

Indigenous Pathways Program

ACADEMIC SERVICES

Overview

Our Indigenous Pathways Program offers a series of courses and experiences to ease your transition into further study at SAIT or other post-secondary schools.

This three-semester, 12-month program begins at the Grade 9 level and ends with your completion of Grade 11 and 12 courses.

You will experience a blend of academic courses, cultural activities and post-secondary readiness sessions in a welcoming and supportive environment. You will engage with like-minded Indigenous learners who share your commitment to pursuing post-secondary education and a new career.

Our program team partners with you to support your academic, cultural and personal success. From program applications to funding applications to connecting you with services and supports, we will walk alongside you throughout your learning journey.

Upon successful completion of the program, you will:

- meet the minimum Math and English requirements for entry into many SAIT programs and some programs at other postsecondary schools
- know how to access services and support in post-secondary school to help you achieve your goals.

Supports and services

A dedicated student advisor will act as your personal coach. They will be available to support you throughout this program with any challenges you may experience. They will also connect you with services supporting your success.

You will receive mentorship and insight from Elders and knowledge-keepers. You will engage in cultural activities with those in your program.

Finally, you will have access to all the services SAIT has to offer, including our recreation facilities, learning support services, employment centre sessions and counselling. A transit pass is included as part of your tuition funding in the second and third semesters of the program.

Admission requirements

You are eligible for this program if you:

- self-identify as an Indigenous Person (Status/Non-Status First Nation, Métis or Inuit)
- achieve a minimum of 60% on an English and math placement test
- complete a program questionnaire where you explain your career and educational goals and demonstrate that you are ready, willing and able to engage in this program.

If you do not meet the 60% benchmark on the placement tests, you are able to meet the academic requirement by completing the 15 week Indigenous Foundations Program with final grades of 70% or higher. Applications close for Indigenous Foundations on March 24, 2025.

Costs

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This program is eligible for Foundational Learning Assistance program funding, as well as University and College Entrance Preparation

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program (UCEP) funding.

We will help you apply for tuition and living allowance coverage for this program. Eligibility criteria will be provided during the information sessions.

Books and Supplies

Your booklist becomes available in late August.

This program has a standard computer hardware and software requirement. See the specific requirements on our computers and laptops page. If you are having difficulty securing a laptop, please see your Academic Advisor in Natoysopoyiis.

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