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

Foundations for Success

Location Offered:

Nanaimo

Credential:

Certificate

Program Length:

15 Weeks

The Program

Foundations for Success (FNFS) courses are meant to complement existing academic courses and programs at VIU. These courses augment current Adult Basic Education and University offerings by presenting six transitional elective courses designed to promote student success. Students may take one or all of these courses, but only a maximum of 6 academic credits may be used towards a credential at VIU.

Program Outline

Foundations for Success
FNFS 100 - (Writing for Success)
FNFS 101 - (Reading, Speaking, and Presentation Skills)
FNFS 102 - (Finding Careers that Fit: Exploring Meaningful Education and Career Paths)
FNFS 103 - (Succeeding Online: Tools and Technologies for Learning)
FNFS 104 - (Solving Calculus Problems)
FNFS 105 - (Learning Strategies for Success in Health and Life Sciences)

Admission Requirements

Minimum of 17 years of age; must meet applicable Foundations course prerequisites.

Recommendations for Admission

The Foundation program is recommended for mature students who are returning to education or students in transition from high school into post-secondary studies who wish to improve their academic skills.

Notes on Admission

Limitation of academic credit should be discussed with an advisor as part of the consultation process on admission. Credit that can be used towards degree completion at VIU is limited to 6 credits.

Career Opportunities

The program is not intended to connect to a career directly. Rather, the research shows that adult students with adequate preparation and support tend to have higher degree and professional program completion. The Foundations for Success courses represent a pathway to the academic success that a career can be built on.

Start Date and Application Deadline

Courses run in Fall and Spring semesters, and applications for admission are accepted at any time.

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