

The Graduation Program (grades 10-12)

Quick Notes for Course Requests



Become familiar with graduation requirements

- Check out the chart on page 3 of the Course Catalogue
- For detailed information, check out the Grad Planner online (search: Grad Planner 2017/18)

Missing a required course?

- If you are in grade 10 or 11 select required courses you are missing from your previous year

If you are unsure what electives to take . . .

- Try a variety of courses from different focus areas
- Do a Career Interest Inventory at CareerCruising.com
- Consider the skills that courses give you

Trades – hands on
Arts – creative thinking
Computers – technology
Humanities – research

Science – applied logic
Business – world of work
Home Economics – how to look
after yourself

Do some research . . . find out what courses you need for university or college

- Check out entrance requirements, on-line, for the university or college programs you are interested in; make sure you have selected pre-requisite courses (search: Education Planner BC)
- Universities often require English 12 plus 3 to 5 academically approved courses. Choose from:

Chemistry, Biology and Physics 12
Pre-Calculus and Foundations Math 12
History, Geography, First Nations Studies
and Economics 12
Modern Language 12 (French, Spanish . . .)

Other Approved Academic Courses may Include:
Law 12, Social Justice 12, Genocide Studies 12,
Calculus 12

Personalize your program . . . check out pages 4, 5, 6 and 7 in the Course Catalogue

- Earn credits outside of school, complete a language challenge exam, join Musical Theatre, get credit for work experience
- Complete a course through distance learning (Search: Island ConnectEd)
- Apply for a Dover Bay academy (Performing Arts, Baseball); Apply for a district academy (Jazz, Lacrosse, Soccer, Beach Volleyball, Hockey)
- Begin a dual credit Trades Program at VIU or take a VIU Enrichment Course (search: CTC Nanaimo Ladysmith Public Schools)

Overwhelmed?

- Consult with your parents, teachers or counsellor