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FOR THE LATEST: VCC.CA/CS

For the latest information on courses, schedules, requirements and fees, please check vcc.ca/cs. This catalogue provides an overview of Vancouver Community College Continuing Studies (VCC CS) programs and courses. In the case of a discrepancy between this publication and vcc.ca, the website will be considered the official guide.

For upcoming information sessions visit vcc.ca/infosessions.
THREE WAYS TO REGISTER...

BY PHONE
Call 604.443.8484
Pay by VISA, MasterCard or American Express.

IN PERSON
Register at the Downtown campus Room 203, 250 West Pender.
Pay by cash, cheque, debit or credit card. Please see vcc.ca/cs for office hours.

ONLINE
Visit vcc.ca/cs
Returning students, Canadian citizens, and permanent residents can register for most courses online.

VCC welcomes applications from Canadian citizens and permanent residents
International students please contact study@vcc.ca or 604.443.8600 for eligibility

PAYMENT AND FEES
Course fees must be paid in full at the time of registration. In the case of a discrepancy between this publication and vcc.ca, the website will be considered the official guide. Fees are subject to change without notice. We accept VISA, MasterCard and American Express. Payment can also be by cash, debit, cheque or money order payable to Vancouver Community College.

Post-dated cheques are not accepted. A $30 fee is charged for insufficient funds. For international students, international fees apply. Please contact the International Education Office for more information. Please note that a textbook may be required for your course. Please check vcc.ca/bookstore for textbook information and hours of operation.

Program cost estimates are approximate, and may vary depending on electives chosen and completion time. They do not include supply fees – these amounts will be assessed at the time of registration. Tuition fees are subject to an annual increase as approved by the Board of Governors.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS
VCC is a post-secondary institution committed to educating adult learners. Applicants should be 16 years of age or older or a graduate of a secondary school (some exceptions may apply). VCC welcomes applications from Canadian citizens and permanent residents.

If you are not a Canadian citizen or permanent resident, please contact the International Education Office at study@vcc.ca or 604.443.8600 to determine your eligibility. Please note that not all CS programs are available to international students. If there are course specific requirements, they are noted on the program web page.

CANCELLATIONS
VCC reserves the right to cancel courses due to unavailability of instructors, facilities, or insufficient enrolment. Should a course be cancelled, a full refund will be provided. It is important that you keep VCC informed of your current daytime telephone number.

REFUND REQUEST
Refund requests for a course or program must be made three business days prior to the start date. An original receipt must accompany all refund requests. If the original receipt is not available, the request must be received in writing. Please note all refunds are subject to a $35 administration fee. Please allow 4-6 weeks for processing refunds by cheque. Cash refunds are not available.

REFUND APPEALS
Refund requests submitted after the 72 hour deadline may be considered for appeal under special circumstances, such as court subpoena or family bereavement, upon provision of relevant supporting documents. Applicants must submit a completed Refund Appeal Form to the Dean, Centre for Continuing Studies. A decision will be rendered in writing within 30 days, and all decisions are final. In lieu of a refund, applicants may be offered a course fee deferral credit at the discretion of the Dean. All refunds and deferred fee credits are subject to an administrative fee of $35 per cancellation transaction.
VCC Downtown Campus

Live, study, work

VCC’s CS classes are centrally located in downtown Vancouver. Students have easy access to transit, parking, restaurants, salons, shopping centres, and countless other businesses right outside our doors.

THE HEART OF THE CITY

VCC wedding and event instructor shares favourite places close to Downtown campus.

If anybody knows the best places in the VCC neighbourhood, it’s Joy Dalla-Tina. She has been on campus in the evenings for 10 years in her role as Instructor in the Wedding and Event Program, and over the last three years as its Program Coordinator. Her roster of spots has expanded to include those open throughout the day. Here’s some of her top picks for food, drink, and even vitamins.

LUNCH
W. Restaurant + Bar (117 W. Pender)
This sushi restaurant is within walking distance of the campus, has a quaint yet modern vibe, with great food and service.

Nuba (207 W. Hastings)
Always tasty Lebanese food with friendly servers. At lunch you can order pita wraps which are filling and delicious.

VCC Cafeteria (250 W. Pender)
Restaurant quality food offerings at great prices, plus there is the additional and amazing Asian food counter too. I love supporting the college and our culinary students.

DINNER
Flying Pig Gastown (102 Water St.)
It’s a fun place for appies and the high ceilings make it feel airy and bright.

Bodega on Main (1014 Main St.)
My favourite restaurant in the city! I suggest ordering the tapas which is always fresh and tasty. The décor is rustic and very cozy. Always buzzing and super busy.

BAKED GOODS
Siefert Market (250 W. Pender)
For simply the best bread, cookies, and pizza at great prices you have to visit the VCC bakery. Again, it’s great to support the college’s students.

VITAMINS
Pure Pharmacy (238 Robson)
Knowledgeable staff with a great variety of high-quality vitamins and supplements. Bonus, they offer discounts to locals.
BAKING FEATURE

Bake with Bruno

Fans of The Great Canadian Baking Show will instantly recognize Bruno Feldeisen. After three successful seasons as a judge on the beloved baking program, the smiling, bespectacled pastry chef has quickly become a household name.

Less known, perhaps, is that Bruno not only calls Vancouver home, but also teaches part-time baking and pastry courses at VCC.

In one popular course, World of Breads (CUIS 1106), Bruno says his goal is to take away the fear of breadmaking. “It’s intimidating to a lot of people,” he says. The secret to better bread, according to Bruno, is to learn the essential steps but avoid getting stuck on a recipe. Rather, he encourages students to get a feel for the process, then get creative and have fun. “It’s OK to play around,” he says.

Why would a chef who has consistently wowed high-class diners from France to California to New York choose to teach baking basics? As a troubled teen, Bruno got his own start in the industry when a famous French chocolatier took him on as an apprentice. Today, he’s the one with a heart for anyone wishing to learn.

“I meet people who are very good bakers with great ideas,” says Bruno. “My work is always so professional, and I enjoy the challenge of communicating with people who don’t speak the same culinary language.”

VCC Continuing Studies offers baking courses from French pastry to chocolate showpieces at a fraction of the cost of private culinary schools. Flip to the next page to see the full offering.
BAKING AND PASTRY ARTS COURSES

CUIS 1121 CAKE MAKING AND DECORATING 1
Learn the fundamentals of cake decorating including techniques and how to use decorating tools. Develop skills in making different types of cakes, icings, and fillings.
$382 · 15 hours

CUIS 1137 CAKE MAKING AND DECORATING 2
Pick up tips and tricks of how to cover and decorate with fondant and marzipan. Master more complicated cake making including mousse cake in this intermediate level course. Learn fondant decorating techniques such as flower making using silicone moulds and cutters, as well as how to decorate with chocolate.
$382 · 15 hours

CUIS 1249 INTRODUCTION TO FRENCH PASTRY
French pastries are all about skills and bold flavors. Chef Bruno Feldeisen will teach students how to make delicious French pastries sure to impress family and friends.
$485 · 15 hours

CUIS 1129 SUGAR CRAFT AND DISPLAY
Learn the skill of cooking with sugar, such as sugar blowing, casting and pulling from one of Vancouver’s top pastry chefs. Make a pulled sugar flower and bow and sugar garnishes for cake or plated dessert such as angel hair, bubble sugar, and cage. Cook with isomalt and cast your showpiece.
$382 · 15 hours

CUIS 1106 WORLD OF BREADS
Bread is a delicious staple in many cultures around the world. Chef Bruno Feldeisen will take you on a virtual bread tour of Europe as you learn to make the best breads from Ireland, Italy, Germany, France, and Portugal.
$485 · 15 hours

CUIS 1250 INTRODUCTION TO CHOCOLATE
Learn a broad range of foundational skills. Discover how to temper chocolate using both traditional and modern techniques. Create individually moulded and hand-dipped chocolates, chocolate truffles, and ganache pralines in an assortment of flavours, textures, and finishes.
$560 · 21 hours

NEW – CUIS 1251 CHOCOLATE SHOWPIECES
Learn to create a range of handcrafted, moulded figurines and life-like chocolate flowers. These three-dimensional creations can be used for chocolate showpieces, cake decorations, and centrepieces. Gain the technical skills to reproduce these beautiful flowers and figurines at home or in a commercial kitchen. Prerequisite: VCC Introduction to Chocolate or knowledge in tempering chocolate.
$529 · 18 hours

WINE SOMMELIER

WSOM 1501 WSET AWARD IN WINE LEVEL 1
VCC has partnered with Statera Wine Academy to offer the Wine & Spirit Education Trust (WSET) wine qualifications. WSET Award in Wine Level 1 is designed for individuals new to wine study. This qualification provides a hands-on introduction to the world of wine. Explore the main types and styles of wine through sight, smell, and taste. Learn the basic skills to describe wines accurately and to make food and wine pairings. Upon successful completion, you will receive a WSET certificate and lapel pin.
$515 · 12 hours
Social Media Marketing Tips for Business and Non-Profits

By Tiffany Fok, and Milena Santoro, Social Media instructors at VCC

Everybody uses social media but the methodology differs depending on the user and the audience they are trying to capture. For this reason, VCC offers different options for business owners and non-profit coordinators. While there is some cross over in best practices, the tips specific to each industry are what will make a successful marketing campaign.

Best Practices
Be sure the visuals you create represent your brand, demographic, and message. Make sure there is consistency in the look and language. After you establish your brand, it is important to remain consistent whenever your audience interacts with you.

Engage; social media is a space to have a dialogue and share. Don’t forget that making a connection is the basis of creating relationships and can lead to opportunities. Social media offers a central place to collaborate and connect, and gain feedback from the community and stakeholders.

Business Tips
Find your brand. Your brand is your promise. It tells your audience what they can expect from you, and how you are different. A solid brand will help inform your voice on social media and create a tone for all visual and written communications.

Think about who your audience is, and what they want. The more specific you can narrow this down the more effective you will be. Your target audience is never everybody. By trying to target everyone, you end up speaking to no one!

Non-Profit Tips
Have a plan in place before using social media as a marketing tool. This should include a content calendar, chosen platforms, and curated images. Then create a social media policy to support this plan. The policy is your code of conduct that provides guidelines for employees and volunteers who post content either as part of their role or personally.

Showcase the people: clients, volunteers, staff, board of directors, partners etc., who are in front and behind the scenes day to day. The people who are dedicated to the success of your organizations are a valuable resources to help share your story and attract donors, volunteers, and even clients who may need your support.

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PERSONAL FINANCE

FNCE 1001 BUILDING A STOCK PORTFOLIO
How do you evaluate stocks? How do you read an annual or quarterly report? What is a growth stock, a value stock, and a dividend? This course explains how to build a portfolio of stocks and ETFs. Examine case studies of U.S. and Canadian companies like Amazon, Apple, Royal Bank, TD Bank, BCE, and CN to better understand why and how they've provided excellent investment returns. With an understanding of some of the technical yardsticks for a successful stock portfolio, like P/E ratios, return on equity, dividend yield, and cash flow, learners will create practice portfolios to apply their learning.

$206 · 6 hours

FNCE 1000 FINANCIAL LITERACY 101
To achieve your financial goals, you need to understand the vocabulary of money, and how our financial, credit, and investment systems work. This course is a survey of everything to do with money – from credit cards, mortgages and interest rates to stocks, bonds, ETFs, RSPs, and TFSA. Examine household budgets, personal audits, and other ways to track and control spending.

$206 · 6 hours

FNCE 1002 UNDERSTANDING THE STOCK MARKET
The stock market is a powerful tool for building wealth over time. This course explains how markets work, focusing on stocks, bonds, mutual funds, and ETFs. Examine the relative merits of using a financial or investment advisor versus setting up self-directed investing accounts, and how to make the best use of RSPs and TFSA.

$206 · 6 hours

NEW – FNCE 1103 RETIREMENT PLANNING
This course focuses on retirement planning from a financial perspective. We will look at how private and public pension plans work, and how to use RSP and TFSA accounts, as well as other investment tools to create a personal pension plan. To achieve your retirement goals you need to understand not just how to save and invest, but also how to spend and budget during retirement years.

$206 · 6 hours

BUSINESS COMMUNICATIONS

BUSI 1315 MEDIA AND PUBLIC RELATIONS
Build a foundation of knowledge and experience in the key concepts of communicating with the public. Topics include: audience analysis, stakeholder interaction, and developing messaging for press releases and sales letters.

$514 · 30 hours

CMPT 1437 SOCIAL MEDIA: MARKETING AND BRANDING
Using social media effectively means reaching new audiences and growing your business; however, with the amount of information being created every minute, it is important to use social media effectively. Each business has a unique brand that speaks to a unique group of people. Learn how to use social media effectively to better communicate your brand, and create consistent messaging to engage your audience. By looking at current trends, this course will help you look for new ways to navigate an ever-changing marketing tool.

$181 · 6 hours

CMPT 1420 SEO AND GOOGLE ANALYTICS
This course offers useful and practical information in measuring and managing website traffic. Discover how to increase your traffic via current search engine optimization (SEO) techniques, and monitoring your website activities with Google Analytics.

$405 · 15 hours

CMPT 1450 GOOGLE ADWORDS TRAINING
Create, develop, and optimize a professional Google AdWords campaign that sends high-quality traffic to a website, round-the-clock, seven days a week. Topics include pay per click (PPC) advertising, quality score, A/B testing, SEMrush, and Optmyzr. It is recommended that participants have a website, landing page or Facebook page to which they want to send traffic. Prior AdWords experience is not required. Ideal for small business owners, entrepreneurs and marketing professionals, or those who want to develop marketing skills and learn how to set up search campaigns and remarketing ads.

$405 · 15 hours

CMPT 1511 VISUAL ANALYTICS WITH TABLEAU
This course covers the basic features and functionality of Tableau, a data analytics and business intelligence software. Gain an overview of visual data analytics, and through working with data, learn how to create, sort, group, and filter sets. Hands-on practice will be provided through Tableau's desktop/prep interface to clean and shape data.

$405 · 15 hours

BUSINESS AND TECHNICAL WRITING CERTIFICATE
The need for communicators in Canada's technical sectors is growing. Learn how to adapt complex writing into language that appeals to general audiences. This program delivers convenient and concentrated skill development in technical writing, providing short-duration writing skills training that will improve students' communication skills and contribute to employment success.

$1,839 program
Courses can be taken individually

REQUIRED COURSES
TECW 1101 Technical Communication
TECW 1102 Current Issues in Technical Writing
TECW 1103 Editing
TECW 1104 Document Project Management
TECW 1105 Proposal Writing
TECW 1106 Online Documentation
TECW 1107 Designing and Writing Manuals
TECW 1108 Industry Report Writing
TECW 1110 Information Design and Human Factors
PROJECT MANAGEMENT
BUSI 1103 PROJECT MANAGEMENT
Explore the project management discipline, gain insight into the application of project management and form a framework for successful implementation of techniques and practical tools. Learn the basics of planning, controlling and implementing projects. Provides the basics for those seeking project management professional certification.
$309 · 12 hours

SMALL BUSINESS
Note: There is a $100 discount for students who register for all 10 courses at the same time. Learn more: vcc.ca/smallbusiness
SMBU 1101 ENTREPRENEURIAL SKILLS
Discover what it takes to begin a small business, including how to set objectives and determine your entrepreneurial style.
$90 · 3 hours
SMBU 1102 MARKET YOUR BUSINESS
Learn to identify your target market, evaluate the competition, and determine the potential market for your products and services.
$90 · 3 hours
SMBU 1103 SMALL BUSINESS MANAGEMENT
Explore the fundamentals of small business management, including human resources and time and stress management.
$90 · 3 hours
SMBU 1104 SMALL BUSINESS BOOKKEEPING
Discover bookkeeping basics, forecasting and budgeting in a small business environment.
$90 · 3 hours
SMBU 1105 UNDERSTANDING FINANCIAL NEEDS
Identify your financial needs and those of your business while examining methods to determine initial business investments.
$90 · 3 hours
SMBU 1106 HUMAN RESOURCES
Examine the human resource processes relating to recruiting, dismissing, paying, and setting policies in a small business environment.
$90 · 3 hours
SMBU 1107 FINANCE STATEMENTS AND PLANNING
Learn to prepare and interpret a statement of income, a balance sheet, a cash budget, and cash flow.
$90 · 3 hours
SMBU 1108 LEGAL OBLIGATIONS
Analyze the pros and cons of the principal three legal structures as well as legal and financial obligations.
$90 · 3 hours
SMBU 1109 FINANCING YOUR BUSINESS
Explore different sources of financing and banking and how applications are evaluated.
$90 · 3 hours
SMBU 1110 PREPARING YOUR BUSINESS PLAN
Explore and practice the essentials of creating a business plan.
$90 · 3 hours

LEADERSHIP AND MANAGEMENT
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BUSINESS LEADERSHIP AND MANAGEMENT CERTIFICATE
Leadership and management courses combine to equip emerging leaders with the knowledge, skills, and confidence that enable them to successfully lead, supervise, and manage in the public, private, or non-profit sectors. Required courses focus on timely and topical foundation themes while electives highlight issues related to proven leadership practices and skills to help achieve leadership potential.
$4,112 program
Courses can be taken individually

REQUIRED COURSES
LEAD 1150 Introduction to Business
LEAD 1151 Human Resource Management
LEAD 1152 Finance
LEAD 1153 Sales and Marketing Management
LEAD 1154 Business Ethics

ELECTIVE COURSES
Two of the following from the Management Skills for Supervisors Certificate:
MSKL 1101 Interpersonal Communication Skills
MSKL 1102 Team Skills
MSKL 1103 Essential Management Skills
Four of the following from the Leadership Certificate:
LEAD 1101 Critical Thinking
LEAD 1102 Managing Change
LEAD 1104 Problem Solving and Action Planning
LEAD 1105 From Conflict to Collaboration
LEAD 1108 Facilitation Skills for Team Leaders
LEAD 1109 Speak Up
LEAD 1110 Creative Thinking at Work
LEAD 1111 Stepping Up to Leadership
LEAD 1112 Using Leadership Language
LEAD 1113 Building a Productive Team
LEAD 1114 Finding Time for Results
LEAD 1119 The Science and the Art of Leadership
LEAD 1138 Business Communication for Leaders
LEAD 1169 Challenging Personalities
LEAD 1171 Training for High Performance
Two of the following from the Leadership Coaching Associate Certificate:
LEAD 1115 Coaching for High Performance
LEAD 1116 Essential Leadership Coaching Skills
LEAD 1117 Skill Coaching
LEAD 1118 Taking Your Leadership Coaching to the Next Level
LEAD 1120 The Coach’s Toolkit
LEAD 1121 Team Coaching
LEADERSHIP CERTIFICATE
Become a more effective leader. This program is designed for students from a range of industries, locations, and professional backgrounds. Students will develop a set of essential practical skills and the knowledge, mindset, and leadership abilities needed for success in today's challenging corporate environment.

$2,448 program · 6 hours each
Courses can be taken individually

REQUIRED COURSES
LEAD 1102 Managing Change
LEAD 1104 Problem Solving and Action Planning
LEAD 1108 Facilitation Skills for Team Leaders
LEAD 1111 Stepping Up to Leadership
LEAD 1112 Using Leadership Language
LEAD 1113 Building a Productive Team

ELECTIVE COURSES
Choose six elective courses from the following:
LEAD 1101 Critical Thinking
LEAD 1105 From Conflict to Collaboration
LEAD 1109 Speak Up
LEAD 1110 Creative Thinking at Work
LEAD 1114 Finding Time for Results
LEAD 1115 Coaching for High Performance
LEAD 1119 The Science and the Art of Leadership
LEAD 1138 Business Communication for Leaders
LEAD 1169 Challenging Personalities
LEAD 1171 Training for High Performance

LEADERSHIP COACHING ASSOCIATE CERTIFICATE
Coaching is vital in fields where performance is valued. This program guides students through the process of achieving leadership success. By fostering genuine coaching partnerships that inspire and support the exploration of new ideas, students will learn to effectively utilize peoples’ creativity and ingenuity to reach organizational goals.

$1,224 program · 6 hours each
Courses can be taken individually

REQUIRED COURSES
LEAD 1115 Coaching for High Performance
LEAD 1116 Essential Leadership Coaching Skills
LEAD 1117 Skill Coaching
LEAD 1118 Taking Your Leadership Coaching to the Next Level
LEAD 1120 The Coach's Toolkit
LEAD 1121 Team Coaching

LEADERSHIP COACHING CERTIFICATE
Effective leaders motivate using strong coaching skills. This program teaches leaders how to connect with and manage their teams, enabling them to identify goals and priorities while working through obstacles to reach those goals. Leadership coaching connects leadership development with team management strategies to help achieve goals and objectives.

$2,448 program · 6 hours each
Courses can be taken individually

REQUIRED COURSES
LEAD 1102 Managing Change
LEAD 1104 Problem Solving and Action Planning
LEAD 1108 Facilitation Skills for Team Leaders
LEAD 1111 Stepping Up to Leadership
LEAD 1112 Using Leadership Language
LEAD 1113 Building a Productive Team
LEAD 1115 Coaching for High Performance
LEAD 1116 Essential Leadership Coaching Skills
LEAD 1117 Skill Coaching
LEAD 1118 Taking Your Leadership Coaching to the Next Level
LEAD 1120 The Coach’s Toolkit
LEAD 1121 Team Coaching

MANAGEMENT SKILLS FOR SUPERVISORS CERTIFICATE
Receive practical, up-to-date supervisory/management training in three core areas: interpersonal communication skills, team skills, and essential management skills.

$1,239 program
Courses can be taken individually

REQUIRED COURSES
MSKL 1101 Interpersonal Communication Skills
MSKL 1102 Team Skills
MSKL 1103 Essential Management Skills

VOLUNTEER MANAGEMENT
VCC has partnered with the Volunteer Management Institute to offer a program designed specifically for volunteer managers and those who work or volunteer in the non-profit sector. With diverse topics such as leadership and management, risk management, training and development, ethics, and event planning, these one-day courses provides essential skills for anyone managing volunteers or working in a non-profit agency. Learn strategies for effective volunteer management and contribute to the success of your organization by aligning your learning with its mission and values. Receive a VCC Statement of Completion for each course and upon completion of four courses be eligible to apply to the Volunteer Management Institute for a certificate. These one-day courses can be taken individually.
VOLT 1101 VOLUNTEER MANAGEMENT FOUNDATIONS
This interactive workshop provides an overview of the volunteer management cycle from inception to execution. Learn essential skills for building a sustainable volunteer program and engage in a variety of skill-building activities to enhance your effectiveness as a volunteer manager.

$225 · 5 hours

VOLT 1102 LEADERSHIP AND MANAGEMENT FOR VOLUNTEER MANAGERS
Gain a comprehensive understanding of your leadership style and use this knowledge to build capacity as a leader. Consider how your leadership impacts your volunteers, clients, staff and vendors, and implement a plan to ensure success.

$225 · 5 hours

VOLT 1103 RISK MANAGEMENT FOR VOLUNTEER MANAGERS
Having a risk management plan will protect your organization, staff, volunteers, and clients. Learn to make risk management a part of your organization’s culture so that you can put your organization, rather than the risk, in charge.

$225 · 5 hours

VOLT 1104 ORIENTATION, TRAINING AND SUPERVISION OF VOLUNTEERS
Increase your ability to engage volunteers, run dynamic orientations, provide effective training, and support and supervise volunteers. These skills will increase the capacity of your volunteer program by helping your volunteers gain expertise, expand responsibility and move into leadership roles.

$225 · 5 hours

VOLT 1105 VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION AND RETENTION
Effective organizations recognize and reward the contributions of their volunteers. Learn to provide growth and development opportunities as well as to validate contributions and retain great volunteers in your organization.

$225 · 5 hours

VOLT 1106 MUTUAL PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS
Successful performance reviews provide opportunities for open communication between you, your volunteers, and your organization. Learn to implement an effective mutual performance plan to sustain and re-energize your volunteers through valuable performance assessment.

$225 · 5 hours

VOLT 1107 ETHICS AND FISCAL MANAGEMENT FOR VOLUNTEER MANAGERS
Ethics and fiscal management are the building blocks for the success of any organization. Learn about ethical leadership, financial management, and strategies to maximize efficiencies by being fiscally responsible.

$225 · 5 hours

VOLT 1108 BOARD DEVELOPMENT
Designed for both new board members looking to learn more about their roles and experienced board members looking to enhance their skills. Learn roles and responsibilities of board members as well as strategies to engage teams and avoid staff and volunteer burnout.

$225 · 5 hours

VOLT 1109 POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR VOLUNTEER MANAGERS
Policies and procedures are important guides that will assist you and your volunteers in your roles. Learn to create and manage effective policies and procedures in order to better direct your role and planning processes.

$225 · 5 hours

VOLT 1110 EVENT PLANNING FOR VOLUNTEER MANAGERS
Events are critical to the success of many non-profit organizations – whether it’s a fundraiser, volunteer appreciation, bottle drive, or information session. Learn to create successful events that achieve the goals and objectives of your organization while also using time and resources effectively.

$225 · 5 hours

VOLT 1111 SOCIAL MEDIA FOR NON-PROFITS
Social media has proven to be so powerful that many businesses and non-profit organizations have implemented it in their communications and marketing strategies. Having a strong online presence is especially important for non-profit organizations, whose causes rely heavily on their supporters. This one-day session provides an overview of social media which will help you initiate, improve, and increase your community engagement.

$225 · 5 hours

VOLT 1112 MARKETING FOR NON-PROFITS
The strategies and tactics used to identify, create and maintain satisfying relationships with customers that result in value for both the customer and market. Learn the process of connecting the right products or services to the consumer at the right place, the right time, and the right price.

$225 · 5 hours

VOLT 1201 GRANT WRITING ESSENTIALS
Designed for individuals responsible for developing funding proposals to granting agencies in the non-profit sector. Learn the essentials of putting together a successful proposal to key funding organizations. Gain the skills to think strategically in the development of your project proposal. Learn to build project logic models, describe why funding programs are created, and what funders are trying to achieve with their programs. The class explores the key elements in proposals such as need and outcomes. Craft the essential pieces of a working project. Workbook included.

$257 · 6.5 hours
SPORT AND RECREATION MANAGEMENT CERTIFICATE
Build industry experience while developing the necessary skills, knowledge, and abilities for success in the sport and recreation industry. Gain comprehensive knowledge of sport and recreation in Canada including organizational structures, governance, and career opportunities in local, provincial, national, and international associations. Learn more: vcc.ca/sport-rec
$5,160 program
Courses can be taken individually
Contact: sportmanagement@vcc.ca

REQUIRED COURSES
LEAD 1150 Introduction to Business
LEAD 1151 Human Resource Management
LEAD 1152 Finance
LEAD 1153 Sales and Marketing Management
LEAD 1154 Business Ethics
MSKL 1101 Interpersonal Communication Skills
SPRT 1110 Introduction to Sport and Recreation Management
SPRT 1120 Sport and Recreation Planning
SPRT 1130 Sport and Recreation Media and Public Relations
SPRT 1140 Sport and Recreation Event Management
SPRT 1150 Sport and Recreation Practicum

WEDDING AND EVENT MANAGEMENT CERTIFICATE
Designed for individuals entering the event and wedding planning, special event, business leadership and management, and public relations industries. Learn from industry experts who emphasize the development of technical and professional skills, which will foster individual growth and creativity.
Learn more: vcc.ca/wedding-event
$4,237 program
Courses can be taken individually
Contact: weddingevent@vcc.ca

REQUIRED COURSES
BUSI 1315 Media and Public Relations
EVNT 1107 Destination Weddings
EVNT 1108 Wedding Planning
EVNT 1109 Event Planning
LEAD 1150 Introduction to Business
LEAD 1151 Human Resource Management
LEAD 1152 Finance
LEAD 1153 Sales and Marketing Management
LEAD 1154 Business Ethics

OFFICE ADMINISTRATION
officeadmin@vcc.ca · vcc.ca/business

OACP 1105 INTRODUCTION TO PAYROLL
$214 · 24 hours

OACP 1129 ACCOUNTING FOR THE NON-ACCOUNTANT
Learn general accounting terms, the role of an accountant, and how to prepare and interpret financial statements. Please note that a textbook may be required for this course.
$200 · 18 hours

OACP 1130 INTRODUCTION TO BOOKKEEPING
Learn the procedures that comprise the accounting cycle of a service business: transactions, journals, general ledgers, trial balances, and financial statements.
$226 · 24 hours

BUSINESS ENGLISH
These courses are designed for students with a solid understanding of English who are interested in improving their business English. The courses are not designed as ESL classes. We recommend taking the courses in the following order:

OACP 1104 GRAMMAR REVIEW BUSINESS WRITING
Review sentence structure with an emphasis on avoiding sentence fragments, run-on sentences, and passive verbs. Practice rewording and condensing. Review the most common grammatical errors made by business writers and learn to improve style and punctuation.
$112 · 6 hours

OACP 1106 BUILDING POWERFUL VOCABULARY
Learn vocabulary-building tips such as recognizing context clues, understanding confused/misused words, and identifying word parts.
$112 · 6 hours

OACP 1103 WRITING BUSINESS LETTERS
Develop and use business-writing principles such as the active voice, positive tone, and modern language. Practice using different letter formats and structures.
$112 · 6 hours

OACP 1107 MEMOS, EMAILS AND REPORTS
Overview of standard structure, style, and format for memos, emails, and reports. Examine email etiquette and business writing processes. Learn how effective use of modern and powerful business language will lead to positive results.
$112 · 6 hours
OACP 1123 BUSINESS ENGLISH SKILLS TEST
Students must complete this course at the end of the Business English Skills package.
No charge · 3 hours

COMMUNICATION/WORK SKILLS
OACP 1145 EFFECTIVE ORAL COMMUNICATIONS
This course is for people wishing to learn or improve their public speaking skills. Once completed, credit for the course can be applied towards an office administration certificate in administration and supervision or legal office skills.
$250 · 18 hours

KEYBOARDING
OACP 1101 KEYBOARDING FOR SPEED BUILDING
Improve computer skills in a supportive environment. Increase speed and accuracy through exercises, drills, and techniques. Students must know key locations or take Keyboarding for Beginners (OACP 1102) prior to taking this course.
$172 · 18 hours

OACP 1102 KEYBOARDING FOR BEGINNERS
An overview of topics including key letters, numbers, and symbols; common errors; keyboarding tips; and the importance of good posture. Skills and techniques are developed through in-class practice lessons.
$152 · 18 hours

LEGAL OFFICE SKILLS
The following five legal office skills courses may be taken all together during one term, or individually over several terms. Students requiring these courses to meet the paralegal certificate/diploma program's legal requirement must complete and pass the Legal Office Package Tests administered at the end of the five legal office skills courses.

OACP 1113 INTRODUCTION TO LEGAL OFFICE PROGRAM
Covers law firm types, the roles of legal support staff, and the different areas of law. Learn about the contents of the Legal Office Package.
$62 · 3 hours

OACP 1114 CIVIL LITIGATION
Discuss the levels of court in British Columbia. Study procedures of a civil case, from Writ of Summons to trial, judgment, and execution.
$112 · 9 hours

OACP 1115 CORPORATE
Learn the steps of incorporating a British Columbian company and maintaining minute books.
$112 · 9 hours

OACP 1116 FAMILY LAW
Learn about British Columbia’s family court system and the various procedures and forms used in matrimonial law.
$112 · 9 hours

OACP 1117 CONVEYANCING
An overview of the responsibilities of conveyancing staff and the process of completing a typical residential conveyance.
$112 · 9 hours

OACP 1120 LEGAL OFFICE PACKAGE TESTS
Administered at the end of the Legal Office Skills courses (Civil Lit OACP 1114, Corporate OACP 1115, Family Law OACP 1116, Conveyancing OACP 1117); this course allows students to write all four Legal Skills course tests.
No charge · 3 hours

OFFICE ADMINISTRATION – ADMINISTRATION AND SUPERVISION CERTIFICATE
The office administration certificate – administration and supervision program is designed for students who wish to upgrade their office skills for certification, or begin a career in the office workplace.
$3,033 program
Courses can be taken individually

REQUIRED COURSES
OACP 1102 Keyboarding for Beginners
OACP 1103 Writing Business Letters
OACP 1104 Grammar Review Business Writing
OACP 1106 Building Powerful Vocabulary
OACP 1107 Memo, Emails, and Reports
OACP 1123 Business English Skills Test
OACP 1126 Office Procedures
OACP 1127 Supervisory Management/Decision Making
OACP 1128 Records Management 1
OACP 1145 Effective Oral Communications
Plus one of:
OACP 1105 Introduction to Payroll
OACP 1129 Accounting for the Non-Accountant
OACP 1130 Introduction to Bookkeeping

ELECTIVE COURSES
Choose five courses from this list:
OACP 1101 Keyboarding for Speed Building
OACP 1122 Effective Notes and Minutes
CMPT 1301 Word Excel PowerPoint
CMPT 1302 Introduction to Computers and File Management
CMPT 1303 Internet Applications
or from courses in these program areas:
Leadership Certificate
Management Skills for Supervisors Certificate
Office Administration: Legal Office Skills Certificate
Office Administration: Medical Office Skills Certificate
Office Administration: Records Management Skills Certificate
OFFICE ADMINISTRATION – LEGAL OFFICE SKILLS CERTIFICATE
The office administration certificate – legal office skills program is designed for students who wish to upgrade their office skills for certification, are beginning a career in the legal office workplace, or are wanting to satisfy the paralegal program entrance requirements. Courses focus on the administrative support skills needed to succeed in legal office environments.

$3,277 program
Courses can be taken individually

REQUIRED COURSES
OACP 1102 Keyboarding for Beginners
OACP 1103 Writing Business Letters
OACP 1104 Grammar Review Business Writing
OACP 1106 Building Powerful Vocabulary
OACP 1107 Memo, Emails, and Reports
OACP 1113 Introduction to Legal Office Program
OACP 1114 Civil Litigation
OACP 1115 Corporate
OACP 1116 Family Law
OACP 1117 Conveyancing
OACP 1120 Legal Office Package Tests
OACP 1123 Business English Skills Test
OACP 1127 Supervisory Management/Decision Making
OACP 1138 Legal Terminology
OACP 1139 Legal Office Procedures
OACP 1140 Legal Ethics and Confidentiality

Plus one of:
OACP 1105 Introduction to Payroll
OACP 1129 Accounting for the Non-Accountant
OACP 1130 Introduction to Bookkeeping

ELECTIVE COURSES
Choose five courses from this list:
OACP 1101 Keyboarding for Speed Building
OACP 1122 Effective Notes and Minutes
OACP 1141 BC Online Searches
OACP 1142 Advanced Conveyancing
OACP 1145 Effective Oral Communications
OACP 1211 Wills and Estates
CMPT 1301 Word Excel PowerPoint
CMPT 1302 Introduction to Computers and File Management
CMPT 1303 Internet Applications

or from courses in these program areas:
Leadership Certificate
Management Skills for Supervisors Certificate
Office Administration: Administration and Supervision Certificate
Office Administration: Medical Office Skills Certificate
Office Administration: Records Management Skills Certificate

OFFICE ADMINISTRATION – MEDICAL OFFICE SKILLS CERTIFICATE
The office administration certificate – medical office skills program provides an introduction to terminology, procedures, practices, records, forms, billings, and routines. Courses focus on the administrative support skills needed to succeed in medical office environments.

$2,087 program
Courses can be taken individually

REQUIRED COURSES
OACP 1102 Keyboarding for Beginners
OACP 1103 Writing Business Letters
OACP 1104 Grammar Review Business Writing
OACP 1106 Building Powerful Vocabulary
OACP 1107 Memo, Emails, and Reports
OACP 1108 Medical Terminology 1
OACP 1109 Medical Terminology 2
OACP 1111 Medical Office Procedures
OACP 1123 Business English Skills Test
OACP 1127 Supervisory Management/Decision Making
OACP 1137 Medical Office Billing
OACP 1155 Clinical Procedures
OACP 1156 Medical Document Transcription

OFFICE ADMINISTRATION – RECORDS MANAGEMENT CERTIFICATE
The office administration certificate – records management skills program provides an introduction to the systematic control of all office records, from their creation or receipt through processing, distribution, organization, and retrieval to their ultimate disposal. Courses involve lectures, presentations, discussions, practical examples, and individual and group work.

$1,968 program
Courses can be taken individually

REQUIRED COURSES
OACP 1102 Keyboarding for Beginners
OACP 1103 Writing Business Letters
OACP 1104 Grammar Review Business Writing
OACP 1106 Building Powerful Vocabulary
OACP 1107 Memo, Emails, and Reports
OACP 1123 Business English Skills Test
OACP 1126 Office Procedures
OACP 1127 Supervisory Management/Decision Making
OACP 1128 Records Management 1
OACP 1146 Records Management Advanced
OACP 1147 Records Management Specialized

Plus one of:
OACP 1105 Introduction to Payroll
OACP 1129 Accounting for the Non-Accountant
OACP 1130 Introduction to Bookkeeping
PARALEGAL CERTIFICATE
This certificate program helps experienced paralegals and legal administrative assistants expand their professional opportunities. By increasing your knowledge and capabilities, you will be able to manage greater responsibility, work more independently, and advance your career.

$3,987 program
Courses can be taken individually with approval

REQUIRED COURSES
LEGL 1202 Canadian Legal Process
LEGL 1204 Torts
LEGL 1205 Legal Communications
LEGL 1207 Legal Research
LEGL 1208 Paralegal Practicum
LEGL 1209 Contracts
LEGL 1210 Agency and Business Structures

PRACTICE AREA COURSES
Complete all four courses in one of the following practice areas:

• LITIGATION

• REAL ESTATE/CONVEYANCING

• CORPORATE

• FAMILY LAW/ESTATES

ELECTIVE COURSES
Complete two of the following:
LEGL 1306 Securities – Corporate
LEGL 1410 Securities 2
LEGL 1403 Court of Appeal Practice
LEGL 1409 Bankruptcy and Foreclosures
LEGL 1401 Evidence
LEGL 1405 Intellectual Property
LEGL 1470 Criminal Law Procedures

PARALEGAL DIPLOMA
Combining fundamental legal study with instruction and hands-on practice, this program develops intellectual and professional skills in the law. Attain an understanding of fundamental principles of law and receive theoretical and practical training in areas such as litigation, real estate, conveyancing, corporate law, and family law and estates while building the foundation needed to begin a career.

$7,445 program
Courses can be taken individually with approval

REQUIRED COURSES
LEGL 1202 Canadian Legal Process
LEGL 1204 Torts
LEGL 1205 Legal Communications
LEGL 1207 Legal Research
LEGL 1208 Paralegal Practicum
LEGL 1209 Contracts
LEGL 1210 Agency and Business Structures

PARALEGAL – PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT
LEGL 1180 ELECTRONIC DISCOVERY AND LITIGATION TECHNOLOGY
This course introduces the basics of electronic discovery and litigation technology by providing practical information that can be used immediately at your workplace. It is not province specific and will cover governing legislation in B.C. and other provinces. Suited for legal administrative assistants, paralegals, and other professionals in related fields. Keep your skills current and add valuable and practical training to your professional portfolio.

$425 · 21 hours

GLADUE REPORT WRITING CERTIFICATE
Learn how to apply a Gladue approach to plan, organize, write, and present Gladue Reports. These assist the Canadian Judicial System in making well-informed decisions with the goal of addressing over-incarceration of First Nations, Métis, Inuit, and Non-Status Peoples. Email: gladue@vcc.ca

$5,188 program – Application Required

REQUIRED COURSES
GLDU 1201 Professionalism Gladue Writing
GLDU 1203 Impacts of Colonization
GLDU 1205 Indigenous People and the CJS
GLDU 1207 Capturing the Sacred Story
GLDU 1209 Gladue Report Writing
GLDU 1211 Gladue Report Capstone
My Gemmologic journey from Kenya to VCC.
By Salim Jiwa, Jewellery Instructor

My name is Salim Jiwa, I'm from Kenya and have been involved in the gemstone industry since 1978. My late father was a businessman with interests in farming. In 1968, while digging a well to tap into an underground water source on the farm, he inadvertently came across a fair quantity of alluvial garnets at about a 20-foot depth. This is how his interest in gemstones began and lead him to become a prospector and self-taught geologist.

I entered the industry in 1978 as a junior ‘sorter’ in the family's lapidary business. Nothing beats hands-on training from a father who had a deep passion for gems and mineralogy. As I grew in the business, my training took me through sorting and grading a variety of rough gems, to becoming a skilled cutter; cutting and polishing most varieties of East African coloured stones under the watchful eyes of my father and highly skilled Master Gem Cutter, Peter Mmasi.

I attended the Gemological Institute of America (GIA), Santa Monica campus in 1980 and completed a course in coloured stones and diamond grading. My curiosity in precious metals also gave me the opportunity to apprentice with a highly experienced Master Jeweller, Leslie Lopez.

My passion in the trade grew rapidly and I worked closely with my father in growing the business to include exporting rough and polished gems internationally. Experiences such as the Gem & Jewellery Shows in Basel Switzerland, Bangkok Thailand and the famous Tuscon Show added to his excitement in this field. Entry into Tsavorite mining activities in 1982 was the pinnacle of his journey in this intriguing industry.

When the opportunity to be an instructor at VCC presented itself, I jumped on it! I love the energy when the room is full of like-minded individuals with a passion for rocks and minerals! Students learn how to transform a semi-precious rock or a part of a slab into a finished cabochon that will eventually be set in a piece of jewellery. My goal is to feed their inquisitive minds and share the skills that will get them closer to their goals whether that is a hobbyist or full-fledged member of the industry.

Jewellery courses can be found on page 217.
FASHION DESIGN & PRODUCTION CERTIFICATE
Prepare for career success and further education in the fashion and apparel industries by developing creative and technical skills and knowledge. After completion, you will have the foundational skills required for entry-level positions in the fashion industry. Put products out into the world, while designing and producing independently and collaboratively. Graduate with industry experience and build the foundations of a professional network.

$15,939 program · Application required

REQUIRED COURSES
FSHN 1101 Fashion Cycle 1  
FSHN 1103 Fashion Cycle 2  
FSHN 1105 Fashion Fundamentals  
FSHN 1107 Illustration and Design 1  
FSHN 1109 Pattern Drafting 1  
FSHN 1111 Sewing Techniques 1  
FSHN 1113 Draping  
FSHN 1201 Fashion Cycle 3  
FSHN 1203 Fashion Cycle 4  
FSHN 1205 Fashion History  
FSHN 1207 Illustration and Design 2  
FSHN 1209 Pattern Drafting 2  
FSHN 1211 Sewing Techniques 2  
FSHN 1215 Technical Fashion Illustration 1  
FSHN 1301 Fashion Cycle 5  
FSHN 1305 Fashion Marketing  
FSHN 1313 Fabric and Textile Studies  
FSHN 1315 Technical Fashion Illustration 2  
FSHN 1319 Textile Surface Design  
FSHN 2101 Fashion Cycle: Project Preview  
FSHN 2103 Fashion Cycle: Project Final  
FSHN 2105 Business Planning  
FSHN 2109 Computer Aided Drafting  
FSHN 2115 Fashion Portfolio  
FSHN 2321 Practicum

FASHION DESIGN & PRODUCTION DIPLOMA
Prepare for career success and further education in the fashion and apparel industries by developing creative and technical skills and knowledge. Through this diploma program, you will apply your skills and knowledge in the execution of your creative vision. Prepare for a career in apparel companies or entrepreneurship upon graduation. Graduate with industry experience and build the foundations of a professional network.

$23,170 program · Application required

REQUIRED COURSES
FSHN 1101 Fashion Cycle 1  
FSHN 1103 Fashion Cycle 2  
FSHN 1105 Fashion Fundamentals  
FSHN 1107 Illustration and Design 1  
FSHN 1109 Pattern Drafting 1  
FSHN 1111 Sewing Techniques 1  
FSHN 1113 Draping  
FSHN 1201 Fashion Cycle 3  
FSHN 1203 Fashion Cycle 4  
FSHN 1205 Fashion History  
FSHN 1207 Illustration and Design 2  
FSHN 1209 Pattern Drafting 2  
FSHN 1211 Sewing Techniques 2  
FSHN 1215 Technical Fashion Illustration 1  
FSHN 1301 Fashion Cycle 5  
FSHN 1305 Fashion Marketing  
FSHN 1313 Fabric and Textile Studies  
FSHN 1315 Technical Fashion Illustration 2  
FSHN 1319 Textile Surface Design  
FSHN 2101 Fashion Cycle: Project Preview  
FSHN 2103 Fashion Cycle: Project Final  
FSHN 2105 Business Planning  
FSHN 2109 Computer Aided Drafting  
FSHN 2115 Fashion Portfolio  
FSHN 2205 Overseas Production  
FSHN 2209 Pattern Grading  
FASH 2215 Fashion Portfolio  
FSHN 2321 Practicum

FASHION MERCHANDISING ASSOCIATE CERTIFICATE
Receive an introduction to the business and operations of fashion with a mind to the future in an ever-evolving industry. Learn from industry-experienced instructors, integrate theoretical knowledge and practical skills in business fundamentals and fashion theory.

$3,059 program  
Courses can be taken individually

REQUIRED COURSES
FASH 1176 Merchandising Fashion  
FASH 1204 Fashion Forecasting  
FASH 1301 History of Fashion  
FASH 1401 Fashion Retail Management  
FASH 1402 Retail Buying  
FASH 1405 Fashion Marketing and Promotion  
FASH 1408 Fashion Styling  
FASH 2201 Textiles

FASHION COURSES
FASH 1118 INTRODUCTION TO INDUSTRIAL SEWING MACHINES
Whether you want to take your home sewing to the next level or take the first step in a career in fashion, industrial sewing machines are key for professionally sewn products. Learn how to safely operate and troubleshoot an industrial straight-stitch sewing machine, industrial sergers, and irons. Successful completion of this course will allow you to use our industrial sewing machines in other workshop courses.

$58 · 3 hours

FASH 1119 PATCHWORK TECHNIQUES: POJAGI
This traditional Korean patchwork technique, also known as Pojagi, uses waste scraps to make something new and beautiful. Pojagi have many possible uses, but are commonly used as wrapping cloths, table coverings, and curtains. In this workshop, you will complete a small wrapping cloth, or begin a larger project.

$169 · 6 hours
FASH 1136 FASHION SHOW PRODUCTION
Learn all the elements required to produce a fashion show or event. These skills are put into immediate practice through the production of a real fashion event.
$449 · 24 hours

FASH 1150 FASHION ILLUSTRATION
Improve your fashion illustration skills, update your drawing style, and prepare a portfolio while learning the basics of fashion drawing and the variety of media involved. Render a variety of fabric, study the work of well-known illustrators, and draw from a live model.
$409 · 30 hours

FASH 1154 SEWING – BEGINNERS LEVEL 1
Learn to use industrial sewing machines to practice your skills and construct two simple garments. Perfect for beginner sewers, or those building a portfolio for acceptance into a fashion design program.
$390 · 30 hours

FASH 1158 SEWING – BEGINNERS LEVEL 2
Continue to build skills in sewing and construction techniques. Choose a pattern from the given list and learn how to take personal measurements and compare them to the pattern measurements.
$394 · 30 hours

FASH 1159 TAILORING
Tailoring is now more accessible to both professional and home sewers, thanks to modern developments in technique and technology. In this course, students will construct half-scale samples to understand and document the tailoring process. This course requires learners to have intermediate sewing skills.
$394 · 30 hours

FASH 1162 MILLINERY 1
Learn the secrets of millinery, as we use traditional materials and methods of pattern drafting to create a boater style hat, then we will push the boundaries of your imagination to create a unique, eye-catching fascinator.
$279 · 18 hours

FASH 1181 COUTURE DRAPING
Explore processes of creating garment designs directly on a 3-D body. Manipulate, mould and shape fabric to create skirts and tops while gaining an understanding of fabric grain, desired design, and bias cuts.
$394 · 30 hours

FASH 1183 CORSETRY
Learn the proper methods of construction and fit to create Victorian and Elizabethan corsets. Domestic sewing machines are available, or bring your own.
$389 · 30 hours

FASH 1160 PERSONAL PATTERN MAKING 1 – BOTTOMS
Learn to make patterns to your own measurements with accurate fit. Construct a set of men’s or women’s personal blocks (slopers), and learn to use them as the foundations for the pattern manipulation, design, and construction of a skirt, trouser, or jean. Course provides assistance to students who are building a portfolio for acceptance into a fashion design program. Requires basic sewing experience. Those who have taken FASH1154 or FASH1118 (or relevant experience) may use VCC industrial sewing machines. Otherwise, domestic machines are available, or option to bring your own, or complete sewing at home.
$409 · 30 hours

FASH 1170 PERSONAL PATTERN MAKING 2 – TOPS
Learn to take personal measurements to draft the torso and sleeve block/sloper. Use ½ scale blocks to learn to manipulate blocks into various styles before developing a full scale personal top or dress pattern. After completing the pattern, the design will be cut in muslin and sewn up for a fitting. This course can assist students building a portfolio for a fashion design program.
$409 · 30 hours

NEW – FASH 2185 LAUNCH AND BUILD A FASHION BRAND
Selling is the biggest challenge for new designers. In this course, you will learn how to adapt your collection to make it viable for wholesale. Learn how to conduct a professional showing for buyers, and attract stockists for an effective launch. Navigate the fashion calendar, manage orders and deliveries, and set strategic sales targets to build your fashion brand.
$300 · 15 hours

NEW – FASH 1123 MINIMIZE YOUR FASHION IMPACT
Empower yourself as a fashion industry consumer by understanding the impacts of the production life cycle and fabric choices. The course will teach you to make your clothing go further through styling and simple sewing. Culminating in the creation of a personal manifesto on clothing consumption.
$200 · 12 hours
CANADIAN GEMMOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION, ACCELERATED FULL-TIME PROGRAM DIPLOMA

GEMM 1110 GEMMOLOGY ACCELERATED PROGRAM
Learn to be a professional gemmologist. VCC offers an accelerated full-time daytime intensive program during the summer, only for students wishing to acquire the background needed to write the exam required to receive a Canadian Gemmological Association Diploma (FCGmA). The course content for this program is identical to the course content in the part-time program. Students who have completed the CGA’s professional gemmology program, have passed their Canadian exams, and have earned their credentials as an FCGmA (Fellow of the Canadian Gemmological Association), now have the opportunity to write their Gem-A exams (Diploma and Practical) and gain their FGA credentials without taking the Gem-A course. The Canadian Gemmological Association and Gem-A are educational partners.
$10,187 program · Application required

CANADIAN GEMMOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION PART-TIME PROGRAM
This program covers the scientific, aesthetic, and historic aspects of gemmology. Become skilled with a wide range of gemmological equipment and learn to test and identify a variety of gemstones. Learn to differentiate between natural and synthetic gemstones and recognize various treatments and enhancements of gemstones. The study of basic diamond, coloured stone, and pearl grading, are included. Students who have completed the CGA’s professional gemmology program, have passed their Canadian exams, and have earned their credentials as an FCGmA (Fellow of the Canadian Gemmological Association), now have the opportunity to write their Gem-A exams (Diploma and Practical) and gain their FGA credentials without taking the Gem-A course. The Canadian Gemmological Association and Gem-A are educational partners.
Application required

REQUIRED COURSES
GEMM 1101 PRELIMINARY YEAR GEMMOLOGY
$4,245 · 99 hours

GEMM 2101 DIPLOMA YEAR GEMMOLOGY
$6,242 · 195 hours

MASTERVALUER PROGRAM
GEMM 3101 MASTERVALUER APPRAISAL PROGRAM
Developed by Anna Miller, an international expert in appraisal science, the MasterValuer Program in jewellery appraisal studies, is internationally recognized as the premier jewellery appraisal-training program in the world. The MasterValuer is recognized worldwide, and is a program which focuses on the appraisal of jewellery only. The instruction includes extensive hands on work and examinations of many jewellery items.
$5,799 program · 90 hours

GEMMOLOGY COURSES
GEMM 1102 PRELIM EXAM PREP
This class will prepare you for the writing of the Canadian Gemmological Association’s Preliminary examination. You must have taken the CGA Preliminary Gemmology course and be familiar with the course notes. Registration required.
$385 · 12 hours

GEMM 1156 FEI CUI JADE 1
Fei Cui is the most mysterious and fascinating gemstone in the world. The three Jade types (Jadeite, Omphacite, and Kosmochlor) offer many variations of colour and texture, generating many beautiful and valuable varieties. This course introduces you to how Fei Cui is formed, its rainbow colours and popular varieties, as well as its stimulants in the market. Samples will be provided and you may also bring your own Jade pieces to evaluate.
$149 · 3 hours

GEMM 1157 FEI CUI JADE 2
Fei Cui is one of the most complex and difficult gem materials to be valued and appraised. Learn how to valuate Fei Cui jade by using the Standard Testing Method developed by Hong Kong according to ISO 19025. Samples will be provided and you may also bring your own Fei Cui pieces to evaluate.
$149 · 3 hours

GEMM 1158 PEARL GRADING AND VALUATION LAB
This one day practical lab is for the gemmologist/appraiser looking for hands-on experience grading and valuating pearls.
$147 · 6 hours

GEMM 2130 CGA DIAMOND GRADING
An intensive, hands-on course which will provide knowledge and skill in the grading of colourless, round brilliant cut diamonds. Students will have the opportunity to examine many dozens of diamonds in the extensive hands-on practical class.
$2,121 · 35 hours

NEW – GEMM 1141 CABOCHON CUTTING INTRODUCTION
This hands-on course is for those wanting to get into the exciting world of cutting and polishing gemstones. Learn how to select the ideal rough material. Go on to learn about the use of traditional grinding and polishing methods to transform a ‘pebble’ into a beautiful polished gem, which can then be fashioned into a beautiful piece of jewellery.
$499 · 24 hours
JEWELLERY COURSES

JEWL 1103 JEWELLERY TECHNIQUES 1
Learn basic techniques in jewellery making including piercing, filing, soldering, shaping, forming, design layout and application.
$555 · 24 hours

JEWL 1104 JEWELLERY TECHNIQUES 2
Expand your knowledge and learn new fabricating techniques at your own jeweller's bench in this intermediate workshop.
$555 · 24 hours

JEWL 1112 PEARL STRINGING TECHNIQUES 1
Learn the basic methods of stringing pearls or beads in one fun-filled day.
$152 · 6 hours

JEWL 1116 JEWELLERY REPAIR
In this workshop you will learn how to do basic jewellery repairs. You will be shown how to size rings, solder chains, replace gem stones, repair clasps and other mechanical components. Learn to examine and assess the piece before working on it. Some jewellery-making experience is required.
$658 · 24 hours

JEWL 1117 STONE SETTING
Learn to set: bezels of round, faceted fancy and cabochon stones, claw (basket) set round stones, and rub (gypsy) set rounds.
$558 · 24 hours

JEWL 1118 LOST WAX CARVING AND CASTING
This course introduces students to wax carving and the lost wax casting process.
$604 · 24 hours

JEWL 1120 INTRODUCTION TO RHINO
Develop your design and computer skills through an introduction of 3D Modeling of conceptual designs for visualizing or fabricating jewellery, consumer product goods, architectural presentations, and anyone who needs to model or prototype products for manufacturing.
$443 · 12 hours

JEWL 1131 SUPERVISED JEWELLERY WORKSHOP
During course hours you will have supervised access to the workshop to work on projects.
$338 · 24 hours

JEWL 1132 MAKE A RING IN A DAY
Design and fabricate a sterling silver band ring. Learn basic sawing, soldering, forming, finishing, and texturing skills.
$366 · 8 hours

JEWL 1133 MAKE A COPPER BOWL IN A DAY
Learn the small-scale metal working techniques needed to make a 6” diameter copper bowl.
$366 · 8 hours

JEWL 1135 STONE SETTING IN JEWELLERY 2 – PAVÉ SETTING
Be taught how to properly use an “onglette graver” to pavé set stones. Learn the detailed steps for pavé setting including correctly laying out stones, drilling metals to prepare the bed for the stones, correctly seating stones in position, raising beads, cutting and cleaning, and bright cutting and finishing. $682 · 24 hours

NEW – INTO 1181 COLOUR & YOUR WORLD: HISTORY, AESTHETICS AND PSYCHOLOGY OF COLOURS
This informative and highly interactive course provides education on how colours influence and enrich our everyday lives. Learn the role of colour palettes in different civilizations throughout history with emphasis on Western art & culture. On a more personal level, you will deepen your understanding of the qualities and characteristics of color while learning how colours impact and shape common perception of the world around us.
$350 · 24 hours
MDRT Graduate Samantha Shone’s Career Success

When Samantha Shone graduated from VCC’s Medical Device Reprocessing Technician (MDRT) program in 2006, she had no idea her career would lead her to Africa and to writing papers for the American Journal of Infection Control.

In 2012, as fresh graduate, Samantha expressed interest in volunteering with the Uganda Sustainable Trauma Orthopaedic Program (USTOP). The University of British Columbia (UBC) program takes health care professional from a variety of fields such as surgeons, nurses, physiotherapists, and MDR technicians to Africa to conduct workshops and training for staff at the one tertiary hospital in Uganda with the capacity to manage complex orthopaedic trauma injuries.

During two, two-week long visits in 2012 and 2013, Samantha offered educational workshops, suggestions and modifications to the workflow in the MDR labs at Mulago Hospital.

“It was a lot of work and a big time commitment. While I was there though I was able to see the impact our processes had on the patients. The experience made me better at my job. It made me think more sustainably and creatively about our approaches here in Canada.”

Samantha’s experience in Africa also furthered her resumé as she co-authored “Sterile Reprocessing of Surgical Instruments in Low and Middle Income Countries- a Multi-Centre Pilot Study.” But her impressive resumé doesn’t end there. She is the Coordinator of Medical Device Reprocessing Department at the University of British Columbia Hospital, a role usually reserved for Registered Nurses, and has been the provincial advisor for Canadian Association of Medical Device Reprocessing since 2016.

“I never thought that an MDRT would be invited overseas or could be a coordinator, but I have made an impact and it’s so rewarding. It’s not an easy job, but it is meaningful.”

Flip to the next page for info on VCC’s MDRT program.
FOODSAFE

HLTH 1101 FOODSAFE LEVEL 1
FoodSafe Level 1 is a food handling, sanitation, and work safety course designed for front line food service workers such as cooks, servers, bussers, dishwashers, and deli workers. In this day-long course, you will learn current industry standards for food health and safety.

$99 · 8 hours
This course is offered every second Saturday (holidays exempt).

HEALTH CARE WORKERS PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

HLTH 1327 MEDICATION MANAGEMENT FOR HEALTH CARE ASSISTANTS
Health care assistants seeking employment in assisted living facilities will benefit from taking this course. The growing role of medications in assisted living settings has made the ability to dispense them increasingly crucial. Prerequisite: Students must be Health Care Assistants or Care Aides.

$344 · 14 hours

MSKL 1104 INTERPERSONAL COMMUNICATIONS – HEALTH
Gain broad and practical interpersonal and teamwork skills to develop stronger communication, decision-making, and assertiveness for the workplace. Learn skills in conflict resolution, teamwork, leadership, and empowerment.

$414 · 24 hours

MEDICAL DEVICE REPROCESSING TECHNICIAN CERTIFICATE
Acquire the knowledge and skills to be able to reprocess reusable medical devices. Graduates will be eligible to apply for entry-level medical device reprocessing technician positions in hospitals and private clinics throughout Canada.

$9,648 program · Application required

ENTRANCE COURSES
MSKL 1104 Interpersonal Communication Skills
OACP 1108 Medical Terminology 1

REQUIRED COURSES
MDRT 1201 Medical Device Reprocessing Theory
MDRT 1211 Medical Device Reprocessing Clinical

NURSING

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NURSING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT
Prerequisite: Current RN/RPN/LPN Licensure from any province of Canada required to register.

HLTH 1151 GENTLE PERSUASIVE APPROACHES (GPA) IN DEMENTIA CARE
Care providers and family caregivers who interact with older adults in the dementia context face situations of risk every day in Canada. GPA is a practical evidence-based dementia education curriculum that teaches care providers how to use a person-centered, respectful, compassionate, and gentle persuasive approach to respond to the behaviors associated with dementia. GPA is a multidisciplinary education program and is widely recognized in over 1,700+ organizations. Whether you are a registered health care professional, personal support worker, student, volunteer, house keeper, security staff, driver, or work with older adults with dementia, your learning will be immediately applicable.

$237 · 7.5 hours

HLTH 1295 PHARMACOLOGY REVIEW
Practice math calculations and refresh your theory associated with administering medications in this distance course.

$325 · 7 hours

HLTH 1271 PHYSICAL ASSESSMENT FOR NURSES
Through a combination of theory instruction and lab practice, students will have the opportunity to review the body systems and practice a method of completing a comprehensive assessment of the client.

$237 · 7 hours

HLTH 1315 DISTANCE IV THERAPY
Gain knowledge in locating sites, selecting equipment, insertion, adjusting flow rates, identifying complications, and selecting interventions for the adult patient receiving IV therapy.

$233 · 7 hours

HLTH 1403 IV THERAPY AND INSERTION
This course is designed to prepare the RN/LPN to initiate and maintain peripheral intravenous infusions. Through a combination of theory instruction and lab practice, students will develop their skills in IV insertion and maintenance, learn how to minimize patient discomfort and complications, and increase insertion success rates.

$237 · 7 hours
The dedicated ECCE Space
By Katarina Jovanovic, Program Coordinator

VCC’s Early Childhood Education program has operated since the 1970s without a dedicated space... until now. It was mid-August, the new fold-up tables had not arrived yet and we had a lot to accomplish if we wanted our new space to be ready for the start of 2019/20 school year. Yet, we moved around in excitement trying to verbalize the importance of the moment: “This is a dream come true! Historical!

The Reggio Emilia approach to teaching young children underlines that the environment acts as a third teacher. It has been stated that planning for teaching could be seen as planning for place-making as the environment can productively support children’s development.

The environment is an essential aspect of every childcare program and should therefore be an important component in early childhood education training. Prospective early childhood educators learn how to create a nurturing and stimulating childcare program environment from the experience of their own learning space.

The new space is split in two - half of the classroom is composed of four mock learning areas: dramatic play, language and literature, science and manipulative; the other half is a regular classroom equipped with tables that are easy to fold up and move around. The set up of the classroom changes based on the content we teach: it becomes an art studio, a storytelling circle, a music room or a science lab. Students are invited to take initiative in their own learning and the construction of the environment. We want to promote the importance of space in early learning by integrating the space design as an essential component of our program.

Collaboration and partnership are an important attribute of their profession, so two cohorts share two rooms. Both have sinks, large cupboard space, and bulletin boards. The new additions to our learning environment facilitate other areas of training crucial for the job: the organization of resources, working with families, documentation, and the creation of aesthetically pleasing and welcoming classroom for young children. VCC’s ECCE programs are on page 27.
COUNSELLING SKILLS

BASIC COUNSELLING SKILLS – PREREQUISITE COURSE

CNSK 1401 BASIC COUNSELLING SKILLS
This course is geared towards those interested in the field of counselling. Examine the nature and process of client-centered counselling and gain the skills foundational to most models of counselling and practice in a supervised setting. Receive experiential learning regarding the client-counsellor relationship. Successful completion of this course is one of the admission requirements for entry into VCC’s Counselling Skills Foundation Certificate program.

$543 · 12 weeks

COUNSELLING SKILLS FOUNDATIONAL CERTIFICATE
This certificate program is designed for those who are entering the social service field, or are currently employed and wish to upgrade their skills. Obtain practical and experiential learning that is grounded in theory and evidence-based practice. The program concludes with a practicum in which students work or volunteer in a support position within a community setting.

$7,033 program

COURSES
CNSK 1502 Foundations of Counselling
CNSK 1503 Theories of Counselling
CNSK 1504 Introduction to Family Systems
CNSK 1505 Individual Counselling Skills
CNSK 1506 Lifespan Development
CNSK 1507 Diversity, Inclusion, and Culture
CNSK 1508 Assessment Practices
CNSK 1509 Personal and Professional Development
CNSK 1510 Indigenous Perspectives
CNSK 1511 Practicum

COUNSELLING SKILLS PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT
These courses are intended for working professionals and those with previous experience or training in a human services field (such as counselling, youth work, settlement services, social work, or healthcare). Keep your skills current and add valuable and practical training to your professional toolbox.

$333 - $685

PROGRAM SPECIFIC ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS
In order to register for these courses, one of the following is required: professional registration with a regulatory body in the field of counselling, social work, or healthcare; successful completion of a degree, diploma, or certificate in the human services field; or by permission of the VCC counselling skills program coordinator.

COURSES
CNSK 1408 Group Counselling Skills
CNSK 1414 Vocational Counselling Skills

GLADUE REPORT WRITING CERTIFICATE
Learn how to apply a Gladue approach to plan, organize, write, and present Gladue Reports. These assist the Canadian Judicial System in making well-informed decisions with the goal of addressing over-incarceration of First Nations, Métis, Inuit, and Non-Status Peoples.

$5,188 program · Application required
Courses may be taken individually

REQUIRED COURSES
GLDU 1201 Professionalism Gladue Writing
GLDU 1203 Impacts of Colonization
GLDU 1205 Indigenous People and the CJS
GLDU 1207 Capturing the Sacred Story
GLDU 1209 Gladue Report Writing
GLDU 1211 Gladue Report Capstone

GLDU 1203 IMPACTS OF COLONIZATION PAST AND PRESENT
The goal of this course is to explore the key factors of colonialism that have led to the high rates of incarceration of Indigenous people in the Canadian Judicial System.

$591 · 30 hours

GLDU 1205 INDIGENOUS PEOPLE AND THE CANADIAN JUDICIAL SYSTEM
The goal of this course is to introduce students to the historical and contemporary relationship between Indigenous peoples and the Canadian judicial system.

$591 · 30 hours
ECCE ASSISTANT

ECCE 1176 ECCE ASSISTANT COURSE – HEALTH
Includes the basic information on the health, safety, and proper nutrition for young children (birth to six years of age). Students will be introduced to the licensing regulations, safety and hygiene measures related to child care.

$415 · Application required

ECCE CERTIFICATE

In this part-time program, prepare to work in licensed early learning and care settings in B.C. With a focus on children (birth to six years of age), this program offers students the knowledge and skills to provide high-quality service for young children and their families.

$7,801 program · Now accepting applications

REQUIRED COURSES

Year One
ECCE 1301 Foundations in ECCE
ECCE 1302 Field Study 1
ECCE 1303 Communications
ECCE 1304 Observing and Recording
ECCE 1305 Child Growth 1
ECCE 1306 Field Study 2
ECCE 1307 The Learning Child
ECCE 1308 Field Study 3
ECCE 1104 Child Growth 2
ECCE 1107 Guiding and Caring
ECCE 2305 Practicum 1

Year Two
ECCE 2301 Creative Art
ECCE 2302 Exploring Learning Environments
ECCE 2303 Field Study 4
ECCE 2304 Integrated Program Planning
ECCE 2306 Practicum 2
ECCE 2308 Language and Literature
ECCE 2309 Ecology of Family
ECCE 2102 Music and Movement
ECCE 2106 Field Study 5
ECCE 2115 Health, Safety and Nutrition
ECCE 2307 Practicum 3

ECCE POST-BASIC DIPLOMA

Prepare to work in licensed infant toddler and inclusive childcare settings. The ECCE Post-Basic Diploma includes three components: the Basic ECCE, and the integrated Post-Basic ECCE Infant Toddler, and Special Needs. Receive an enriched and comprehensive knowledge of child development and best practices in both areas: working with infants and toddlers, as well as children with exceptionalities. Each course in the program will cover integrated competencies from both specialty areas, which will result in a higher level of professional competence for graduates of the program.

$7,930 program · Application required

REQUIRED COURSES

Fall Term
ECCE 2313 Advanced Child Growth & Development IT/SN
ECCE 2314 Advanced Field Study IT/SN
ECCE 2315 Advanced Health, Safety and Nutrition IT/SN

Winter Term
ECCE 2200 Enhancing Family Relationships
ECCE 2300 Childcare Administration

Spring Term
ECCE 2316 Role of the Caregiver IT
ECCE 2317 Role of the Caregiver SN
ECCE 2320 Professional Perspectives
ECCE 2235 Infant Practicum
ECCE 2230 Special Needs Practicum 1

Fall Term
ECCE 2316 Role of the Caregiver IT
ECCE 2317 Role of the Caregiver SN
ECCE 2335 Toddler Practicum
ECCE 2330 Special Needs Practicum 2

FAMILY CHILD CARE – GOOD BEGINNINGS

ECCE 1202 GOOD BEGINNINGS
Caring for a small group of children in your own home is a rewarding experience and meets a critical need for quality child care. Offered in partnership with BC Family Child Care Association, this 36-hour course provides potential and current family childcare providers with the attitudes, knowledge, and skills to ensure a high-quality experience for young children and their families.

$472 · 10 evenings and 1 Saturday or self-paced

LEADERSHIP, ADMINISTRATION AND MANAGEMENT IN CHILD CARE

ECCE 2112 LEADERSHIP, ADMINISTRATION AND MANAGEMENT
Today’s childcare world is dynamic and complex and there are both opportunities and challenges that call for strong skills. Learn and practice leadership, administration, and management skills in a supportive environment, while building your confidence, knowledge base, and effectiveness, as you continue on your childcare career path.

$490 · Application required

SCHOOL-AGE CARE

ECCE 1113 INTRODUCTION TO SCHOOL-AGE CARE
The purpose of this course is to offer broad-based, foundational knowledge, and learning for people working or who plan to work in school-age programs. Key concepts include child growth and development, three school-age domains (group games, self-directed social play, and creative/fine arts), curriculum/program development, care and guidance, best practice, and elements of the British Columbia Early Learning Framework.

$418 · 36 hours
Language and Travel tips for Buenos Aires, Argentina

By Liliana Wolkowicz, VCC Spanish Instructor

Buenos Aires is the capital and largest city in Argentina. Located in front of the Rio de la Plata, it is a modern, dynamic and radiant city that features European architecture and absorbs the passion of its people, the “porteños” (people of the port).

Sightseeing and Attractions

La Boca - Caminito. The famous “Caminito” is a long pedestrian street where all the houses are made of metal sheets, painted in different colours with many windows and balconies. Along the street; arts and crafts vendors, painters and tango dancers. The name of the street was inspired by a famous tango called Caminito” written in 1926 by Gabino Coria Peñaloza and Juan de Dios Filiberto.

San Telmo. This square is considered a National Historical Place because on July 9, 1816 people celebrated the independence of the country. Nowadays, it is the home of the “Antiques Fair of San Telmo”.

Puerto Madero. The original docks and warehouses of the port of the Rio de la Plata were renovated and turned into a wide, modern and colourful area with movie theaters, restaurants, and five star hotels.

Spanish colloquialisms

“No hay mal que por bien no venga” “Every cloud has a silver lining”

It is often said in ugly life situations to bring a bit of positivity.

“A caballo regalado no se le miran los dientes” “Don’t look a gift horse in the mouth”

When we receive something from above, something given for free, we do not look too closely at its details, or complain.

“Más vale pájaro en mano que 100 volando” “Better a bird in the hand than 100 flying”

This phrase refers to the idea that it is better to have something than to want more, as it will often leave you with nothing.
CWRI 1123 WRITING SPARKS TO COMPLETION
From generative prompts to places for publication and all the stages in between, this class provides modes and models for your own creative writing. With a primary focus on poetry, this class will also benefit the essayist or prose writer trying to recharge their connection to language. Through in-class exercises, lectures, discussions, and workshops, you will produce new poetry, non-fiction, or short fiction.
$256 · 18 hours

CWRI 1143 FINDING YOUR WRITER’S VOICE
Discover the many astonishing factors including emotional, cultural, and educational that inhibit or enhance your writing. Learn to make your writing flow the way it should.
$256 · 18 hours

CWRI 1162 THE PERSONAL NARRATIVE
Discover and refine your voice as a writer who can turn life experience into compelling and creative non-fiction. This workshop-based course guides you through the process of planning, writing, and revising two short personal pieces, with feedback from fellow students and the instructor.
$256 · 18 hours

CWRI 1169 SCREENPLAY WRITING
Explore concept development, structure, character, and dialogue in this intensive screenwriting course in a hands-on workshop environment. Get started with your fantastic idea for a film or TV series, and learn how to keep it all on track.
$256 · 18 hours

CWRI 1174 INTRODUCTION TO CREATIVE WRITING
Hone your writing skills, benefit from a series of exercises, and get involved in creative writing and critical reading in this course designed for beginner writers as well as those with previous writing experience. Workshop your own exercises and stories and receive valuable critique from fellow participants and the instructor.
$256 · 18 hours

CWRI 1175 ADVANCED SCREENPLAY WRITING
Execute screenwriting elements including structure, character development, world of the story, theme, agenda, actions, plot, and dialogue, and learn what to do with it once it’s ready. This course is an intensive six-week workshop for writers with first-draft feature or original television pilot scripts or completed treatments. Prerequisites: CWRI 1168 Screenplay Writing, and a complete script and/or script treatment for either a feature screenplay or original TV series pilot script.
$256 · 18 hours

NEW – CWRI 1180 ADVANCED WRITING SPARKS TO REFINEMENT
How can you elaborate on the poetry within any moment? What are the nooks and crannies of the imagination and how can you take up residence in the skull of a vole? From generative prompts to strategies for getting a book published and through all stages in between, this course will provide you with modes and models to add to your own creative writing practice. With a primary focus on poetry, this course will also benefit the essayist or prose writer. Through in-class exercises, lectures, discussions and workshops, the goal is to produce new poetry, non-fiction or short fiction. Intended for those who have experience in creative writing, this course will give add some new perspectives and strategies for your writing life.
$256 · 18 hours

NEW – CWRI 1181 WRITING TO HEAL YOUR LIFE
What hurts, what helps, what heals by Renée Sarojini Saklikar. Discover the power of creative writing through the use of journaling and expressive writing to navigate the challenges of loss, trauma, or illness. The instructor will share from her personal experience, offering guided techniques, prompts, and exercises as well as reading suggestions and step by step activities.
$256 · 18 hours

LANG 1118 ARABIC 1
Learn to speak Arabic with an easy-to-learn phoenetic system. Read and write the Arabic alphabet, learn vocabulary, and introduce situational dialogues. You will learn four language skills in this class: reading, writing, listening, and speaking.
$217 · 20 hours

LANG 1119 ARABIC 2
Further explore the Arabic language by developing listening and speaking skills with interactive activities. Build more vocabulary and understand the culture by studying communicative, situational, and cultural topics.
$217 · 20 hours

LANG 1123 CANTONESE 1
Study vocabulary, sentence usage and grammar in this comprehensive introductory course focusing on conversation. The use of phonetics and tones makes learning Cantonese easy.
$217 · 20 hours

LANG 1124 CANTONESE 2
Learn Cantonese with related grammar and vocabulary. Practice conversation with emphasis on correct pronunciation and tone. This course is for those who have taken level one or know the Cantonese Romanization system with some basic Cantonese.
$217 · 20 hours
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<td>Study conversational French in a fun and creative way. Learn the basics of situational and interactive topics through methods that make verbs, vocabulary, and grammar stimulating and easy to remember.</td>
<td>$207</td>
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<td>LANG 1138</td>
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<td>Build your confidence in speaking French, and improve your conversational skills as you learn more verbs and ways to express yourself.</td>
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<td>Study more verb tenses and build a solid foundation for communicating in this beautiful, musical and active language.</td>
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<td>Recap the ideas learned in French Level 1 and practice useful situational dialogues. Learn new socio-linguistic notions about the French language while perfecting pronunciation and intonation.</td>
<td>$111</td>
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<td>GERMAN 1</td>
<td>An introductory course to spoken German. Learn words, phrases, and sentences used during daily conversation. Understand the culture by studying situational and cultural topics.</td>
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<td>JAPANESE 1</td>
<td>Discover Hiragana, basic vocabulary, and sentence patterns for daily conversation. Study Japanese with fun games and role plays for an enjoyable learning experience.</td>
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<td>LANG 1110</td>
<td>JAPANESE 2</td>
<td>Learn Katakana, more vocabulary, and simple writing skills. Study forms and Japanese culture as part of the lessons.</td>
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<td>LANG 1126</td>
<td>KOREAN 1</td>
<td>Learn the Korean alphabet “Hangeul”, and build a vocabulary in an atmosphere of listening and speaking Korean. Participate in class activities and have fun learning basic Korean and Korean culture.</td>
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<td>LANG 1127</td>
<td>KOREAN 2</td>
<td>Expand your vocabulary and learn basic grammar points such as verb conjugations and sentence patterns. Master reading short passages and writing sentences while getting familiar with Korean language and culture.</td>
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<td>LANG 1130</td>
<td>MANDARIN 1</td>
<td>Study the “Hanyu” phonetic system, supplemented by the four tones, as a quick start to learning Mandarin. Learn sentence structure and vocabulary, as well as situational topics on daily conversations.</td>
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<td>LANG 1131</td>
<td>MANDARIN 2</td>
<td>Improve Mandarin speaking with situational dialogues in real life. Build on knowledge of “Hanyu” phonetics with more focus on pronunciation and tones.</td>
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<td>LANG 1101</td>
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<td>Learn Spanish understanding the basic structure of the language, basic vocabulary, and simple sentence structures, using appropriate forms of verbs in the present tense and future. By the end of this course, students will be able to function in simple conversations.</td>
<td>$248</td>
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<td>LANG 1102</td>
<td>SPANISH 2</td>
<td>Improve your learning by finding ways to improve your communication skills. Increase your knowledge by using the present tense, learn the past tenses to describe your activities in the past, the reflexive verbs to talk about your routines and direct and indirect pronouns to express likes and dislikes. Experience interactive, challenging activities, shared with other fellow learners in an easy-going class environment.</td>
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<td>Continue building a strong foundation of the Spanish language and increase your knowledge of Spanish while enhancing your conversational skills by integrating vocabulary, grammar, and Hispanic Culture. Improve your language with more vocabulary, idioms and new topics using the past imperfect, to describe and express actions that are repeated in the past, the imperative formal and informal to understand instructions and the subjunctive to give advice and suggestions.</td>
<td>$248</td>
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<td>LANG 1111</td>
<td>SPANISH CONVERSATION 1</td>
<td>Develop basic verbal skills through oral practice using different scenarios. Gain confidence for communicating with people in Spanish-speaking places. Prerequisite: LANG 1101 Spanish 1 or equivalent.</td>
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Find your foundation in the makeup industry

Today’s makeup industry looks a lot different than it did only 10 years ago. Combine smartphones and the need to be selfie-ready at all times with a thriving society of beauty bloggers and vloggers, factor in a trend towards self-care, and it all adds up to a beauty-industry boom.

While online shopping has typically meant an existential crisis for traditional retail, the Internet has opened the makeup market to a whole new generation. According to the latest research, the global cosmetics industry is currently worth over $500 billion USD and is predicted to reach almost $805 billion USD by 2023.

Makeup is big right now. For any self-proclaimed “makeup addicts” wondering how to turn their hobby into a career, there has never been a better time, and VCC’s newly redesigned makeup artistry program is the perfect place to start.

This part-time, introductory program teaches all the essentials of professional makeup artistry for a fraction of the cost of private training institutions. The certificate can be completed in nine months to a year, and classes are held during evenings and weekends only, allowing students to continue working or freelancing throughout their studies. To offer students an extra competitive edge, VCC course options for 2020 now include airbrush, hairstyling, and makeup for film and television.

In the ever-changing makeup industry, trained professionals can choose from a wide variety of fulfilling careers, with new niches constantly emerging in areas including augmented reality (AR) and apps, makeup for men and trans people, and natural or organic products.

While VCC’s makeup artistry certificate offers employment-ready skills for the beauty retail and freelance/bridal industries, it also serves as a professional launchpad for further training in other exciting careers ranging from runway makeup to stage, television, or film, and even medical makeup for people recovering from illness or surgery.

CONTACT THE MAKEUP DEPARTMENT

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MAKEUP ARTISTRY

Make-up: Joanne Hui, Model: Eurice Choi
Make-up by Madeleine Nocom
MAKEUP ARTISTRY CERTIFICATE

VCC Makeup Artistry Certificate is designed for individuals planning to enter the makeup industry. Taught by industry experts, the program emphasizes the development of technical and professional skills with the goal of fostering individual growth and creativity.

Develop the skills, confidence, and experience required to provide makeup artistry services and conduct business in all beauty and retail areas of the field. The program is part-time and offered on evenings and weekends, and allows students to work and maintain other commitments while achieving fundamental makeup training.

$2,844 program · Application required

Makeup kit cost approximately $1,800

REQUIRED COURSES

MKUP 1101 Makeup Artistry Fundamentals
MKUP 1102 Bridal and Event Makeup
MKUP 1103 Fashion and Photography Makeup
MKUP 1104 Freelance and Career Development

Choose two of the following elective courses:

MKUP 1105 Airbrush Makeup
MKUP 1106 Character Makeup
MKUP 1107 Introduction to Film and Television Makeup
MKUP 1109 Hairstyling for Makeup Artist

MAKEUP ARTISTRY PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

All MUA certificate classes are available for Professional Development. Please speak with the program coordinator for more details.

MKUP 1110 MAKEUP AND HAIRSTYLING FOR INDIAN BRIDAL

Learn advanced techniques for Indian bridal makeup application and hairstyling. Receive step-by-step demonstration and practice. Techniques covered will include creating flawless skin tone matching (highlight and contour methods), eye highlighting and contouring, glamour eye makeup and hairstyling/head dressing (Dupatta setting, Tikka setting, etc.) for South Asian clients.

Prerequisite: MKUP 1101 & 1102 or have a recognized certificate from another makeup institution.

Required kits to be purchased at the VCC Bookstore.

$463 · 24 hours

FOR THE LATEST: VCC.CA/CS

For the latest information on courses, schedules, requirements and fees, please check vcc.ca/cs.

This catalogue provides an overview of VCC CS programs and courses. In the case of a discrepancy between this publication and vcc.ca, the website will be considered the official guide.

For upcoming information sessions visit vcc.ca/infosessions.
New MOS certification launching at VCC

Read any job posting and you will find Computer and Microsoft Office skills listed as a requirement. You may have been using a computer since you were in elementary school, but does that give you the qualifications an employer is requesting? VCC Technology has a solution to prove you are equipped for the job.

The Microsoft Office Specialist (MOS) Certification exam lets you validate your skills in any of the following Microsoft Office applications: Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Outlook, and Access.

Visit our downtown campus and take the MOS exam to potentially receive a globally recognized certification. The exams vouchers are provided through CCI Learning, a Certiport Solution Provider and Microsoft Authorized Education Partner and are available as part of the total tuition price.

What does this mean for you?
It will add credibility to your resume and open doors for potential job opportunities. You can broadcast the accomplishment with digital badges on your website, social media, and networking platforms such as LinkedIn.

Is this only for VCC students?
This is open to anyone – students, alumni, employees, and community members.

How do I prepare for the exam?
There are plenty of options. Microsoft has a set of training resources or pick up one of the textbooks and start practicing in your own time. For hands-on, in-person learning, check out the Microsoft Office courses offered on page 35.

You can find out more about the Microsoft Office Specialist Certification exam on page 35.
ACCOUNTING SOFTWARE COURSES

CMPT 1362 QUICKBOOKS LEVEL 1
Learn how to perform daily accounting tasks including: working with the customer, employee, and the vendor centres; writing cheques, transferring money between accounts, and reconciling accounts; working with asset, liability, and equity accounts; processing sales orders and recording customer payments; accounts payable and accounts receivable; entering and paying bills; and basic payroll functions.
$389 · 18 hours

CMPT 1363 QUICKBOOKS LEVEL 2
Become familiar with the more advanced functions and capabilities of QuickBooks including: setting-up and tracking inventory; dealing with advanced tasks for receivables and payables; intermediate payroll functions such as running a payroll schedule, tracking your tax liabilities and paying payroll taxes; creating jobs and estimates; creating and tracking invoices; and customizing invoices and forms.
$389 · 18 hours

CMPT 1366 SAGE 50 ACCOUNTING LEVEL 1
Learn to perform daily accounting tasks using Sage 50 Accounting, which is used by many businesses in B.C. Explore the home window and learn the core functionality while accessing the important modules containing the accounting journals used to enter business transactions, including the General Journal, Accounts Payable, Accounts Receivable, and Payroll modules.
$389 · 18 hours

CMPT 1365 SAGE 50 ACCOUNTING LEVEL 2
Builds on Sage 50 Accounting level 1. Learn how to set up company data files, add users and use passwords, set up levels of security, activate and set up budgets, set up an account for bank reconciliation, use the banking and credit card features, set up and record foreign currencies, use the advanced payroll features, and learn more about projects or departments.
$389 · 18 hours

BASIC COMPUTER SKILLS

CMPT 1301 WORD EXCEL POWERPOINT
Comprehensive skills training in the most common business applications of MS Office for those working in an office environment. Learn to perform functions common to key Microsoft applications and examine communication between programs.
$449 · 30 hours

CMPT 1302 INTRODUCTION TO COMPUTERS AND FILE MANAGEMENT
For students with little to no background in computers. Building a foundation of basic computer skills, this module demonstrates how to identify different types of computers, the components of a personal computer and how these components work together. Topics include the knowledge and skills of accessing, storing, and managing files on local and remote computers.
$260 · 15 hours

CMPT 1303 INTERNET APPLICATIONS
Develop the knowledge and skills needed to understand a variety of internet security and safety issues. Discusses common internet features such as cloud security, searching strategies, e-commerce models, fraud detection, virus avoidance, email systems, social media, and collaboration systems.
$260 · 15 hours

DRAFTING AND DESIGN SOFTWARE

CMPT 1255 REVIT LEVEL 1
Revit software is a powerful design and documentation platform with applications in Building Information Modeling (BIM) systems, which includes architecture, construction, and structural engineering. In this training, students will be introduced to the basics of Revit and the process of creating architectural plans. Students will produce a set of drawings for a small commercial or residential project. Prior drafting and CAD knowledge, an asset.
$458 · 18 hours

CMPT 1256 REVIT LEVEL 2
Receive an introduction to advanced tools and techniques in Revit Architecture. Revit is a popular Building Information Modeling (BIM) application in the architectural industry. Gain an understanding on topics such as customizing stairs and railings, creating walls based on #D forms (mass), creating parametric family types, modeling sites, and rendering techniques. Apply the acquired skills to complete a small commercial project. Pre-requisite: Revit Level 1, or equivalent.
$458 · 18 hours

NEW – CMPT 1257 REVIT LEVEL 3
In this advanced course, create complete architectural plans of a building. Work in groups and learn to collaborate and link project files. Develop custom families as needed for their project.
$458 · 18 hours

CMPT 1703 SKETCHUP LEVEL 1
Learn to integrate 2D and 3D design and explores tools and functions including layers, adding textures and materials, components, and the 3D warehouse.
$244 · 6 hours

CMPT 1704 SKETCHUP LEVEL 2
Explores advanced SketchUp Make tools such as creating scene, field of views, shadows, extensions, plug-ins, and more. Pre-requisite: SketchUp Level 1, or equivalent.
$244 · 6 hours
CMPT 1707 SKETCHUP ADVANCED
Explores SketchUp Pro techniques such as dynamic components, dimensional drawings, presentation tools, and import/export. Pre-requisite: SketchUp Level 2, or equivalent.
$349 · 12 hours

CMPT 1951 AUTOCAD LEVEL 1
Learn how to create professional 2D drawings using AutoCAD. Starting with a thorough overview of AutoCAD's basic commands and features, this hands-on course covers drawing basic objects, modifying and changing properties of objects, working with layers, dimensioning, hatching, text, proper scaling and page setup for plotting and printing using layouts, and viewports.
$467 · 18 hours

CMPT 1952 AUTOCAD LEVEL 2
Provides intermediate users with more advanced AutoCAD skills needed to create professional drawings in 2D and 3D. Pre-requisite: AutoCAD Level 1, or equivalent.
$411 · 15 hours

OFFICE SOFTWARE
For Microsoft Word and PowerPoint training, please see BASIC COMPUTERS SKILLS.

CMPT 1155 MICROSOFT OFFICE SPECIALIST (MOS) CERTIFICATION EXAM
Get certified and validate your Microsoft Office skills. A MOS Certification is one of the easiest ways to demonstrate your Microsoft Office proficiency to current and potential employers. These certifications are globally recognized by institutions. Exam vouchers and invigilation fee included.
$89 · 2 hours

CMPT 1129 EXCEL LEVEL 1
Learn to work with worksheets and workbooks to analyze data using a variety of features to create, modify, and format common business reports such as budgets, reports, and charts. Create basic formulas, edit formulas, format, chart, and print. Prerequisite: CMPT 1302 or a working knowledge of Windows PC's.
$244 · 7 hours

CMPT 1131 EXCEL LEVEL 2
Create and explore charts and sparklines. Enhance worksheets and charts for visual appeal. Analyze and organize data, creating tables, and managing databases with built in table functions. Prerequisite: CMPT 1129 Excel Level 1 or equivalent.
$244 · 7 hours

CMPT 1132 EXCEL LEVEL 3
Learn to use advanced features when working with different types of reports. Explore increasing data entry with productivity tools, collaborating with others, what-if scenarios, data validation rules, goal seeking, data groups, sub-totaling, solver tool, and PivotTables/Chart. Prerequisite: CMPT 1131 Excel Level 2 or equivalent.
$244 · 7 hours

WEB AND GRAPHIC DESIGN COURSES

CMPT 1531 DESIGNING INFOGRAPHICS WITH GOOGLE TOOLS
Learn how to create visually appealing, interactive, and easily understandable infographics to capture an online viewer’s attention. Study design principles for effective communication through infographics and will utilize data sets for designing charts through Google Drive. Google Drive account required.
$72 · 3 hours

CMPT 1525 CREATING INTERACTIVE MAPS WITH MAPBOX
Mapping geo-spatial data is a highly specialized and desirable skill in today’s digital landscape because of the wealth of data available to the public and the effectiveness with which it can communicate meaning and engage online. The skills gained in this course have application in real-world situations in service of more effective communications, knowledge translation, and marketing goals. Learn the basic principles and skills related to interactive point-of-interest and choropleth maps. Free Mapbox account required. Prerequisite: basic knowledge of Microsoft Excel, or CMPT 1129.
$289 · 12 hours

CMPT 1401 HTML/CSS LEVEL 1
An introduction to HTML and CSS web page coding and structure. Designed for students with no previous coding/programming experience. Learn how to author web pages using HTML, edit existing HTML/CSS to maintain and update existing web content, and leave with a functional website of your own.
$405 · 15 hours

CMPT 1411 HTML/CSS LEVEL 2
For students with previous HTML and CSS experience who want to develop their skills. This course explores advanced HTML and CSS and introduces the JavaScript programming language. Learn how to set up documents and master pages, import text, advanced graphics, and how to use typography and styles. Please note that this course is taught on a Mac.
$405 · 15 hours

CMPT 1406 INDESIGN LEVEL 1
Adobe InDesign is the industry standard page layout program for multi-page print advertisement. This course is a comprehensive exploration of InDesign tools, panels, and basics. Learn how to set up documents and master pages, import text, advanced graphics, and how to use typography and styles. Please note that this course is taught on a Mac.
$405 · 15 hours

CMPT 1408 INDESIGN LEVEL 2
Cover intermediate to advanced features of Adobe InDesign. Learn to create interactive PDF files and Flash presentations of a design, create and style tables, manage long documents with hundreds of pages and books with multiple chapters, create an automated table of contents and index, manage styles, develop complex paths, advanced graphics, import and export data to external files, and create print-ready PDF files. Please note that this course is taught on a Mac. Pre-requisite: InDesign Level 1, or equivalent.
$405 · 15 hours
CMPT 1431 INTRODUCTION TO WORDPRESS
An overview of working with WordPress.com, an industry-leading blog platform. Build and maintain a website or blog without coding knowledge. Topics include setting up an account, creating and customizing posts, setting up pages and menus, installing themes, widgets and available plug-ins.
$181 · 6 hours

CMPT 1430 WORDPRESS WEB DESIGN
An overview of working with WordPress.org software, an industry-leading content management system (CMS). Build and maintain a website or blog without coding knowledge. Other topics include domain purchase and hosting, WordPress installation, page building, themes, plugins, widgets, search engine optimization, and website monetization with shopping cart, PayPal, and Google AdSense. Required: a valid credit card for registration of a domain and hosting for the duration of the course.
$405 · 15 hours

CMPT 1421 WEB DEVELOPMENT WITH JAVASCRIPT
Create an application that takes website visitor inputs, performs calculations in real time, and presents the visitors with the results of those calculations. Create and dynamically update web pages using Javascript, use Javascript to accept user inputs on a website and produce dynamic assets, and work with third-party APIs to pull real-time data into their website. Experience with basic web development (HTML/CSS or having taken CMPT 1401) is recommended.
$389 · 15 hours

MACD 1130 PHOTOSHOP LEVEL 1 (MAC)
From photography to web design, this course will help you learn the basics of Photoshop. Learn how to use Photoshop for image editing, graphic design, digital painting, and typography. Please note that this course is taught on a Mac.
$405 · 15 hours

CMPT 1403 PHOTOSHOP LEVEL 1 (PC)
Whether you are a designer, photographer, webmaster or beginner, Photoshop will make your images look great. Learn layer basics, image editing, and typographic design.
$405 · 15 hours

MACD 1127 ILLUSTRATOR LEVEL 1
Learn the fundamental Adobe Illustrator features such as working with vector shapes, text, menus, layers, transparency, colour, importing graphics, drawing, and the basics of page layout. Please note that this course is taught on a Mac.
$405 · 15 hours

MACD 1136 ILLUSTRATOR LEVEL 2
Learn advanced features such as creating and enhancing complex illustrations, perspective drawing, designing front-end layouts for websites, drawing maps, creating a vector version of a raster graphic, working with advanced colour settings, creating special effects, and preparing documents for composite and commercial printing. Please note that this course is taught on a Mac. Pre-requisite: Illustrator Level 1, or equivalent.
$405 · 15 hours

NEW – MACD 1162 MOBILE PHONE PHOTOGRAPHY
Learn to take better pictures with your mobile phone’s camera and techniques to take better self-portraits (selfies), food, action, or landscapes photographs. Through the use of photography techniques and tools, increase the quality of images taken for sharing on social media such as Instagram and other online platforms.
$131 · 6 hours

NETWORKING TECHNOLOGY CERTIFICATE
Develop skills in information technology. It is designed for those who are entering this area, or for those already employed in the field who wish to upgrade their skills.
$4,200 program · Application required
Courses can be taken individually.

REQUIRED COURSES
NETT 2113 Server Fundamentals
NETT 2122 Project + Management
NETT 2206 Directive Studies

ELECTIVE COURSES
Select three of the following courses as electives:
NETT 2104 Networking Fundamentals
NETT 2119 A+ Hardware
NETT 2107 Active Directory
NETT 2105 Security Fundamentals

PROGRAMMING
CMPT 1510 INTRODUCTION TO PYTHON PROGRAMMING
Learn how to program in Python, a powerful, fast, friendly, and open-source programming language. This basic programming course is ideal for those who want to learn how to program or those who are already a programmer in another language and want to learn Python. Specific topics include data types, functions, strings & lists, dictionaries, and regular expressions. Students should be comfortable with basic mathematics.
$419 · 18 hours

MUSIC TECHNOLOGY
MACD 1163 FILM SCORING AND COMMERCIAL COMPOSITION ESSENTIALS
Gain an understanding of what tools are necessary to successfully compose music for film, commercials and games. With the ubiquity of Digital Audio Workstation (DAWs), advanced sample libraries, and home studios, commercial composition is increasingly accessible to people with a wide range of abilities and experiences. Learn how film scoring works and obtain a clearer understanding of careers in this field.
$345 · 15 hours

MACD 1141 INTRODUCTION TO LOGIC PRO
Learn the basics of music production using Apple’s Logic Pro software. The course covers the tools necessary to write, produce, mix, and master music in Apple’s Logic Pro. Class time will be split between lectures and hands-on learning. This course will be taught on the Mac platform and students will be introduced to the basics of the Mac operating system.
$259 · 10 hours
Introducing Patricia Short, P. Eng., MBA, PID

Patricia teaches the Rick Hansen Foundation RHFAC™ Accessibility Assessor Training Course. The only program of its kind in Canada, Rick Hansen Accessibility Certification is a rating system modelled after LEED. It uses trained professionals to assess a commercial, institutional, or multi-unit residential building – as well as other elements of the built (man-made) environment, such as pathways or trails – and give it a rating that will help both owners and users understand the level of accessibility in that site.

How long have you been teaching?
I’ve been teaching at VCC since 2016 – when we ran the initial pilot for the course. Based on the success of the pilot, VCC introduced the course to the broader community in 2017. I also taught the course at Nova Scotia Community College in 2018. Since then, several colleges in Ontario and Alberta introduced the program. I am proud to say, however, it was at VCC where it all started!

Can you share an interesting thing about your journey?
I had the privilege of working with the Rick Hansen Foundation to design and develop the curriculum for this course. I had joined the foundation as a volunteer in 2014, because I wanted to work with an organization that I believed in and use my professional skills to make a difference. My 30-plus year career included working as a civil engineer with Bell Canada, earning an MBA, then switching gears to retrain as an IT consultant. Through the consulting work, I discovered a love of teaching and went back to school to obtain a Provincial Instructor Diploma at VCC. It was this combination of skills and experience that uniquely qualified me to shift from volunteer to instructional designer/consultant for the foundation.

What is Vancouver’s most accessible building?
Vancouver International Airport (YVR). It achieved a “gold” (highest) level of certification under the RHFAC program.

What is your best piece of advice for someone starting out in this industry?
To be successful, one needs to start by developing an understanding of people and how they experience the built environment. Rating a building can be quite subjective at times – it is as much an art as a science. You have to look at each site individually to judge how it is used and determine how well it serves all the people who use it based on their entire experience. Everyone, regardless of who they are, should be able to navigate a site from the moment they arrive to the time they leave, without adaptation.
REAL 1140 POOL OPERATOR LEVEL 1
Gain the necessary training to become a pool operator. Topics include pool chemistry, pathogens, water testing, circulation, filtration, disinfection, chemical handling, pool regulations, and worker safety. This course meets the requirement under the Health Act for appropriate pool operator training. Successful students receive a certificate from BC Recreation and Parks Association (BCRPA).
$296 · 14 hours

BUILDING MANAGER CERTIFICATE
Building management is a growing industry throughout British Columbia and there is an increasing need for well-trained managers for residential, commercial, and industrial complexes. VCC’s building manager certificate is designed to provide a strong foundation for students who wish to begin a career in this competitive field, or to improve the skills of current caretakers/managers.
$1,602 program

REQUIRED COURSES
REAL 1101 Law and Tenant Relations
REAL 1102 Building Maintenance and Cost Control
REAL 1103 Building Cleaning
REAL 1110 Building Service Management

DISPUTE RESOLUTION
VCC’s Arbiter of Student Issues (ASI) provides neutral support to VCC students experiencing conflict relative to college policies. Call 604.871.7000, ext. 7040.

COUNSELLING
Free, professional, and confidential counselling is available to help VCC students set goals, manage workloads, choose careers, and deal with stress, anxiety, and personal matters. Make an appointment by calling 604.871.7000, option 2 or visiting vcc.ca/counselling.

REAL 1130 BUILDING SERVICE WORKER
This comprehensive full-time program provides the skills, experience and hands-on practice in the building service worker industry. Train with experienced professionals both in the classroom and on the job during your practicum experience. Study all elements of building service including commercial cleaning, team cleaning, and equipment training. In addition, learn valuable job skills such as self-employment and resume development. Participants will also gain certification in WHMIS and FOODSAFE.
$1,548 · 8 weeks · Full-time

RICK HANSEN FOUNDATION
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HLTH 1115 RICK HANSEN FOUNDATION ACCESSIBILITY CERTIFICATION™ (RHFAC) ACCESSIBILITY TRAINING
The RHFAC Accessibility Assessor training combines theory and hands-on practice to train individuals who are planning, designing, and constructing the built environment to understand accessibility from the perspective of people with disabilities, and measure the accessibility of their venues. Participants learn how to deliver consistent, professional site evaluations that determine the level of access for people with disabilities.
$1,571 · 48 hours · Full-time · Broadway campus

SERVICES FOR STUDENTS
Get the help you need to succeed in your studies at VCC and beyond.

CAREER SERVICES
Research your chosen field, search listings, write a resume, and access valuable resources on VCC’s online hub for job seekers. Visit vcc.ca/careerservices.

DISABILITY SERVICES
VCC welcomes students of all abilities. Please contact us four months in advance of classes beginning to arrange access to specialized equipment or other accommodations. Call 604.871.7000, option 2, email disabilityservices@vcc.ca, or visit vcc.ca/disabilities.

EAT. SHOP. MORE.
There are benefits to having a culinary school on campus – not to mention a bakery, a salon, a dental clinic, and an auto shop. Visit vcc.ca/services.

INTERPRETING SERVICES
VCC provides high-quality, personalized interpreting for Deaf, Deafblind, and hard of hearing students. Voice call 604.871.7000, ext. 7518, email interpreting@vcc.ca, text/FaceTime 604.328.8742, or visit vcc.ca/interpreting.

INDIGENOUS SERVICES
Furthering reconciliation through education. Learn more and connect with us by visiting vcc.ca/indigenous.

LEARNING CENTRES
VCC offers free tutoring, academic workshops, and a variety of educational resources at Learning Centres located at both the Broadway and Downtown campuses. Visit vcc.ca/tutoring.

WIRELESS INTERNET SERVICE
Free, fast, and reliable Wi-Fi is available at all VCC campuses. Students can access VCC’s Wi-Fi by logging in with a VCC account. Guests receive two hours of free access.
EXPERIENCE VCC
Explore 120 programs at our open house.

MAY 6  3-6 PM
VCC BROADWAY CAMPUS
1120 E. 7th Avenue, Vancouver

Special offer for alumni of VCC credentialed programs
Sign up for a non-credit class and receive 10% off tuition. Request the alumni rate when registering by phone or in-person. Discount will not be applied retroactively.