

PREPARE TO SUPPORT INDIVIDUALS, FAMILIES AND COMMUNITIES AFFECTED BY ADDICTION.

Addiction Community Support Worker Diploma

Build practical skills in addiction services, mental health, interviewing, relapse prevention and community support.

CREDENTIAL

Diploma

DURATION

45 Weeks

DELIVERY

Classroom + Co-op

STUDY REGION

British Columbia

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Prepare for meaningful work in community support services.

This 45-week diploma prepares students to support individuals, families, groups and communities affected by addiction, mental-health concerns and related social challenges. The program includes 800 hours of instructor-led training and a 100-hour co-op placement.

Salary outlook

\$23.50

average wage / hr*

\$50.26

high wage / hr*

*Government of Canada Job Bank wage reports for similar classifications. Actual earnings vary.

Career-ready curriculum

- Strategies for College Success
- Addictions Fundamentals
- Social Service Work Fundamentals
- Psychology & Sociology Fundamentals
- Ethics & Pharmacology
- Self-Care Techniques
- Resources & Networking
- Interview and Intake Procedures
- Professional Report Writing
- Family Studies & Mental Health
- Behaviour Analysis & Relapse Prevention
- High-Risk and Youth Populations
- Work Experience / Co-op Placement
- Career Strategies & Special Certifications

Career opportunities

- Community Service Worker
- Crisis Intervention Worker
- Developmental Service Worker
- Family Service Worker
- Mental Health Worker
- Life Skills Instructor
- Income Maintenance Officer
- Rehabilitation Worker

Where graduates work

Addiction-support organizations, social-service agencies, mental-health programs, community-service organizations, group homes, shelters and community health centres.

Admission requirements

Applicants must meet academic, documentation and English requirements.

- High-school diploma or equivalent, Grade 12 English with at least a C, or mature-student status where applicable. A criminal-record check, immunization report, student declaration and acceptable English-language proficiency are also required.

What you will gain

- Addiction and recovery fundamentals
- Social-service work and psychology
- Mental-health and pharmacology
- Interviewing and intake procedures
- Behaviour analysis and relapse prevention
- Professional report writing
- Community resources and networking
- 100-hour co-op placement

Study support

Available to residents of British Columbia. Local Surrey support and financial-assistance guidance are available.

Scholarship & loan information

Financial support options may be available for qualified applicants, including scholarships, student loans, grants, bursaries and flexible repayment assistance.

Guidance from application to approval

Financial coordinators can assist with document preparation, application procedures and evaluation of scholarship criteria.

START YOUR JOURNEY

**Ready to move
your career forward?**

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