

2026 BC Trades Foundation and Trades-Related Vocational Student Outcomes Survey Questionnaire

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Section 1: Introductory Questions

Were you enrolled at [FULL_INSTITUTION] at any time during the period July 1, 2024 and June 30, 2025?

- Yes
- No, not at that institution
- No, not at that time
- Don't know
- Refused

When were you enrolled at [FULL_INSTITUTION]?

- _____ Enter time frame
- Don't know
 - Refused

Were you in the [NAME OF PROGRAM] program?

- Yes
- No
- Don't know
- Refused

What did you study?

Section 2: Past Education and Subsequent Education

Did you take any post-secondary education before enrolling in the [NAME OF PROGRAM] program?

- Yes
- No
- Don't know
- Refused

What certificates, diplomas, or degrees did you complete before enrolling at [SHORT_INSTITUTION]?

- Trades program citation, certificate, or diploma
- Certificate, diploma, or associate degree (other than trades) below Bachelor level
- Bachelor's degree
- Certificate or diploma above Bachelor level
- Graduate degree (s)
- Did not complete any
- Don't know
- Refused

Did you ever take upgrading, access, bridging, or other preparatory courses during or prior to your studies in the [Program Name] program?

- No did not take any
- Took Adult Basic Education (ABE) courses
- Took English as a Second Language (ESL) courses
- Took both ABE and ESL courses
- Don't know
- Refused

Are you currently enrolled in further studies?

Yes
No
Don't know
Refused

Since you took the [NAME OF PROGRAM] program, have you taken any further studies?

Yes
No
Don't know
Refused

What is the name of the institution at which you are currently enrolled/were enrolled]?

Other (please specify _____)
Don't know
Refused

Transfer

How related to your [NAME OF PROGRAM] program are your further studies?

Very related
Somewhat related
Not very related
Not at all related
Don't know
Refused

How well did the program at [SHORT_INSTITUTION] prepare you for your further studies?

Very well prepared
Somewhat prepared
Not very prepared
Not at all prepared
Not applicable
Don't know
Refused

Section 3: Evaluation of Education

Did you relocate from your home community to attend the [NAME OF PROGRAM] program at [SHORT_INSTITUTION]?

Yes
No
Don't know
Refused

How helpful was the program in developing the following skills?

Writing clearly and concisely
Speaking effectively
Reading and comprehending material appropriate to your field
Working effectively with others
Analysing and thinking critically
Resolving issues or problems
Learning on your own

Using mathematics appropriate to your field
Using tools and equipment appropriate to your field

Very helpful
Helpful
Not very helpful
Not at all helpful
Not applicable
Don't know
Refused

Please rate the following aspects of your program.

Quality of instruction
Amount of practical experience
Organization of the program
Quality of tools and equipment used in your program
Textbooks and learning materials

Very good
Good
Adequate
Poor
Very poor
Not applicable
Don't know
Refused

Please rate the program's courses in the following areas:

Being up to date
Covering the topics most relevant to your field

Very good
Good
Adequate
Poor
Very poor
Not applicable
Don't know
Refused

Was the length of your in-school training adequate to cover the material?

Too long
About right
Too short
Don't know
Refused

Did you try to get employment as an apprentice after you left your [NAME OF PROGRAM] program?

Yes
No
Not applicable
Don't know
Refused

Were you successful in getting employment as an apprentice?

Yes
No
Not applicable
Don't know
Refused

How well did your program prepare you for your apprenticeship training?

Very well
Well
Adequately
Poorly
Very poorly
Don't know
Refused

How satisfied are you with the education you received from the [NAME OF PROGRAM] program at [SHORT_INSTITUTION]?

Very satisfied
Satisfied
Dissatisfied
Very dissatisfied
Don't know
Refused

How could the education or training in your program be improved?

Enter response
Everything is fine/the program is good/no improvements are needed
No comment/don't know
Refused

Section 4: Employment

Are you currently working at a paid job or business?

Yes
No
Don't know
Refused

Are you looking for work?

Yes
No
Don't know
Refused

Are you currently enrolled as a full-time student and looking for full-time work?

Yes
No
Don't know
Refused

Could you have worked within the last month if a suitable job had been offered?

- Yes
- No
- Don't know
- Refused

What is the main reason you are not currently working?

- Can't find a job/no jobs available
- Salary too low in jobs available
- Temporarily laid off/seasonal/casual work
- Temporarily between jobs/expecting job soon
- Need more education/training
- Unable to obtain required licence, trade certificate or union membership
- Studying
- On a leave of absence from job/maternity and/or parental leave
- Other (please specify): _____
- Don't know
- Refused

What is the main reason you are not currently looking for work?

- Studying
- Poor prospect of suitable employment (e.g., low salaries, location)
- Personal circumstances (e.g., health, family responsibilities)
- Doing other things (e.g., traveling, sports, volunteering to gain experience)
- Have a job lined up/waiting for replies from employers
- On a leave of absence from job/maternity and/or parental leave
- Other (please specify): _____
- Don't know
- Refused

Do you have a job lined up to start in the next 4 weeks?

- Yes
- No
- Don't know
- Refused

What is the main reason you are not currently available for work?

- Studying
- Poor prospect of suitable employment (e.g., low salaries, location)
- Personal circumstances (e.g., health, family responsibilities)
- Doing other things (e.g., traveling, sports, volunteering to gain experience)
- Have a job lined up/waiting for replies from employers
- On a leave of absence from job/maternity and/or parental leave
- Other (please specify): _____
- Don't know
- Refused

How many jobs do you currently have?

- One
- Two
- Three or more
- Don't know
- Refused 3

In an average week, how many paid hours do you work at all your jobs?

_____ hours
Don't know
Refused

Are you primarily a paid employee or self-employed?

Paid employee
Self-employed
Don't know
Refused

Is your [main] job a temporary or a permanent position?

Temporary (e.g., specific length contract)
Permanent
Don't know
Refused

Did you have the same job before or while you were attending [SHORT_INSTITUTION]?

Yes
No
Don't know
Refused

How many months did you spend actively looking for your [main] job?

_____ months
Don't know
Refused

What is your job title?

Don't know
Refused

What are your main duties?

Don't know
Refused

What is the full name of the business where you work?

Don't know
Refused

What kind of business, industry or service is it?

Don't know
Refused

How related is your [main] job to the training you took in the [NAME OF PROGRAM] program at [SHORT_INSTITUTION]?

Very related
Somewhat related
Not very related
Not at all related

Don't know
Refused

Why are you not in a [main] job that is more related to your training?

Better pay in present job
Couldn't find training-related job
Training was inadequate to get a job
Tried training-related job and found I didn't like it
Didn't complete training
Changed area of interest/didn't like it/not sure what I want to do
Lack of experience
It's seasonal/contract work/not enough hours
Have not been looking for a training-related job
Like present job/job was available
Still enrolled in school/plan to go back to school
The opportunity arose to work in this field/job changed
Other (please specify) _____
Don't know
Refused

How useful have the knowledge and skills you gained in the program been in performing your [main] job?

Very useful
Somewhat useful
Not very useful
Not at all useful
Don't know
Refused

You said you work at more than one job and that your main job is not related to the training you took at [SHORT_INSTITUTION]. Is one of your other jobs related to the training you took in the [NAME OF PROGRAM] program?

Yes
No
Don't know
Refused

How useful have the knowledge and skills you gained in the program been in performing this other related job?

Very useful
Somewhat useful
Not very useful
Not at all useful
Don't know
Refused

Salary/Wage

How many hours a week do you usually work at your [main] job, excluding overtime?

_____ hrs/week
Don't know
Refused

How many months per year do you usually work at your [main] job, excluding overtime?

_____ months
Don't know
Refused

What is the best way for you to tell us how much you earn at your [main] job?

Hourly
Weekly
Monthly
Daily
Every 2 weeks
Twice a month
Yearly
Other (specify) _____
Don't know
Refused

On average, how many hours per day do you work at your [main] job, excluding overtime?

_____ hours per day
Don't know
Refused

How much do you earn in Canadian dollars at your [main] job, before deductions, not including overtime, tips, commissions, or bonuses?

\$ _____ wage
Don't know
Refused

Approximately how much do you earn in tips, commissions, and bonuses yearly at your [main] job, before deductions?

\$ _____ tips, commissions, and bonuses
Don't know
Refused

Section 5: Funding

Please identify the **most important or primary source of funding** that you relied on to help pay for the [NAME OF PROGRAM] program?

Personal savings, investments (including RRSPs)
Employment while studying
Employer funding
Free or subsidized room and board
Financial support from family, spouse or friends (including RESPs, loans, and gifts)
Scholarships/bursaries/grants (government or non-government)
Personal loan from a financial institution (e.g., bank loan, credit card, or line of credit)
Canada/provincial student loan (e.g., StudentAidBC)
Band funding or other First Nations funding
Other government funding (including Employment Insurance, WCB, income assistance, child tax credits, pension, Veterans Affairs, disability funding)
High school paid for or subsidized training (e.g., Youth Train in Trades Program, ACE IT, CTC, dual-credit)
Co-op program
Other
Don't know
Refused

If applicable, please identify the second top source of funding that you relied on.

No second source of funding
Personal savings, investments (including RRSPs)
Employment while studying

Employer funding
Free or subsidized room and board
Financial support from family, spouse or friends (including RESPs, loans, and gifts)
Scholarships/bursaries/grants (government or non-government)
Personal loan from a financial institution (e.g., bank loan, credit card, or line of credit)
Canada/provincial student loan (e.g., StudentAidBC)
Band funding or other First Nations funding
Other government funding (including Employment Insurance, WCB, income assistance, child tax credits, pension, Veterans Affairs, disability funding)
High school paid for or subsidized training (e.g., Youth Train in Trades Program, ACE IT, CTC, dual-credit)
Co-op program
Other
Don't know
Refused

If applicable, please identify the third top source of funding that you relied on.

No third source of funding
Personal savings, investments (including RRSPs)
Employment while studying
Employer funding
Free or subsidized room and board
Financial support from family, spouse or friends (including RESPs, loans, and gifts)
Scholarships/bursaries/grants (government or non-government)
Personal loan from a financial institution (e.g., bank loan, credit card, or line of credit)
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Other government funding (including Employment Insurance, WCB, income assistance, child tax credits, pension, Veterans Affairs, disability funding)
High school paid for or subsidized training (e.g., Youth Train in Trades Program, ACE IT, CTC, dual-credit)
Co-op program
Other
Don't know
Refused

Did you incur any financial debt (from any source) to pay for the [NAME OF PROGRAM] program?

Yes
No
Don't know
Refused

How much financial debt **in total** did you incur to pay for the [NAME OF PROGRAM] program?

_____ Value
Don't know
Refused

Did you receive any **Government Student Loans** while attending the [NAME OF PROGRAM] program?

Yes
No
Don't know
Refused

What is the total amount of Government Student Loans that you received while taking the [NAME OF PROGRAM] program? Please do not deduct loan payments made or reduction you received from your total government student loan amount.

_____ Value
Don't know
Refused

Did you receive any loan reduction?

Yes
No
Don't know
Refused

How much loan reduction did you receive?

_____ Value
Don't know
Refused

Have you ever had to interrupt your studies for financial reasons?

Yes
No
Don't know
Refused

Did you ever have to take part, or all, of your program on a part-time basis for financial reasons?

Yes
No
Don't know
Refused

Section 6: Equity Questions and Conclusion

Do you have a long-term physical or mental health condition that limits the kind of activity that you can perform on a daily basis?

Yes
No
Don't know
Refused

What is your country of origin?

Canada
_____ Other
Don't know
Refused

Do you identify yourself as an Indigenous person, that is, First Nations, Métis, or Inuit?

Yes
No
Don't know
Refused

More specifically, do you identify yourself as a First Nations person, a Métis person, or an Inuit person?

First Nations
Métis
Inuit
Don't know
Refused

What was your citizenship or immigration status when you took the [NAME OF PROGRAM] program?

Canadian citizen (includes dual citizenship with another country)

Permanent resident/landed immigrant

Student visa

Other (please specify) _____

Don't know

Refused

Is _____ your correct residential postal code?

Yes

No

Don't know

Refused

What is your current residential postal code or Zip code?

Don't know

Refused