



StrongerBC future skills grant

Program and course information

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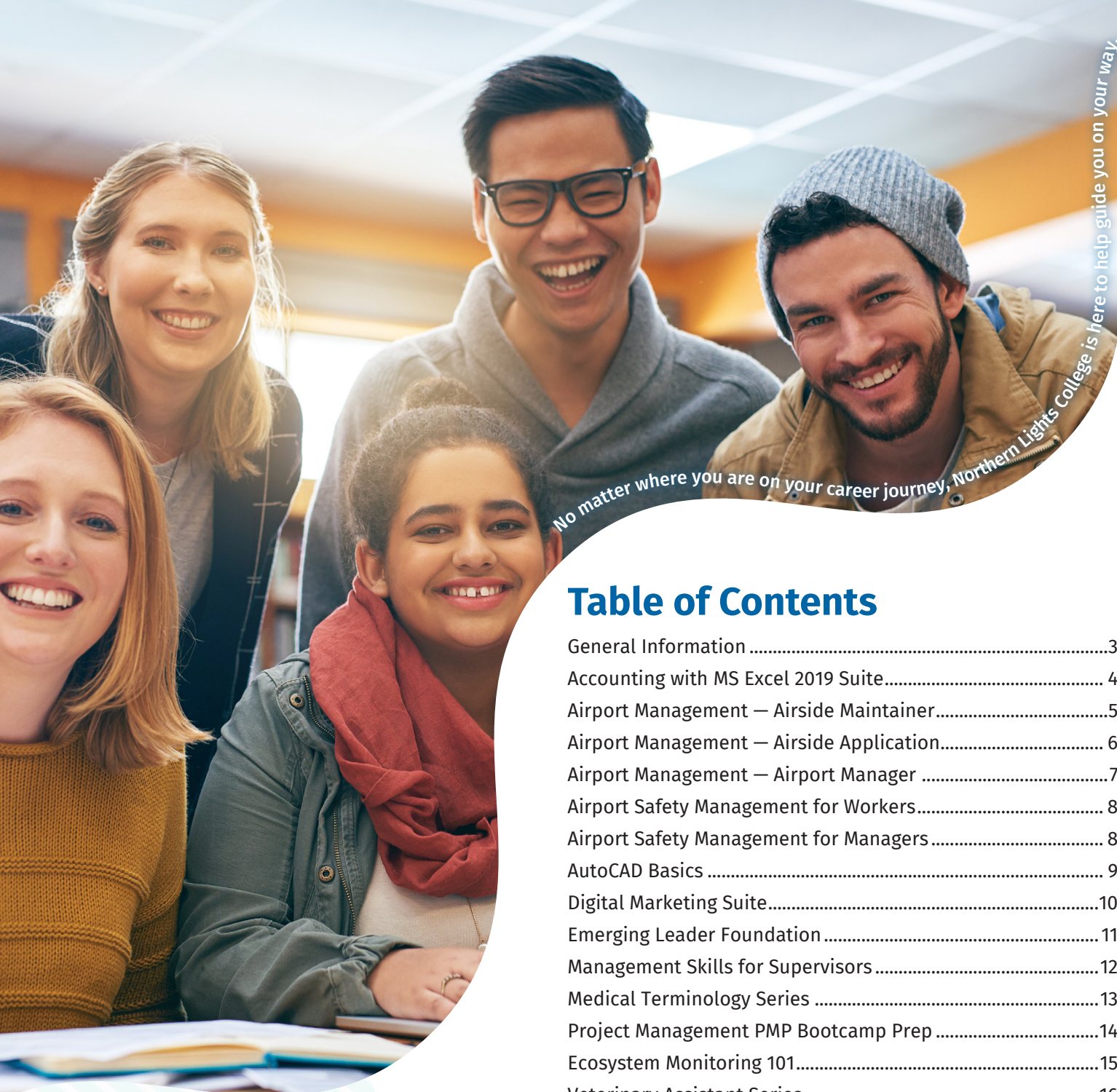


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General Information



Registration for eligible future skills grant programs opens on July 2. Registration must be completed online. Visit the future skills grant website <https://www.futureskillsgrant.gov.bc.ca/login> to create an account and complete your grant application. Once your grant application is submitted, visit the Education Planner BC website to register for the course (<https://www.educationplannerbc.ca/future-skills-grant>).

Registration will become unavailable if class capacity has been reached or if all grant funding has been allocated.



Cancellations

Some courses or classes may be cancelled if minimum attendance is not met. Every effort is made to notify students in advance. Please ensure your contact information is current.



Withdrawals

Students can withdraw from a course if written notification is received at least seven business days prior to the start of the class. Withdrawal requests must be sent to ce@nlc.bc.ca. Funding will be credited to your future skills grant account. Withdrawal requests made less than seven business days before the start of the course will not be accepted.



Fees

Any fees above the amount paid/covered by grant funds are due to NLC at registration.



Course Requirements

Students are responsible for ensuring they have the right equipment and software for the courses they are enrolled in. If a course has prerequisites, you will be required to confirm eligibility.

Online, Self-Guided	Online, Instructor-Moderated	Online, Live Instructor
Students are given full access to all course content the day the course starts, and learning is self-paced. Students have 12 weeks from the course start date to complete the course. No extensions are permitted.	Course content is released weekly. Students have six weeks from the course start date to complete the course.	Delivered online via Teams, Zoom, or other platform.

Synchronous, Instructor-Led	Asynchronous	Sequentially	Hybrid
Program delivery is through online learning in real time, and consists of reading, hands-on assignments, knowledge quizzes and final exam.	This program is delivered through online learning and consists of reading, hands-on assignments, knowledge quizzes and final exam.	Courses to be taken in sequence of date offerings.	Course is a combination of online and in-person training.



Accounting with MS Excel 2019 Suite

Asynchronous, Online, Instructor-Moderated

Hours and weeks: 96 hours / 24 weeks

Program cost: \$950.95 (plus GST)

Program dates

Courses should be taken sequentially. When registering, it is advisable to select different start dates for each course within the suite to avoid starting all courses at the same time.

➔ September 17, 2025–February 6, 2026
Code: 2025FC CE-CT45-WA001

➔ October 15, 2025–March 6, 2026
Code: 2025FC CE-CT45-WA002

➔ November 12, 2025–April 3, 2026
Code: 2025FC CE-CT45-WA003

➔ December 17, 2025–May 8, 2026
Code: 2025FC CE-CT45-WA004

Program description

As the most widely used spreadsheet software, Microsoft Excel is used by accountants to analyze data, create reports, and prepare forecasts. Accounting with MS Excel 2019 Suite will help you gain basic accounting skills while training you to effectively use Microsoft Excel 2019. Discover how to create and use worksheets, charts, graphs, and more advanced features of Excel as you learn double-entry bookkeeping, financial reporting, and other accounting fundamentals used in small to mid-sized companies.

Program courses:

- **Introduction to Microsoft Excel 2019**
Become proficient in using Microsoft Excel 2019 (now available through Office 365) and discover how to create worksheets, workbooks, charts, and graphs quickly and efficiently.
- **Intermediate Microsoft Excel 2019**
Take your Microsoft Excel 2019 skills to the next level as you master charts, graphs, PivotTables, Slicers, Sparklines, AutoFilter, macros, and other advanced Excel functions.
- **Accounting Fundamentals**
Gain a marketable new skill by learning the basics of double-entry bookkeeping, financial reporting, and more.
- **Accounting Fundamentals II**
Learn the high demand accounting skills needed at small to medium-sized businesses.

Who should take the program

This course is for online students to help master fundamental accounting skills and learn Microsoft Excel 2019.

Prerequisites

There are no prerequisites to take this series.

Learning outcomes

- The student will become proficient in using Microsoft Excel 2019 (now available through Office 365).
- Create worksheets, workbooks, charts, and graphs quickly and efficiently.
- Students will master charts, graphs, PivotTables, Slicers, Sparklines, AutoFilter, macros, and other advanced Excel functions.
- Gain a marketable new skill by learning the basics of double-entry bookkeeping, financial reporting, and more.
- Learn the high demand accounting skills needed at small to medium-sized businesses.



Airport Management — Airside Maintainer

Principles and Systems of Airport Standards

Synchronous, Online, Live Instructor

Code: 2025FC CE-TI122-WS001

Hours and weeks: 80 hours / 10 weeks

Program cost: \$1,250 (plus GST)

Program dates

- November 10, 2025–January 28, 2026
Mon and Wed, 5:30–8:30pm
(No classes Dec 22, 2025–Jan 2, 2026)

Program description

This is a comprehensive course on the foundations of airport compliance through Transport Canada. You'll learn how to read and apply Transport Canada's *Aerodrome Standards and Recommended Practices, TP312E 5th*, so your airport obtains and keeps its airport certification.

A candidate enrolled in the course learns how to apply the standards to an airport, how to assess an airport for standards compliance, and how to report deviations from the standards.

The Airport Management program consists of three courses:

- (Course A) Airside Maintainer
- (Course B) Airport Manager
- (Course C) Accountable Executive

Upon completion at the Accountable Executive level, a person has gained the knowledge in oversight of airport operations, airport operations quality control, and technical knowledge, to conduct regulatory required airport operations audits.

Who should take the course

Anyone currently employed at a local or regional airport in Canada or those considering a career in airport management.

Prerequisites

No prerequisites.

Learning outcomes

- Upon completion of this course, the student will have learned and been instructed how to independently assess airports for standard compliance, identify deviations from the standards, and report deviations to the manager. The goal is for the student to learn how airport standards affect a runway, taxiway, apron, or obstacles, and how to apply the standards beyond the airport property line.
- The student will have learned and been instructed on how to apply standards in *TP312E 5th* to an airport — with paved runways, taxiways, and aprons — for the application of an airport certificate. The student will be able to know how airport standards are applied to a runway, taxiway, apron, or obstacles, and how to apply the standards beyond the airport property line.
- The student will have learned how to apply Canadian Aviation Regulations, and *TP312E 5th* standards to airside daily operational processes, daily quality control, design of daily oversight of airport operations processes, airport zoning regulations; and, for an airport to daily conform to regulatory requirements and safety in operations.



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Airport Management — Airside Application

Build and Audit an Airport

Synchronous, Online, Live Instructor

Code: 2025FC CE-TI123-WS001

Hours and weeks: 80 hours / 10 weeks

Program cost: \$1,250 (plus GST)

Program dates

- ➔ October 2–December 11, 2025
Tues and Thurs, 5:30–8:30pm
(No class November 11/Remembrance Day)

Program description

This is a comprehensive course on the foundations of airport compliance through Transport Canada. You'll learn how to read Transport Canada's *Aerodrome Standards and Recommended Practices, TP312E 5th* and then apply this knowledge when you build your own virtual airport. You'll apply the standards to your airport's runways, taxiways, aprons, and obstacle management to your airport to ensure it's in compliance with Transport Canada.

The student enrolled in the course is instructed and will learn how to build an airport to a certification level by applying *Aerodrome Standards and Recommended Practices in TP312E 5th*. The student will use their knowledge from Course A, Level 1 to build a virtual airport on paper or virtual electronic display that conforms to airport standards.

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Who should take this course

Anyone currently employed at a local or regional airport in Canada or those considering a career in airport management.

Prerequisites

No prerequisites.

Learning outcomes

- Upon completion of this course, the student will have learned how to independently assess airports for standard compliance, identify deviations from the standards, and report deviations to the manager. The goal is for the student to learn how airport standards affect a runway, taxiway, apron, or obstacles, and how to apply the standards beyond the airport property line.
- The student will have been instructed how to apply standards in *TP312E 5th* to an airport with paved runways, taxiways, and aprons for the application of an airport certificate. The student will be able to know how airport standards are applied to a runway, taxiway, apron, or obstacles, and how to apply the standards beyond the airport property line.
- The student will have learned how to apply Canadian Aviation Regulations, and *TP312E 5th* standards to airside daily operational processes, daily quality control, design of daily oversight of airport operations processes, airport zoning regulations, and for an airport to conform to regulatory requirements daily and safety in operations.



Airport Management — Airport Manager

Manual Development and Maintenance

Synchronous, Online, Live Instructor

Code: 2026WC CE-TI124-WS001

Hours and weeks: 80 hours / 5 weeks

Program cost: \$1,250 (plus GST)

Program dates

- ➔ February 3–April 9, 2026
Tues and Thurs, 5:30–8:30pm

Program description

The student will learn how airport managers design and develop manuals; safety in airport operations; airport suitability for aircraft operations, by applying daily quality control (Daily Rundown). Candidates have learned and been instructed in how to design and develop an Airport Operations Manual in compliance with *TP312E 5th*, other airside operations manuals, and airside operations plans.

Using knowledge learned from Airside Maintainer and Airside Application, you'll learn how to create and develop Transport Canada compliant safety and operations manuals for your airport. When you've completed the course, you'll know how to apply Canadian Aviation regulations and be ready to accept the role and responsibilities of an Airport Manager.

The Airport Management program consists of three courses:

- (Course A) Airside Maintainer
- (Course B) Airport Manager
- (Course C) Accountable Executive

Upon completion at the Accountable Executive level, a person has gained the knowledge in oversight of airport operations, airport operations quality control, and technical knowledge, to conduct regulatory required airport operations audits.

Who should take the course

Anyone employed in a supervisory or management role within a local or regional airport in Canada.

Prerequisites

No prerequisites.

Learning outcomes

- Upon completion of this course the student will have learned and are instructed how to independently assess airports for standard compliance, identify deviations from the standards, and report deviations to the manager. The goal is for the student to learn how airport standards affect a runway, taxiway, apron, or obstacles, and how to apply the standards beyond the airport property line.
- The student will have learned and are instructed how to apply standards in *TP312E 5th* to an airport with paved runways, taxiways, and aprons for the application of an airport certificate. The student will be able to know airport standards are applied to a runway, taxiway, apron, or obstacles, and how to apply the standards beyond the airport property line.
- The student will have learned how to apply Canadian Aviation Regulations, and *TP312E 5th* standards to airside daily operational processes; daily quality control, design of daily oversight of airport operations processes, airport zoning regulations; and for an airport to conform to regulatory requirements daily and safety in operations.



Airport Safety Management for Workers

In-Person, Dawson Creek Campus
Code: 2025FC WFTR-TI192-DP001

Hours and weeks: 40 hours / 1 week
Program cost: \$1,496.25 (plus GST)

Program dates

➔ September 15–19, 2025
Mon–Fri, 9am–5pm

Program description

This course teaches the foundation on which a Safety Management System (SMS) is built in the aviation industry. The course includes roles and responsibilities of personnel involved in safety, how to establish a safety reporting culture, how to identify hazards to report, and how to report hazards, incidents, accidents, or observations. The course includes data collection, and analyses of reports received. Upon completion of the course you'll be confident in reporting and conducting a basic risk analysis to establish a baseline action item for an identified hazard.



Airport Safety Management for Managers

In-person, Dawson Creek Campus
Code: 2025FC WFTR-TI191-DP001

Hours and weeks: 40 hours / 1 week
Program cost: \$1,496.25 (plus GST)

Program dates

➔ September 22–26, 2025
Mon–Fri, 9am–5pm

Program description

This course teaches the foundation on which a Safety Management System (SMS) is built in the aviation industry. As an Airport Manager, you'll learn how to establish a safety reporting culture among airport employees and learn how to use their reports for safety data analysis. Upon completion of this course, you'll be confident in reporting, as well as conducting a basic risk analysis, to establish baseline action for hazards.

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Step 2: Apply at Education PlannerBC

Step 3: Register with Northern Lights College



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AutoCAD Basics

Asynchronous, Online, Self-Guided

Code: 2025FC CE-TI125-WZ001

Hours and weeks: 60 hours / 12 weeks

Program cost: \$3,388.62 (plus GST)

Program dates

➔ Open Enrollment from September 2, 2025–March 9, 2026

Program description

AutoCAD Basics will introduce you to the fundamentals of using AutoCAD for Computer-Aided Design (CAD). You will start at the very beginning by creating drafting symbols; kitchen and bath fixtures; and a floor plan, bringing everything together on a deliverable printed sheet. You will also create an abbreviated set of construction documents, such as a floor plan, roof plan, structural foundation plan, electrical plan, and building elevations.

During this online course, you will learn about paper/model space and create deliverable sheet files. If you need to get an introduction to AutoCAD, this course for beginners will get you up — and running. This class is hands-on, real-world applicable, and includes optional projects.

Who should take the program

AutoCAD software is for anyone that works as a project manager, mechanical engineer, or CAD drafter.

Requirements

- Must be taken on a PC. Macs and Chromebook are not compatible.
- AutoCAD software is provided for the duration of the course.

Learning outcomes

Students who successfully complete this class will be able to:

- Create drafting symbols, kitchen and bath fixtures, and a floor plan, and integrate all information into one deliverable sheet file.
- Understand variations required to generate drawings as well as annotations (used to explain design aspects) and real-world model components.
- Create and insert blocks and external reference files to understand the appropriate times to apply those skill sets.
- Demonstrate layer and file management, external file referencing, use of model/layout environments, and user coordinate systems.
- Apply intermediate-level skills including layer management, user coordinate system development, creating sheet layout environments, and plotting.
- Develop skills needed to use one of the most in-demand softwares in the architecture, engineering, and construction industry.
- Gain an intermediate level understanding of AutoCAD.
- Create an abbreviated set of construction documents that demonstrate hands-on knowledge to your future employers.



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What is the StrongerBC future skills grant program?

Whether you just finished high school, are already employed, or are ready to rejoin the workforce, the StrongerBC future skills grant could help you. Seize your next opportunity in B.C.'s labour market!

Over the next 10 years, more than 800,000 jobs will need workers to have post-secondary education. As well, workers will need to adapt to new technology and economic shifts. The StrongerBC: Future Ready Action Plan is creating more opportunities for people to get the education they want. The StrongerBC future skills grant program is one of these opportunities.



Digital Marketing Suite

Asynchronous, Online, Instructor-Moderated

Hours and weeks: 72 hours / 18 weeks

Program cost: \$685.56 (plus GST)

Program dates

Courses to be done sequentially. When registering, it is advisable to select different start dates for each course within the suite to avoid starting all courses at the same time.

➔ September 17, 2025–January 2, 2026

Code: 2025FC CE-BE41-WA001

➔ October 15, 2025–February 6, 2026

Code: 2025FC CE-BE41-WA002

➔ November 12, 2025–March 6, 2026

Code: 2025FC CE-BE41-WA003

➔ December 17, 2025–April 3, 2026

Code: 2025FC CE-BE41-WA004

Program description

Digital marketing uses varied media such as cellphones, social media platforms and websites. Learn how to market your business on the internet and discover proven methods that will help you establish an internet presence and build your online brand identity. Social media platforms such as Facebook, Twitter and LinkedIn are gaining popularity and can be a game changer for businesses when used correctly. Finally, learn how to boost your website's visibility to get maximum results.

Program courses

- Marketing Your Business on the Internet
- Using Social Media in Business
- Achieving Top Search Engine Positions

Who should take the program

This program is designed for all business owners who want to build an online presence and grow their business; as well as those who work or would like to work in a marketing role.

Prerequisites

Having computer and internet knowledge will support your success in this program.

Learning outcomes

- Learn how search engine optimization (SEO) works, and how to track website performance using web analytics.
- Understand how to use online advertising, email marketing, and social media (including blogs) to drive business to your website.
- Understand how to build a social media team and automate social media activities, so that it can leverage the power of social media without adding another full-time job.
- Practice techniques for measuring and tracking social media success.
- Develop a pre-submission analysis, know how to do a post-submission analysis using tools such as Google Analytics, and how to manage the SEO cycle to maximize results.
- Discuss step-by-step SEO strategies that can be implemented right away.



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Get started!

Choose from over 400 training options and begin your training as early as September. This is your opportunity, your future, your skills and your grant. Take control of your career and benefit from the StrongerBC future skills grant.



Emerging Leader Foundation

Asynchronous, Online, Instructor-Moderated (NLC Trainer)
Code: 2025FC CE-PD157-WA001

Hours and weeks: 150 hours / 36 weeks
Program cost: \$3,420 (plus GST)

Program date

➔ September 23, 2025–May 7, 2026
(No classes for Sept 30, Nov 11, Dec 22–Jan 2, and Mar 9–13)

Program description

Earn recognition in leadership with our Emerging Leader Foundation program, designed to equip aspiring leaders with essential skills in communication, decision-making, and team management. Applicable to a variety of industries, this course empowers you to grow as a confident and capable leader. Whether you plan on being a leader, or are looking to enhance your leadership journey, this course is the perfect foundation to kickstart your career.

Program Courses

- Emerging Leader — Financial Essentials and Project Management Essentials
- Emerging Leader — Workplace Culture Essentials
- Emerging Leader — Leadership Essentials

Who should take the program

This program is for anyone wishing to hone their skills as a supervisor or wishing to move into a leadership role within their organization.

Prerequisites

- N/A

Learning outcomes

- Frontline leaders with the skills to resolve workplace problems and communicate effectively, contributing to company profitability and success.
- Leaders who respect the perspectives of individuals from different backgrounds and are competent leading diverse teams.
- Leaders who understand and respect the rights of Indigenous Peoples of the region and the principles of Reconciliation.
- Leaders who are aware of their role and responsibilities as a frontline leader, particularly as related to understanding their personal leadership style, time management, delegation, and team management skills.



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Who is eligible?

British Columbians who are 19+ or have graduated from high school are eligible to participate. Training through the grant is available regardless of your financial situation.

How do I access the StrongerBC future skills grant?

It only takes a few easy steps. And you're in charge! Choose from over 400 training options and begin your training as early as September. This is your opportunity, your future, your skills and your grant. Take control of your career and benefit from the StrongerBC future skills grant.



Management Skills for Supervisors

Program cost: \$1,569.06 (plus GST)

Program dates

➔ Synchronous, Online, Live Instructor

November 3–26, 2025 (24 hours/4 weeks)

Mon and Wed, 6:30–9:30pm

Code: 2025FC CE-BE124-WS001

➔ Dawson Creek, In-Person

October 6–9, 2025 (24 hours/4 days)

Tues–Fri, 9am–4pm

Code: 2025FC CE-BE124-DP001



Program description

This course focuses on developing skills to give and receive feedback as a manager. It introduces the principles of coaching which help support the development of team members, and in turn drive successful achievement of goals. These principles will connect to productive and respectful conflict resolution skills. The tools and techniques introduced in this course will have you ready to hit the ground running and implement them into your daily work as a manager.

This course will also explore best practices for effective communication in your workplace. Determine what you need from others and what they need from you to ensure open, honest, and productive communication. You will develop your own management “voice” with an inter/intrapersonal action plan. One of the keys for success as a manager of people is to understand the dynamics of effective and collaborative teams. Explore the role of team members and the characteristics of successful teams while you develop an action plan for dealing with poorly/low or non-functioning teams.

Who should take the program

This program is for those who are interested in entering the customer service industry or for those who want to advance in their current role in customer service.

Prerequisites

There are no prerequisites for this program.

Learning outcomes

- Ability to define management and the roles of a manager.
- Describe how management exists and connects at various levels within an organization.
- Explain and assess the factors that influence how a manager operates.
- Identify the steps to effectively transition from colleague to supervisor.
- Incorporate decision-making tools to improve effectiveness as a manager.
- Define team and types of teams.
- Identify benefits of teams vs. individual.
- Use models to assess and develop teams.
- Provide and receive useful feedback.
- List benefits of coaching.
- Use tools in everyday management situations.
- Define conflict and conflict resolution.
- Identify primary components of conflict and conflict resolution.
- Describe conflict resolution styles.
- Apply a conflict resolution process for different types of conflict.
- Connect good communication techniques to conflict situations.
- Create and implement conflict resolution practices in your work.
- Identify and manage the communication process.
- Assess your communication style and the impact it has on your conversations and relationships.



Medical Terminology Series

Online, Instructor-Moderated

Hours and weeks: 48 hours / 12 weeks

Program cost: \$463.60 (plus GST)

Program dates

Courses should be taken sequentially. When registering, it is advisable to select different start dates for each course within the suite to avoid starting all courses at the same time.

- ➔ September 17–December 5, 2025
Code: 2025FC CE-BE07-WA001
- ➔ October 15, 2025–January 2, 2026
Code: 2025FC CE-BE07-WA002
- ➔ November 12, 2025–February 6, 2026
Code: 2025FC CE-BE07-WA003
- ➔ December 17, 2025–March 6, 2026
Code: 2025FC CE-BE07-WA004

Program description

This course will be helpful in any career that uses medical terminology such as medical coding, health information technology, medical transcription, working as a healthcare professional, or working in the administrative side of healthcare. This course will help prepare you for jobs related to healthcare by teaching you the language of medicine, including an overview of how the different organ systems function, information about many different medical disorders, and information about diagnostic and treatment procedures.

As a result, this course will help prepare you for related college courses and for certification or admissions exams that expect you to understand medical terminology. For example, this course will help prepare you for the certification exam for medical coders and for the HESI exam which is often required for admission into nursing schools.

Program courses

- Medical Terminology — A Focus on Human Disease
- Medical Terminology: A Word Association Approach

Who should take the program

This course is intended for those who are interested in working in the medical field or who are already working and would like to enhance their skills and/or advance. This course will also help prepare you for related college courses.

Prerequisites

- There are no prerequisites to take this course.
- No medical background is necessary.

Learning outcomes

- The student will learn medical terminology from an anatomical approach. Take a journey through the human body and learn medical terminology related to all 11 of its organ systems.
- Discuss diseases of the cardiovascular, lymphatic, respiratory, nervous, skeletal, muscular, integumentary (skin), urinary, digestive, and male and female reproductive systems. We also go over different diagnostic and treatment procedures for each system.
- You'll learn the meaning of many prefixes, root words, and suffixes, and you'll greatly increase your medical terminology vocabulary.



Project Management PMP Bootcamp Prep

Synchronous, Online, Live Instructor

Code: 2025FC WFTR PD29-WS001

Hours and weeks: 37.5 hours / 1 week

Program cost: \$2,051.05 (plus GST)

Program dates

🕒 September 24–October 3, 2025
Wed–Fri, 9am–4:30pm

Program description

This workshop is designed to assist project managers in their studying and preparation for the Project Management Professional (PMP)® Certification Exam from the Project Management Institute (PMI). You will learn what to anticipate during the PMP® Certification Exam, including strategies on answering questions that can help you achieve a higher score. All evaluated subject areas will be covered and example questions and answers will be provided to familiarize you with the scoring methods used.

In this workshop, you will learn proven techniques from a qualified PMP®, greatly increasing your chances of achieving a higher score than you would without this course. This workshop provides the 35-hour educational credits required for new applications.

Who should take the bootcamp

This training is designed for those who have project management experience and would like to take the next step to advance in their careers.

Prerequisites

Bachelor's Degree or equivalent

- 4,500 hrs of project management work experience in project initiation, planning, execution, monitoring and control, and closing processes, more than three years of non-overlapping project management experience, 35 hours of project management courses

OR

No bachelor's degree

- 7,500 hrs of project management work experience in project initiation, planning, execution, monitoring and control, closing processes. More than five years of non-overlapping project management experience
- 35 hours of project management courses

Following the successful completion of this 35 Hour Prep Course, you will need to apply to take and successfully complete the Project Management exam, available outside of this course. At the time of application, proof of the prerequisites will need to be provided.

Learning outcomes

- Apply the project management key concepts, terminology, organizational influences, and project life cycle.
- Describe the project management process groups.
- Describe the project management knowledge areas.
- Apply inputs, tools and techniques, and outputs for each of the project management knowledge areas.
- Apply test-taking techniques for writing the exam.



Ecosystem Monitoring 101

Synchronous, Online, Live Instructor

Code: 2025FC CE-TI135-WS001

Hours and weeks: 54 hours / 18 weeks

Program cost: \$1,373.70 (plus GST)

Program dates

🕒 September 22, 2025–February 12, 2026
Tues and Thurs, 7–8:30pm

Program description

Consisting of seven modules, this course will provide you with essential skills and knowledge regarding environmental monitoring and conservation.

This program is relevant to those working in a variety of roles in the natural resources industry, looking to ensure environmental considerations are incorporated and considered in the natural resources construction and service field; as well as individuals with essential skills and knowledge regarding environmental monitoring and conservation.

Who should take the program

The program is intended for those interested in pursuing a career in environmental monitoring and conservation, including recent high school graduates, environmental technicians, and individuals looking to change their career path. It is also a valuable professional development opportunity for individuals currently working in a variety of construction, trades and service roles in the natural resources and energy sector.

Prerequisites

- N/A

Learning outcomes

- Fundamentals of biodiversity monitoring.
- Socio-cultural factors and traditional ecological knowledge (TEK) in monitoring biodiversity.
- Cultural sensitivity, co-management, and shared decision-making of natural resources.
- Vegetation monitoring.
- Terrestrial wildlife monitoring.
- Monitoring freshwater ecosystems
- Fundamentals of data analysis and management.



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Veterinary Assistant Series

Online, Instructor-Moderated

Hours and Weeks: 96 hours / 24 weeks

Program Cost: \$949.05 (plus GST)

Program dates

Courses should be taken sequentially. When registering, it is advisable to select different start dates for each course within the suite to avoid starting all courses at the same time.

➔ September 17, 2025–February 6, 2026
Code: 2025FC CE-HW131-WA001

➔ October 15, 2025–March 6, 2026
Code: 2025FC CE-HW131-WA002

➔ November 12, 2025–April 3, 2026
Code: 2025FC CE-HW131-WA003

➔ December 17, 2025–May 8, 2026
Code: 2025FC CE-HW131-WA004

Program description

Do you love animals? Have you ever thought about a career as a veterinary assistant? This course, taught by a practicing veterinarian and college instructor, will give you the information you need to prepare for work in veterinary hospitals.

Program courses

- Become A Veterinary Assistant
- Become a Veterinary Assistant II: Canine Reproduction
- Become a Veterinary Assistant III: Practical Skills
- Veterinary Medical Terminology

Who should take the program

This course is intended for those who are interested in working in the veterinary field or who are already working and would like to enhance their skills and/or advance. This course will also help prepare you for related college courses.

Prerequisites

- N/A

Learning outcomes

- Learn about pet nutrition and a variety of health and safety issues.
- Understand how to treat and prevent parasites.
- Learn the facts of life, as it pertains to dogs and cats.
- Discuss how to deal with the very emotional issues of euthanasia, pet loss, and how best to assist clients in a time of need.
- Interpret medical prescriptions.
- Explore marketing and communication.
- Understand the hazards of working in a veterinary setting.
- Understand how to obtain blood samples.
- Gain understanding of examination room procedures.



Eligibility Criteria for the StrongerBC Future Skills Grant



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Find out who is eligible (HINT: it's most British Columbians).
The StrongerBC future skills grant is available regardless of your financial situation.

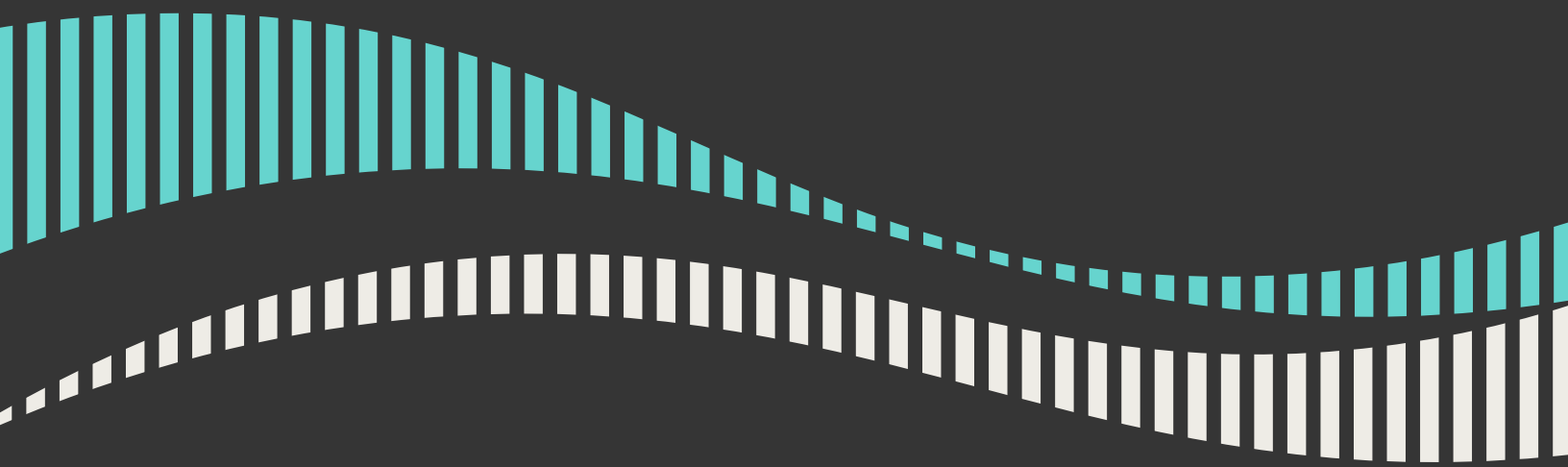
If you can answer YES to every question below, you are eligible for the StrongerBC future skills grant.



<p>I am one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Canadian Citizen • Permanent Resident • Protected Person entitled to study in Canada 	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes
I am a B.C. resident. I live in British Columbia.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes
I have graduated from grade 12 or equivalent, or I am 19 years of age or older.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes
I will give consent for public post-secondary institutions to collect and disclose personal information that is relevant to accessing the StrongerBC future skills grant to the provincial government.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes
I will not access duplicative and/or overlapping funding to cover eligible costs. For example, other grants, loans, scholarships or funding that cover the same program costs as the StrongerBC future skills grant.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes
I understand that the StrongerBC future skills grant benefits may have tax implications. I will consult the Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) for tax advice.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes
I understand that the StrongerBC future skills grant is subject to a \$3,500 lifetime maximum. All eligible costs will be counted towards the \$3,500 per learner limit. Eligible costs include: • Tuition • Mandatory fees • Program/course materials	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes
If I am receiving any federal or provincial benefit, such as Employment Insurance (EI) or BC Employment and Assistance (BCEA), I will seek approval from the appropriate government body before participating in the StrongerBC future skills grant program.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes
If I am a current WorkBC Employment Services client, I will work with my employment counsellor before I register with a public post-secondary institution.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes
I understand that if I require additional financial supports like living supports or daycare to attend training, I can contact my local WorkBC Centre 6-8 weeks in advance to determine if I am eligible.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes
<p>I understand that fall and winter 2025/26 programs are eligible. I will confirm eligible start dates with the learning institution.</p> <p>or</p> <p>I am already enrolled in an eligible program. I understand that I must confirm the first date of instruction for eligible courses with the learning institution.</p> <p><i>A course is part of a program. For example, a Business Certificate program may be made up of several courses, like Formal Writing 101 and Business Planning 200. It's okay if you registered for the program before the fall or winter 2025/26 semester but only courses that occur during the fall or winter 2025/26 semester are currently eligible for funding.</i></p>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes

For more information about the grant, email: futureskillsgrant@gov.bc.ca





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