

Policy History
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Partnership Program Policy

A. INTRODUCTION

Kwantlen Polytechnic University has established collaborative programs with various School Districts. These programs will avoid unnecessary duplication of educational experiences and provide the most effective education and training for the students. Students will begin a program in Grade 11 at a Secondary School and complete their studies at Kwantlen Polytechnic University. The objectives of these programs are to:

1. Provide students with an opportunity to investigate career opportunities at an early stage in their education.
2. Enable students to achieve their educational objectives through a jointly administered program. In the initial phase the program will enable students to obtain transfer credit or advanced standing in certain University programs.
3. Foster cooperation between the School Districts and Kwantlen Polytechnic University.
4. Provide continuity in education and increased access to University programs.
5. Make possible the sharing of University and school faculty and facilities and other forms of collaboration.
6. Provide continuous educational advising and career counselling for students.
7. Ensure, in the initial stage, that students plan their school courses so that all appropriate prerequisites for Kwantlen Programs are completed.
8. Improve the quality of the school and University graduates.
9. Provide the student with time for more electives, project work, etc., while at Kwantlen Polytechnic University.
10. Encourage students to continue their education.
11. Enable the students to develop the basic skills and knowledge required for a top quality post secondary education.

B. POLICY

A student who has qualified for a specified program that is included in a Partnership Agreement with a School District and is enrolled in that program according to the procedures for Partnership Programs will be given priority for registration in that program at Kwantlen Polytechnic University.

C. PROCEDURES

1. Before the completion of the Grade 10 academic year, students will visit Kwantlen Polytechnic University for appropriate orientation including career planning. During this visit they will receive detailed information about the Kwantlen program.
2. Students who are deemed to be qualified for the program by the school and the University, will enroll jointly at their Secondary School and at Kwantlen for the program; there will be the normal application fee levied by Kwantlen Polytechnic University and paid by the student(s). Students will enter a prescribed program of courses in their Secondary School and complete their program at Kwantlen Polytechnic University. These students will receive a University Diploma or Certificate upon successful completion of the program.
3. The Partnership Program agreement applies only to the Kwantlen Polytechnic University Programs as listed in the specified Appendix A for each District. This list may be modified by joint agreement between the University and the specified School Districts. Current articulation agreements for transfer credit and advanced placements for specific courses will be listed in the specified Appendix B for each District.
4. Kwantlen Polytechnic University agrees to provide appropriate orientation prior to the University component of the Partnership Program. This orientation may include, but not necessarily be limited to, career counselling, educational advising and instruction in such areas as:
 - a. Study Skills
 - b. Career Orientation
 - c. Course Modules
 - d. Student Placement in University Courses and Programs
5. Students in this program will be considered as continuing students by Kwantlen Polytechnic University and will be given priority for programs at Kwantlen as listed in Appendix A, provided they register in the University courses by the predetermined dates listed in Item 6.

Students should enroll in the Partnership Program no later than October 31 of their Grade 11 year. After this time students who change career objectives will notify the University as soon as possible and their position on the applicant list will be revised to that date.