



# Intro to Post-Secondary and Scholarships

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# Graduation Requirements – 80 Credits

Grade	Courses (Credits)	# of Elective Classes	Notes
10	English (4) Socials (4) Math (4) Science (4) PE (4) Career Life Education (4)	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A Fine Art or an Applied Skill in grades 10-12</li> <li>• An Indigenous Focus course in grades 10-12</li> <li>• At least 3 classes must be at the grade 12 level in addition to English 12</li> </ul>
11	English (4) Socials (4) Math (4) Science (4) Career Life Connections /Capstone (4)	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grade 10 Numeracy Assessment</li> <li>• Grade 10 Literacy Assessment</li> <li>• Grade 12 Literacy Assessment</li> <li>• Talk with Counsellor about external credits (driving school, Language Challenge exam etc.)</li> </ul>
12	English (4)	7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Some students may be on a different graduation plan</li> </ul>

What if I'm  
missing courses  
needed for  
graduation or  
post-secondary  
requirements?

- Check if you can make changes to your schedule for Semester 2
- Take an online course with SAIL (Surrey Academy for Innovative Learning)
- Take a course in Night School at Queen Elizabeth Secondary
- Take course in summer school (information available in the Spring, students who have graduated in June are not eligible)
- All options require you to meet with your counsellor

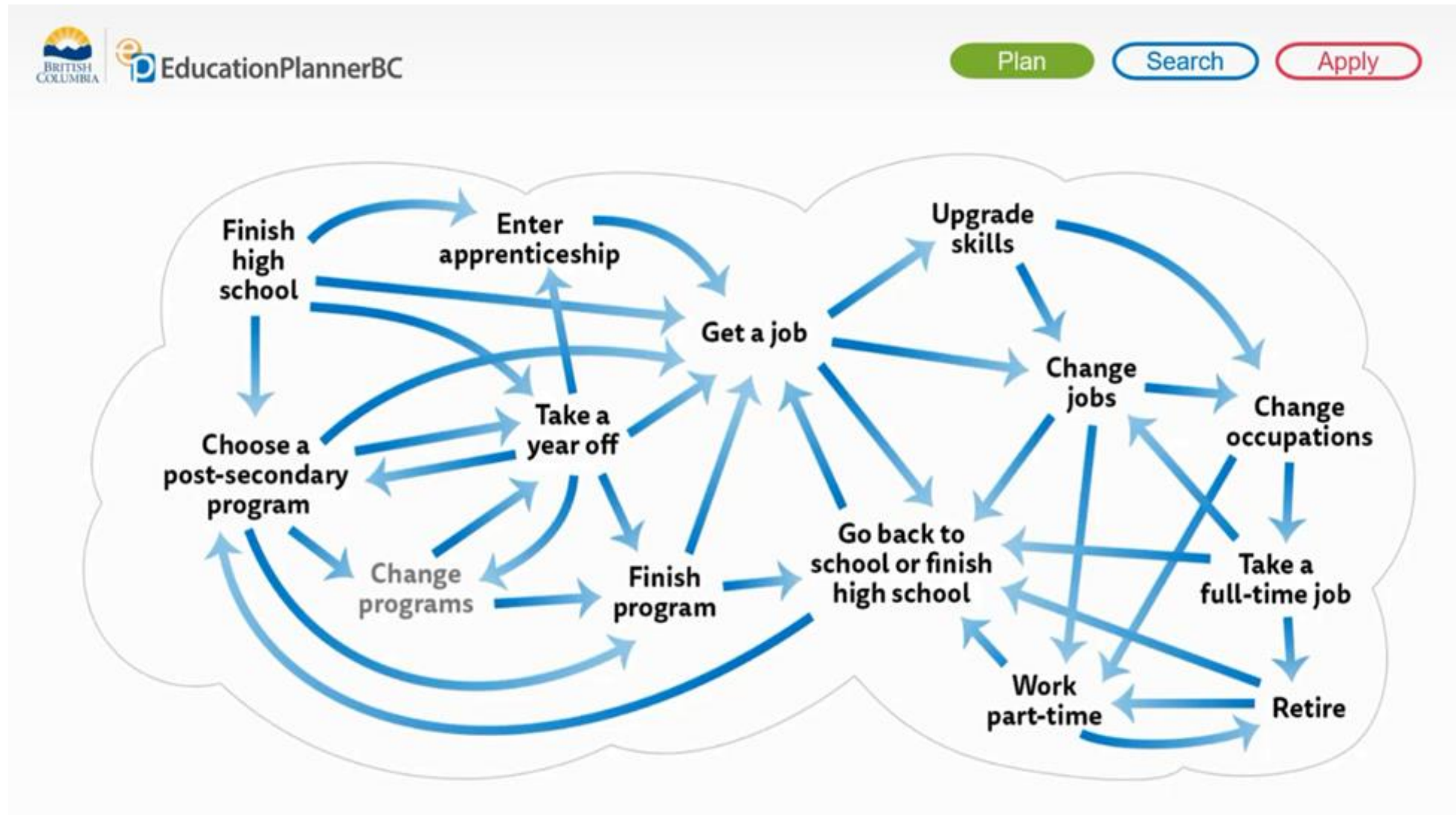
What if I graduate high school but need to make up courses later?

- Academic upgrading available at the post-secondary level as well
- All public funded post-secondary institutes offer academic upgrading (English 12, Physics, Math, etc.)
- Good option for students who have taken a gap year and may be missing courses required for a specific program
- Courses are free for mature students (19+)

Do students  
need  
volunteer  
hours to  
graduate?

- The BC Ministry of Education requires students to complete **30 hours of Career Life Exploration**. This encompasses a variety of things:
- Volunteering
- Paid employment
- Obtaining certifications such as FoodSafe, Serving It Right, CPR Training, First Aid, etc.
- Attending post-secondary or scholarship information sessions or campus tours
- 10 hours of the Capstone project
- Hours must be accumulated during the same year as Career Life Connections 12.

# What are your plans for after high school?





# Gap Year

- Focus on values, and skill development
- Job opportunities, working with current skills and strengths
- Volunteer, gain experience, develop skills, discover interests
- Make a plan for moving forward
- Upgrading high school classes
- Continuing education for professional development (First Aid, CPR Training, Food Safe, Computer Skills, Resume workshops, etc.)
- In BC, 51% of students typically go directly to post-secondary after graduation. By the time students are 29 years old, 81% of students have attended post-secondary (4 out of 5)
- Education is always waiting for them



# Labour Market Outlook 2021-2031

The projected **1,004,000 job openings**  
ARE SPREAD ACROSS 500 OCCUPATIONS.

Job openings in the following **special occupational groups**:

**111,000** in STEM (tech) occupations

**85,000** in skilled trades occupations

**5** industry groups  
will account for **over half** of total job openings:

**14%** Health care and social assistance

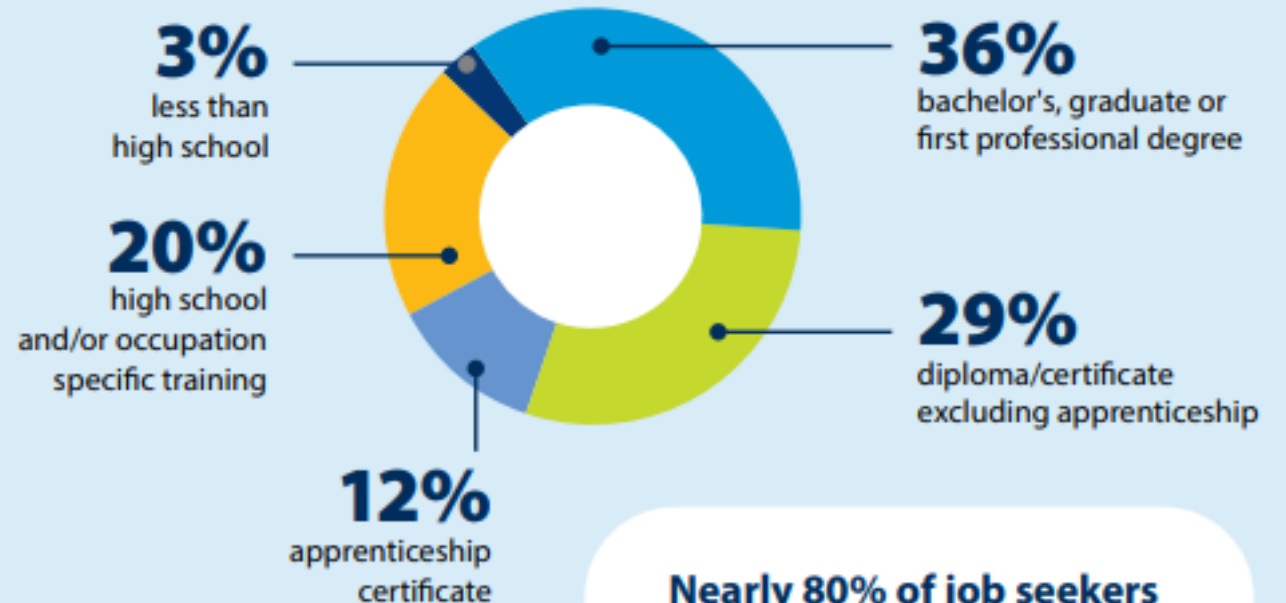
**14%** Professional, scientific and technical services

**10%** Retail trade


**8%** Construction

**7%** Accommodation and food services

## Typical **EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND** for job openings



**Nearly 80% of job seekers will need some form of post-secondary education or training.**



Post-  
Secondary  
Information

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# Important Factors to Consider re: Post-Secondary

What kind of environment would  
your child be most successful in?

- Program / Post-Secondary
- Location
- Cost
- Class Size
- Housing
- Student Services
- Coop / WEX / Internships



# Information you should have now

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If planning to pursue post-secondary next year, gathering information is important

- Find out the applications dates (open / close)
- Financial aid deadlines
- Attend campus tours
- Attend program information sessions
- Make an appointment with an academic advisor
- Talk to people who are working in the field your child wants to pursue (job shadow, volunteer, informational interviews)





# Other options (aside from academic studies)

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**Capilano** University – Graphic Arts, Music, Film, Tourism

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**Vancouver Film School** - 3D & Visual Arts, Film, Acting, Game Design

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**KPU** – Fashion Design, Trades, Environmental Science

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**Emily Carr** – Fine Arts

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**BCIT** – Trades, Business & Media, Computer Science & Technology

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**Royal Military College** or **Canadian Coast Guard College**

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**JIBC** – Policing, Firefighting, Paramedic

## The **IN-DEMAND** **TRADES** occupations:

> Cooks



> Auto service technicians



> Construction trades helpers  
and labourers



> Hairstylists and barbers



> Carpenters



> Construction electricians



> Heavy equipment operators  
(except crane)



> Painters and decorators  
(except interior decorators)



> Welders and related  
machine operators



> Plumbers



**The top construction trades occupations  
in terms of projected job openings over  
the next ten years are:**

- Carpenters
- Construction trades helpers & labourers
- Heavy equipment operators (except crane)
- Painters & decorators  
(except interior decorators)
- Construction electricians
- Construction millwrights
- Welders & related machine operators
- Plumbers
- Heavy-duty equipment mechanics

**The other top trades are:**

- Professional cooks
- Auto service technicians
- Hairstylists & barbers
- Bakers
- Motor vehicle body repairers
- Industrial electricians

# Trades & Apprenticeships

- Over the next decade there will be about 85,000 job openings in trades.
- Nearly half of these will be in construction trades.

# How to apply to Post-Secondary

1. Go directly to post-secondary website, specific program, "apply now"
2. Create an account on [educationplannerbc.ca](http://educationplannerbc.ca)
3. Complete applications on education planner
4. Pay application fee with a credit card
5. Send transcripts through the Student Transcript Service on the BCeID website
6. Once you submit an application, you will receive a confirmation email
7. Feb / March conditional letters of acceptance go out
8. May / June official acceptance and registration dates sent out



Home » [Apply](#)

## APPLY

### APPLY FOR ADMISSION

This is the application portal for admission to one or more BC post-secondary institutions. Not sure how to apply? Check out our [step by step tutorial here](#).

**Note:** To apply to the following institutions [click here](#).

- BC Institute of Technology
- Royal Roads University

#### To get started,

[Sign Up for your EducationPlannerBC Account](#)

OR

[Login to your EducationPlannerBC Account](#)

Complete your common, applicant **Profile**.

#### Then,



[Select Institution](#)



[Complete Application](#)



[Review Status](#)

# BCeID and Student Transcript Service



## Register for a Basic BCeID

Online ID for secure access to B.C. government services.

[Register](#) ▶



## Log in to StudentTranscripts Services (STS) with BCeID

Access STS with Basic BCeID for exam results & transcripts/certificates

[Log in](#) ▶

- First students register for a BASIC BCeID
- Then students register for the Student Transcript Service
- Personal Education Number (PEN) is required, as well as legal name and birthdate
- You must confirm your registration through email within 24 hours or your account will be deleted



Post-Secondary	Canadian and Permanent Residents	International Students
BCIT	\$90	\$154
Capilano University	\$50	\$135
Douglas College	\$36	\$100
Kwantlen Polytechnic University	\$40	\$120
Langara College	\$40	\$155
Simon Fraser University	\$81	---
University of British Columbia	\$73	\$123
University of the Fraser Valley	\$50.68	\$150
University of Victoria	\$81	\$142
Vancouver Community College	\$35	\$145
Vancouver Island University	\$42.55	\$150

## Post-Secondary Application Fees

# Post-Secondary Admissions Deadlines for Fall 2023

Post-Secondary	Deadline to Apply
Capilano University	April 10, 2023
Douglas College	August 2023 for general – some programs close earlier
Kwantlen Polytechnic University	March 1, 2023 (limited intake) July 1, 2023 (open intake)
Langara College	May 31, 2023
Simon Fraser University	January 31, 2023
University of British Columbia	Dec. 1 (early admissions) Jan. 15
University of the Fraser Valley	January 31, 2023
University of Victoria	January 31, 2023
Vancouver Community College	Limited Intake, apply as early as possible
Vancouver Island University	March 31, 2023 (January 31, 2023 for Nursing)

# Open vs. Limited Intake

## Open

- Often used in college / small universities
- Applications stay open, no limit on seats
- Grades not taken into consideration beyond min requirements
- Examples: most KPU programs

## Limited

- Has a set number of seats per application cycle
- Applications stay open until classes are full
- Often have specific requirements (grades, courses)
- **First come, first served**
- **Time is of the essence!**
- Nursing programs, fashion design, trades programs

# Competitive Intake

- Typically used in universities
- They want the best applicants
- Will have a closing date and will evaluate each qualified application after this date and admit a set number of the best applicants

## UBC Stats

- For the 2020/2021 school year, UBC assessed over 81,000 personal profiles for undergraduate admissions.
- Mean grade range for all courses completed in gr 11/12
  - 89-91 percent for UBCV
  - 82-84% for UBCO
- They admitted 57% of applicants.
- <https://www.ubyssey.ca/news/2020-21-enrolment-report/>

# UBC vs SFU vs KPU

## UBC

- Consider grade 11/12 marks
- Must have a language 11
- Min. 70% English 11/12
- Recommended to have 6 grade 12 courses in addition to English 12
- Need to complete UBC Personal Profile – volunteering, athletics, etc. are taken into consideration
- **Must have a PROFICIENT or 3/4 on the Literacy 12 Assessment**
- Tuition for 1st year \$7279.10 - \$13,432.20

## SFU

- Consider grade 11/12 marks
- Must have a language 11
- Min. 70% in English 12
- Must have 5 approved grade 12 courses
- Tuition per year \$10,500– 11,750

## KPU

- Min. C+ in English 12 for all arts, science and business programs
- Limited intake programs may have more specific requirements
- Tuition per year \$5898.67



# Common Routes to Your Educational Goal

## The Direct Route

Enter post-secondary institution directly from high school.

## The Transfer Route

Start at one institution, then transfer to another institution.

## The Transfer Route

- For some students, starting at a smaller PSI and then transferring to a larger institution is a good option.
- Direct entry from high school to large universities (UBC / SFU / UVic) is more difficult than getting into a smaller institution (KPU / Douglas) and transferring after 2 yrs.
- It's less competitive to transfer after 2 yrs than at the universities
- They also find mature students with some post-secondary experience
- Your final degree will be from the institution you finish at.
- It is also less expensive than completing an entire Bachelor's at a large university

# BC Transfer Guide



- The BC Transfer Guide is a useful tool to help students ensure they are taking the right courses to make transferring an easy process and limit the possibility of having to repeat courses
- Majority of course credits are transferable
- Use the BC Transfer Guide to check
- Example:
  - KPU BUSI 1215**  
**Organizational Behaviour =**
    - BCIT ORGB 1100
    - UBC COMM 292
  - Example:
    - Douglas BIO 1100 Trends in Biology =**
      - SFU BISC 100
      - Langara BIOL 1XX

# Post-Secondary - Final Thoughts

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- **Be organized** – documents, transcripts, references, application deadlines
- **Students don't have to have it figured out right now**
- **Consider taking a GAP year**
- **DO NOT go to UBC or BCIT to “find yourself” or “figure things out.”**
- **Make an appointment to meet with an academic advisor**
- **Attend information sessions and take a campus tours**
- **Come see us in the Career Centre if you have any questions!**





# Scholarships

3 Main Categories: External /  
Partners36 / Internal

# External

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These scholarships students apply to themselves. There are external scholarships happening all year long from various companies, organizations and donors across Canada. We recommend students access databases as well as tap into their network.

- Insurance companies
- Parents/grandparents employers
- Military connections
- Club, cultural or religious affiliations
- Athletics, sport organizations



# Upcoming External Scholarships (just a few)

## **Open to all students**

- SFU Uggla Family Scholarship
- Sikh Heritage
- Beedie Luminaries
- YVRArt Scholarship (Indigenous Students)
- BC Pathway to Teacher Education

## **Require School Nomination**

- Schulich (Jan. 6)
- Cmolik (Jan. 16)
- BC Excellence (Jan. 16)
- Bright Beginnings Foundation (Feb. 3)



# Partners36



## Surrey School District Scholarships

– Surrey Grade 12s only

~20 different scholarships

- Trades
- Law
- Teaching
- Academic Excellence
- Volunteerism
- Indigenous

- **These are available on February 1, 2023**
- Each high school can nominate one student per scholarship
- You will submit applications to the career centre, scholarship committee deliberates
- Surrey spreads the wealth

# Internal

For KP Students only

- ~30 District/Authority - from BC Ministry of Education
- PAC
- Principals and Vice Principals
- Artona
- Elementary feeder schools
- One application – Scholarship Committee deliberates
- Spread the wealth



Where can you  
find scholarship  
information??

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Many places!!!



# Instagram and Website

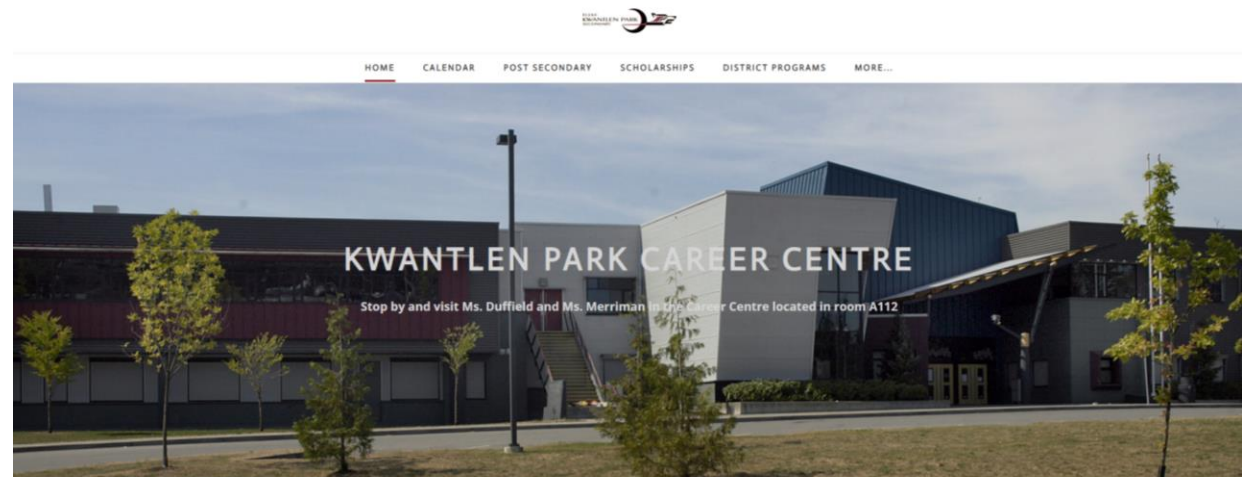
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Follow us on Instagram @kpcareercentre



Check out our newly created website

<https://kwantlenparkcareercentre.weebly.com>



# Post-Secondary Websites

Go to search engine and type in “Scholarships”

- Entrance
- Indigenous
- International Students
- Students with Disabilities

Examples:

- [Scholarships for Canadian UBC Students | UBC Undergraduate Programs and Admissions](#)
- [Major Entrance Scholarships & Awards | KPU.ca - Kwantlen Polytechnic University](#)





# Databases

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Sign up for an account on these sites. You will receive emails with scholarships tailored for you.

- [Scholartree.ca](https://www.scholartree.ca)
- [ScholarshipsCanada.com](https://www.scholarshipscanada.com)
- [Yconic.com](https://www.yconic.com)
- [Studentawards.com](https://www.studentawards.com)
- [Bcscholarships.ca](https://www.bcscholarships.ca)



# Affiliations

Talk to your family!

Unions, employers

Insurance companies,  
banks

Dental offices,  
doctors offices

Military connections,  
Cadets,  
Veteran's groups,  
Scouts, Guides

Religious affiliations  
or cultural clubs

Extra-curriculars

Athletic organizations

Disabilities groups

# Government Resources

## BC Provincial Website

- Provincial Scholarship Programs
- International Education Scholarships & Awards
- French Education Bursaries
- [Scholarships, Grants, Bursaries & Awards - Province of British Columbia \(gov.bc.ca\)](http://www.gov.bc.ca/scholarships-grants-bursaries-awards)

## Government of Canada Website

- Grants and Loans
- Scholarships
- Apprentice Loans and Grants
- Indigenous Scholarships and Grants
- Aid for Athletes
- Aid for Protected Persons
- [Student aid - Canada.ca](http://www.studentaid.ca)

# Scholarship Profile

1. Plans for Post-Secondary/Career (schools, programs, career)
2. Transcript
3. Resume
  - a) Work/Volunteer Experience
  - b) School Involvement: clubs, committees, sports, etc.
  - c) Awards, achievements, certifications
  - d) Community Involvement: volunteering, sports, extra-curriculars, training
4. Financial Information
5. Reference Letters
6. Essays

# Final Thoughts



**Treat applying for scholarships like a part-time job.** Putting aside time each week or month to work on scholarships will increase your chances of winning.



**Don't only apply to the big ones.** There are hundreds of scholarships out there, many are not advertised well which means there will be fewer applicants. Winning a couple hundred/thousand dollar scholarships is still a great return on your investment of time.



**Don't wait and only apply to the Partners 36 or Internal Scholarships.** If you are relying on scholarships to pay for your post-secondary tuition, you should be applying all year long and to as many as you can.



**Scholarships beget scholarships.** If you win once, you are more likely to win again. Receiving a scholarship increases confidence and can motivate you to apply for more. Also looks great on applications, resumes, etc. and can open more opportunities.