

# 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](http://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

### Program Contact

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