

GRAD 2023 - GRADE 12's PREPARING FOR POST-SECONDARY ENTRY - Monthly tips

MS. MAYER CAREER CENTRE WEBSITE: <https://portal.sd38.bc.ca/public/y4q4m6k/Pages/default.aspx>

Check Ms. Mayer Career Centre Website often for current information for all Richmond students on college and university programs and applications, information sessions, scholarships, entrance exams, leadership and volunteer opportunities. The calendar on the home page is a wealth of info all students should be checking on a regular basis. **For additional Palmer and MacNeill information see the website tab "New Info" which includes post-secondary events at our schools.

MS. MAYER CAREER CENTRE- FACEBOOK PAGE - For the latest on Post-Secondary Events, Information, Scholarships, Volunteer and Enrichment Opportunities as well as Palmer and MacNeill Events. <https://www.facebook.com/Ms-Mayer-Career-Centre-333673583360594/>

Post-Secondary BC is a helpful website for post-secondary research and Planning: <https://www.postsecondarybc.ca/for-students/>

Applying to College and University - BC Institutions:

Education Planner: <https://www.educationplannerbc.ca>

Information on B.C.'s college & university programs, application dates, tuition costs, admission requirements, and more. Students may apply directly to some schools or apply with Education Planner. Fill in the Common Form once, then apply to any institution you choose. **Create an account before you begin your application process. Ensure that you pay your application fee (otherwise your application will not be processed) and that you print out your confirmation. *Remember to use your PEN number.*

Student Transcript Service On-Line Form (STS) - Sending Transcripts:

To be considered for admission to university/college programs grade 12 students must submit an online Post-Secondary Choices form. This gives your permission to BC's Ministry of Education to release your marks to the post-secondary institutions to which you have applied. Go to: www.StudentTranscripts.gov.bc.ca and follow the instructions found there.

Register for a BCEID (a BC government account that provides you with access to BC Government online services).

1. **Register** for the Student Transcript Service using your BCEID
2. **Login** to your Student Transcript Service
3. **Follow the steps** in order to have your transcripts sent electronically to post-secondary institutions.

BC Transfer Guide - www.bctransferguide.ca

Guide that helps find course equivalencies between colleges and universities for transferring. Great for planning!

BC Council on Admissions and Transfer: www.bccat.bc.ca

Website offering a variety of tools to help students find publications and resources about the BC Transfer System.

Learning Disabilities Association of Canada - Youth2Youth Website: <http://www.youth2youth.ca/>

Excellent resource to help students with disabilities move from high school to Post-Secondary and beyond.

Note: In all applications for admission you must enter your Personal Education Number (PEN) - this is your Provincial ID. Applications should be submitted to Langara, Kwantlen or Douglas as close to the dates shown above as registration in most cases is on a "**first-come first-serve**" basis. If you are planning to enter university directly after high school graduation, you are strongly encouraged to have a back-up plan by also applying to a college that offers the university program of your choice.

SEPTEMBER

Register to write SAT/ACT test at www.collegeboard.com if you plan to attend an American University as soon as possible, (unless you have done so in Grade 11).

Scholarship Info begins to arrive in the Career/Counselling Centre (Loran Awards, Canada Trust, etc.) and more are added throughout the year. Check Ms. Mayer Career Centre Website (calendar), Career Centre Bulletin Boards, and Ms. Mayer Career Centre Facebook page.

Emily Car University - Starts accepting applications for admission this **September 15** for Sept start.

Early Sept. - **Douglas College** starts accepting applications for admission for next Sept.

Canadian University Event (CUE) to come this Fall. Representatives from several Canadian colleges/universities will be presenting to our Grade 10, 11 & 12 students with information on their respective institutions. Dates to come. To find information go to: <https://cuebc.org/events/>

OCTOBER

Oct.1 - Kwantlen Polytechnic University starts accepting applications or admission for next Sept. Make sure your application gets there as close to this date as possible as registration to University Transfer programs and some selective programs is on a "first-come first-serve" basis.

Oct. 1 - Langara College starts accepting applications for admission for next Sept.

BC Post-Secondary Day Mini Fair for Grade 11's and 12's. Students will be called to lounge from their classes on these dates:

OCT 25/22 - MacNeill: Tuesday, 8:30-10:30

OCT 28 /22 - Palmer: Friday, 1:30 – 3:00

Oct. 15- BCIT begins to accept applications for most programs for September start: (some programs vary). Your application must be accompanied by a transcript showing your Grade 11 final marks and list Grade 12 courses in progress. Depending on your program, a resume and a personal statement may also be required. Visit the BCIT website at www.bcit.ca

Ontario University application: Apply Early!

If you are applying for admission to an Ontario university, it is recommended that BC students apply in October, even though the stated deadlines are mid Jan. Apply on-line at: www.ouac.on.ca/105 to the Ontario Universities' Application Centre (OUAC). Rank your university choices.

NOVEMBER

Gr 12 students can now apply to ALL Canadian universities Ontario Universities. When applying, you must pay your application fee so that your application will be processed. Do not forget to print out your application confirmation. Continue working on Applications, making sure you submit all required documents

DECEMBER

Dec. 1 - UBC Application deadline for consideration for **Major Entrance Scholarships – and Early Admission Deadline.**

JANUARY

Register to write the **TOEFL** or/and the **IELTS**, if you are an ELL student and are required to do so. Contact the Career/Counselling Centre or individual post-secondary websites for requirements and exemptions.

Emily Carr University Deadline for applications **January 15.**

UBC and SFU Deadline for all applications: **January 15.**

U Vic Deadline for applications. **January 31.**

FEBRUARY

February is the month for most remaining BC university application deadlines. Make sure your applications are received before their stated deadline. Even though some universities accept applications after this date, it is to your advantage to apply before stated deadlines in the smaller universities, as you will have a greater variety of courses available to you at registration time.

Complete the Student Transcript Service On-line Form (STS) if not yet done.

Entrance Exams - If needed, arrange to take the **TOEFL** (for English learners) or the **IELTS** exam. Check the schools you have applied to, to check their English Entrance requirements.

The LPI is accepted by most BC institutions that require an English placement exam to determine if a student's English language skills are at a level to successfully comprehend and complete a first-year university-level English course. In place of the LPI exam, some institutions also offer their own writing assessment or 'placement test'. However, this, 'in-house test', is only accepted by the institution that administers it. Students usually write the LPI or English Placement test in their grade 12 year. Some institutions must have received the acceptable English proficiency exam results before a student is able to register in a first-year English university course.

For IELTS exam information, dates and locations, visit: <https://www.ipitest.ca/>

For TOEFL exam information see: <https://www.ets.org/toefl>

MARCH

Apply to Capilano University by May 31 for Fall admission. For university transfer admission, Cap University calculates the average of English 12 and three other academic courses. Please see Admission Requirements in Cap's University calendar for details or visit Cap's website at www.capilanou.ca

APRIL

Make sure your **TOEFL or IELTS** results have been sent to the institutions to which you have applied.

In-School Scholarship Program application is available online. Complete one if you wish to be considered for the scholarships in several categories that will be awarded at the Valedictory ceremony.

University offers start coming in.

MAY

Many universities require acceptance of offers by May 1 or June 1. Check your offers.

JUNE

Student Loan Applications Open - Apply for Government Student Loans. Check at: <https://studentaidbc.ca/> or www.canlearn.ca

Grad! Good luck!

Need Further Assistance? – To learn more about your post-secondary options and career exploration drop in or make an appointment to see your Career Information Advisor, Ms. Mayer in the Career Centre.

Palmer: Mon/Alt Wed/Thurs

MacNeill: Tues/Alt Wed/Fri

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