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BC'S TRANSFER SYSTEM

25

public colleges,
institutes, and
universities

12

private
institutions

2

out-of-province
institutions



See bctransferguide.ca/system for more information and links to institutions.

BC'S TRANSFER SYSTEM

The BC Transfer System allows students to move from one institution to another, and to get credit for previous coursework.

"Within Canada, BC leads as a jurisdiction for offering tightly integrated pathway programs...(and) international student pathways due to the long-established BC Transfer System facilitating transitions between colleges and universities."

Daniel Guhr et al (2016), BC International Education Intelligence Report. Illuminate Consulting Group. San Carlos, California, USA.





EXPLORE

At **EducationPlannerBC.ca**, you can explore over 2,500 programs offered at BC's public post-secondary institutions

- Search by institution, subject area, credential, location, and more.
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You can search by areas of study, location of campuses, or by credentials and then compare them with other institutions to help you make an informed decision about your education!

EducationPlannerBC.ca makes exploring post-secondary programs in BC easy. You can find out what you need to know about tuition fees, admission requirements, scholarship opportunities, and more—all on this one website!

USE these search filters to explore your post-secondary options:

- Institutions
- Subject Areas
- Program Lengths
- Program Credentials
- Coop/Work Experience
- Communities



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PLAN



- What are your career goals?
- What do you want to study?
- What are the admission requirements?
- How much will it cost?



Tuition fees vary depending on the institution and the program. At [EducationPlannerBC.ca](https://www.educationplannerbc.ca), you can find out more about the costs associated with studying in BC. You can also learn about financial aid and scholarship opportunities.

APPLY

EducationPlannerBC.ca makes it easy to apply to multiple BC public post-secondary institutions with just one personalized account.

1

Create
your account

2

Complete
your profile

3

Select your preferred
institutions

4

Submit your
application

PLAN
SEARCH
APPLY





WHAT IS TRANSFER?

"Transfer" is what happens when one institution gives you credit for education you've completed at another institution.

If you get admitted to your new program, and if the courses you've taken are a good match, you can use the credits you've already earned towards your credential.



earn credits

Complete courses at
one institution



transfer credits

Transfer credits, and complete
courses at another institution.



**complete
your studies**

WHY TRANSFER?

save money
and time

live closer
to home

improve
post-secondary
access

smaller
class sizes

Every year, thousands of students transfer between BC post-secondary institutions for many different reasons.

→ Whether or not students ***originally plan to transfer***, flexible pathways can help them achieve their post-secondary goals.

TRANSFER SUCCESS



Studies show that transfer students are:

>**very satisfied** with their transfer experience, and
>**just as successful** in their post-secondary studies
as those who enter directly from high school.

54,000+

students move between
BC public institutions
every year.

45%

of bachelor graduates attend
more than one BC public
post-secondary institution.

34%

of annual enrolments at BC's
research universities are
transfer students.

BCTransferGuide.ca

BCTransferGuide.ca is the place to find out about your transfer options.

- Learn how courses and programs transfer in BC
- Learn the basics and benefits of transfer options
- Map out your own transfer pathway



Transfer is based on “course equivalency”. If your courses match the content of your new program, transfer credit is usually an option. However, if the programs are completely unrelated, you may be unable to transfer some credits.

BCTransferGuide.ca is the place to learn about your transfer options. At BCTransferGuide.ca, you can check out transfer agreements for courses you have completed (or plan to complete) to see how they transfer to another institution.

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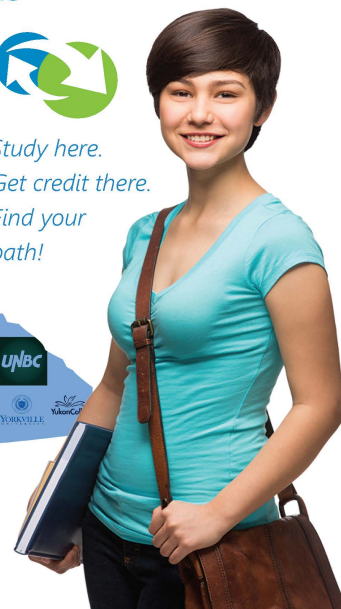
BCTransferGuide.ca DISCOVER YOUR TRANSFER OPTIONS



- Course-to-course
- Block Transfer
- Degree Partnerships
- Program-specific
- Advanced Placement
- International Baccalaureate
- Associate Degrees
- Flexible Pre-Majors



*Study here.
Get credit there.
Find your
path!*



WHAT STUDENTS SAY

"I love the BC Transfer Guide. I've used it so much I have it tattooed on my brain!"

-Ryan Johnson, Langara College student

"The complexity of these different pathways completely flipped my thinking: education isn't a progression from point A to point B - it's a process that is fluid, complex, dynamic, and individual."

-Daniel Jacinto, UBC student



"Like so many Aboriginal students, I really struggled in school and was not academically ready for university study. The smaller classes, student community, and my family all supported me while at the college. Were it not for Langara College, I never would have been able to attend UBC, graduate with a Bachelor's Degree, and begin my career in higher education."

-Graeme Joseph (Langara-UBC Transfer Student; member of the Gitksan Nation), as cited in a September 2016 BC Gov news article

TRANSFER TO BC

Students will only be granted transfer credit if they are admitted to the institution, and to a related program. Application for admission is competitive, and students should be in acceptable academic standing at their current or previous institution.

	WHAT TO DO	WHAT TO EXPECT
FROM ANOTHER PROVINCE	Provide detailed course outlines if requested	Transfer students normally have completed a full year (24-30 credits) of transferable courses.
FROM THE USA	Provide detailed course outlines if requested.	If the course or program is from an accredited degree granting institution in the United States, transfer credit is normally granted, provided the courses are similar to those in the program to which the student is applying.
FROM ANOTHER COUNTRY	<p>Check with the institution you plan on transferring to.</p> <p>Provide details of course outlines or evidence of transfer agreements.</p> <p>Provide proof of English language proficiency if requested.</p>	If you are from a non-English speaking country, you may be required to produce official translations of your transcripts.



Find out what to do if you want to transfer to BC from:

- another province
- the USA
- another country

bctransferguide.ca/transfer/outside
bctransferguide.ca/transfer/faq

YOUR TRANSFER CHECKLIST



Search BCTransferGuide.ca to see how your courses would transfer. (How much credit would the new institution give you?)



Check out other transfer pathway options (e.g. block transfer, degree partnerships).



Hang on to your course outlines! (This is how institutions determine the transferability of a course or program.)



Request transfer credit when you move to another institution. (Credits are only transferred after a student has applied and gained admission to the new post-secondary institution.)

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