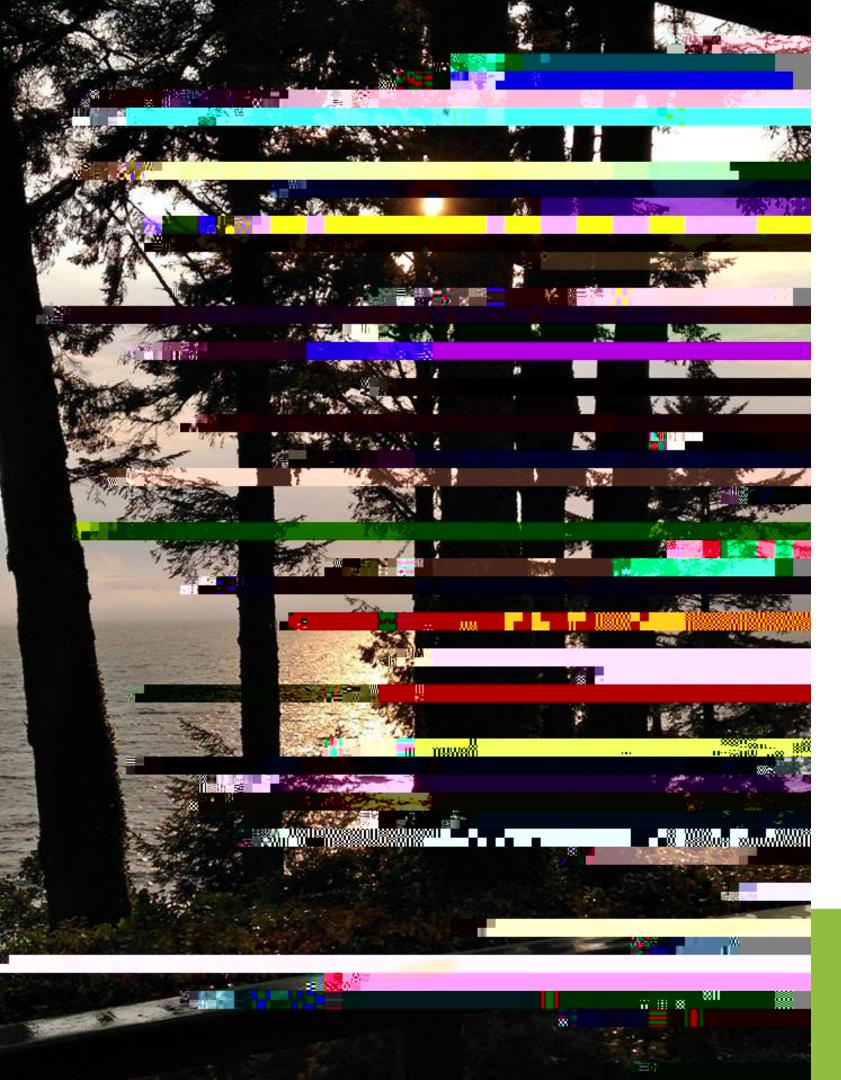
## Health Care Assistant (HCA) Program

Information Session





<sup>\*</sup> Note, completing this information session is a pre-requisite for entry into this program. Upon completion, you will be asked to complete a short survey.



# Territorial Acknowledgement

Camosun College respectfully acknowledges that our campuses are situated on the territories of the L k n (Songhees and Kosapsum) and WSÁNE peoples. We honour their knowledge and welcome to all students who seek education here.



We, the faculty and staff of the Continuing Care



#### What does an HCA do?

#### HCAs are front-line care-givers

- Work in home support, adult day care, group homes, assisted living, complex care, and acute care
- Under the direction and supervision of a health professional, HCAs provide care aimed at promoting and maintaining the physical, psychological and social well-being of clients across the life-span with the focus being on the older adult
- If unionized, starting wage is approximately \$29 \$30/hr.
  - Non-unionized is approximately \$23 \$29/hr.



## **HCA Program Intakes**

#### Full-time programs:

- January, May & September intakes
  - (29 weeks / 7 months) Monday to Friday daytime

#### Full-time English as a Second Language (ESL):

- Starts in September
  - (11 months) Monday to Friday daytime

#### Full-time Indigenous program: TBA

• (10 months)



## HCA Program Clinical Experiences

 HCA clinical experiences include a variety of sites. The location of these sites vary, but are all located in the South Island area





## South Island Partnership

Dual credit programs for high school students (dogwood & HCA certificate).

Open to grade 11 & 12 students







## **HCA Admission Requirements**

- Attend an Information Session complete the survey to confirm attendance
- Self-



## **HCA Application Process**

Submit an application online and pay \$47.10

- All prerequisites need to be submitted.
- Applications are date stamped.

The first 32 fully qualified applicants (numbers depend on the program) are offered a seat.



## Program Participation Requirements

Once accepted into the program, students will be required to complete the following:

- TB skin test
- Current immunizations
- Criminal Records Check
- Food safe
- Basic Life Support (BLS)
- COVID-19 double vaccination or one does of Jansen COVID-19 vaccine
- The Health Care Assistant Practice in BC E-Learning Modules (LearningHub)



#### Who Are Our Students?

### The HCA program accepts student of all backgrounds:

- Mature students changing career
- Recent high school graduates
- People with health education from other countries

## Camosun offers limited priority admissions to Indigenous students

 Visit <u>Sq 'lewen - Centre for Indigenous Education &</u> <u>Community Connections (IECC)</u> for information on how to apply.



## What Helps Students Be Successful?

- Support from family and friends.
- Devote approximately 15 to 30 hours each week to study, laboratory practice and assignments.
- Attend classes regularly.
- Achieve a balance between home and school life.
- Have daycare and alternatives set up for children (remember practicum shifts can start early or end late and may also require travel).
- Have good physical health (you need to have good mobility, stamina and skin integrity).



Connect early with the Centre for Accessible Learning (if applicable).

## Why Choose Camosun?

#### Experienced & highly qualified faculty

 All faculty are Registered Nurses/ teaching faculty have a minimum Bachelor of Science in Nursing



## School of Health & Human Services (HHS)

Camosun College offers more than 15 health and human services programs, including degrees, post-degree diplomas, certificates, diplomas and university transfer courses.

Our School, the School of Health and Human Services (HHS) is a place of warmth and caring.

Our goal is to educate and support "flourishing Individuals, families and communities".

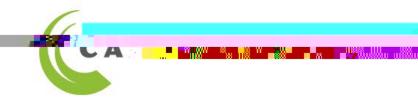


## Centre for Health and Wellness (CHW)

Most of the Health and Human Service (HHS) Programs are delivered at the Centre for Health and Wellness (CHW) at Interurban Campus



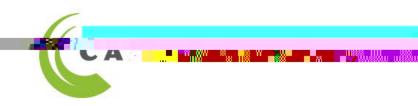
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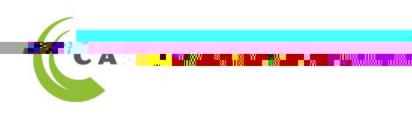






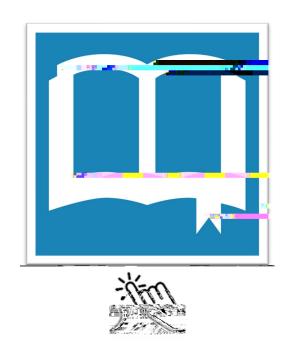


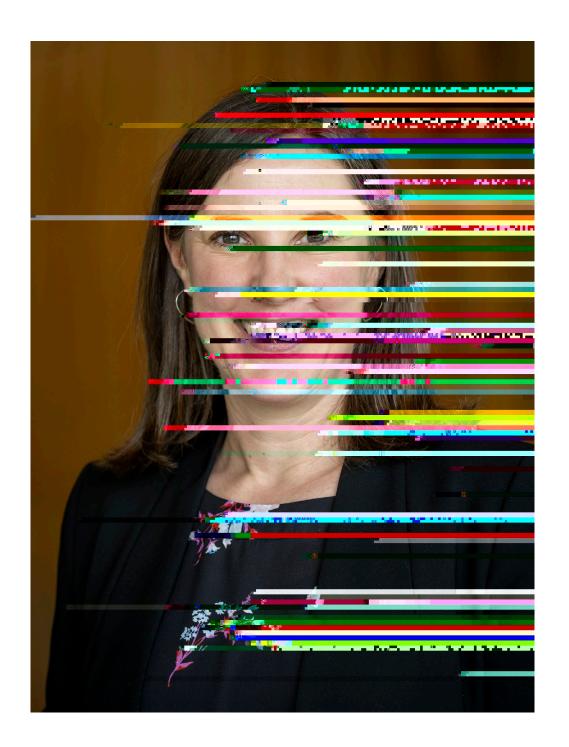






View the Dean's Welcome and the School of Health & Human Services (HHS) Student Handbook online





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MEd

Dean, School of Health
and Human Services

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on their journeys.





#### **NEXT STEPS**

Completing this Info Session is a pre-requisite for entry into to the HCA program. Please complete the short survey with your information, to ensure we receive a record of your attendance.





Click here to complete the survey or scan the QR code



## Thank you! We look forward to seeing you soon.

- School of Health and Human Services

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