

EDUCATION POLICYCOURSE CHALLENGE

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RELATED POLICIES:

POLICY

A learner who can demonstrate mastery of course objectives may request to challenge the course so as to be granted credit without taking the course.

PROCEDURE

Course challenge **is** available to all learners at the College unless regulated by an outside agency (eg. Industry Training Authority / BC Health Authority). Generally, courses that depend heavily on learner-learner and/or learner -teacher interaction, or incorporate a significant non-classroom component such as laboratories, etc., and practica will not be considered for challenge.

A learner is not permitted to challenge a course s/he has previously failed at the college or the equivalent of which appears on his/her university or college transcript unless transfer of credits was denied.

The challenge must be completed in the semester of application or within one month of the approved application.

A course may be challenged only once. A minimum passing grade of the course is also required for the challenge to be successful.

Learners are encouraged to consult Student Services to determine if a course may be challenged. The application to challenge a course will require the approval of both the faculty member or Chair administering the evaluation and the Dean.

Course challenge costs are equivalent to 75% of the cost of the course tuition.