 COURSES

ENGLISH STUDIES 12 OR ENGLISH FIRST PEOPLES 12

\_\_\_\_\_ 12 level required elective

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\_\_\_\_\_ 10/11/12 elective

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Career Life Connections and Capstone – self directed

# Government Assessments

## GRADE 10 Exams

Numeracy 10

Literacy 10

## GRADE 12 Exams

Literacy 12



Marked on a 4-point scale and students can re-write up to three times

# INDIGENOUS FOCUSED COURSES

All students complete at least one course with an Indigenous focus to be able to graduate in BC.

Students have several courses they can choose between at NDSS:

- English First Peoples 12
- English First Peoples 11
- BC First Peoples 12

# ENGLISH 11

## LITERARY STUDIES 11

Allows students to dive more deeply into literature as they explore specific themes, periods and authors through a variety of genres.

## CREATIVE WRITING 11

Is designed for students who have an interest in creative expression through language. Students will explore personal and cultural identities, memories and stories in a wide range of genres

## NEW MEDIA 11

Allows students to reflect on the changing role of technology in today's society and the increasing importance of digital media in communicating and exchanging ideas.

## ENGLISH FIRST PEOPLES 11

Indigenous Focus

# ENGLISH 12



## LITERARY STUDIES 12

Opportunity to expand upon past English inquiry projects or to explore a new area of interest through the inquiry model.

## ENGLISH FIRST PEOPLES 12

Opportunities for learning and exploring themes and issues important not only to First Peoples, but to all, with a goal of shared understanding.

# SCIENCES



**Life Sciences 11 (Biology 11):** The study of organisms (single to multiple cells)

**Anatomy and Physiology 12 (Biology 12):** The study of the human body and its systems

**Chemistry 11 & Chemistry 12:** The study of chemicals and their interactions

**Physics 11 & Physics 12:** The study of motion and energy

**Science for Citizens 11:** Personal health, forensics, workplace science and technology

# **SOCIAL STUDIES 11/12 OPTIONS**

**LAW STUDIES 12**

**SOCIAL JUSTICE 12**

**20<sup>TH</sup> CENTURY WORLD HISTORY 12**

**GENOCIDE STUDIES 12**

**BC FIRST PEOPLES 12**

# New at NDSS...

## AP or Advanced Placement Courses

- ▶ offered over 2 semesters
- ▶ potentially could earn up to 8 credits

*Upon successful completion of the AP Exam at the end of the course students earn credit towards post-secondary school*

# A.P. Courses

## A.P. Human Geography 12

This is a university leveled course. The purpose of the AP Human Geography course is to introduce students to the systematic study of patterns and processes that have shaped human understanding, use, and alteration of Earth's surface. Possible career considerations could be in fields such as urban planning, environmental studies, international relations, law, education, business, public policy, and geographic information systems (GIS).

- In order to receive post-secondary credit, students must complete the exam and receive a minimum of 4/5 on the exam.

# AP English Literature and Composition 12

- AP English Literature and Composition is a university-level course offered for grade 12s
- Through the close studying of novels, short stories, film, and poetry, students develop advanced skills in critical reading, literary analysis, and argumentation. Emphasis is placed on understanding how authors use literary elements such as character, plot, setting, symbolism, and theme to create meaning and shape readers' responses.
- There will be timed essays and close-reading responses (multiple choice). Students who complete this course will additionally receive credit for English Studies 12 as well as be prepared for the demands of university-level reading and writing across disciplines. There is an AP exam at the end of this course.

# AP Biology 12

AP Biology is a full-year, college-level course that explores the fundamental principles of life through eight major units: the chemistry of life, cell structure and function, cellular energetics, cell communication and the cell cycle, heredity, gene expression and regulation, natural selection, and ecology.

The course emphasizes scientific inquiry, data analysis, experimental design, and critical thinking through regular practice with multiple-choice and free-response questions aligned with the AP exam.

Learning is reinforced through required laboratory investigations (12 labs recommended over a year), with a strong focus on interpreting data, applying statistical reasoning, and constructing scientific arguments.

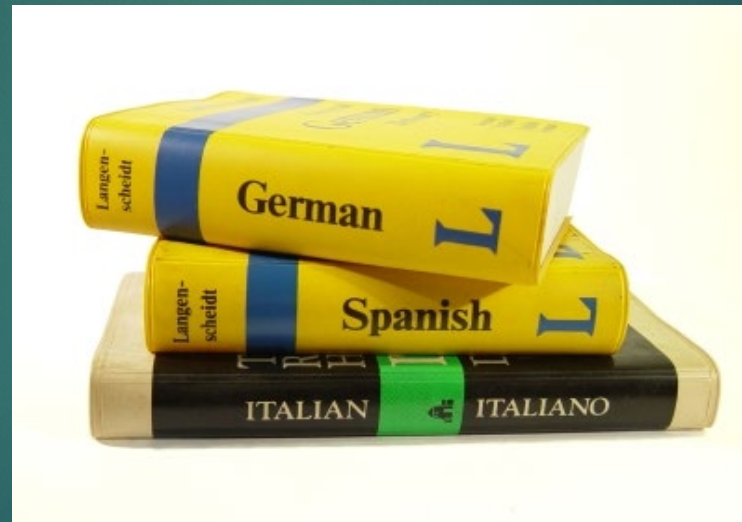
# Sports Science 12

Topics covered are human movement, physiology, and performance. Students will analyze and apply knowledge of anatomy, muscular function, energy systems, biomechanics, skill acquisition, and sports psychology to improve performance and promote health and wellness

Students will develop practical and transferable skills, including designing and evaluating training programs, conducting movement analyses, applying recovery and injury-prevention strategies, making evidence-based decisions about nutrition and wellness and reflecting on personal growth and ethical considerations in sports and society.

This course is applicable for students who considering future studies in Health Sciences, Sport Science, etc.

# What about a Language?



# LANGUAGE OPTIONS AT NDSS

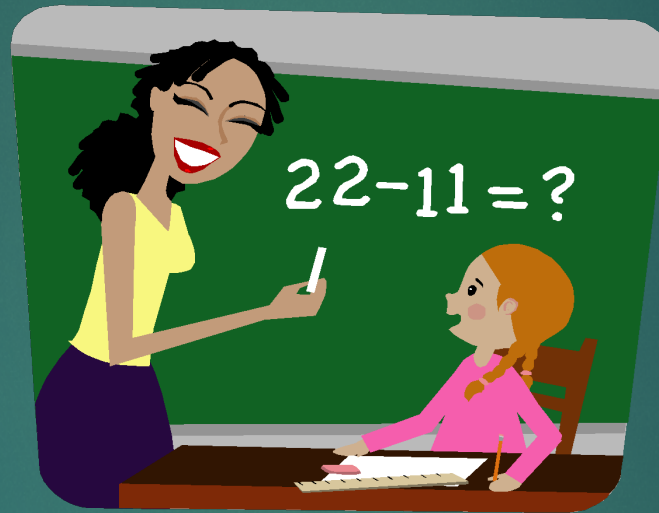


- **Core French 8-12**
- **Introductory French 11**
- **Introductory Spanish 11, Spanish 11-12**
- **Introductory Punjabi 11, Punjabi 11-12**

# LANGUAGE CHALLENGE EXAMS

- for those students with a background in Mandarin, Spanish, Japanese, Punjabi, Korean or Farsi
- they may apply to write a challenge exam to earn language 11 and 12 credits
- see your counsellor for more information

# The Math Question



# THE MATH CURRICULUM

## *Three Pathways:*

- ◀ ***Workplace Mathematics 10/11/12*** – designed to provide students with the mathematical understandings and critical-thinking skills identified for entry into the majority of trades and for direct entry into the workforce.
- ◀ ***Foundations of Mathematics 11/12*** – designed to provide students with the mathematical understandings and critical-thinking skills identified for post-secondary studies in programs that do not require the study of theoretical calculus.
- ◀ ***Pre-calculus 10/11/12*** – designed to provide students with the mathematical understandings and critical-thinking skills identified for entry into post-secondary programs that require the study of theoretical calculus.

# DIRECT ENTRY TO UNIVERSITY

Check individual universities for specific requirements

**ARTS:** Pre-Calculus 11 or Foundations 11/ 12

**SCIENCE:** Pre-Calculus 11 & Pre-Calculus 12

**ENGINEERING:** Pre-Calculus 11 & Pre-Calculus 12

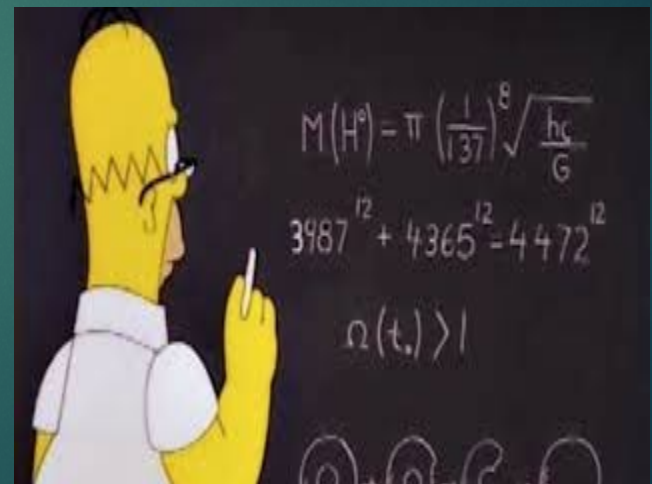
**BUSINESS:** Pre-Calculus 11 & Pre-Calculus 12

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# Admission to Colleges or BCIT

## Math Requirements

Individual programs have specific math requirements. Always research your post secondary school's program well in advance.



# CAREER CENTRE SERVICES

- **Post Secondary Education application information**
- **Career Research & Planning**
- **Scholarships, Bursaries & Awards**
- **Career Development/ Delta School District Career Programs: Youth Train In Trades**
- **Specialty Programs , Encounters Program, Minerva, Delta Student Police Academy, UBC Leadership, Conferences, Educational Camps, etc.**
- **Volunteer/work opportunities**

# Resources

## Post-Secondary Planning/Career Planning/ Scholarships

- ▶ Ms. Roberston (post-secondary planning, scholarships)
- ▶ Ms. Hiddleson (Work Experience, Trades)
- ▶ Educationplanner.ca

## School website

- ▶ <http://www.deltasd.bc.ca/nd/>

**TRANSCRIPTS FOUND ON**

**BCEID**

Student Transcript Services

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

# EXTERNAL CREDITS

Students may earn credits toward graduation through training programs outside of school. Here are a few examples:

- Dance (Royal Academy of Dance)
- Music (Royal Conservatory of Music)
- Sports (Provincial or National team level)
- Lifesaving (Bronze Cross, NLS, Instructor)
- Cadets (National Defense Cadet Certification)
- Coaching (Level 1-2, First Aid, 75-150 hours)
- Official (Theory, evaluation, 75-125 hours)
- Driver Ed. (ICBC accredited program)
- First Aid (WCB level II and III)

# Course Planning Information



# ONLINE COURSES

Delta's online school is called **Delta Access**

Check website for course availability

<https://www.deltaaccess.ca/>

Should be done by the end of June for Post  
Secondary Entrance Considerations

# SUMMER SCHOOL COURSES

- 4 weeks in July
- Approx. 3 hour classes
- 8:30-11:30 am & 12:00-3:00 pm
- Many academic classes offered
- registrations happen online in April or May

# BC POST-SECONDARY PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS & APPLICATIONS



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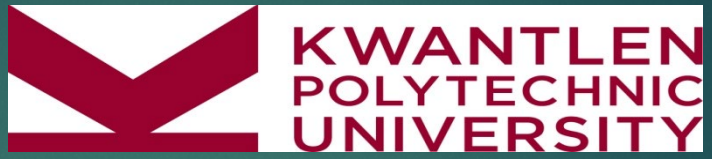
**THE ONLINE SYSTEM  
WILL OPEN ON FRIDAY  
FEBRUARY 13TH  
CLOSES FEBRUARY  
27TH**

**PICKING YOUR COURSES**



# QUESTIONS?

In about 5 minutes, we will continue on with university and scholarship information



# GENERAL REQUIREMENTS



Most requirements are program specific, and it is the responsibility of the student to check!

## SFU (includes Beedie)

## KPU

## UBC

- English 12 70%
- Recently dropped Gr 11 language requirement
- English Proficiency: 3 yrs English instruction in Canada
- Beedie has a Supplemental Application
- Min 5 Gr 12 approved courses including English (See Lists A & B)

- English 12 C+
- Proficiency varies by program

- English 12 70%
- English Proficiency: 4 yrs instruction in Canada
- Gr 11 language DROPPED for 2026
- 6 academic/non-academics Gr 12 \*
- **Student Profile Required for everyone**

\* *We recommend 6 academic*

# UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Your location:

**British Columbia**

British Columbia



If this location isn't correct, please select another province or territory from the dropdown menu.

## English language requirement

English is the language of instruction at UBC. All prospective students must demonstrate English-language competency prior to admission. There are nine different ways to meet the [English Language Admission Standard](#).

## General admission requirements

- Graduation from high school
- Minimum of 70% in Grade 11 or Grade 12 English (or their equivalents)
- At least six academic/non-academic Grade 12 courses (recommended, but not required)

## Degree-specific requirements

If you know what you want to study, select a degree below. Not sure? Get tips on [choosing a degree](#).



Select a degree



# UBC – Tips

- **Academic Achievements - High GPA**
- **Write a Strong UBC Personal Profile**
- **School Involvement/Community Involvement**
- **Leadership and Initiatives**
- **Air Cadets, Girl Guides, Lifeguard Training**
- **Sports involvement/Dance/Figure Skating**
- **Creative and performing arts experience**
- **Work experience**

# UBC 2025 AVERAGES

Degree Program	Mean Entering Average Green = UBC OK		Minimum Entering Average	
Applied Biology	92		85	
Arts	92	85	85	70
Commerce	95		85	
Engineering	97	92	95	80
Kinesiology	94		85	
Pharmaceutical Sciences	95		89	
<b>ALL applications to UBC require a Personal Profile!!</b>				
Science	96	90	85	70

# SFU 2025 AVERAGES

- ▶ Applied Sciences 93.5%
- ▶ Arts 89%
- ▶ Business 91.5%
- ▶ Communication, Art & Technology 89.5%
- ▶ Education 88.5%
- ▶ Environmental 88.5%
- ▶ Health Sciences 91.5%
- ▶ Sciences 92%

# SFU Simon Fraser University

**Requires English 12 plus 4 more approved courses**

- **Arts/Social Sciences (Foundations of Math 11/12)**
- **Business (Pre-Calculus Math 12)**
- **Science (Pre-Calculus 12)**
- **Applied Science (Pre-Calculus 12 and Calculus 12)**

**Make sure to research any specific program requirements well in advance of course selection week.**

# UNIVERSITY TRANSFERS

## Two Ways to Get Into Larger Universities?

- **The Direct Route** - Enter directly from high school.
- **The Transfer Route** - Start at one institution, then transfer.

## What is a University transfer?

- Transfer is when one post-secondary institution recognizes the courses completed at another institution.
- Students can start a degree or a non-degree program at one institution, then transfer to another institution to finish their Degree.
- Criteria varies – often must have minimum 24 credits otherwise they refer back to HS grades

## Why Consider a University Transfer?

- ▶ High school marks/courses didn't meet the admission requirements
- ▶ Smaller Class Sizes
- ▶ Better supports to transition to post-secondary education
- ▶ Closer to Home
- ▶ More affordable

# **WHAT IS A UNIVERSITY ARTS/SCIENCE TRANSFER PROGRAM?**

**A student can transfer up to 60 course credits completed at a college to some universities.**

**There is minimum grade expectation and the courses have to be specifically recognized by the university.**

# SCHOLARSHIPS

**Scholarships**



# EXTERNAL SCHOLARSHIPS

- **These are scholarships offered by various businesses, clubs, organizations and donors to help eligible students finance their post secondary education.**
- **Students from across the province/country will compete for these scholarships.**
- **Some information is posted on the ND Career Centre website but students are generally responsible for researching these scholarships on their own.**

# WHERE DO I FIND SCHOLARSHIPS?

- Career Centre Email
- online sites
- place of work, students/parents
- clubs and sports associations
- where you bank
- cultural groups
- religious affiliations
- private/public companies
- post Secondary Schools

# PROVINCIAL SCHOLARSHIPS PROGRAM

- BC EXCELLENCE SCHOLARSHIPS
- BC ACHIEVEMENT SCHOLARSHIPS
- DISTRICT/AUTHORITY AWARDS
- PATHWAY TO TEACHER EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP
- INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:  
[WWW.GOV.BC.CA/SCHOLARSHIPSPROGRAM](http://WWW.GOV.BC.CA/SCHOLARSHIPSPROGRAM)

# BC EXCELLENCE SCHOLARSHIPS

- **ND will nominate one eligible student based on academics, volunteer work and leadership.**
- **Last year there were 55 awards provincially worth \$5000 each.**

# **BC ACHIEVEMENT SCHOLARSHIPS**

**Provincially there will be 8000 awards of \$1250**

- Recipients are determined based on achievement in Grade 10, 11, and 12 courses that satisfy graduation program requirements including electives**
- High Academic achievement**
- No application is necessary**

# DISTRICT/AUTHORITY AWARDS

**\$1250 approx. 25+ awards**

## **ELECTIVE AREAS INCLUDE:**

- Fine Arts** (Visual Arts, Dance, Bhangra, Drama, Music)
- Applied Skills** (Business, Technology, Home Economics)
- Physical Activity** (Athletics, Dance, Gymnastics, P.E.)
- International Languages** (French, Spanish, Punjabi)
- Community Service** (Volunteer in school/community)
- Technical Trades Training** (Carpentry, Mechanics, etc.)

# **PATHWAY TO TEACHER EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP**

- **For students going into Teaching**
- **\$5000 and 20 awards**

# **SECONDARY SCHOOL APPRENTICESHIP SCHOLARSHIPS**

- **A student is registered in the Secondary School Apprenticeship program and successfully complete 16 credits.**
- **\$1000 Scholarship and will be awarded automatically to students**

# ENTRANCE SCHOLARSHIPS

- **Post secondary institutions offer financial awards to attract top students.**
- **Some are automatic and some are nominated**
- **Check the institution you are applying to**

# THANK YOU EVERYONE!



We will be around to answer any final  
questions people may have