

# Course Selection

## 2024-2025



*Photo by Tony Sprckett*

Getting ready to welcome you to Vic High Grant Street. 😊



# Grade 12 Course Selection

## AGENDA

- **TODAY:** Presentation on your options & time to ask Q's
- Source of Info for Courses: Please see the *Vic High Course Handbook* and *Pre-requisite List* on Vic High's website.
- Fill in your TENTATIVE choices
- Take sheet home to discuss with parents/guardians
- Bring your completed form to **C block** on **Wednesday, February 28**

# Questions Today...

- ❖ **We love Questions!** 😊
- ❖ Please make a note of your questions and wait until the end of the presentation.
- ❖ Ask your teacher, who can enter the question into CHAT or ask it for you
- ❖ **More Q's?** See your school counsellor; general help session Monday the 26<sup>th</sup> in the library at lunch

# Vic High's Sources of Course Information

The screenshot shows the website for Ecole Secondaire VICTORIA High School. The header includes the school logo, navigation links (CONTACT, ATTENDANCE, TRANSLATE), a search bar, and a list of menu items: Our School, News & Events, Programs & Courses, Student Info, Parent Info, Staff Info, and Library & Resources. The main content area is titled 'COURSE SELECTION' and features several links and documents:

- Grade 10-12 Course Selection [Grade 10 – 12 Course Handbook](#)
- Prerequisites 2023/2024 [Prerequisites](#)
- Grade 9 Course Selection Handbook 2022-2023 [GRADE 9 Course Selection Handbook](#)
- Course Selection Video [Grade 9 2023](#)
  - Grade 9 Course Selection [Grade 9](#)
  - Grade 9 Course Selection – French Immersion [Grade 9 FRIM](#)
- CAREER PROGRAMS – [Overview](#)
- CAREER PROGRAMS – [Pathways and Partnerships Menu of Offerings](#)
- Pathways and Partnership Video Presentation <https://youtu.be/x86klsOK9zI>

A left sidebar titled 'STUDENT INFO' contains links for Student Handbook, Student Transcripts, Student Consent Portal, Literacy Assessment, Career Centre, Request A G-Suite Account, Student & Parent MyED Account, Academic Counseling, Grad Resources, Grad Dates, Grad – Google Classroom, Grad Forms, PSI Information, Exam & Study Resources, Activities & Clubs, Junior, Athletics Calendar, and Athletics.

1. Click on *Programs & Courses* on the top tab of Vic High's main page
2. Click on *Course Selection*
3. Click on *Course Handbook* or *Prerequisites*

# Vic High's Course Selection Handbook

## **Victoria High School**

COURSE SELECTION  
2024 / 2025



# Course Prerequisites

## Examples:

<b>COURSE</b>	<b>PREREQUISITE</b>
All English Language Arts classes	Completion of the previous grade in English (e.g. English 9 is a prerequisite for English 10)
All Socials 12 classes	Completion of Socials 10 <u>and</u> in Grade 11 or 12
Anatomy & Physiology 12	Science 10 <u>and</u> in Grade 11 or 12
Art Metal & Jewelry 12	In Grade 11 or 12
Art Studio 11	In Grade 11/12 <u>or</u> with Visual Arts 10, or permission of instructor
Art Studio 12	Any Art 11 course or permission of instructor
Astronomy 11	Science 10

Many Grade 12 classes have prerequisites

# Review of BC's Graduation Requirements





# GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

- ✓ Required courses in Grades 10, 11 and 12
- ✓ Credits – minimum 80 credits to graduate (20 courses)
  - 16 credits (four courses) must be at a Grade 12 level
- ✓ Assessments (Num 10, Lit 10, Lit 12, *Evaluation de litteratie* 12)

# GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

## Other requirements:

- One Grade 10-12 ADST or AE course (e.g., Art, Computers, Trades, Cooking...etc.)
- One Indigenous focused course

# INDIGENOUS FOCUSED COURSE OPTIONS at Vic High

- English First Peoples 11
- English First Peoples 12
- BC First Peoples 12 (not offered in 2024-2025)
- Contemporary Indigenous Studies 12 (new course)

Students must take one of the above in either Grades 11 or 12

# GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

## Required Courses: Grade 10

- an English 10
  - + *Français Langue 10 - FRIM students only*
- Socials 10
  - or Sciences Humaines 10 - FRIM*
- a Science 10
- a Math 10
- Physical & Health Education 10 or
  - PHE 10 Fit for Life or
  - Education Physique 10 - FRIM*

# GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

## Required Courses: in Grade 11

- a Language Arts 11
  - + *Français Langue 11-FRIM students only*
- a Socials 11 or 12
- a Math 11
- a Science 11 or 12
- Career Life Education 10 or
  - Education au choix de carrière.....10*
  - (FRIM students)*

# GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

## Required Courses: Grade 12

- An English Studies 12  
+ Français Langue 12 (FRIM students)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 12
- \_\_\_\_\_ 12
- \_\_\_\_\_ 12
- Career Life Connections & Capstone  
or *Liens avec la vie Personnelle et  
Professionnelle* – (FRIM)

# More Key Points

**If you don't complete a course required for graduation, it will not go away...**

- *Select the required course as one of your electives (e.g. an English 11)*
- *You may also take the Grade 12 corresponding course in the same year (e.g. an English 12)*

# Post-Secondary Considerations

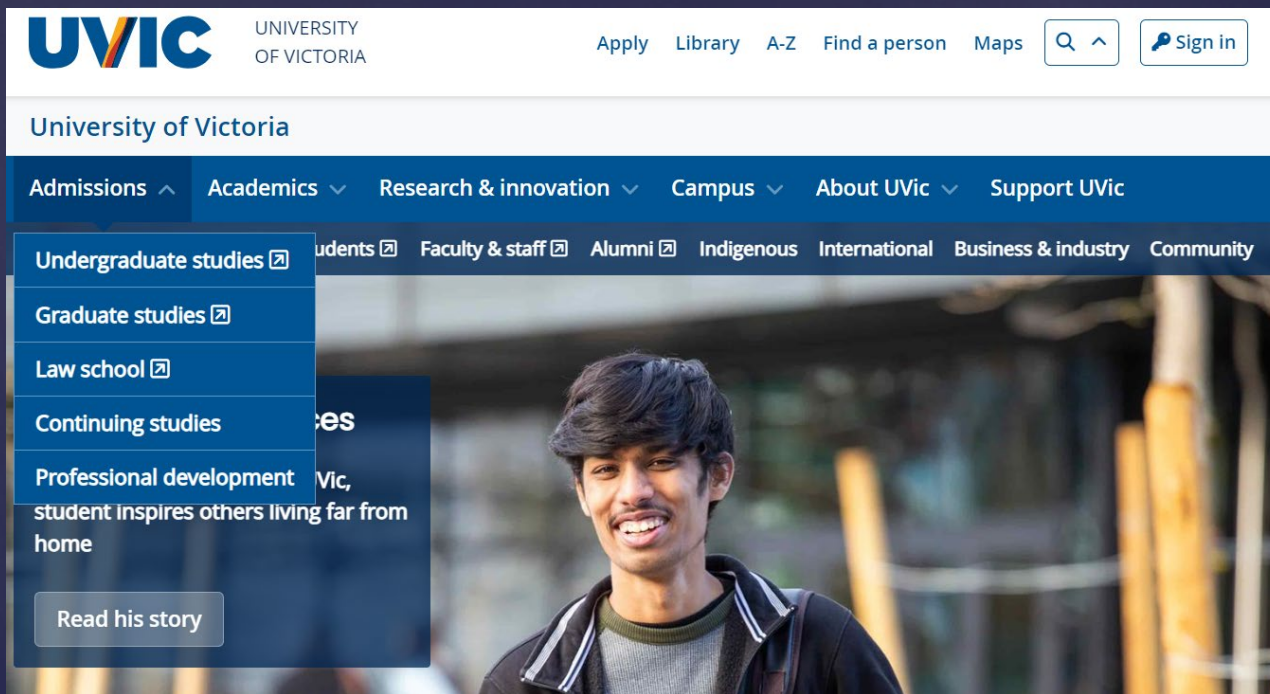
- Required Grade 12 courses vary widely between programs and between post-secondaries
- Universities (competitive entry): Generally require an English 12 plus 3-5 Approved Grade 12 Academic Courses; programs may have specific course requirements (e.g., Nursing, Engineering, Business, Science etc.)
- Camosun College: requires English 12 C+ and then program specific courses. Some programs have competitive entry (e.g., Registered Nursing)
- Camosun also offers upgrading and university transfer courses
- Some programs require supplemental applications and/or portfolios

**DO YOUR POST-SEC. RESEARCH CAREFULLY!**



How do I research post-secondary requirements?

- Start by going to the institution's home page and clicking on admissions, and then undergraduate studies





Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 First Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Student # \_\_\_\_\_ HR # \_\_\_\_\_

See the Course Handbook on the school website under "Quick Links" [www.vishigh.edu.bc.ca](http://www.vishigh.edu.bc.ca)

**Graduation Requirements**

#	Courses	Credits
	Language Arts 10	4
	Language Arts 11	4
	Language Arts 12	4
	Social Studies 10	4
	a Social Studies 12	4
	Science 10	4
	a Science 11 or 12	4
	a Mathematics 10	4
	a Mathematics 11 or 12	4
	Physical & Health Education 10	4
	Arts Education/Applied Design, Skills and Technologies	4
	Career Life Education 10	4
	Career Life Connections + Capstone 12	4
	Electives	28
	Numeracy Assessment 10	0
	Literacy Assessment 10	0
	Literacy Assessment 12	0
	Indigenous Graduation Requirement	0
	<b>Total</b>	<b>80</b>

Select 8 Courses + 2 Alternates Use Course # from Reverse & Course Name & Grade Level

1.	<input type="checkbox"/> English Studies 12 OR <input type="checkbox"/> English First Peoples 12* <small>*Satisfies Indigenous Graduation Requirement</small>	4
2.	# _____ 12 - Course Name _____	4
3.	# _____ 12 - Course Name _____	4
4.	# _____ 12 - Course Name _____	4
5.	<input type="checkbox"/> Career Life Education 10 – choose if you have not completed CLE10	4
6.	1 <sup>st</sup> Elective - # _____ (see reverse) Course Name & Grade _____	4
7.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Elective - # _____ (see reverse) Course Name & Grade _____	4
8.	3 <sup>rd</sup> Elective - # _____ (see reverse) Course Name & Grade _____	4
9.	(Choose this ONLY if CLE 10 has been COMPLETED) 4 <sup>th</sup> Elective - # _____ (see reverse) Course Name & Grade _____	
	1 <sup>st</sup> Alternate - # _____ (see reverse) Course Name & Grade _____	
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Alternate - # _____ (see reverse) Course Name & Grade _____	
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Career Life Connections & Capstone 12 (outside of timetable)	4
	Outside the Timetable: # _____ Course Name & Grade _____ (optional)	4

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you working at a paid job?  Where? \_\_\_\_\_

\*Are you interested in any of the Pathways Partnership programs? See over for a list of the Skilled Trades Programs

# Course Selection Sheet:

- For **Electives** write the **COURSE NAME** and **COURSE CODE** (see the back of the form)

# Key Points

- **You must choose eight** courses in the timetable and **two alternates**
- You may request a study block in September
- ***Change your mind later?***  
**Course Selection Verifications** will be given to students prior to Spring Break. Adjustments can be made then via an online form. Final timetables given in June 2024.

# Language Arts 12 Options

One of the following is required to graduate:

- English Studies 12
- English First Peoples 12 (meets Indigenous focused course requirement)

ALL options are recognized equally by Canadian colleges and universities

- *French Immersion students also take Français Langue 12*

# ELL Students

If English is NOT your first language, there may be language support classes that can be added to your schedule.

See your ELL support teacher (Ms. McTavish)

If you know you'd like an ELL support block, simply request "ELL Class" as an Elective choice

# Social Studies 11/12 Options

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One of the following is required to grad:

- Asian studies (new course)
- BC First Peoples 12 (meets Indigenous focused course requirement). Not offered in 2024-2025
- Comparative Cultures 12
- Contemporary Indigenous Studies 12 (meets Indigenous focused course requirement; new course)
- Human Geography 12

# Cont'd Social Studies 11/12 Options

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- *Law 12*
- *Political Studies 12*
- *20<sup>th</sup> Century World History 12*
- *Social Justice 12 (not offered in 2024-2025)*

*These options all satisfy the Socials Grad requirement*

# Other Social Studies Courses:

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*These options don't satisfy the Socials graduation requirement but are great high interest electives:*

- *Criminology 12*
- *Psychology 11*



# Math 11 Options

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One of the following is required to graduate:

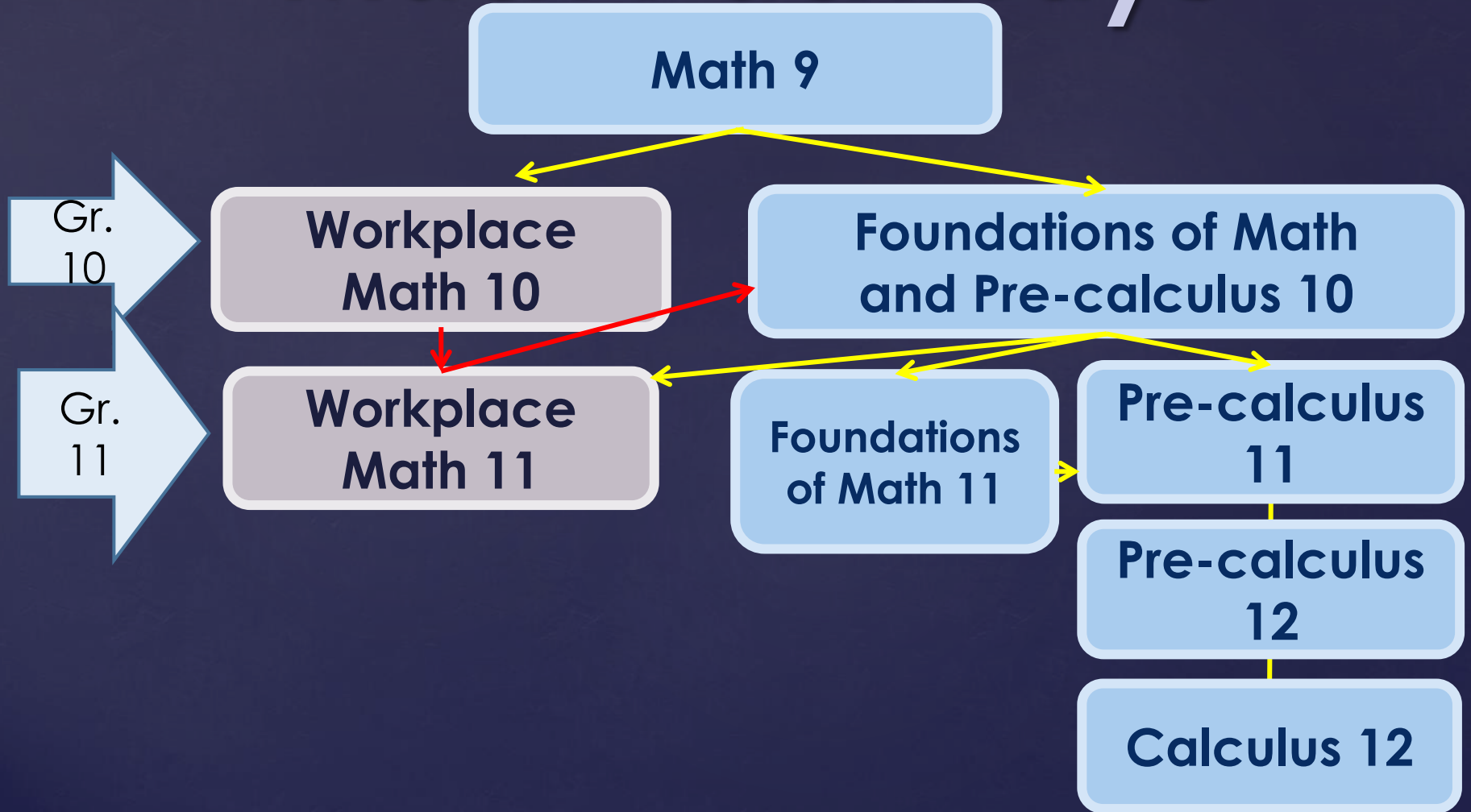
- **Workplace Math 11:** meets general college admission requirements
- **Foundations of Math 11:** meets admission requirements for many university programs at many, but not all, universities
- **Pre-calculus Math 11:** necessary for several programs (at university or college), such as Business, Math, Science, Engineering, Computer Science, some Medical Programs etc.
- **Do your post-secondary research!**

# Choosing Math 12

- Math 12 - NOT required for graduation
- Precal. 11 is a prerequisite for Precal. 12
- Pre-cal. 12 is required for some post-secondary programs (e.g., Sciences, Maths, Health Sciences, Engineering, Business etc.)
- Calculus 12 – most university programs don't require it, but, do our post-secondary research carefully!



# Math Pathways

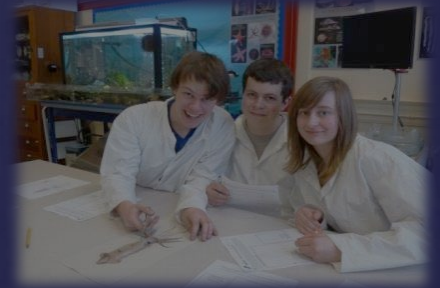


# Science 11/12 Options

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One of the following required to grad:

- Chemistry 11 (Foundations of Math and Pre-cal. required)
- Physics 11 (strong results in FMP 10 required)
- Life Sciences 11
- Environmental Sciences 11
- Anatomy & Physiology 12



*These all satisfy the Science Grad requirement.*

# Science 11/12 Options

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- *Chemistry 12 (Chem. 11 required)*
- *Physics 12 (Physics 11 required)*
- *Anatomy & Physiology 12*
- *These all satisfy the Science Grad requirement.*



# Other Science 11/12 Courses

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*These options don't satisfy the Science graduation requirement, but are great high interest electives:*

- *Astronomy 11*
- *Marine Biology 12*

# Career Education

Two required courses:

- In Grade 11 students take Career Life Education 10 or *Education au Choix de Carriere..(FRIM)*
- In **Grade 12** students take Career Life Connections or *Liens avec la vie...(FRIM)*

## Out of timetable course

- Next Steps (planning for your future)
- Mentor Interview
- Capstone Project
- 30 hours Experiential Learning

# Choosing Electives

- An elective is any course not required for graduation (academic and non-academic)
- Many Grade 12 classes have prerequisites. Check course pre-requisites (on VHS website) carefully
- Write the **name of the course** and the **course number**



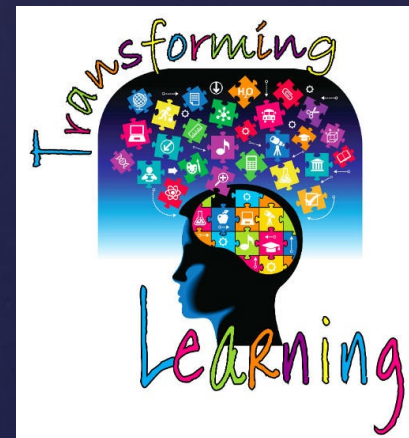


# In Timetable Electives:

So many great choices:

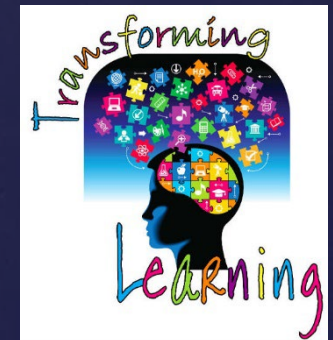
arts, drama, pe 11/12, outdoor ed, science and socials classes, yoga, trades courses, dual credit law, career programs, computers, languages, writing, dance, cooking, some music courses, textiles, fashion, hair, photography etc.!

**SEIZE THE OPPORTUNITY TO LEARN SOMETHING NEW!**



# New Elective Classes:

- **Business** : Marketing 10
- **Computers**: Media Design 10
- **Trades**: Skilled Trades Rotation 10;  
Robotics 11
- **Dance**: Hip Hop 12, Contemporary  
Dance 12 (performances required for  
both)
- **Music**: Guitar 12 (no musical  
experience required)



# Outside the Timetable Electives\*

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*Courses offered in the morning/ lunch/ after school*

- *Community Leadership*
- *Musical Theatre and Theatre Production*
- *Many band/vocal music options*
- *Dance Company (by audition)*
- *Yearbook 11/12*
- *Scholarship Preparation*
- *Work Experience 12 (register in September)*

*Outside Timetable courses are denoted by an \* on your course selection electives list*

# More Course Options....

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- District Career Programs
- Dual Credit Courses/Programs



# District *Career Programs*

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What are District Career programs?

- ✓ A collection of courses taken in one career area
- ✓ Usually these courses are taken at one of the high schools in Victoria for an entire semester
- ✓ Some courses may be held during the summer months
- ✓ All require applications

See Sam Spetter in the Career Centre

# Some Examples of District Career Programs:

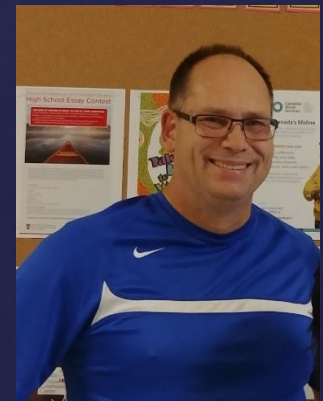
- **TASK:** Trades Exploration Gr.11 or 12 Sem.2 at Lambrick
- **Hair Styling Program:** Gr.11 & 12 at Vic High
- **Aviation and Design:** Gr.11 or 12 Sem.1 at Mt. Doug
- **Auto Tech:** Gr.11 or 12 Sem. 2 at Esquimalt
- **Graphic Design:** Summer Program (before Gr. 11 or Gr. 12)
- **Tourism & Leadership:** Summer Program (before Gr. 11 or 12)
- & more...



# District Career Programs cont'd...

- For options see the back of your course form under **Skilled Trades Program**
- **Put a checkmark** in the box of any of the programs you might be interested in

See Sam, Mr. Wheeler or Ms. McDiarmid in the Career Centre for more information



# Dual Credit Post-Secondary Opportunities:

A chance to earn BOTH high school and post secondary credits in Grade 12

- ❑ You become a Camosun/UVic student
- ❑ You take a post-secondary course or program (tuition is covered) while a high school student
- ❑ You do pay for texts and student fees





# Dual Credit Post-Secondary

Most classes happen on-campus at UVic or Camosun

- Camosun – many offerings
- UVIC has uSTART- take a university level course while in Grade 12



# Dual Credit at Camosun

Some options are:

- Trades
- Computer Tech
- Business Administration
- Legal Office Assistant
- Interactive Media Developer
- Indigenous Family Support Worker
- Health Care Assistant
- Professional Cook etc.
- Single courses in a wide variety of academic areas

See Samantha in the Career Centre



# Dual Credit at UVIC (U-start)

- *U-START is an* opportunity for highly academic students to take a university course at UVIC, while in Grade 12
- Application required
- Applications due by March 6<sup>th</sup>
- If interested, must attend the information session **Monday February 26<sup>th</sup> at lunch in the Career Centre.**



# Dual Credit Law 12/Crim 154 at Vic High (Grade 12 students only)

- In timetable at Vic High in semester 2
- Students receive Credit for
  - Law Studies 12 AND
  - Criminal Justice 154 (Camosun) = 8 credits
- Already taken Law 12?
  - You can still earn 8 credits for the Law/Crim 154 course



Co-taught by Mr. Wallace & a Camosun Criminal Justice Instructor

# Dual Credit Law 12/Crim. 154 at Vic High (cont'd...)

- Application is required
- Information Session with Mr. Wallace – **at lunch Tuesday February 27<sup>th</sup> in Room 120**
- Admission requires a C+ in English 12 or English First Peoples 12 by the end of Semester 1 of 2024/2025





# Reminders

- ✓ Select **8 courses in timetable** and two alternates
- ✓ Check the Course Handbook for course descriptions (VHS website)
- ✓ Check **PREREQUISITES** for Gr. 11/12 courses (on VHS website)
- ✓ Include any **required** courses for graduation not completed this year

# Reminders

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- ✓ Put a check mark beside any District Career Programs (back of the form) you are interested in
- ✓ Bring your completed form back on **Wednesday February 28**

# Questions



- See your school counsellor: Mr. Hamilton A-I & International Students and Ms. Manning J-Z
- General help session Monday the 26<sup>th</sup> in the library at lunch





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