

Education Council met on January 13, 2022 and approved the following:

Academic Courses

students are required to attend and complete a minimum of 2 unique non-credit workshops which supplement their Knowledge, Skills or Abilities related to the field.

The creation of a series of workshop opportunities allows for the micro credential to ensure that the most current and topical challenges to the industry can be easily incorporated into the curriculum. It also allows the inclusion of visiting Industry professionals, industry certification bodies and others to provide instruction and hands-on, work-integrated learning for the micro credential.

Academic Programs

Micro-Credential

New program:

1. Vineyard Establishment and Sustainability Micro-Credential

Proposal Rationale

This initiative will develop and deliver a new micro-credential (MC) for the viticulture sector focusing on vineyard canopy, pest and water management, with an underlying sustainability theme. This MC is based on specific competencies needed to meet skill and labour shortages within the viticulture sector as identified by the BC Wine Grape Council's Viticulture Sector Human Resources Steering Committee.

The program is designed to include core curriculum of 3 courses currently offered as part of existing Viticulture credentials with an additional requirement of 2 unique workshops. This micro credential is intended to be a series of courses that can be taken in short duration, leading to employment or increased employability, and provide students with concrete knowledge, skills and abilities that will support their personal or career goals.

The core curriculum allows students to establish a standardized knowledge base. The workshops allows students to choose learning opportunities that best meet their interests. The feature of integrated workshops also means that the curriculum has built in flexibility that allows for the inclusion of cutting edge research or presentations on solutions to current topical issues. It also allows for the integration of knowledge from visiting researchers, industry professionals, or from local industry groups.

Academic Schedules

Program Schedules:

Approved by Operations Committee December 16 & December 22, 2021

1. Adult Special Education

September 7	Classes begin Semester One (Orientation)
September 30	Statutory Holiday (no classes) - if provincially mandated
October 10	Statutory Holiday (no classes)

November 11 Statutory Holiday (no classes)
December 21 Last day of classes before winter break

Winter 2023

January 9 Classes resume
January 27 Classes end Semester One
January 30, 31 Semester break (no classes)
February 1

May 3

Classes and exams end for four-month classes

May 4

Last day to submit final grades

Continuous intake classes may be available. Check at the campus you wish to attend.

April 11	Classes begin for Semester III
May 22	Statutory Holiday (no classes)
June 23	Classes end for Semester III

4. Early Childhood Education Diploma

Kelowna

Fall 2022

August 29	Classes begin for Semester I and Semester III
September 5	Statutory Holiday (no classes)
September 30	Statutory Holiday (no classes) - if provincially mandated
October 10	Statutory Holiday (no classes)
November 11	Statutory Holiday (no classes)
December 16	Classes end for Semester I and Semester III

Winter 2023

January 3	Classes begin for Semester II and Semester IV
February 20	Statutory Holiday (no classes)
April 7 and 10	Statutory Holiday (no classes)
May 5	Classes end for Semester II
May 10	Classes end for Semester IV
May 12	Infant/Toddler Practicum begins
June 23	Infant/Toddler Practicum ends

Vernon

2022

August 29	Classes begin for Semester III
September 5	Statutory Holiday (no classes)
September 30	Statutory Holiday (no classes) - if provincially mandated
October 10	Statutory Holiday (no classes)
October 31	Classes begin for Semester I
November 11	Statutory Holiday (no classes)
December 16	Classes end for Semester III

2023

January 3	Classes begin for Semester IV
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April 7 and 10	Statutory Holiday (no classes)
May 10	Classes end for Semester IV
May 12	Infant/Toddler Practicum begins for Fall 2021 Intake
June 23	Infant/Toddler Practicum ends for Fall 2021 Intake
June 30	Classes end for Semester II

5. English Language

Fall 2022

September 2	OCELA
September 6	College-wide orientation day
September 7	Classes begin
September 30	Statutory Holiday (no classes) - if provincially mandated
October 10	Statutory Holiday (no classes)
November 11	Statutory Holiday (no classes)
December 16	Classes end
December 19 – 20	Final exam period
December 22	Last day to submit final grades

Winter 2023

January 5	OCELA
January 9	Classes begin
February 20	Statutory Holiday (no classes)
April 7 and 10	Statutory Holiday (no classes)
Apr 21	Classes end
Apr 24 - 26	Final exam period
May 1	Last day to submit final grades

Summer 2023 Session I

May 4	OCELA
May 8	Classes begin
May 22	Statutory Holiday (no classes)
June 23	Classes end
June 26	Last day to submit final grades

Summer 2023 Session II

June 30	OCELA
Jul 4	Classes begin
Aug 7	Statutory Holiday (no classes)
Aug 21	Classes end

Winter 2023 (January)

Kelowna

January 3	Classes begin
February 20	Statutory Holiday (no classes)
April 7 and 10	Statutory Holiday (no classes)
April 24 – May 6	Introduction to Care
May 9	Practicum begins
May 22	Statutory Holiday (no classes)
June 28	Practicum ends

Summer 2023 (April)

Kelowna and Salmon Arm

April 24	Classes begin
	Statutory Holiday (no classes)
July 3	Statutory Holiday (no classes)
August 7	Statutory Holiday (no classes)
August 11 – 25	Introduction to Care
August 28	Practicum begins
September 4	Statutory Holiday (no classes)
October 9	Statutory Holiday (no classes)
October 19	Practicum ends

7. Human Service Work Diploma

Kelowna and Salmon Arm (Vernon and Kelowna Second Year)

2022

September 5	Statutory Holiday (no classes)
September 6	Classes begin for Semester I (incl. program orientation in Kelowna and Salmon Arm)
September 7	Classes begin for Semester III
September 30	Statutory Holiday (no classes) - if provincially mandated
October 10	Statutory Holiday (no classes)
November 11	Statutory Holiday (no classes)
December 6	Classes end
December 8 - 19	Final exam period
December 22	Last day to submit fall grades

October 10
November 11
December 23

Statutory Holiday (no classes)
Statutory Holiday (no classes)
Last day of classes before winter break

2023

July 7	Statutory Holiday (no classes)
July 10	Earliest start date for Hospital and Community practica
December 22	Last day to complete Hospital and Community practica

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Kelowna, Vernon (August 2022 intake)

2022

August 22	Classes begin for Semester I
September 5	Statutory Holiday (no classes or CPE)
September 30	Statutory Holiday (no classes) - if provincially mandated
October 10	Statutory Holiday (no classes or CPE)
October 28	

2024

January 2	Classes begin for Semester IV
February 19	Statutory Holiday (no classes or CPE)
February 23	Classes end for Semester IV
February 26	Consolidated Practice Experience IV begins
March 9	Consolidated Practice Experience IV ends
March 12	Transition Semester IV begins
March 16	Transition Semester IV ends
March 19	Preceptorship starts
March 29 and April 1	

Adjustment to Winter 2022 Academic Schedule

(Approved by Operations Committee December 31, 2021)

The published W22 academic schedule follows the policy. The key dates are as follows:

Description/Activity	Existing	Note
Classes begin	Wed, Jan 5	
Statutory Holiday (no classes)	Mon, Feb 21	Study week
Last day of classes	Fri, Apr 8	
Final exam period	Tue, Apr 12 – Tue, Apr 26	10 days, incl Sat, excl Sun
Statutory Holiday (no classes/exams)	Fri, Apr 15 – Mon, Apr 18	
Grades due	Fri, Apr 29	3 days after exams end
Number of instructional days	63	

Adjustment to W22: Delayed start from Wed, Jan 5 to Mon, Jan 10

Description/Activity	Adjustment	Note
Classes begin	Mon, Jan 10	
Statutory Holiday (no classes)	Mon, Feb 21	Study week
Last day of classes	Thu, Apr 14	
Statutory Holiday (no classes/exams)	Fri, Apr 15 – Mon, Apr 18	
Final exam period	Tue, Apr 19 – Fri, Apr 29	10 days, incl Sat, excl Sun
Grades due	Mon, May 2	3 days after exams end
Number of instructional days	64	

- The following are the adjusted dates by program area:

Arts

Classes begin Monday, Jan. 10. This includes all in-person, online and distance education classes.

Science

Classes begin Monday, Jan. 10. This includes all in-person, online and distance education classes.

