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Academic and Career Preparation and High School Equivalency (ABE) Programs

Cooperative Entrepreneur Training Certificate

Location Offered:

Nanaimo

Credential:

Certificate

Program Length:

30 Weeks

The Program

Students with cognitive barriers or students who have faced employment challenges will learn all the essential skills of being an entrepreneur. With Faculty and community support, students will create a simplified business plan and acquire all the necessary licenses to operate their business. In the last 4-weeks of the program, students will put their business into practice with support from Faculty and assigned community mentors.

Program Outline

Fall Semester	Credits
CETP 100T - (Introduction to Self-Employment)	2
CETP 101T - (Entrepreneur Exploration)	2
CETP 102T - (Communicating as an Entrepreneur)	3
CETP 103T - (Researching the Competition)	4
CETP 104T - (Targeted Marketing and Advertising)	4
Semester Total	15

Spring Semester	Credits
CETP 105T - (Business Plan Essentials)	5
CETP 106T - (Entrepreneur Showmanship)	3
CETP 107T - (Self Employment Community Mentorship)	3
CETP 108T - (Self Employment: Connecting to the Community)	4
Semester Total	15
Program Total	30

Admission Requirements

- High school graduation or completion certificate
- Minimum 17 years of age and out of high school for at least one year
- Completion of an employment preparation program such as WEST (accredited)

program) or at least one year of work and/or volunteer experience. An intake assessment will be conducted for each applicant to address suitability and to identify if self-employment is a feasible, realistic goal.

Applicants will be required to participate in an intake interview with the CETP Faculty to identify and discuss their goals of wanting to be in the program. The intake interview will be an opportunity for the Faculty to deem the applicants' suitability to the program.

Notes on Admission

- A criminal record check may be required depending on the practicum location.

Preference will be given to candidates with:

- Post-Secondary education (employment readiness program)
- Work experience

Career Opportunities

Students will become self-employed.

Start Date and Application Deadline

The program starts in September and applications are ongoing. For more information please contact the Faculty of Academic & Career Preparation at 250-740-6425 or ACP@viu.ca.

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