

TRADES DISCOVERY

Program Outline

This program is designed for students to explore several skilled trades. Students complete the program with a better understanding of which skilled trades match their strengths and interests.

Students are introduced to 15 trades during the 16-week program at four BCIT campuses - Burnaby, Aerospace Technology (Richmond), Annacis Island (Delta), and the Marine campus (North Vancouver). Intakes are available in **Trades Discovery General** and **Trades Discovery for Women**.

Application Process - apply in Grade 10 or 11

Start by visiting careerprograms.vsb.bc.ca to download an application. Students are encouraged to discuss the application with a school counsellor and family.

Application Deadline	March 1st
Interview Period	March - April
Acceptance Decisions	April - May
Orientation Session	Late-May

Specific details about the Orientation Session will be included in the acceptance letter. Students must attend along with a parent or guardian.

Program Location & Intake Dates

The learning primarily takes place at BCIT Burnaby with a few days at each of the other BCIT campuses in Richmond, Delta, and North Vancouver.

This program has intakes in September and January.

Additional Information

Eligibility

This program is available to students who hold Canadian citizenship or Permanent Resident status and who attend a Vancouver School Board school or alternative program.

Recommended Courses

Any Automotive, Woodwork, or Metalwork courses
Youth EXPLORE Trades (where offered)

Learning Assessments

Students must achieve a minimum standard on an assessment in math, reading comprehension, and Mechanical Reasoning

Funding Commitment

Tuition will be paid by the VSB for the first level of training. Students are expected to pay for program supplies, equipment, tools, and PPE - approximately \$500.

Graduation Credits

Trades Sampler Program - 16 credits

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