PRE-REQUISITES

- Registered in a Surrey public school and not yet achieved Ministry of Education graduation
- Under 19 years of age
- Good attendance and punctuality
- Completed Grade 11 prior to program start
- Capable of academic rigor
- Require this course as part of intention to pursue a career as a Child and Youth Care Counsellor

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

- Have a discussion with your Career Facilitator, counsellor and parent/guardian to ensure the course meets your goals
- Obtain an Academic Dual Credit Course Application Package from your Career Centre including the Douglas College application form, waiver and dual credit statement of intent
- Obtain a reference letter from a teacher
- Submit a completed application package with all supporting documents to your Career Facilitator before the specified due date

SELECTION PROCESS

- Applications are forwarded to the district office for review
- Students must be on-track to meet the acceptance criteria for the post-secondary institute
- Students must meet all criteria, be self-motivated, independent learners and capable of success in the program

Introduction to Practice for Child and Youth Care Counsellors Course
is located at:

Princess Margaret Secondary
12870 72 Avenue
Surrey BC V3W 2M9

For further information contact:

Your Secondary School Career Education Department

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Or

Surrey Schools District Career Education Department

INTRODUCTION TO PRACTICE FOR CHILD AND YOUTH CARE COUNSELLORS COURSE

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Are you interested in a career as a Child and Youth Care Counsellor?

JOB DESCRIPTION

Child and Youth Care Counsellors work to improve the physical, emotional, intellectual and social development of troubled children and adolescents. They are trained to make a difference in the life of a child or adolescent who may have suffered abuse, neglect, family breakdown, addiction or may have behavioural or learning challenges. Child and Youth Care Counsellors can be found working in a variety of settings such as social service and government agencies, mental health agencies, group homes, shelters, substance abuse centres, school boards, correctional facilities and other establishments.

CONNECT TO POST SECONDARY

Through the Introduction to Practice for Child and Youth Care Counsellors Course you have the potential to earn both high school and post-secondary credits. This dual credit course is a required course within both Douglas College's Child and Youth Care Diploma, and Bachelor of Arts Degree programs. This course is also transferable to the University of the Fraser Valley and the University of Victoria.

COURSE CREDITS

- PHF 12E (4 credits)
- Douglas College Course - CYCC 1141: Introduction to Practice for Child and Youth Care Counsellors (3 credits)

PROGRAM LENGTH

- July to October at Princess Margaret and home school

COSTS (Paid by the Student)

- Possibly a textbook fee of approximately $135

COURSE DESCRIPTION

CYCC 1141 provides an overview of the history and substance of North American based child and youth care practice.

The following global ideas guide the design and delivery of this course:

- Child and youth care practitioners support children, youth, families and communities in culturally appropriate ways, in a broad range of settings
- Reflection on self are integral to effective child and youth care practice and on-going personal and professional development
- The process of growth in the lives of children and youth occurs with support, encouragement, planning, discussions, action and evaluation

Services provided through funding arrangements with the Surrey School District Career Education Department.