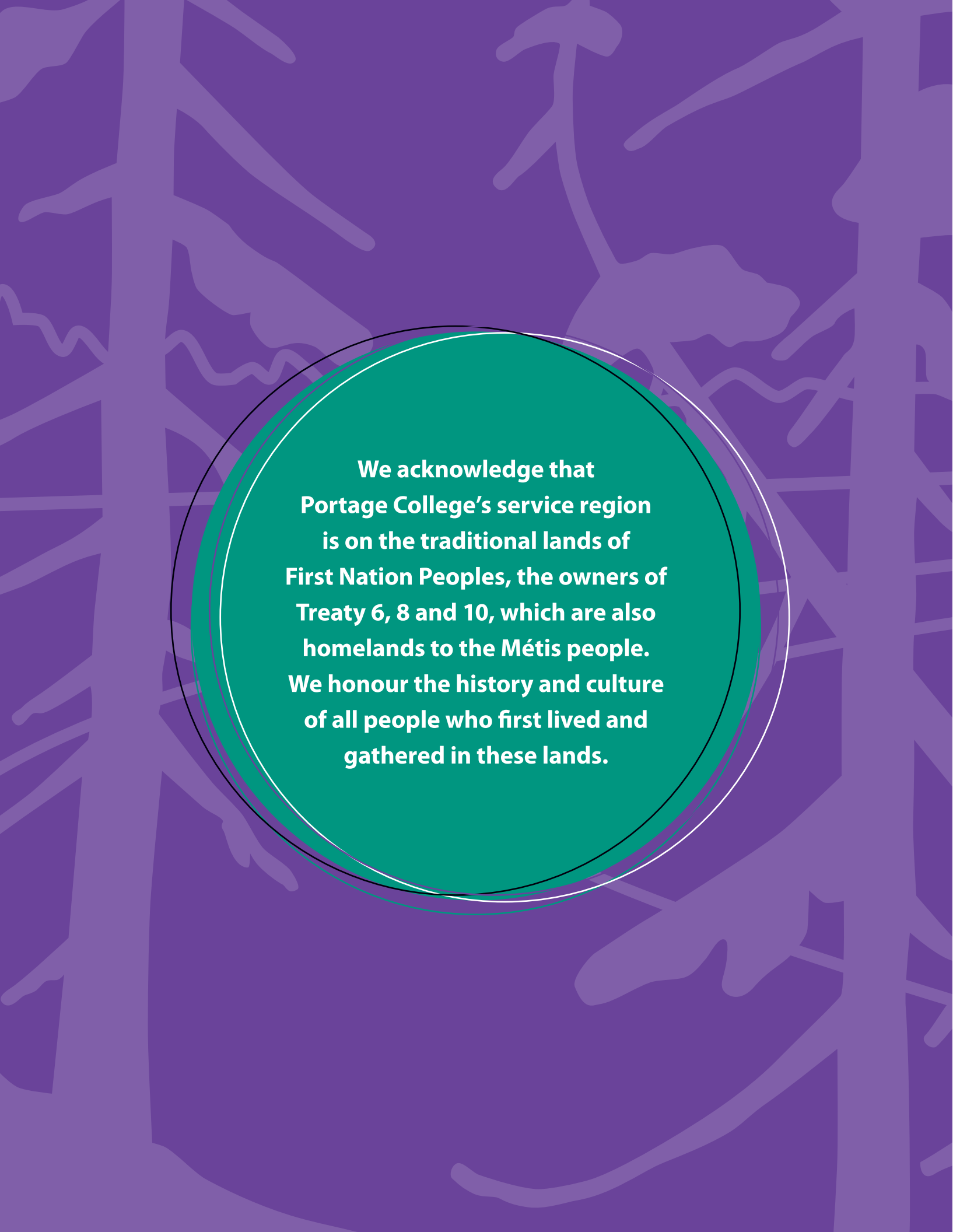


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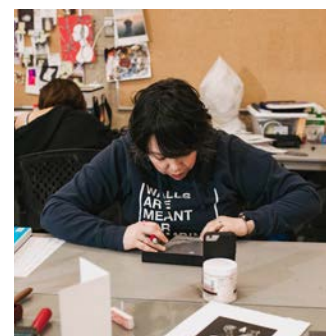
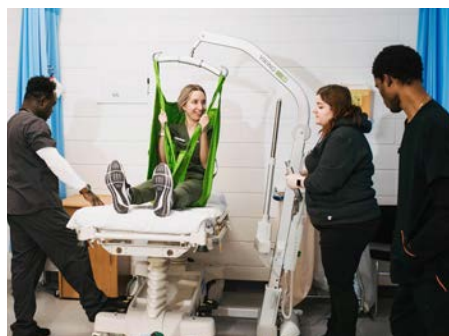
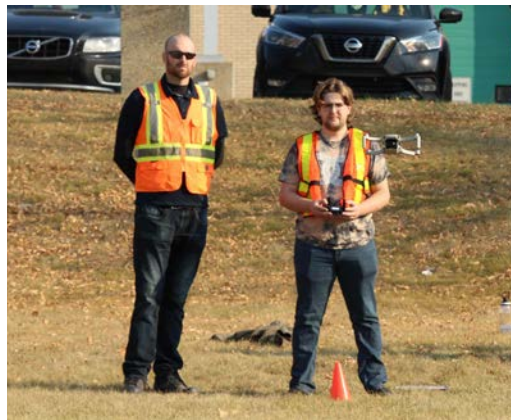




**We acknowledge that
Portage College's service region
is on the traditional lands of
First Nation Peoples, the owners of
Treaty 6, 8 and 10, which are also
homelands to the Métis people.
We honour the history and culture
of all people who first lived and
gathered in these lands.**

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At Portage College, it's about you.

HEY, WE'VE GOT NOTHING AGAINST BIGGER COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES.

In fact, we get along fine. But, when you have the choice to get a top-level education at a college where teachers know your name, well... let's just say, we think Portage is the perfect option. With one-on-one instruction and a wide range of student support, at Portage College, it really is about you. If you're looking to get ahead, you can start courses with us while you're still in high school. Whether you're picturing yourself in trades, human services, arts, environmental, health care, business, or furthering your education, we've got you covered. It all starts right here at Portage College!




AT PORTAGE:



"It was a great school. I wish I had another year!"

- Apprenticeship Welder student



“It was an amazing opportunity. We are lucky to have instructors who are so passionate and caring.”

– Business Administration student



99%

of employers surveyed said **they would hire a Portage College graduate**

94%

of students **would recommend their program** of study to others

93%

of graduates say that their Portage College education **provided them with the skills** and knowledge needed for their job

85%

of employed graduates **are working** in training-related jobs

Programs and Training

**WHEN IT COMES TO YOUR EDUCATION,
IT'S ABOUT YOU.**

**We have many programs to choose from
with certificate, diploma and degree options.**

**For more information about our programs
and how to apply, contact a student advisor.**

1-866-623-5551

info@portagecollege.ca

ACADEMIC UPGRADING

Academic Foundations

We can help you prepare to take high school courses in our Academic Foundations program.



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

We offer courses in communications, math, computer literacy, job preparation and job maintenance at a pre-high school level. These courses will help you prepare to get your high school diploma.

This program is eligible for Foundational Learning Assistance, and qualifying students may receive funding for tuition and living expenses.

TUITION*

Domestic: \$3,356.00

*Based on 2023-2024 year (two terms). Subject to change.

PROGRAM START/LENGTH

Start: Fall Term and Winter Term

Length: Dependent on course load

LOCATION(S)

Lac La Biche

St. Paul

PROGRAM DELIVERY

Hyflex*

Online

Face to Face

*Choice of onsite or online learning throughout the course. Midterms and finals must be written onsite.

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

Educational:

- Completion of program placement test. Course placement is dependent on testing results.

Other:

Students interested in applying will need to contact Student Services regarding opportunities for placement testing. Students will need to submit an application to the program to start this process.

- Interview
- Training plan

PROGRAM AVAILABILITY

 Domestic

College Preparation

"I really, really enjoyed my program. It was a great experience for me and my kids. They were very accommodating."

– College Preparation graduate



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

We understand the needs of adult learners. Juggling education, family life and work isn't always easy. Our College Preparation program offers full-time or part-time online High School courses at a grade 10 to 12 level, so you can work on the courses you need when you have the time. You might be eligible for a High School Diploma or equivalent as you complete your upgrading.

This program is eligible for Foundational Learning Assistance, and qualifying students may receive funding for tuition and living expenses

TUITION*

Domestic: \$3,356.00

*Based on 2023-2024 year (two terms). Subject to change.

PROGRAM START/LENGTH

Start: Fall Term and Winter Term

Length: Dependent on course load

LOCATION(S)

All campuses

PROGRAM DELIVERY

Online*

*Midterms and finals must be written onsite.

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

Educational:

- Completion of program placement test. Course placement is dependent on testing results
- High school transcripts (if applicable)

Other:

Students interested in applying will need to contact Student Services regarding opportunities for placement testing. Students will need to submit an application to the program to start this process.

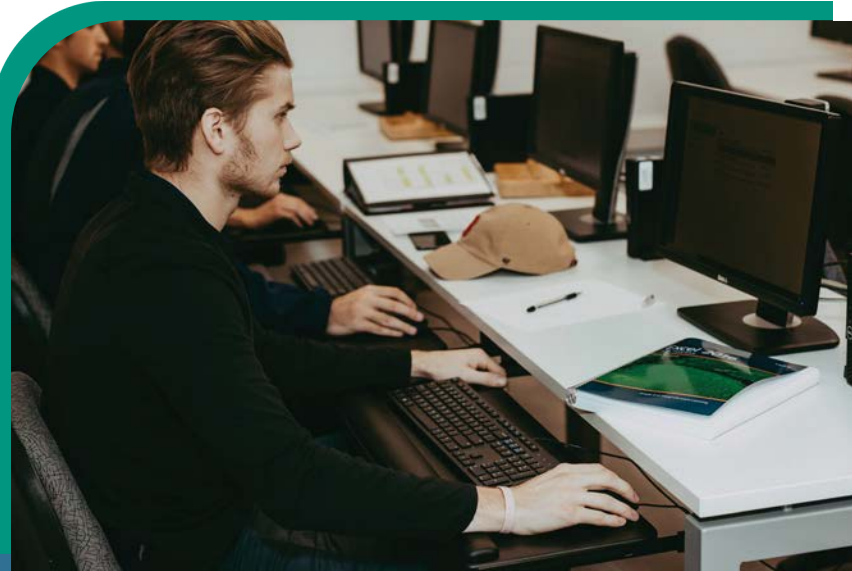
- Interview
- Training plan

PROGRAM AVAILABILITY

 Domestic

General Educational Development

Write your GED with us
and take the next steps
in your career path.



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

For many people, General Educational Development (GED) is a way to obtain a High School Equivalency Diploma recognized by Alberta Education. Many employers will accept a High School Equivalency Diploma in place of a high school diploma, and some college programs accept it in place of a prerequisite.

GED CANDIDATES MUST:

- Be 18 years or older
- Have no high school diploma
- Be out of school for at least 10 months in a row

*For more information about how to prepare for
and book your GED test, contact:*

Melissa Jones, Cold Lake Administrator
780-639-7102

Sarah Henson, Lac La Biche Administrator
780-623-5518

Aboriginal Art Certificate

Our program is structured on the knowledge and appreciation of traditional Indigenous art forms such as hide tanning, beading and porcupine quilling.



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

You'll learn to create traditional, original and authentic Indigenous art. Within the first month, you'll learn hide-tanning, beading, and will soon master caribou-tufting and moccasin-making. You can expect a combination of studio work and hands-on instruction by experienced faculty who bring knowledge about traditional and authentic practices.

TUITION*

Domestic: \$3,880.29

International: \$12,243.12

*Based on 2023-2024 year. Subject to change.

PROGRAM START/LENGTH

Start: Fall Term

Length: 1 year

LOCATION

Lac La Biche

PROGRAM DELIVERY

Onsite

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

- English Language Arts 30-2

Mature status:

Applicants must be 19 years of age and out of high school for one year

- English Language Arts 30-2 or Equivalent

Students who do not meet admission requirements can contact Student Services regarding opportunities for placement testing. Students will need to submit an application to the program to start the process.

Other:

- Interview with Coordinator

PROGRAM AVAILABILITY

 Domestic  International

Fine Arts Certificate

“Our Instructors helped us build our skills and put every effort into finding us great opportunities for making money and getting our names out and building a good resume.”

– Fine Arts graduate



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

If you're a creative individual who wants to embrace your inner artist, develop your skills and open doors to a visual arts career, then this program is for you. We offer an authentic learning experience in art through drawing, painting, sculpture, printmaking, ceramics, photography, digital art, and mixed media. You'll have the opportunity to exhibit your artwork and network with professional artists through studio visits and gallery trips.

TUITION*

Domestic: \$5,188.91

International: \$16,168.98

*Based on 2023-2024 year. Subject to change.

PROGRAM START/LENGTH

Start: Fall Term

Length: 1 year

LOCATION

Lac La Biche

PROGRAM DELIVERY

Onsite

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

- English Language Arts 30-2

Mature status:

Applicants must be 19 years of age and out of high school for one year

- English Language Arts 30-2 or Equivalent

Students who do not meet admission requirements can contact Student Services regarding opportunities for placement testing. Students will need to submit an application to the program to start the process.

Other:

- Interview with Coordinator

PROGRAM AVAILABILITY

 Domestic  International

Artisan Entrepreneurship Diploma

Woodland Cree hide tanning is a traditional Indigenous art form and is one of the oldest art canvases for First Nations people. Master the art of hide tanning in our Artisan Entrepreneurship Diploma program.



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Our Artisan Entrepreneurship Diploma helps you to further develop your artistic skills, and develop the skills and knowledge to become a self-employed artist/artisan. You will learn how to market yourself and your art through social media, on your own website and through business networking.

TUITION*

Domestic: \$3,880.29

International: \$12,243.12

*Based on 2023-2024 year. Subject to change.

PROGRAM START/LENGTH

Start: Fall Term

Length: 2 years

LOCATION

Lac La Biche

PROGRAM DELIVERY

Onsite

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

- Aboriginal Art Certificate

PROGRAM AVAILABILITY

 Domestic  International

Office Administration Certificate

Delivered fully online, our Office Administration Certificate ensures you're career-ready in as little as 35 weeks!



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Our Office Administration Certificate program prepares you for immediate employment in a dynamic office environment. You'll obtain the knowledge and skills required to work in administrative support positions in business, government, and non-government organizations. Our program contains a three-week practicum placement that provides on-the-job training, which will further your employment opportunities.

TUITION*

\$5,045.44

*Based on 2023-2024 year. Subject to change.

PROGRAM START/LENGTH

Start: Fall Term

Length: 35 weeks

LOCATION(S)

All campuses

PROGRAM DELIVERY


Online

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

- English Language Arts 20-2
- Math 10-3 or MATH 1041 at 60% (Portage College)

Students who do not meet admission requirements can contact Student Services regarding opportunities for placement testing. Students will need to submit an application to the program to start the process.

PROGRAM AVAILABILITY

 Domestic

Business Administration Certificate

"I loved the instructors. They helped me feel motivated and explained things well. You can tell they really wanted you to learn and understand the material."

– Business Administration Certificate graduate



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Our Business Administration Certificate program teaches you about decision-making in the business environment, time management, interpersonal skills, and working with computer applications such as Microsoft Office Suite. You'll develop a solid foundation of the fundamental principles of business before continuing into our diploma programs. Graduates of this Certificate program hold entry-level jobs in business or government.

Successful completion of the Business Administration Certificate allows direct entry into the Business Diploma programs at Portage College or other Alberta post-secondary institutions, such as NAIT.

TUITION*

Domestic: \$4,717.19

International: \$14,753.82

*Based on 2023-2024 year. Subject to change.

PROGRAM START/LENGTH

Start: Fall Term

Length: 1 year

LOCATION(S)

Cold Lake

Lac La Biche

PROGRAM DELIVERY

Blended - Domestic

Onsite - International

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

- English Language Arts 30-2 or equivalent
- Math 30-2

Students who do not meet admission requirements can contact Student Services regarding opportunities for placement testing. Students will need to submit an application to the program to start the process.

PROGRAM AVAILABILITY

 Domestic  International

Business Administration Diploma – Accounting

You're never just a number to us.
By spending more quality time
with you in the classroom, our
instructors make sure you learn
everything you need to know about
business administration.



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Our Business Administration Diploma in Accounting provides specialization in a high-demand field. After completing the program, you'll be qualified to work for an accounting firm or start your own journey to become an accountant. Our program focuses on financial, managerial and tax accounting, giving students a wide range of knowledge and skills valued within the accounting profession.

TUITION*

Domestic: \$5,188.91

International: \$16,168.98

*Based on 2023-2024 year. Subject to change.

PROGRAM START/LENGTH

Start: Fall Term

Length: 2 years

LOCATION(S)

Cold Lake

Lac La Biche

PROGRAM DELIVERY

Blended - Domestic

Onsite - International

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

First year Business Administration Certificate plus individual course prerequisites must be met.

PROGRAM AVAILABILITY

 Domestic  International

Business Administration Diploma – Management

“The foundations I’m learning in my diploma right now are going to be applicable in any business I run.”

*– David Schultz, Business Administration
Diploma graduate*



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Our Business Administration Diploma in Management will prepare you for a wide range of managerial positions. After completing the program, you’ll be able to work for a larger company, start your own business or further your education by taking a bachelor’s degree. Our program focuses on the real-world application of core business theories, giving you the necessary tools to effectively manage people, finances, production and promotion.

TUITION*

Domestic: \$5,188.91

International: \$16,168.98

*Based on 2023-2024 year. Subject to change.

PROGRAM START/LENGTH

Start: Fall Term

Length: 2 years

LOCATION(S)

Cold Lake

Lac La Biche

PROGRAM DELIVERY

Blended - Domestic

Onsite - International

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

First year Business Administration Certificate plus individual course prerequisites must be met.

PROGRAM AVAILABILITY

 Domestic  International

Bachelor of Business Administration Degree in Management

"I learned so many things relevant to my life as well as skills that I end up using every day. I received such a well-rounded education for the things I want to do."

– Brenda Robertson, Bachelor of Business Administration graduate



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

This program gives you the opportunity to complete a Bachelor of Business Administration degree granted by NAIT without having to relocate to Edmonton! A rotating combination of year three and year four cohorts allow the degree program to be offered continuously at both the Cold Lake and Lac La Biche campuses, eliminating wait times for diploma students in any year.

Those who have completed our two-year Business Administration Management Diploma with a GPA (Grade Point Average) of 2.0 or above will be admitted directly into year three of the NAIT Bachelor of Business Administration degree.



Human Resources Management Diploma

We're excited to partner with Northern Lakes College to support students wanting to specialize in Human Resource Management.



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

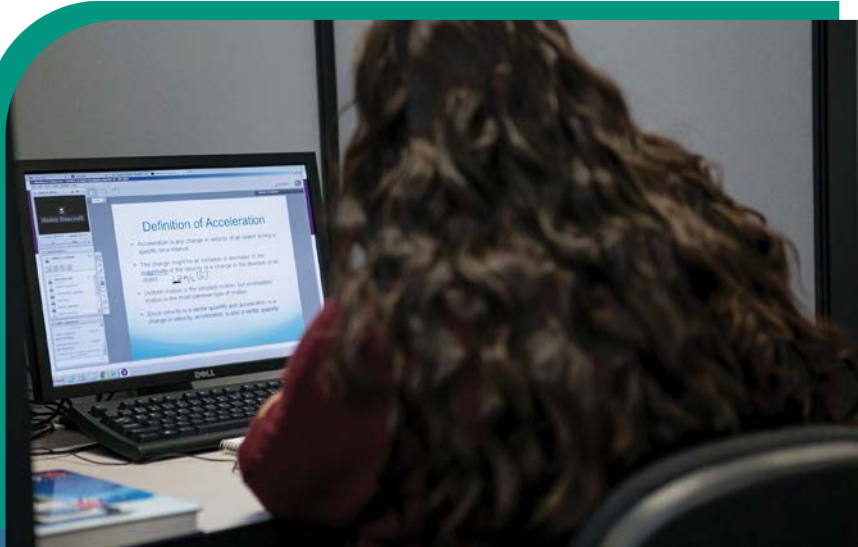
This program gives students that graduate from Portage College's Business Administration Certificate the opportunity to complete a Diploma in Human Resources from Northern Lakes College without having to relocate to Slave Lake. This diploma will help prepare you to write the national exam required to become a certified human resources professional.

It is offered online on a part-time basis, and students can use Portage College facilities like computers, invigilation, and other support services.



COMMUNITY ADULT LEARNING PROGRAM

Our Community Adult Learning Programs (CALPs) are award-winning community-based programs funded by Alberta Advanced Education.



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Community Adult Learning Program (CALP) offers personalized training for adults who want to gain skills in literacy including reading, writing, math, and English as a second language. We also support students in Academic Upgrading and College Preparation.

We have CALP locations in Bonnyville, St. Paul, Elk Point, Frog Lake First Nation, Cold Lake First Nations, Whitefish (Goodfish) Lake First Nation #128, Kehewin Cree Nation, Saddle Lake Cree Nation, Heart Lake First Nation, and Beaver Lake Cree Nation.

CALP CONTACT INFORMATION

Meghan Ostertag, CALP Coordinator
Toll-free: 855-497-1160
calp@portagecollege.ca



CONTINUING EDUCATION

Whether you're looking to take your career to the next level or simply pursuing a personal interest, our Continuing Education team offers educational expertise and flexible training solutions to meet all your needs.



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

If you're looking to improve work skills, renew a certificate or take a general interest course, our instructors are ready to meet you. We provide a wide selection of courses and programs for individuals and groups.

Our courses vary throughout the year.

Some examples include:

- Aesthetics
- ATV Safety
- Bear Awareness (onsite and online)
- Chainsaw Safety
- Class 1 MELT
- Class 5 Driver Training
- Class 3 Driver Training
- First Aid/CPR
- Spring Mushrooms
- Transportation of Dangerous Goods (TDG)
- Water Wastewater
- WHMIS
- Wildlife Photography

MICRO-CREDENTIALS:

- Permaculture
- Autoclaved Aerated Concrete
- Business
- Foundational Learning Instruction

CONTINUING EDUCATION

CONTACT INFORMATION

Toll-free: 1-888-745-0719

training@portagecollege.ca

portagecollege.ca/continuing-education

ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES

Environmental Technician

(Natural Resources Technology Diploma)

The instructors of my program were excellent and provided great foundational knowledge and skills that help me with my current university studies and work.

– Natural Resources Technology graduate



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Natural Resources Technology program is perfect for people looking for a career in the great outdoors. Our students have a passion for environmental sustainability and conservation, and a desire to apply that enthusiasm in real-world settings. The program is designed with hands-on learning in the field as well as in the lab and the classroom. Our graduates are knowledgeable, versatile, and prepared for environmental careers in reclamation, forestry, wildlife tech, and water quality monitoring.

TUITION*

Domestic: \$5,113.43

International: \$15,942.54

*Based on 2023-2024 year. Subject to change.

PROGRAM START/LENGTH

Start: Fall Term

Length: 2 years

LOCATION

Lac La Biche

PROGRAM DELIVERY

Onsite

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

Alberta high school diploma with at least one course from each of the following:

- English Language Arts 30-2 at 60%
- Biology 30 (recommended), Chemistry 30 or Science 30 at 50%, or Biology 20 or Chemistry 20 at 60%
- Math 30-2 at 60%

Students who do not meet admission requirements can contact Student Services regarding opportunities for placement testing. Students will need to submit an application to the program to start the process. Students are encouraged to look into Open Studies.

In our program, you'll obtain the following industry certifications, valued at over \$2,800:

- Standard First Aid
- Transportation of Dangerous Goods (TDG)
- Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System (WHMIS)
- Bear Awareness
- Petroleum Safety Training
- Wilderness Skills
- Pesticide Applicator's Licence
- All-Terrain Vehicle Operator
- Chainsaw (WTA)
- Drone Certification
- Ground Disturbance
- Trailing and Load Securement
- Electrofishing

PROGRAM AVAILABILITY

 Domestic  International

HAIRSTYLING AND BARBERING

Barber Certificate

Our Barber Certificate program is approved by Alberta Apprenticeship and Industry Training.



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Our experienced instructors train you in a program that combines hands-on skills and technical knowledge. Barbering Certificate offers small class sizes and a comfortable learning environment. Key areas of focus include haircutting, face shaving, texturizing, design, service industry standards and effective client relations.

TUITION*

Domestic: \$4,991.31

*Based on 2023-2024 year. Subject to change.

PROGRAM START/LENGTH

Start: Fall Term

Length: 16 weeks

LOCATION

Lac La Biche

PROGRAM DELIVERY


Blended

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

- English Language Arts 10-2
- Math 10-3

Students who do not meet admission requirements can contact Student Services regarding opportunities for placement testing. Students will need to submit an application to the program to start the process.

PROGRAM AVAILABILITY

 Domestic

Hairstyling Certificate

In addition to our program being incredibly affordable, we offer small class sizes, a comfortable learning environment, and instructors who know your name and care about your success.



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Train with our experienced instructors in a learning environment that combines hands-on skills and technical knowledge. Practice your skills on real clients in our campus salon. Key areas of focus include haircutting, face shaving, colouring, chemical texturizing, and design. An essential component of the program is establishing and maintaining effective client relations.

TUITION*

Domestic: \$9,982.62

International: \$30,550.11

*Based on 2023-2024 year. Subject to change.

PROGRAM START/LENGTH

Start: Fall Term

Length: 1 year

LOCATION

Lac La Biche

PROGRAM DELIVERY

Blended

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

- English Language Arts 10-2
- Math 10-3

Students who do not meet admission requirements can contact Student Services regarding opportunities for placement testing. Students will need to submit an application to the program to start the process.

PROGRAM AVAILABILITY

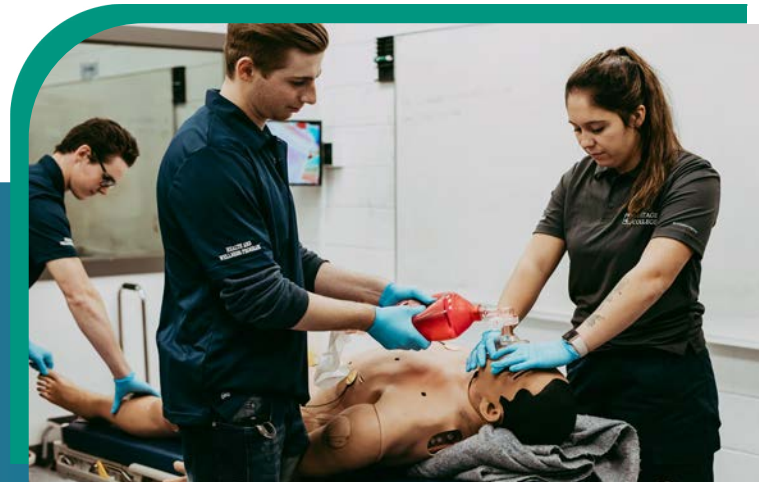
 Domestic  International

HEALTH AND WELLNESS

Emergency Medical Responder

"The program was incredible. We learned a lot to do with the program and beyond that. Our instructor was patient and very thorough"

– Emergency Medical Responder graduate



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Emergency Medical Responders (EMRs) are integral members of emergency medical services and may be required to work in highly stressful emergency situations. EMRs are trained to provide care before the patient reaches the hospital and is assessed by emergency department staff. Our training is hands-on and thorough with access to advanced medical labs and equipment.

TUITION*

Domestic: \$3,613.08

*Based on 2023-2024 year. Subject to change.

PROGRAM START/LENGTH

Start: Fall Term

Length: 20 weeks

LOCATION

Lac La Biche

PROGRAM DELIVERY

Blended

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

Educational:

- English Language Arts 30-1 at 60% or English Language Arts 30-2 at 70%
- Math 20-1 at 50% or Math 20-2 at 60%
- Biology 30 at 60%
- Chemistry 30 strongly recommended

Other:


- 18 years of age

Students who do not meet admission requirements can contact Student Services regarding opportunities for placement testing. Students will need to submit an application to the program to start the process.

- BLS (Basic Life Support) Certificate
- Class 5 Alberta driver's licence (GDL is acceptable) and a signed waiver stating understanding of employment requirements for a Class 4 licence for employers
- Police Information Check and Vulnerable Sector Search (within 2 months of program start)
- Signed Police Information Check waiver form
- Signed Immunization form
- Signed Immunization and Placement Disclosure waiver form
- Signed Health Status form
- All students whose first language is not English must meet one of the following:
 - IELTS Academic Format with minimum scores as follows: Listening 7.5; Reading 6.5; Writing 7.0; Speaking 7.0
 - TOEFL iBT (internet-based) with minimum test scores as follows: Listening 23; Reading 21; Writing 25; Speaking 22

Note: Testing must have been completed within two years prior to application to the program.

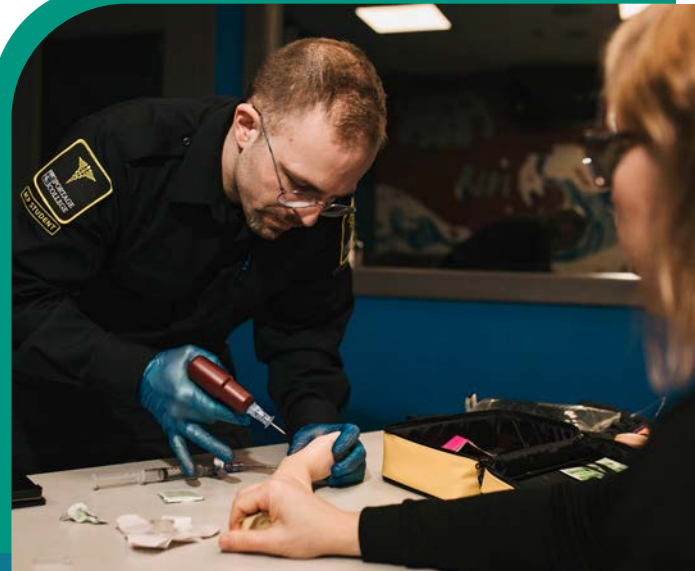
PROGRAM AVAILABILITY

 Domestic

Primary Care Paramedic

“We have one of the best Paramedicine Programs in Western Canada. We train our students with the necessary skills and knowledge to make the right decisions.”

– Dr. Donna Feledichuk, Vice President,
Academic and Research



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Primary Care Paramedics (PCPs) are integral members of emergency medical services. They are trained to save lives and to provide medical and trauma care in health services and industrial settings. We have four paramedicine labs, four nursing labs, five high-fidelity manikins, and one ambulance. Training includes clinical placement, putting you on the front line of a real-life medical environment.

Note: This program has high enrolment and/or limited seats.

TUITION*

\$6,443.86

*Based on 2023-2024 year. Subject to change.

PROGRAM START/LENGTH

Start: Fall Term

Length: 1 year

LOCATION

Lac La Biche

PROGRAM DELIVERY

Blended

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

Educational:

- English Language Arts 30-1 at 60% or English Language Arts 30-2 at 70%
- Math 20-1 at 50% or Math 20-2 at 60%
- Biology 30 at 60%
- Chemistry 30 strongly recommended

Other:

- Minimum age 18
- Standard First Aid certification (issued within one year of course start date) or Medical First Responder Certificate or Emergency Medical Responder Certificate
- CPR - Heart and Stroke Foundation Basic Life Support for Health Care Provider
- Class 5 Alberta driver's licence (GDL is acceptable) and

a signed waiver stating understanding of employment requirements for a Class 4 licence for employers

- Police Information Check and Vulnerable Sector Search two months prior to program start date
- Mandatory signed forms: Police Information Check, Immunization, Immunization and Placement Disclosure and Health Status
- Must attend mandatory online selection day
- All students whose first language is not English must meet one of the following:
 - IELTS Academic Format with minimum scores as follows: Listening 7.5; Reading 6.5; Writing 7.0; Speaking 7.0
 - TOEFL iBT (internet-based) with minimum test scores as follows: Listening 23; Reading 21; Writing 25; Speaking 22

Note: Testing must have been completed within two years prior to application to the program.

PROGRAM AVAILABILITY

 Domestic

Advanced Care Paramedic

"I started with the fire service because I always had an interest in helping people. But when I got the introduction to patient care, I loved it. That's when I knew it was right for me."

– *Chrissy MacNeil, Advanced Care Paramedic student*



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Advanced Care Paramedics (ACPs) save lives and think fast on their feet. ACPs may be the first to arrive on the scene of an emergency and at times may be the only provider in remote areas. All ACPs work collaboratively with other emergency medical services or health care providers, first responders or community support agencies.

Note: This program has high enrolment and/or limited seats.

TUITION*

\$6,350.14

*Based on 2023-2024 year. Subject to change.

PROGRAM START/LENGTH

Start: Fall Term

Length: 2.5 years

LOCATION

Lac La Biche

PROGRAM DELIVERY

Blended

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

Educational:

- English Language Arts 30-1 at 60% or English Language Arts 30-2 at 70%
- Math 20-1 at 50% or Math 20-2 at 60%
- Biology 30 at 60%
- Chemistry 30 strongly recommended

Other:

- Minimum age 18
- Valid CPR certificate for Health Care Provider (issued within one year of course start date)
- Class 5 Alberta driver's licence (GDL is acceptable) and a signed waiver stating understanding of employment requirements for a Class 4 licence for employers

- Police Information Check and Vulnerable Sector Search prior to program start date
- Must attend mandatory online selection day
- Required signed forms: Police Information Check Waiver, Immunization, Immunization and Placement Disclosure Waiver and Health Status
- All students whose first language is not English must meet one of the following:
 - IELTS Academic Format with minimum scores as follows: Listening 7.5; Reading 6.5; Writing 7.0; Speaking 7.0
 - TOEFL iBT (internet-based) with minimum test scores as follows: Listening 23; Reading 21; Writing 25; Speaking 22
- Personal resume (required for selection day)

Note: Testing must have been completed within two years prior to application to the program.

PROGRAM AVAILABILITY

🇨🇦 Domestic

Practical Nurse Diploma

"I chose nursing because too often we undervalued the impact we have on people."

– Samantha Guard, Practical Nurse student



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Delivered from a rural perspective, our Practical Nurse Diploma incorporates a comprehensive curriculum that emphasizes collaboration, health promotion and patient/family-centered nursing. Our program equips students with the skills and knowledge required to work in a wide variety of rural and urban healthcare settings. Our enthusiastic, experienced instructors integrate individual learning needs and innovative classroom and lab experiences.

After completing the program, you're eligible to take the national licensing examination administered through the College of Licensed Practical Nurses of Alberta (CLPNA).

Note: This program has high enrolment and/or limited seats.

TUITION*

Domestic: \$5,113.43

International: \$15,942.54

*Based on 2023-2024 year. Subject to change.

PROGRAM START/LENGTH

Start: Fall Term

Length: 2 years

LOCATION(S)

Cold Lake

Lac La Biche

St. Paul

PROGRAM DELIVERY

Blended

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

Educational:

- English Language Arts 30-1 at 60% or English Language Arts 30-2 at 70%
- Math 20-1 at 50% or Math 20-2 at 60%
- Biology 30 at 60%
- Chemistry 30 is strongly recommended

Other:

- All students whose first language is not English must meet one of the following:
 - IELTS Academic Format with minimum scores as follows: Listening 7.5; Reading 6.5; Writing 7.0; Speaking 7.0
 - TOEFL iBT (internet Based) with minimum test scores as follows: Listening 23; Reading 21; Writing 25; Speaking 22

- CELBAN, with a minimum test score as follows: Listening 10; Reading 8; Writing 7; Speaking 7
- Health Status Questionnaire signed by a nurse practitioner or physician
- Police Information Check & Vulnerable Sector Search - To be completed within 90 days of program start date
- Minimum 3 months prior to the first clinical placement in Year 1, end of Term 2, students must submit proof to meet the following mandatory placement requirements:
 - Must be 18 years of age
 - Current certification in Heart and Stroke Foundation of Canada - Basic Life Support (BLS) provider
 - Up to date Immunization Record
 - Signed Immunization Waiver form
 - Signed Student Placement Disclosure Waiver form
 - Signed Police Information Check Waiver form

Note:

Completion of all Year 1 courses in the Practical Nurse Program is required for admission to Year 2 (either at Portage College or as determined by Advanced Credit) Enrolled students must maintain an overall GPA of 2.0 (C average) in order to progress to the next semester

PROGRAM AVAILABILITY

 Domestic  International

CULINARY ARTS

Professional Cooking Certificate

Learn the ins and outs of working in the fast-paced restaurant environment and get hands-on experience in the commercial kitchens at our St. Paul campus.



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Our program introduces you to the kitchen, teaching you about vegetables, proteins, stocks, soups, sauces and kitchen management. With a three-week practicum, you'll have the opportunity to learn in an actual work environment. Professional Cooking combines theory, demonstration, and hands-on practical application, along with FoodSafe, First Aid, and Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System (WHMIS) certification. Graduates of the program are eligible to challenge the first year apprenticeship exam.

After successful completion of the Professional Cooking Certificate, you can continue on to our Culinary Arts Diploma.

TUITION*

Domestic: \$4,110.00

International: \$12,932.25

*Based on 2023-2024 year. Subject to change.

PROGRAM START/LENGTH

Start: Fall Term

Length: 1 year

LOCATION

St. Paul

PROGRAM DELIVERY

Onsite

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

- English Language Arts 10-2
- Math 10-3

Students who do not meet admission requirements can contact Student Services regarding opportunities for placement testing. Students will need to submit an application to the program to start the process.

PROGRAM AVAILABILITY

 Domestic  International

Culinary Arts Diploma

"To be your best in the kitchen, you have to be able to bend the rules a bit, be creative, and put your flair on things."

– Andrea Gauthier, Culinary Arts graduate



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Our Culinary Arts Diploma program provides all the specialized knowledge and professional skills needed in the food service industry. You'll learn about international and regional foods, with courses such as culinary management, dining cuisine, and an introduction to food processing. Hands-on learning takes place in our commercial kitchen labs. Graduates of the program are eligible to challenge second and third year apprenticeship exams.

TUITION*

Domestic: \$3,880.00

International: \$12,242.25

*Based on 2023-2024 year. Subject to change.

PROGRAM START/LENGTH

Start: Fall Term

Length: 2 years

LOCATION

St. Paul

PROGRAM DELIVERY

Onsite

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

- Completion of the Professional Cooking Certificate with a 65% average

PROGRAM AVAILABILITY

 Domestic  International

HUMAN SERVICES AND EDUCATION

Early Learning and Child Care Certificate

“Portage College programming has a flexible schedule allowing me to fulfill my life’s commitments and still grow as a person. The courses takeaway has given my career an enrichment, that helps others. I’ve gained confidence and knowledge through pursuing education through Portage”

– Stefanie Cox, Early Learning and Child Care graduate



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Our program provides you with the credentials needed to work in institutions or children’s programs at the childhood level (0-12). Early Learning and Child Care Certificate focuses on key areas of childhood growth and development, diverse abilities, and program strategies. Your practicum component will be arranged at a licensed childcare setting of your choice.

Our program features open enrolment, so you can start any time during the academic year. You can even maintain your job as courses take place on Monday and Tuesday evenings from 6:30-9:00 P.M. Practicum seminars are scheduled outside regular class time.

Note: This program has high enrolment.

TUITION*

\$4,736.11 or \$131.56 per credit

*Based on 2023-2024 year. Subject to change.

PROGRAM START/LENGTH

Start: Monthly intake during academic year

Length: 10 months

LOCATION(S)

All campuses

PROGRAM DELIVERY

Online

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS


- English Language Arts 30-1 at 55% or English Language Arts 30-2 at 60%

Students who do not meet admission requirements can contact Student Services regarding opportunities for placement testing. Students will need to submit an application to the program to start the process.

Other:

- Current Criminal Record Check, Child Youth Information System Document (formally CWIS) Alberta Child and Youth Services

PROGRAM AVAILABILITY

 Domestic

Early Learning and Child Care Diploma

“As Mom and a fulltime employee, the flexibility of the online courses makes it possible for me achieve this goal. I am happy to be doing something for me, that will also positively impact the children in my care.”

– Sandi Fraser



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Our Early Learning and Child Care Diploma builds on our certificate program by preparing you to work as a supervisor in early learning education. Our program fosters the development of knowledgeable and skilled practitioners who can lead and model best practices in early learning and childcare environments. Your practicum component will be arranged at a licensed childcare setting of your choice.

Our program features open enrolment, so you can start any time during the academic year. You can even maintain your job as courses take place on Wednesday and Thursday evenings from 6:30-9:00 P.M. Practicum seminars are scheduled outside regular class time.

TUITION*

\$4,341.43 or \$131.56 per credit

*Based on 2023-2024 year. Subject to change.

PROGRAM START/LENGTH

Start: Monthly intake during academic year

Length: 10 months

LOCATION(S)

All campuses

PROGRAM DELIVERY

Online

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

- Successful completion of Early Learning and Childcare Certificate from Portage College or a Canadian public college

Other:

- Current Criminal Record Check, Child Youth Information System Document (formally CWIS) Alberta Child and Youth Services

PROGRAM AVAILABILITY

 Domestic

Educational Assistant Certificate

"I loved all of my teachers and their willingness to lend a hand via long distance."

– Educational Assistant Certificate graduate



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Our Educational Assistant Certificate prepares you to work alongside teachers in the classroom. You will study child growth and development, learning strategies, interpersonal skills, and professionalism. This program offers a combination of theoretical instruction along with practical experience in an educational setting. Your practicum component can be arranged in a school setting of your choice.

Our program features open enrolment, so you can start any time during the academic year. You can even maintain your job as courses take place on Monday and Tuesday evenings from 6:30-9:00 P.M. Practicum seminars are scheduled outside regular class time.

TUITION*

\$4,472.99 or \$131.56 per credit

*Based on 2023-2024 year. Subject to change.

PROGRAM START/LENGTH

Start: Monthly intake during academic year

Length: 10 months

LOCATION(S)

All campuses

PROGRAM DELIVERY

Online

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS


- English Language Arts 30-1 at 55% or English Language Arts 30-2 at 60%
- Math 10-3 at 50%

Students who do not meet admission requirements can contact Student Services regarding opportunities for placement testing. Students will need to submit an application to the program to start the process.

Other:

- Current Criminal Record Check, Child Youth Information System Document (formally CWIS) Alberta Child and Youth Services

PROGRAM AVAILABILITY

 Domestic

Educational Assistant Diploma

Qualify for your Level 2 Early Childhood Educator certification through the Government of Alberta upon completion of our diploma.



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Our Educational Assistant Diploma builds on the foundations of the Educational Assistant Certificate. The program explores the historical and philosophical influences on current best practices in school-age educational programming. The program offers a combination of theoretical instruction along with practical experience in an educational setting. Your practicum component can be arranged in a school setting of your choice.

Our program features open enrolment, so you can start any time during the academic year. You can even maintain your job as courses take place on Wednesday and Thursday evenings from 6:30-9:00 P.M. Practicum seminars are scheduled outside regular class time.

TUITION*

\$4,078.31 or \$131.56 per credit

*Based on 2023-2024 year. Subject to change.

PROGRAM START/LENGTH

Start: Monthly intake during academic year

Length: 10 months

LOCATION(S)

All campuses

PROGRAM DELIVERY

Online


ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

- Successful completion of Educational Assistant Certificate from Portage College or another Canadian public college.

Other:

- Current Criminal Record Check, Child Youth Information System Document (formally CWIS) Alberta Child and Youth Services

PROGRAM AVAILABILITY

 Domestic

Community Social Work Diploma

“The CSW program taught me the importance of empathy, respect, integrity, and being authentic to my true self while also being able to place the needs of others above mine.”

– Shaylee Mazurek, Portage College CSW Diploma graduate, BSW graduate from Grant MacEwan, and current instructor of CSW at Portage College



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Social work is a diverse field with many opportunities to work with different populations on an individual, group or community basis. In this program, you can expect to gain an in-depth understanding of the social work scope of practice. This includes courses about addictions, rural and northern practice, research and policies, community development, group work, interviewing, and social work ethics/standards of practice.

A fundamental part of this program is the practicum experience each year. This allows you to put into practice what you learned in the classroom, develop new skills, and gain work experience.

TUITION*

Domestic: \$5,113.43

International: \$15,942.54

*Based on 2023-2024 year. Subject to change.

PROGRAM START/LENGTH

Start: Fall Term

Length: 2 years

LOCATION(S)

Cold Lake

Lac La Biche

PROGRAM DELIVERY

Onsite

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

- English Language Arts 30-1 at 60% or English Language Arts 30-2 at 70%

Other:

- Three academic/professional letters (within the last five years) – not personal references
- Current Criminal record check - RCMP
- Intervention record check - Alberta Children's Services
- Signed student agreement declaring at least 2 years free of alcohol and/or substance abuse
- Current Criminal record check waiver form

PROGRAM AVAILABILITY

 Domestic  International

OPEN STUDIES

Not sure what career you want to pursue? No problem! Our Open Studies program allows you to take a range of different courses to help you figure out your passion.



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Open Studies gives you the opportunity to choose the courses you need. It's a great option if you're looking to take a specific course without having to take a whole program. Open Studies can open the door to exploring potential career paths in programs such as Practical Nurse, Natural Resources Technology and Community Social Work. We offer Open Studies on a full-time and part-time basis.

TUITION*

Domestic: \$5,188.91 or \$170 per credit

International: \$16,168.98 or \$510 per credit

*Based on 2023-2024 year. Subject to change.

PROGRAM START/LENGTH

Start: Fall Term, Winter Term, and Spring Term

Length: Dependent on course

LOCATION(S)

All campuses

PROGRAM DELIVERY

Hyflex*

Online

Onsite**

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

Admission requirements vary by individual course.

If you are interested in this option please reach out to a student advisor before enrolling.

PROGRAM AVAILABILITY

 Domestic  International

* Choice of onsite or online learning throughout the course.

** International Students must be onsite.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

We provide great opportunities if you're interested in earning post-secondary credits while still enrolled in high school.



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

As a high school student in Alberta, you can take one free entry-level university course per term and/or obtain dual-credit. Get a preview of career options and post-secondary programs that interest you and receive both high school and post-secondary credits.

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

- To be eligible for enrollment, students must either have completed English Language Arts 30-1 or 30-2 with a minimum of 60% or be currently enrolled in English Language Arts 30-1 or 30-2 with a minimum of 70% in their English 20 course.*

*If you're interested in courses in Early Learning and Child Care or Educational Assistant, please refer to their respective program pages for entrance requirements.

TRADES AND TECHNOLOGY

Pre-Apprenticeship Carpentry

Let our Pre-Apprenticeship Carpentry program be the start of your new career in the carpentry industry!



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Pre-Apprenticeship Carpentry starts off with academic upgrading, then carpentry trades training – both theory and practical – and concludes with on-the-job technical training. As a student, you'll receive support for job placements, which can be used toward apprenticeship hours. You'll participate in an 8-week, 200-hour trade-appropriate work placement. Upon completion, you'll graduate with a certificate that can be credited toward apprenticeship training in the future.

This program is eligible for Foundational Learning Assistance, and qualifying students may receive funding for tuition and living expenses.

TUITION*

\$10,700.00

*Based on 2023-2024 year. Subject to change.

PROGRAM START/LENGTH

Start: Fall Term

Length: 43 weeks

LOCATION

Lac La Biche

PROGRAM DELIVERY


Blended

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

- Completion of English Language Arts 10-2 and Math 10-3
- Completion of Portage College's COMM 300 and Math 300 courses
- A Coordinator interview will be set up for those applicants that meet the academic requirements

Students who do not meet admission requirements can contact Student Services regarding opportunities for placement testing. Students will need to submit an application to the program to start the process.

PROGRAM AVAILABILITY

 Domestic

Pre-Apprenticeship Welding

“My mom encouraged me to try it, and I’m glad because once I was accepted, there was academic upgrading and computer training, and we were in the welding lab within the first few weeks.”

– Star Houle,
Pre-Apprenticeship Welding graduate



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Pre-Apprenticeship Welding starts off with academic upgrading, then welding trades training – both theory and practical – and concludes with on-the-job technical training. As a student, you’ll receive support for job placements, which can be used toward apprenticeship hours. You’ll participate in an 8-week, 200-hour trade-appropriate work placement. Upon completion, you’ll graduate with a certificate that can be credited toward apprenticeship training in the future.

This program is eligible for Foundational Learning Assistance, and qualifying students may receive funding for tuition and living expenses.

TUITION*

\$10,700.00

*Based on 2023-2024 year. Subject to change.

PROGRAM START /LENGTH

Start: Fall Term

Length: 43 weeks

LOCATION

Lac La Biche

PROGRAM DELIVERY


Blended

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

- Completion of English Language Arts 10-2 and Math 10-3
- Completion of Portage College’s COMM 300 and Math 300 courses
- A Coordinator interview will be set up for those applicants that meet the academic requirements

Students who do not meet admission requirements can contact Student Services regarding opportunities for placement testing. Students will need to submit an application to the program to start the process.

PROGRAM AVAILABILITY

 Domestic

Pre-Employment Heavy Equipment Technician

Heavy equipment is the backbone of industry, and requires extra attention and specialized training to keep running safely and efficiently. Our certificate program will prepare you to get heavy equipment out of the shop and back on-site.



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

This entry level program will introduce you to electronics, hydraulics, brake systems, air brakes, safety and more. The program is 16 weeks in length, delivered onsite at our Lac La Biche campus. In the Heavy Equipment Technician shop, you'll get experience using our current hydraulic, air brake and electrical training aids.

TUITION*

\$2,522.72

*Based on 2023-2024 year. Subject to change.

PROGRAM START/LENGTH

Start: Winter Term

Length: 16 weeks

LOCATION

Lac La Biche


PROGRAM DELIVERY

Onsite

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

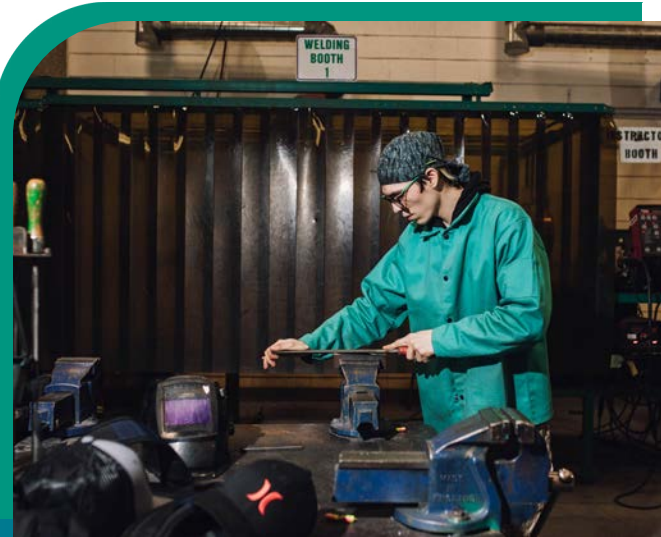
- Completion of English Language Arts 20-2, Math 20-3 and Science 10

PROGRAM AVAILABILITY

 Domestic

Pre-Employment Welding

If you have a strong desire to learn the trade, our Pre-Employment Welding program is perfect for you. Little to no experience is required!



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Interested in obtaining training and employment in the welding field? Then Pre-Employment Welding is right for you! There's no need for previous exposure to welding. Our program includes 16 weeks of theory and practice in the classroom and shop. You'll also earn safety training certification over the course of the program.

TUITION*

\$2,522.72

*Based on 2023-2024 year. Subject to change.

PROGRAM START/LENGTH

Start: Winter Term

Length: 16 weeks

LOCATION

Lac La Biche

PROGRAM DELIVERY


Onsite

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

- English Language Arts 10-2
- Math 10-3

Students who do not meet admission requirements can contact Student Services regarding opportunities for placement testing. Students will need to submit an application to the program to start the process.

PROGRAM AVAILABILITY

 Domestic

CWB WELDING TEST CENTRE

Our college is an Accredited Test Centre for the Canadian Welding Bureau (CWB).

Testing is offered for the following processes:

SMAW = Shield Metal Arc Welding

FCAW = Flux Core Arc Welding

MCAW = Metal Core Arc Welding

PRICING

Check test: \$175

1-plate test: \$175

2-plate test: \$300

3-plate test: \$450

4-plate test: \$600

If you'd like to register or have questions about accommodation, give us a call.

780-623-5756

Toll-free: 1-866-623-5551

Apprenticeship Electrician

Charge up your future - train at Portage College as an electrical apprentice and begin your career in this in-demand trade.



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Learn to install, alter, and maintain electrical systems designed to provide heat, light, power, control, signal, or fire alarms for all types of building structures. You'll also gain an understanding of alternating current and direct current theory, AC and DC motors, electronics, renewable energy, variable frequency drives, programmable logic controllers, and transformers.

TUITION*

Period 1-3: \$1,044.00

Period 4: \$1,524.00

*Based on 2023-2024 year. Subject to change.

PROGRAM LENGTH

Length: 8-12 weeks per period

Period 1-4 Available

Confirm dates on portagecollege.ca

LOCATION

Cold Lake

PROGRAM DELIVERY

Blended

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

- Students must be a registered apprentice with AIT and be eligible for the identified Period training

PROGRAM AVAILABILITY

 Domestic

Apprenticeship Welder

"All I can say is I thoroughly enjoyed my time doing second and third period welding at the Lac La Biche Campus. The studies were still flexible given our strict time frame, instructors were incredibly knowledgeable and approachable and the welding lab equipment contributed to the students' success."

– Period 3 Apprenticeship Welder graduate



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

We offer Periods 1-3 to make sure you are industry ready. You'll learn MIG, ARC and TIG welding techniques to fuse and repair metal components used in construction and manufacturing. For more information about getting registered as an apprentice, check tradesecrets.alberta.ca.

Portage College is also an approved test centre for the Canadian Welding Bureau (CWB).

TUITION*

\$1,044.00 per period

*Based on 2023-2024 year. Subject to change.

PROGRAM LENGTH

Length: 8 weeks per period

Period 1-3 Available

Confirm dates on portagecollege.ca

LOCATION

Lac La Biche

PROGRAM DELIVERY

Onsite

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

PERIOD 1

- Students must be a registered apprentice with AIT and be eligible for the identified Period training


PERIOD 2

- Successful completion of Period 1

PERIOD 3

- Successful completion of Period 2

PROGRAM AVAILABILITY

 Domestic

Apprenticeship Steamfitter/ Pipefitter

We're excited to partner with Medicine Hat College to offer all periods of Apprenticeship Steamfitter/Pipefitter.



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Students will learn how to assemble, maintain and repair piping systems used in a variety of applications. Students will take the theory portion of each period online, and attend the in-person lab portion of each period at Portage College's Lac La Biche campus.

Students will apply to the program directly through Medicine Hat College, with Portage College providing local advising supports. Textbooks and learning materials for the program will be available through the Portage College Bookstore.

**MEDICINE HAT
COLLEGE**



Heavy Equipment Operator

Our program has more seat time than any other, which means you get 6-8 hours of equipment operating each day.



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Our comprehensive training program prepares you for employment within the heavy equipment industry. We provide actual experience with various equipment including excavators, dozers and graders. You'll learn about soils, surveying, service and maintenance while you earn additional certification.

TUITION*

\$11,924.00

*Based on 2023-2024 year. Subject to change.

PROGRAM START/LENGTH

Start: Spring Term or Fall Term

Length: 16 weeks

LOCATION

Boyle

PROGRAM DELIVERY

Onsite

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

Educational:


- English Language Arts 10-2
- Math 10-3 or Science 14

Students who do not meet admission requirements can contact Student Services regarding opportunities for placement testing. Students will need to submit an application to the program to start the process.

Other:

- A valid Class 5 driver's licence or equivalent

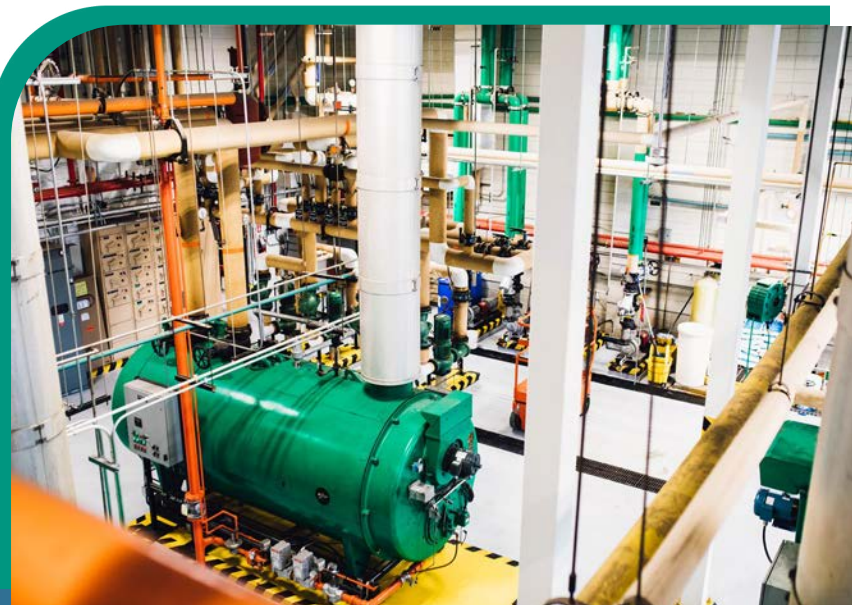
PROGRAM AVAILABILITY

 Domestic

Power Engineering

“The teachers helped a lot because they were always there when we needed help.”

– 3rd Class Power Engineering graduate



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Prepare to enter the workforce with our 4th and 3rd Class Power Engineer certifications. Learn about boilers, steam and gas turbines, generators, pumps, compressors, pressure vessels, and more. This is an intense program with an exceptional practicum in the oil and gas industry and outstanding career opportunities.

4th Class certification includes 25 weeks of study and a 160-hour (1 month) field placement. 3rd Class certification includes 52 weeks of study and a 960-hour (6-8 month) field placement.

Note: This program has high enrolment and/or limited seats.

TUITION*

4th Class: \$4,410.00

3rd Class: \$5,236.73

*Based on 2023-2024 year. Subject to change.

PROGRAM START*/LENGTH

Start:

4th Class - August

3rd Class - February

Length:

4th Class - 25 weeks

3rd Class - 52 weeks

*Dates subject to change.

LOCATION

Lac La Biche

PROGRAM DELIVERY

4th Class - Onsite

3rd Class - Blended

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

4TH CLASS

- English Language Arts 10-2 at 65%
- Math 10 at 65%
- Science 10, Physics 20 (recommended)

3RD CLASS

- English Language Arts 20-2 at 65%
- Math 20 at 65%
- Physics 20 at 65%
- Valid interprovincial 4th Class Power Engineering certificate

Other:

- Recommended for 4th Class:
 - Valid H2S course (that will not expire in the 2024-2025 academic year)
- Program acceptance will include a selection process based on high school marks, other related certifications, work experience, and a program interview

Students who are considering 1st or 2nd Class Power Engineering are encouraged to have at minimum English Language Arts 30-2, Math 30-2 and Physics 30.

PROGRAM AVAILABILITY

 Domestic

UNIVERSITY PROGRAMS

University Transfer

"This program really prepared me for my transition into university."

– University Transfer student



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Choose from a wide selection of first- and second-year university courses offered in person, online or Hyflex. As a University Transfer student, you can apply to different degree streams based on your field of interest.

One of the biggest advantages of this program is its flexibility - you can study as a full-time or part-time student and easily transfer to other post-secondary schools.

TUITION*

Domestic: \$5,188.91

Spring Term (optional) – \$170 per credit

International: \$16,168.98

Spring Term (optional) – \$510 per credit

*Based on 2023-2024 year. Subject to change.

PROGRAM START/LENGTH

Start: Fall Term, Winter Term, and Spring Term

Length: Dependent on course load

LOCATION(S)

All campuses

PROGRAM DELIVERY

Hyflex*

Online

Onsite**

* Choice of onsite or online learning throughout the course.

** International students must be onsite.

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

High school matriculation - A minimum average of 60% and no mark lower than 50% in the following courses:

- English Language Arts 30-1
- Four other 30-level courses (5 credits each) from the following list:
 - **Humanities:** 5 credits minimum
 - **Fine Arts:** 10 credits maximum
 - **Sciences:** No minimum or maximum (certain courses may be prerequisites for individual science or mathematics courses)
 - **Electives:** 5 credits maximum

Mature status:

Applicants must be 19 years of age and out of high school for one year

- Minimum average of 60% with at least 50% in English Language Arts 30-1 and one other five-credit Grade 12 course

Open Studies admission:

- Successful completion of 9 credits

PROGRAM AVAILABILITY

 Domestic  International

University Studies Diploma

This diploma program was designed for international students, but is open to everyone.



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

If you're looking to take university studies full-time, then this is the program for you. University Studies Diploma was developed specifically for international students but is open to domestic students. Our program offers a range of transferable university courses that provide the foundation for further study and career preparation in science, art, health, business, education, and human services.

TUITION*

Domestic: \$5,188.91

Spring Term (optional) – \$170 per credit

International: \$16,168.98

Spring Term (optional) – \$510 per credit

*Based on 2023-2024 year. Subject to change.

PROGRAM START/LENGTH

Start: Fall Term, Winter Term, and Spring Term

Length: 2 years

LOCATION(S)

All campuses

PROGRAM DELIVERY

Hyflex*

Online

Onsite**

* Choice of onsite or online learning throughout the course.

** International students must be onsite.

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

High school matriculation - A minimum average of 60% and no mark lower than 50% in the following courses or course equivalency:

- English Language Arts 30-1
- Four other 30-level courses (5 credits each) from the following list:
 - **Humanities:** 5 credits minimum
 - **Fine Arts:** 10 credits maximum
 - **Sciences:** No minimum or maximum (certain courses may be prerequisites for individual science or mathematics courses)
 - **Electives:** 5 credits maximum

Mature status:

Applicants must be 19 years of age and out of high school for one year

- Minimum average of 60% with at least 50% in English Language Arts 30-1 or English 30 and one other five-credit Grade 12 course

Open Studies admission:

- Successful completion of 9 credits

PROGRAM AVAILABILITY

 Domestic  International

Bachelor's Degree Programs

We're now offering bachelor's degree programs in partnership with other post-secondary institutions across Alberta.



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Through partnerships with other post-secondary institutions, we now offer various bachelor's degree programs.

- **Aboriginal Teacher Education Program** - University of Alberta
- **Bachelor of Arts, General (3-year)** - Athabasca University
- **Bachelor of Arts** - Athabasca University
- **Bachelor of Human Resources and Labour Relations** - Athabasca University
- **Bachelor of Science** - Athabasca University
- **Bachelor of Science Major in Computing and Information Systems** - Athabasca University
- **Bachelor of General Studies** - Athabasca University
- **Bachelor of Education** - University of Calgary
- **Bachelors of Nursing** - University of Calgary

We're continuing to grow our partnerships. For the most up-to-date list of partner institutions, visit our website: portagecollege.ca/bachelors-degree-programs.

TUITION

Tuition is determined by the institution from which you complete your courses.

Please contact Student Services at 1-866-623-5551 for information about Portage College's tuition.

PROGRAM START/LENGTH

Start: Fall Term, Winter Term, and Spring Term

Length: 3-4 years

LOCATION(S)

Cold Lake
Lac La Biche
St. Paul

PROGRAM DELIVERY

Varies*

*Please check with Student Admissions at Portage College and the transferring Post-Secondary Institution.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

INDIGENOUS STUDENT FUNDING

The most common sources of funding are Band, Settlement and Regional Council. These are some of the first places for First Nations, Métis and Inuit students to look. Some funding opportunities can be accessed through government initiatives and non-profit organizations as well.

ALBERTA STUDENT AID

Alberta Student Aid offers student loans, grants, scholarships, and awards to help cover your costs while you're in school. It is recommended that you apply for funding at least two months prior to the start of your program or courses.

FOUNDATIONAL LEARNING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (formerly Alberta Works)

Grant funding is available for Academic Upgrading students for specific courses required for entrance to a career program.

APPRENTICESHIP AND INDUSTRY TRAINING

Registered Alberta apprentices and occupational trainees may be eligible for financial assistance when attending the technical training portion of their program.

CANADA-ALBERTA JOB GRANT

Ask your employer to apply for this grant. Students may be eligible to receive up to 100% of the training costs to a maximum of \$15,000.

GOVERNMENT OF CANADA STUDENT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

The Canada Student Loans Program provides financial assistance in the form of loans and grants to post-secondary students who demonstrate financial need.

VETERANS' EDUCATION AND TRAINING BENEFIT

This new benefit will provide funding to help support for college, university or technical education to Canadian Armed Forces Regular Force and Reserve Force Veterans with at least six years of military service.

SCHOLARSHIPS, AWARDS AND BURSARIES

We have many scholarships, awards and bursaries available. Our Awards Program not only recognizes your achievements but can also help you with your financial needs. In the 2021-2022 academic year, over \$500,000 was awarded to 270 of our students.

"I have always wanted to be a nurse, and this award allowed me to put all my energy, time, and heart into this program. I am so grateful. Thank you."

– Practical Nurse student

645+

scholarships, awards and bursaries distributed in 2021-2022

18+

scholarships, awards and bursaries available per program

195K+

in College-funded scholarships, awards and bursaries in 2021-2022

STUDENT SERVICES

Academic Advising



Our advisors are here to help you make informed choices about programs and courses. They will help select the courses that work for your educational plan. They can also help you with your college application, plan and create your course schedule and guide you through the transfer process.

It's important to remember that while our advisors are here to help you plan, you are ultimately responsible for its accuracy.

Office hours: Monday to Friday from 8:15 am to 4:30 pm

Campus Security

Our security team is here to help you. We use video surveillance to keep you safe. Our security staff are certified in first aid and CPR and are trained to deal with safety and emergency situations.

We take emergency preparedness seriously. That's why we practice both shelter in place and evacuation procedures throughout the academic year.

PORTAGE ALERT, OUR OFFICIAL SAFETY APP

Easily access emergency plans and support resources, stay up to date on campus emergencies and explore some of the awesome features the app has to offer. *Download now for free on Google Play or the App Store!*

COUNSELLING AND WELLNESS

Access counselling services for free, 8:15 A.M. to 4:30 P.M., Monday to Friday.

Help is available for personal counselling as well as mental health support, gender-based violence and sexual violence support and prevention.

LIBRARY SERVICES

The library supports and enhances the learning process by providing access to information resources and technical and research assistance in a friendly and inviting learning environment.

There are currently three library branches. Our main branch is located in Lac La Biche, but we also have branches in Cold Lake and St. Paul.

All our library branches deliver services and resources to students and staff, including:

- Computer workstations
- Physical and electronic resources
- Interlibrary loans
- Study space
- Research and citation assistance

REC & STUDENT LIFE

We provide recreation and leisure opportunities that promote your physical, social, and emotional well-being. We offer a range of fun and engaging campus programs and events along with community-based activities. These activities are either free or offered at a reduced rate. Each of our campuses has unique programs, facilities, and access to Rec & Student Life activities.

COLD LAKE

As a student, you have access to the Cold Lake Energy Centre's multi-use facility. A four-month membership allows free access to the Cenovus Energy Wellness Centre, walking/running track, drop-in activities at the field houses and arena, group fitness classes, and use of athletic equipment (balls, nets, racquets, etc.).

LAC LA BICHE

Our weight room, cardio centre, racquetball court, and gymnasium are free to use. Here, you can participate in sports such as basketball, floor hockey, futsal, badminton, volleyball, racquetball, squash, and more!



Conveniently located on campus, Portage Pool includes a wading pool, 25 metre five-lane pool, steam room, hot tub, changing rooms, and a Pal Lift and Easy Ladder for anyone with accessibility needs. By presenting your student ID, you gain free access to all public, family, and lane swim.

ST. PAUL

A visit to the Aquatic Centre can help you stay active and feel great! With a punch pass, you get access to the weight and cardio room, and public, adult, and lane swimming.

VIRTUAL ACTIVITIES

We offer a variety of virtual activities. Rec & Student Life will accommodate satellite campuses and online learners if they would like to participate on Cold Lake, Lac La Biche, or St. Paul campuses.

STUDENT LEARNING SERVICES

Student Learning Services (SLS) is committed to providing an inclusive learning environment. Our department offers accommodation and services to remove barriers from your learning environment. We can provide one-on-one strategy sessions, exam accommodations, assistive technology, alternate format material, and/or contracted services. If you require specialized learning support, please contact SLS as soon as possible. This will help ensure support is in place when you begin your program.

Contact us for more information or to schedule an appointment.

Email: sls@portagecollege.ca

LAC LA BICHE CAMPUS

Geraldine Hagen: 780-623-5758

Kerrienne Tynan: 780-623-5569

COLD LAKE CAMPUS

Sarah Williams: 780-639-7108

Chelsea Eckel: 780-639-7140

ST. PAUL CAMPUS

Amy Charter: 780-614-6337

VOYAGEURS ATHLETICS

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Our Voyageur athletes have competed in the Alberta Colleges Athletics Conference (ACAC) since 1991. We're looking for student athletes who fit our culture and community and who strive for academic success while learning to become productive members of society. Through volunteerism, our athletes develop strong leadership and community engagement skills that benefit them well into the future.

We're interested in student athletes who want to succeed, learn, grow, and compete in golf, curling, soccer/futsal, or men's hockey.

If you're interested in joining the team, complete the recruitment form on our website: athletics.portagecollege.ca/student-athletes/recruit

OUR FACILITIES

Our training and competition facilities are some of the finest in the league. The Bold Center in Lac La Biche is home to the Voyageurs hockey, curling, soccer, and futsal teams. The indoor facility features a twin ice arena with seating capacity of over 1,000 fans for hockey games, a four-sheet curling rink, two field houses, and a running track. The Bold Center's outdoor facility features a natural grass soccer training field, and a 400 m track with an artificial turf soccer field.

The Voyageurs' home golf course is the Lac La Biche Golf and Country Club, one of the most scenic golf courses in Alberta. The par 72 course plays up to 6,481 yards from the blue tees, with a slope of 126 and a rating of 71.4. For training, our golf team also has access to the Cold Lake Golf & Winter Club which plays up to 6,618 yards from the blue tees with a slope of 131 and a rating of 71.8.



STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION OF PORTAGE COLLEGE

Supporting student development through awareness, leadership, advocacy, and organization.

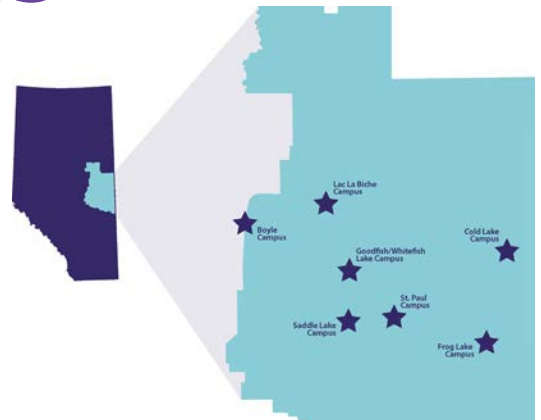


Our students' association is a non-profit organization that acts on behalf of you, the student. We provide an inclusive environment empowering you to achieve your educational goals and encouraging you to advocate for yourself. We also develop and maintain student representation on decision-making boards and committees of Portage College. The Students' Association of Portage College (SAPC) organizes social activities, participates in community awareness events, and support clubs.

Our student council is elected annually by our students and is responsible for the affairs of the SAPC, much like a board of directors. It's the goal of your students' association to offer fair and equal opportunities for each of our members.

CAMPUS LOCATIONS

We offer programming at multiple campus locations across northeast Alberta, Canada. Learn in an environment where small class sizes give you one-on-one attention that larger institutions can't offer.



BOYLE

Our Boyle campus offers amazing hands-on training for our Heavy Equipment Operator program. Onsite facilities include a classroom, a training yard and equipment including graders, dozers, and excavators.



COLD LAKE

Our Cold Lake campus is the second largest campus, and it is conveniently housed in the Cold Lake Energy Centre. Situated in the Lakeland district, Cold Lake is home to a variety of activities, such as boating, fishing, swimming, waterskiing, wakeboarding, hiking, snowmobiling and skiing/snowboarding at the Kinosoo Ridge Ski Resort. There's plenty to do and explore in a vibrant downtown atmosphere.

EATS

BOOSTER JUICE

Open 8:00 A.M. to 9:00 P.M.

A selection of grilled fresh breakfast and lunch options such as paninis, quesadillas and wraps as well as many other specialties are available on site.

PARKING AND PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

Free parking on campus is available to all students. The Cold Lake transit system gives every student the option to travel all over the city



GAME DAY GRILL

Open Monday to Friday, 11:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.
(Open during Cold Lake High School schedule)

Offers a selection of breakfast sandwiches, burgers, fries, poutines and more.

FROG LAKE CREE NATION

We offer an excellent local learning opportunity for Frog Lake Cree Nation community members. Our Academic Upgrading programs helps you acquire credit courses and prepares you to upgrade your education for further learning.

Frog Lake is a community committed to achieving results. We provide unique one-on-one support in a comfortable, friendly learning environment to work towards the same goals.



LAC LA BICHE

From the shores of Lac La Biche lake to the acres of boreal forest that surround the community, Lac La Biche has a multitude of outdoor adventures, such as ice fishing, canoeing, kayaking, hiking, camping, snowmobiling, or simply relaxing at the beach. Explore what the county has to offer, no matter what season.



BOOKSTORE

The bookstore covers all your needs for stationery, textbooks, apparel, and merchandise. Items can be shipped to you personally or to other campus locations for pick-up.

CONTACT US

780-623-5647

bookstore@portagecollege.ca

EATS

VOYAGEUR GRILL

This is where you can re-stock and re-fuel.

The Voyageur Grill serves a selection of breakfast sandwiches and lunch specials. Our Grab & Go meals, provided by Portage Market, will save you time while satisfying that home-cooked comfort. All our selections are fresh/flash frozen and properly stored for easy and tasty re-heating.

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Free parking is available to all students.

Lac La Biche County's Community Access Bus Service helps those with limited or no transportation access get around the community. It provides improved access to health care, shopping, educational services, and recreational activities. You can get free bus passes at the Student Services desk.



PORTAGE SALON

Portage Salon offers numerous services at great prices. We have a modern salon equipped with 28 hairstyling stations, three posh leather pedicure chairs, and four manicure stations. We also offer hairstyling services in a private cutting room.

Our salon carries high-end hair care and colouring products and a selection of professional products for retail.

Book your appointment online or call 780-623-5555. We look forward to seeing you!

MUSEUM OF ABORIGINAL PEOPLES' ART & ARTIFACTS

The Aboriginal Artifacts collection contains over 2,000 Indigenous artworks and artifacts. You can enjoy a self-guided tour or take a guided group tour with prior arrangements. The exhibits provide an in-depth look at Indigenous art from coast to coast and houses the only permanent collection in the world of the Professional Native Indian Artists Inc.: Daphne Odjig, Alex Janvier, Joseph Sánchez, Norval Morrisseau, Eddy Cobiness, Carl Ray and Jackson Beardy.

HOURS OF OPERATION

9:00 A.M. to 3:30 P.M.
Monday to Friday

MUSEUM CONTACT INFORMATION

Dr. Donna Feledichuk, Museum Director
780-623-6693 or email:
museum@portagecollege.ca

STUDENT ACCOMMODATION

WHY LIVE ON CAMPUS?

- **Easy:** Living on campus gives you easy access to classes, activities, and a connection to your college community.
- **Convenient:** You're just minutes from your classes, recreation, and support services.
- **Fun:** It's the easiest way to make new friends—and new memories.
- **Safe:** Campus security staff are available to assist students should the need arise.

- **Supportive:** All residence hall complexes have quiet areas where students can study or relax.
- **Inclusive:** Rates include electricity, cable TV, internet, and free parking.
- **Opportunity:** When you live on campus, you'll be exposed to new experiences.
- **Helpful:** Residence halls and townhouses are staffed by full-time, caring professionals. Maintenance requests are handled in a timely manner, and there's always someone on call for emergencies.

Residence Hall, attached to the main campus building, features two-person rooms. Each room includes two beds and two desks, a kitchenette with a two-burner stove top and fridge, table and chairs, and a full bathroom. Common areas in Residence Hall include microwaves and laundry.



Townhouses are also available and are a short walk to the main building. The fully furnished units are shared by four students, each with their own bedroom. Each townhouse is equipped with a washer and dryer. Students with families can be accommodated.

HOUSING OFFICE HOURS OF OPERATION

8:15 A.M. to 4:30 P.M.
Monday to Friday

CONTACT INFORMATION

780-623-5573
Toll-free: 1-866-623-5551 ext. 5573
housing-staff@portagecollege.ca

SADDLE LAKE CREE NATION

Of the 48 First Nations in Alberta, Saddle Lake has the second largest population. This campus has been operational for many years, bringing education to Indigenous learners.



ST. PAUL

Along with our standard programming, our St. Paul campus specializes in culinary and is home to the Portage Market. There's plenty to do to occupy your time, including shopping centres, a movie theatre, and numerous sports and recreational facilities, such as the swimming pool, bowling alley, and an 18-hole golf course.



EATS

PORTAGE MARKET

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Our modern, two-bedroom dorms at the St. Paul campus can house single students or small families and include a full-size kitchen and bathroom. Laundry is available on site.

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WHITEFISH (GOODFISH) LAKE FIRST NATION #128

Everyone is welcome at this open campus where you can engage in your own learning or develop and work through learning plans with guided support. This holistic and experiential learning environment allows you to build on essential, career and life skills, extending beyond the four walls of the classroom.



CAMPUS TOURS

Campus tours are a terrific way to get a sense of what college life is all about. See our facilities, meet instructors, staff, and even some of our current students. Tours can be arranged one-on-one or in groups at any of our three main campus locations in Cold Lake, Lac La Biche, and St. Paul. In Lac La Biche and St. Paul, tours include our on-campus accommodations.

CALL OR EMAIL US TO BOOK A CAMPUS TOUR:
1-866-623-5551
info@portagecollege.ca

CONNECT WITH US

Visit our website for more information about program offerings, online courses, transferability, upcoming events, campus life, and anything else you need to know about Portage College.

Still have questions? Call our main line and we'll connect you with one of our student advisors.

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4. Buy and sell textbooks and other items
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