# Access Programs for People with Disabilities: Certificate

Faculty of Academic and Career Advancement	kpu.ca/aca
Implementation Date	01-Sep-2011
Start Date(s)	Varies
Intake Type	Limited intake
Instructional Cycle	Fixed-term
Program Type	University Preparation
Credential Granted	Certificate of Completion
Offered At	Langley Richmond Surrey
Format	Full-time
How to Apply	www.kpu.ca/admission

#### DESCRIPTION

The goal of the programs in the Access Programs for People with Disabilities Department is to provide employment programs at the post-secondary level for adults with various disabilities. These programs will prepare students for employment, volunteer work and further education.

Work Exploration, Job Preparation and Vocational Skills Training programs are ten month programs starting in September of each year.

Students pay an application fee to KPU, plus a moderate tuition fee. In some cases, various government ministries may pay a portion of these costs.

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

The APPD programs at KPU are designed to maximize interpersonal skills and employment opportunities for students with disabilities. With instruction and training, students can realize their employment and personal potential. These programs also prepare students for further studies.

#### **ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

- Adults with a defined disability may apply
- Assessment prior to entry to determine appropriate programs and eligibility
- Complete Access Programs for People with Disabilities application package
- Participate in intake interviews

Vocational Skills Training options require additional requirements prior to acceptance.

# How do I Apply?

To initiate the application process, please attend an Information Session at your preferred campus. To register for the Information Sessions, visit www.kpu.ca/aca/appd.

#### CURRICULAR REQUIREMENTS

#### **Job Preparation**

This program is designed to meet the employment needs of adults with disabilities who are seeking competitive employment, and includes both job-oriented classroom activities and a work experience component. Job Preparation is a ten month program with the possibility of extension if the student has nearly completed graduation requirements.

#### **Work Exploration**

This program is designed to provide information to students about entry-level work opportunities available for adults with disabilities, and combines job-oriented classroom instruction with a work experience component. Work Exploration is a ten month program with the possibility of extension if the student has nearly completed graduation requirements.

### Vocational Skills Training

The Vocational Skills Training (VST) Program is designed to provide specific skills training and work experiences related to those skills.

**Note:** The following options are under review and currently not offered:

Vocational Skills Training: Automotive Assistant (effective Fall, 2013)

Vocational Skills Training: Food Services Assistant (effective Fall, 2013)

Vocational Skills Training: Childcare Aide Option (effective Fall, 2014)

Vocational Skills Training: Early Childhood Educator Assistant (effective Fall, 2014)

Vocational Skills Training: Clerical Assistant (effective Fall, 2015)

## **CREDENTIAL AWARDED**

Upon successful completion of the Job Preparation Option, students are eligible to receive a **Certificate of Completion** in **Access Programs for People with Disabilities – Job Preparation**.

Upon successful completion of the Work Exploration Option, students are eligible to receive a **Certificate of Completion** in **Access Programs for People with Disabilities – Work Exploration**.

Upon successful completion of Clerical Assistant Option, students are eligible to receive a **Certificate of Completion in Vocational Skills Training – Clerical Assistant Option, Access Programs for People with Disabilities**.