

PALMER GRAD 2025 - GRADE 12's PREPARING FOR POST-SECONDARY ENTRY - Monthly tips

PALMER CAREER CENTRE INFORMATION WEBSITE: <https://palmer.sd38.bc.ca/student-information/career-centre-information> Check the Palmer Career Centre Information Website often for current information for all Richmond students on college and university programs and applications, information sessions both in school and at PSI's., scholarships, entrance exams, leadership and volunteer opportunities as well as other related information. The **calendar on the home page** is a wealth of info all students should be checking on a regular basis. ****For additional information see the website "New Info" tab** 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/>

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. You can see this 9 digit number on your report card. 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 transfer program of your choice. See your counsellor or career advisor for clarification before applying.

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 Palmer Career Centre Information 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 start next September

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

Canadian University Event (CUE) to come this Fall. Representatives from 45 Canadian colleges/universities will be presenting to Grade 10 to 12 students with information on their respective institutions Dates to come. To find information, go to: <http://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.

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 or the Career & Counselling Centre for details.

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

NOV 18/24- Palmer (Monday) 1:30 – 3:00

NOV 19/24- MacNeill (Tuesday) 8:30 – 10:00

For other BC PSI Events visit: <https://www.postsecondarybc.ca/> * Note they will post updated information as it comes available.

OCT 2024 Most Universities are open for applications.

Gr 12 students may now apply to ALL Canadian 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.

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

DO the Student Transcript Service On-Line Form (STS) (as mentioned above, and you may continue to add new Post-secondary schools as you apply to more) www.StudentTranscripts.gov.bc.ca

DECEMBER

DEC 1. UBC Application deadline for consideration for **Major Entrance Scholarships** and for **early Admission**

JANUARY

Entrance Exams - Register to write the **TOEFL** or **IELTS** (for English language learners), if you are required to do so. Contact the Career/Counselling Centre or individual post-secondary websites for requirements and exemptions.

Check the schools you have applied to, to check their English Entrance requirements.

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

For IELTS exam information see: <https://www.ieltscanada.ca/>

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

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

U Vic and SFU 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.

MARCH

Apply to Capilano University by March 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 (if needed), 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 1st. 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 email for 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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