**Course Name:** Communications for Health Sciences

**Course Number:** CCAC 1084  
**Number of Credits:** 0.0  
**Effective Date:** September 2018

**Course Description:**
Communication for Health Sciences is designed to help prepare students for success in the following programs: Health Unit Coordinator, Certified Dental Assisting, Denturist Sciences, Pharmacy Technician, Occupational/Physical Therapist Assistant, Medical Laboratory Assistant, Medical Office Assistant, Dental Receptionist, Dental Technology Sciences and Medical Device Reprocessing Technician.

Students who complete this course will meet the English 12 equivalent requirements for the above programs.

Receiving departments for these programs have agreed to accept College & Career Access statements of completion of this course in lieu of taking relevant ABE assessments.

Proof of English language proficiency may be required to meet program entrance requirements.

**School or Centre:** School of Arts and Science

**Year of Study:** Grade 12 Equivalency

**Course History:** Revised Course

**Course Pre-requisites (if applicable):**
Completion of WRSK 0826, or ENGL 0871 , or ABE Assessment scores of 55 (reading), 43 (grammar) and 0871 (writing)

**Course Co-requisites (if applicable):**

**PLAR (Prior Learning Assessment & Recognition):**

☐ No  ☑ Yes (details below):
Instructional Strategies:
Class based - lecture and small group activities

Course Learning Outcomes:
Upon completion of the course the student will be able to:

- Evaluate argument for validity, reliability, currency and objectivity
- Interact effectively in formal and informal situations
- Adjust speaking style to suit audience, purpose, and situation
- Use effective presentation aids to enhance communications
- Deliver a research-based oral presentation to inform or persuade and respond effectively to feedback
- Give and respond effectively to feedback during oral presentations
- Demonstrate a critical understanding of arguments
- Summarize, make inferences, draw conclusions and critically evaluate
- Paraphrase main ideas in written material
- Use a variety of strategies and sources to gather and evaluate information, including print sources, library resources and the Internet
- Write a grammatically correct, structurally sound and organized essay

Program Learning Outcomes:
## Evaluation/Grading System

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### Learning Environment/Type

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### Resource Material(s):  

Resources are items in addition to tuition that the student is responsible for purchasing. Course resource information will be supplied by the department/instructor.
Course Topics:

- Critical Thinking
- Communication
- Advanced Grammar
- Paragraph writing - 0981 level
- Summary
- Research Essay
- Oral presentation

VCC Education and Education Support Policies

There are a number of Education and Education Support policies that govern your educational experience at VCC, please familiarize yourself with them.

The policies are located on the VCC website at:

http://www.vcc.ca/about/governance--policies/policies/

To find out how this course transfers, visit the BC Transfer Guide at www.bctransferguide.ca.

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