

# Unpacking the Post-Secondary Transition Process



# Agenda

- \* Career 8-12 Courses
- \* Post-Secondary Support

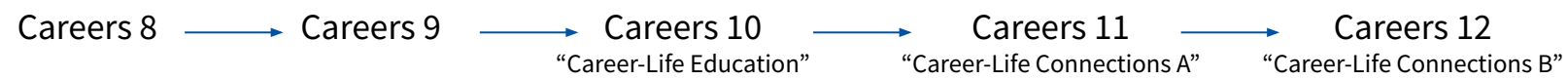


# Career 8-12 Courses



# Career Courses

## Mandatory Career Courses:



## Optional Career Courses:

\*\*\* These courses can be taken in Grade 10, 11 and/or 12 \*\*\*

WEX 12A → WEX 12B "Work Experience"

YTT 12A → YTT 12B → YTT 12C → YTT 12D "Youth Train In Trades"

YWT 11A → YWT 11B → YWT 12A → YWT 12B "Youth Work In Trades"



# Community Connections



# Helping Students Transition to Post Secondary (grade 11 & 12)

- Develop career paths
- Refine a university list
- Liaise with university admissions officers
- Write references for applications and scholarships
- Provide University application workshops
- Aid with course selection
- Organize and host post-secondary fairs and visits
- Provide PSAT testing opportunities
- Support families through the admission process

# Methods of Delivery



## Google Classroom

Students review weekly lessons ('stream') and various resources ('classwork').



## In-Person

Students attend daily, weekly, and/or monthly sessions.



## myBlueprint

Students explore career-related content and submit their work in their portfolios.



## Google Calendar

Students explore, register and attend various post-secondary presentations and fairs.



## Emails

Students can reach out to their Careers' teachers at anytime.



## Calendly

Students and Parents/Guardians can book meetings to discuss their personalized post-secondary plans.

# Service Learning

## School-Based Service Awards



**30-60 hours**

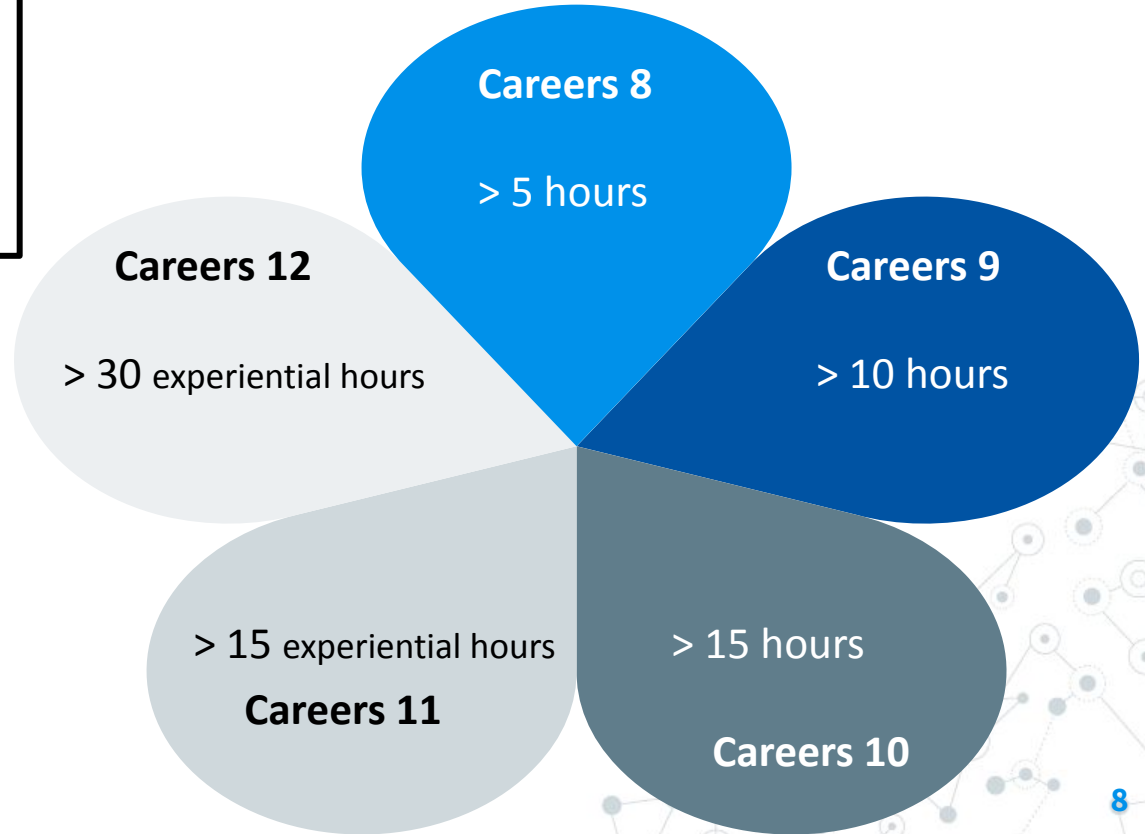


**61-100 hours**



**101+ hours**

- Backpack Buddies
- Conquering Cancer
- DECA Rockridge
- Dovie Club
- Gardening Club
- Hands of Service Foundation
- Interact Club
- Kanata Club
- QSA
- Rockridge Post
- Social Justice Activism
- We Care
- Yearbook





Student Awards

Student/  
Faculty  
Ratio

Faculty  
Awards

Scholarships &  
Bursaries

Student  
Services

Reputational  
Survey

# Post-Secondary Options

Operating  
Budget

Library  
Expenses

Library  
Acquisitions

Social  
Sciences &  
Humanities  
Grants

Medical/  
Science  
Grants

Total  
Research  
Dollars

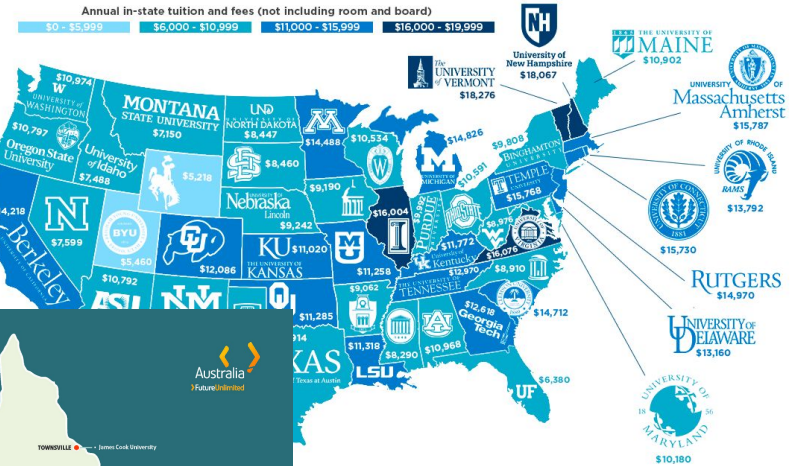
# West Vancouver School District University Conversion Statistics

- 48.7% of BC high school students transition to postsecondary education within one year after graduation
- **85% of West Vancouver district students transition within one year**
- Less than 5% of BC students go out of province to do university/college studies
- **half of our students leave the province to study. This includes approximately 8-10% of our students leaving Canada**

# Universities Around the World



## The 2018 Best Colleges in Every State Costing Less Than \$20,000 a Year



Source: <https://www.usnews.com/best-colleges/rankings/national-universities>  
<https://collegenavigator.gov/>

howmuch.net

# Finding the BEST FIT

Program

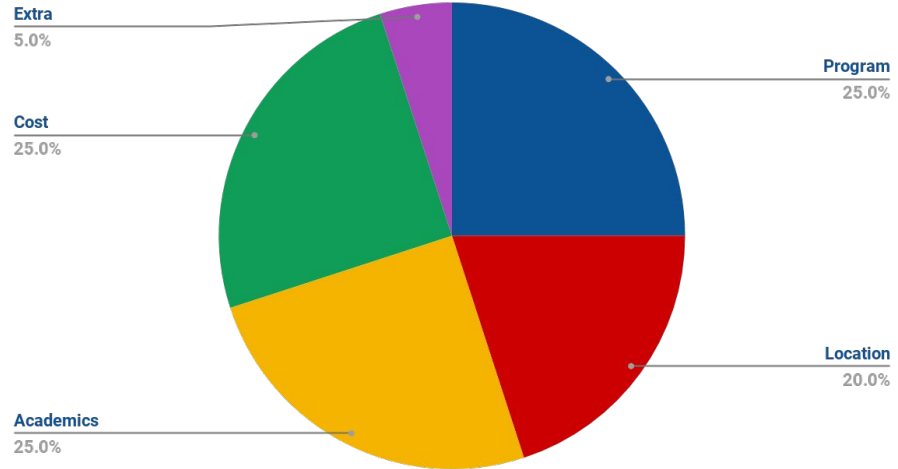
Location

Academics

Cost

Extra consideration

PLACE IMPORTANCE



# Program

- **Degree specifics**

UBC computer science - apply to Science and after first year apply to a computer science major.  
Engineering, general first year or directly into specialization

- **Degree requirements**

Read through course descriptions and requirements

- **Size**

Acadia (3,000) vs UofT (97,000), smaller programs within larger programs (Science One, Land One at UBC), smaller institutions within larger institutions (Huron University College @ Western)

- **Direct Entry vs. Transfer Program**

Langara, Douglas College, Capilano University to UBC/SFU/UVIC

- **UK/Ireland/Australia offer 3 year bachelor degrees, 4 year integrated masters, direct entry to professional programs**

Medicine, Dentistry, Law, Vet Med. etc.

# Location

- Distance from home, family and loved ones
- Urban, Suburban or Rural communities
- Housing, type and availability of residence/off campus housing

# Academics

- **Program course requirements, Engineering vs Arts (4-6 grade 12 courses)**

In Canada GPA is typically calculated on 4-6 grade 12 academic marks if available. If those marks are not available they will use grade 11 marks

- **Grade 11 course requirements in BC, 2nd language requirements**

- **GPA minimums** (Arts McGill 92.5% vs UAlberta 80%)

- **Holistic vs. marked-based admission**

Most selective US universities are holistic and looking at grade 9-12 marks. Many Canadian universities only looking at grade 12 GPA. Some professional programs in Canada are more holistic. UK are only looking at predicted grade 12 marks, personal statement and one reference, with some programs requiring testing.

# Costs (CAD) 2023/24 Faculty of Arts for domestic students, (international students pay between 4-6X more)

Institution	Tuition + Fees	Books/Supplies	Residence/Food	Total (no extras)
Capilano U	\$ 6,061	\$1,400	\$9,680	\$ 17,141
UBC	\$ 7,200	\$2,200	\$13,316	\$ 23,120
Queen's	\$ 8,103	\$1,660	\$14,766	\$ 24,529
Boston U	\$88,870	\$1,365	\$24,720	\$114,955
Harvard	\$75,890	\$1,400	\$22,440	\$ 99,730
UCL (3yrs)	\$55,000	\$1,500	\$18,200	\$ 74,700

Professional Programs like Engineering and Business can be considerably more expensive



# Extra Considerations

- **Work Integrated Learning Opportunities**  
(Co-op, internship, practicum)
- **Sports Facilities/teams**
- **International Study Opportunities**
- **Quality of Career Services & Alumni Network**
- **Research opportunities**  
(sometimes this is easier to do in small undergrad institutions)
- **Retention Rates after 1st year**  
(Queen's 94.1%, UBC 92%, UofT 93%)

# University Application Timeline



**Canadian Institutions don't do early restrictive applications like the USA. Most admissions are done on a rolling basis here.**

# University Resources

LOCATION	RESOURCE
BC	<a href="#"><u>Education Planner</u></a>
ONTARIO	<a href="#"><u>OUAC</u></a>
CANADA	<a href="#"><u>myBlueprint</u></a>
USA	<a href="#"><u>Big Info</u></a>
UK	<a href="#"><u>UCAS</u></a>
GAP YEAR	<a href="#"><u>CanGap</u></a>

# Post-Secondary Event Calendar

2023/24 Post Secondary Events

Today ◀ ▶ September 2023 Print Week Month Agenda

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
27	28	29	30	31	Sep 1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
	11am UAlberta @ Sentinel Student Mezzani	12:55pm UAlberta @ Rockridge in W211		11am Bentley Business School (USA) @ Roc 7pm Hopkins, Notre Dame, Emory, & Wash	6:45am US Liberal Arts Webinar (Effective Ir	
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
	11am UVIC Business @ Rockridge W211		1pm Acadia@ Rockridge in W211			
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
	11am UToronto @Rockridge in W211 12:50pm UToronto @ Sentinel 1pm UCL @ Rockridge in W211	1pm UK Fair @ Rockridge Foyer 6pm International Fair @ Mulgrave 6:30pm US Admission Workshop @ Sentinel	1:11am Essex U @ Sentinel Front Foyer 11:10am Cardiff U @ Sentinel Front Foyer 12:50pm Boston U @ Sentinel Student Mezza 4pm UK University Fair, over 20 institutions 6pm CUE-Canadian University Event	2pm Study and Go Abroad Fair		

# Post-Secondary Event Highlights

**US Admissions Workshop**, Sep.20, Rockridge, 12:45PM

**UK Admissions Workshop**, Sep.21, Rockridge, 12:45PM

**District Canadian Universities Event**: Sep.27, WVSS, 6 - 8:00PM

**District USA Admission Workshop**, Sep.26, Sentinel, 6:30PM

**UK/Ireland/Australia Fair**, Sep. 26, Rockridge, 12:45

**International Fair**, Sep.26, Mulgrave, 6 - 8:00PM

**USA Fair**, Oct.05, West Point Grey Academy, 2 - 4:00PM

**BC PSI**, Oct.23, Rockridge, 6:30 - 8:30PM

**PSAT**, Oct.24, Rockridge, 9:00AM

**Essay Writing Workshop**, Oct.25, Rockridge, 1:00PM

**District Scholarship Session**, Nov. 01, 6:00 - 7:15 PM

**Art & Design Fair**, Nov.15, Collingwood, 6:00 - 8:00PM

**Alumni Insight Event**, Dec.21, Rockridge, 12:45 PM

# Parents as Education and Career Coaches

## Parents and Student Supporters:

Please join Education Planner BC and WVS for a virtual evening of "Parents as Education and Career Coaches". This information will be especially helpful for families with students in Grades 10-12

## Topics Include:

- BC's post secondary institutions and credentials
- Program & admission requirements and key dates
- Cost of post secondary and options financial aid
- Navigating resources

## More information:

Wednesday, March 13th 630 - 8 pm  
Hosted on Teams

contact WVS post secondary advisor  
Leesa Alldred [lalldred@wvschools.ca](mailto:lalldred@wvschools.ca)



# Vancouver International Universities Fair, April 27th



With over 150 institutions from all over the world participating there will be institutions of interest for everyone. In addition we will be offering 13 information sessions concurrently in the Vancouver Convention Centre during the Fair

# Any Questions?



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