## Graduation and Beyond

Planning for Post Secondary

### Student Services Department

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### **BC** Graduation Requirements

- Each student must complete:
  - English Language Arts 10, 11, 12
  - Social Studies 10, and 11
  - Science 10 and a Science 11
  - Mathematics 10 and Mathematics 11
  - Planning 10
  - Physical Education 10
  - A Fine Arts or Applied Skills Course at the grade 10, 11, or 12 level
  - Graduation Transitions (Daily Physical Activity, Healthy Living Plan, Transition Plan, 30 Hours of Work Experience, Exit Interview)
  - Total of 80 credits (16 of these must be at the grade 12 level)
    - http://mountain.sd41.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/2015/01/gradreg.pdf

### Required Provincial Exam

- ► English Provincial 12 Exam (40% of the mark)
  - If a student does not write the provincial, credit is not granted for the course.
  - If a student does not pass the course they can rewrite the provincial within one year.

# Graduation Requirements Vs. Post Secondary Admission Requirements

- High School Graduation Requirements are different from requirements for admission to post secondary institutions
- Requirements vary from school to school and from program to program

\*\*Please google each program admission requirements:

- ie. UBC Engineering Admissions
- SFU Arts Admissions

### Post Secondary Requirements

- Some general guidelines for universities in BC:
  - English 11
  - Academic Math 11 \* (Foundations or Pre-Calculus)
  - Social Studies 11
  - Academic Science 11\*- (Biology, Chemistry, or Physics)
  - Language 11\*- (this requirement varies)
  - English 12 (typically minimal grade of 70% on average)
  - 3 other approved grade 12 courses
     All other graduation requirements apply

SFU: <a href="https://www.sfu.ca/students/counsellors/news/2013/approved-courses.html">https://www.sfu.ca/students/counsellors/news/2013/approved-courses.html</a>

UBC: <a href="http://you.ubc.ca/grade-12-approved-courses/#british\_columbia">http://you.ubc.ca/grade-12-approved-courses/#british\_columbia</a>

## All Roads Can Lead To Higher Education

Colleges are an excellent choice that can lead to direct transfers to University or Specialty Programs.

#### Colleges Can Provide:

- Smaller class sizes
- Direct Transfers to University Programs
- Cost-effective alternatives to University
- An Excellent Site to Explore Options is:

www.educationplanner.ca

## Application Process for Schools in BC

- Colleges operate on a first come, first serve basis. They will consider applications as they receive them and when a program is full, it's full.
- Universities have specific deadlines for applications to be submitted. Early admissions acceptance deadline in April. (next slide)

#### **Current Deadlines for 2017 Fall Admissions:**

- Simon Fraser University Feb. 28, 2017
- University of British Columbia & UNBC Jan 15, 2017
- Students can choose to use applybc (<u>www.applybc.ca</u>) to begin the application process or they can go directly to the university / college website.
- An application is not considered "submitted" until the fee has been paid.

### **Application Process Continued**

- Many university programs now require supplemental applications.
  - More Personal Breadth of Experience (SFU, UBC, UVIC, etc)
- These supplemental applications, should be taken seriously; it will be a factor in the admission process.

#### Reporting course information/grades

- Process can vary; some universities in BC allow students to selfreport and confirm marks in the spring while others will not offer admission until second term marks are official.
- All students should complete the PSI form online. The counsellors will be helping all grade 12 students complete their PSI on the computer. In addition, we will have an explanation of how to complete this form on our website.

## How to get information about BC Post Secondary Institutions

- Attend community events hosted by universities and colleges. Dates can be found on the university/college website and we also advertise upcoming events in the student bulletin.
- Make an appointment to see an academic advisor at the college or university.
- Attend a lunch time or after school information session at Burnaby Mountain. Information sessions offered are advertised in the school bulletin.

## Post Secondary Information Sessions at BMSS

Date	Time	Where	Institution
Wednesday, October 12	11:35	Multipurpose room	UBC
Tuesday, November 29	11:35	Multipurpose room	SFU
Beginning of April Not Yet Announced	Open House All Day	At BCIT Burnaby Campus	BCIT - all programs
See webpage for various sessions: http://www.vcc.ca/applying/apply-now/info-sessionstours/			VCC - Vancouver Community College
Other institutions: go to the webpage			Kwantlen Polytechnic University, Emily Carr, Langara College, Capilano University, TWU, University of Victoria, TRU, etc.

## Application Process for Universities in Ontario

- Students must use Ontario University Application Center (OUAC) to apply which is part of the PSI.
- Students will be required to provide a transcript of grades as part of the application process.

https://www.ouac.on.ca/guide/101-dates/

## Application Process for Schools in the USA

- Students will be required to use the Common Application for most universities in the US.
- Students are required to write SAT's. See the college board website (<u>www.collegeboard.org/colleges</u>) for information.
- Students will require references and will have an essay component as part of the application process.

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