



Steps to Graduation for Students Entering Grade 11 or 12

St. Andrew's Regional High
School



Territorial Acknowledgement

The Roman Catholic Diocese of Victoria acknowledges with gratitude that we work, play, and pray on the territories and traditional lands of the Coast Salish, Nuuchahnulth, and Kwakwaka'wakw Peoples. In the light of this truth, and in humility, we commit ourselves to continue to work for reconciliation, and for respectful relationships with the Creator and all creation.

An Introduction to
BC Graduation
and a
Guide to Helping Your
Child Earn a
Dogwood Diploma





The Graduation Program



- In grade 10, students enter the Graduation Program and begin earning credit towards their Dogwood Diploma following the 2018 Graduation Program.
- The 2018 Graduation Program consists of 52 required credits + 28 elective credits for a total of 80 from grades 10 to 12.
- In addition, Religion 10-12 courses are required at St. Andrew's. Every religion class is 4.0 credits.



Grades 10 – 12 At-a-Glance

Subject	Credits
Career Education (Career Life Education; Career Life Connections)	8
Physical and Health Education 10	4
Science 10	4
Science 11 or 12	4
Social Studies 10	4
Social Studies 11 or 12	4
Math 10	4
Math 11 or 12	4
English Language Arts 10, 11, 12	12
Arts Education 10, 11, or 12 and/or Applied Design, Skills, & Technology	4
Elective Credits	28
TOTAL CREDITS (16 must come from Grade 12 courses and 4 must be Indigenous-focused)	52 + 28 = 80

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Effective July 1,
2023:

At least 4 credits
from grade 10-12
must have an
Indigenous-focus.



Numeracy + Literacy Assessments

- Gr. 10 Literacy & Numeracy; Gr. 12 Literacy
- Not tied to a course; scored on a 4-point rubric with Proficiency level to appear on student transcript
- Students must complete these assessments (respond to majority of questions) to satisfy the graduation requirement.
- Most universities do not yet include these assessments as a value-added piece for admissions.



Numeracy + Literacy Assessments

Click the links to go to online resources,
including sample assessments,
specifications, and videos:

[Grade 10 Literacy](#)

[Grade 10 Numeracy](#)

[Grade 12 Literacy](#)



A Note on Career Education

- Students are required to complete the 4.0 credit course Career Life Education (CLE) in the graduation years.
- At St. Andrew's, students were required to take CLE in grade 10 as one of their 8 timetabled courses.
- Students are also required to complete the 4.0 credit course Career Life Connections (CLC) in the graduation years.



A Note on Career Education

- At St. Andrew's, students complete 2.0 credits of CLC in grade 11 and 2.0 credits in grade 12. Students complete CLC outside of the timetable in one Focus Block per week, for a total of 30 instructional hours in grade 11 and 12.
- Credits for CLC also include 30 hours of work, volunteer, and / or internship experience anytime from the summer entering grade 10 to the end of grade 12 as well as 30 hours of Capstone preparation and presentation.

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Decision-Making in Grade 11

All students are now required to complete 4.0 credits of Indigenous-focused courses in the graduation years. At St. Andrew's, students have the option of completing this requirement through any one of the following 4.0 credit courses.

- English First Peoples: Literary Studies + Writing 11
- BC First Peoples 12 (an academic Social Studies 12 course)
- English First Peoples 12

All English First Peoples courses also fulfill the English Language Arts (ELA) graduation requirement as well as university ELA requirements. BC First Peoples 12 can be taken in grade 11 or 12.



Decision-Making in Grade 11

!NEW! English Language Arts 11

Grade 11 students can pick any one of the following courses:

- English First Peoples: Literary Studies + Writing 11
- New Media 11
- Literary Studies 11

If students decide not to take English First Peoples: Literary Studies + Writing 11, they will need to take one of the previous slide's options in grade 11 or 12.

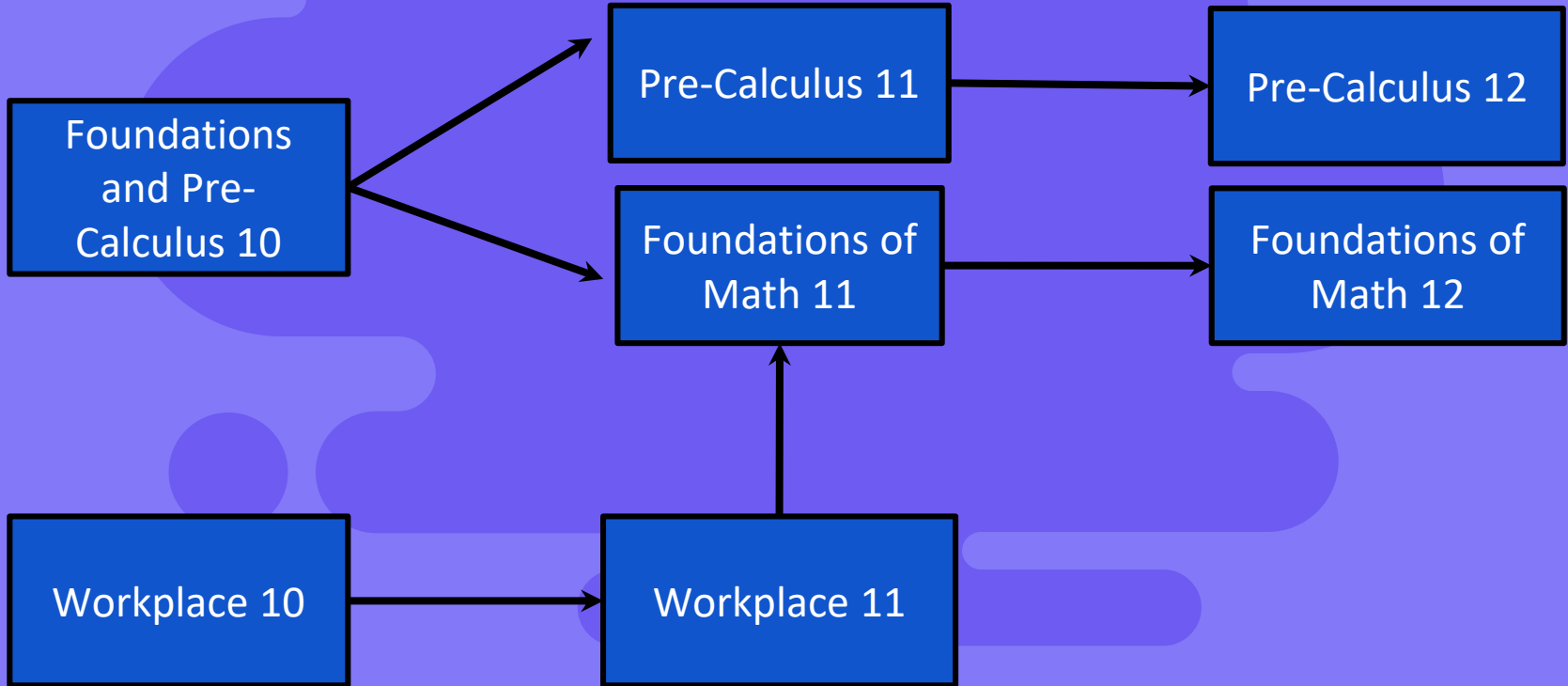


Decision-Making in Grade 11

- **Social Studies 11 / 12 + Religion 11:** Comparative World Religions 12 (4.0 credits, but two requirements)
- **Elective Courses 11 / 12:** based on post-secondary goals
- **Science(s) 11:** Life Sciences (Biology), Chemistry, Physics, and / or Earth Science
- **Second Language 11:** French, Spanish, or discontinue with second language
- **Math 11:** Workplace, Foundations, or Pre-Calculus



Math Paths





Recommended Prerequisites

Course	Recommended Prerequisites
Pre-Calculus 11	73% in Foundations and Pre-Calculus 10
Pre-Calculus 12	73% in Pre-Calculus 11 and at least 67% on the Pre-Calculus 11 final exam
Chemistry 11	73% in Science 10 AND Foundations of Mathematics & Pre-Calculus 10
Physics 11	67% in Science 10 and Foundations and Pre-Calculus 10
Chemistry 12	73% in Chemistry 11 and Pre-Calculus 11 and achieved at least 67% on the Chemistry 11 final exam
Physics 12	73% is recommended in both Physics 11 AND Pre-Calculus 11 At least 67% on the Physics 11 final exam is recommended. Pre-Calculus 12: A minimum of 67% is recommended.



Decision-Making in Grade 12

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All students are now required to complete 4.0 credits of Indigenous-focused courses in the graduation years, including the graduating class of 2023/24.



Decision-Making in Grade 12

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Grade 12 students can choose from these three options:

- English First Peoples 12 (EFP) (fulfills the English Language Arts 12 requirement and university ELA requirements),
- BC First Peoples 12 (academic Social Studies course),
- EFP 12, BC First Peoples 12, or Contemporary Indigenous Studies 12 through online schools such as SIDES, ASCEND, or NIDES.



Decision-Making in Grade 12

Religious Studies (choose a minimum of one option):

- **Social Justice 12 (also an academic Social Studies 12)**
- **Philosophy 12 (previously titled Ethics and Morality 12)
(also an academic Social Studies 12)**
- **Science and Religion 12 (non-academic)**



Decision-Making in Grade 12

- **Math 12:** Take for post-secondary requirement if necessary, not required for graduation
- **Science(s) 12:** Take for post-secondary requirement if necessary, not required for graduation
- **Elective Courses 11 / 12:** based on post-secondary goals
- **Study Block:** Students in grade 12 are permitted one Study Block if they chose to take one. Study Block will count as one of the students' 8 classes, but students receive no credits.



Decision-Making in Grade 12

Advanced Placement (AP)

- AP English Language (non-fiction and rhetoric) + English 12; AP Calculus (linked with Pre-Calculus 12)
- Open to those considering post-secondary academics
- You do not require a minimum
- Excellent preparation for post-secondary
- Formal exam in May (cost \$125 to the student)



Thinking
About
Post-Secondary



After Graduation

- Students are encouraged to think about post-secondary plans now.
- Course selection and academic performance will affect post secondary choices, especially in grades 11 and 12.
- Look at post-secondary schools of interest, programs of interest, and find out about entrance requirements.
- Please explore this website: [educationplannerbc.ca](https://www.educationplannerbc.ca)



Post-Secondary Admissions Requirements



Sample Prerequisites for UVic

Program	Grade 11	Grade 12
Humanities	English 11 or EFP 11 Social Studies 11 Approved Grade 11 Science Foundations 11 or Pre-calculus 11	English 12 or EFP 12 (67% min) 3 other approved academic courses Admission average – 80% in Grade 12 courses
Social Sciences	Same as Humanities, except the minimum average is 82%.	
Science	English 11 or EFP 11 Social Studies 11 Chemistry 11 Physics 11 Pre-calculus 11	English 12 or EFP 12 (67% min) Pre-calculus 12 (67% min) 2 approved Grade 12 Sciences Admission average – 85% in Grade 12 courses (Note: Most Engineering is 73% min in Pre-Calculus 12)
Business	English 11 or EFP 11 Social Studies 11 Approved Grade 11 Science Principles Math 11, Pre-calculus 11	English 12 or EFP 12 (67% min) Pre-calculus 12 (67% min) 2 other approved academic courses Admission average – 80% in Grade 12 courses; competitive admission

Sample Prerequisites for UBC



Program	Grade 11	Grade 12
General Requirements	Graduation from high school Minimum of 70% in Grade 11 or Grade 12 English (or their equivalents) At least six academic/non-academic Grade 12 courses (recommended, but not required)	
Humanities	English 11 or EFP 11 Social Studies 11 Approved Science 11, or any Science 12 Pre-calculus 11 or Foundations of Mathematics 12 A Language 11 or waiver	English 12 or EFP 12 5 other approved academic courses Approved Science 11, or any Science 12 Pre-calculus 11 or Foundations of Mathematics 12
Science	English 11 or EFP 11 Social Studies 11 Chemistry 11 Physics 11 Pre-calculus 11 or Foundations of Mathematics 12 A Language 11 or waiver	English 12 or EFP 12 Pre-calculus 12 (67% min) Anatomy and Physiology 12, or Chemistry 12, or Physics 12 (Note: Engineering requires Chemistry 12 and Physics 12)
Business	English 11 or EFP 11 Social Studies 11 Approved Science 11, or any Science 12 Pre-Calculus 11 or Foundations of Mathematics 12 A Language 11 or waiver	English 12 or EFP 12 Pre-calculus 12



Sample Prerequisites for Camosun

Program	Requirements
<u>Associate Degree – General Arts (Arts & Humanities)</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● English 12 or EFP 12 (67%)● Any Grade 11 Math● Meets graduation requirements
<u>Associate Degree – General Sciences</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● English 12 or EFP 12 (67%)● Pre-Calculus 11 (67%)● One approved Grade 12 Science (60%)● Meets graduation requirements
Various Business Diplomas	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● English 12 or EFP 12 (67%)● Foundations 11 or Pre-Calculus 11 (60%)● Meets graduation requirements
<u>Electrical Foundation Certificate</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● English 12 or EFP 12 (60%)● Workplace Math 11 (60%)● Meets graduation requirements



BC Scholarships

- **BC Excellence Scholarships**: 55 BC Excellence Scholarships are awarded to recognize well-rounded BC graduates in service and leadership. Students will receive a \$5000 scholarship voucher to use for post-secondary tuition.
- **Pathway to Teacher Education Scholarships**: Awarded to 20 outstanding graduates who have demonstrated an aptitude for a career path in K-12 teaching. A \$5000 scholarship voucher is redeemable once the student is attending an approved K-12 teacher education program in BC.



BC Scholarships

- BC Achievement Scholarships: The top 8000 BC graduates are awarded \$1,250 based on cumulative average in grades 10-12. No application process.
- District/Authority Scholarships: There are 5500 awards distributed across school districts, recognizing graduating BC students for excellence in their chosen area of interest or strength. Winners receive a \$1250 scholarship voucher.



Course Selection Process



Course Selection Forms

- **On Paper:** Students will receive a paper copy of the course selection form. Digital copies will be found on our website: <https://standrewshigh.ca/students/>
- **On MyEd:** Students will also enter their course selection through MyEd.
- **Alternative Selection:** Students are asked to provide alternate choices in their course selection. Students should see a counsellor if they have questions about how to choose their alternatives.



Support

If students require advice, it's best to start with an email to the counsellors, Ms. Michele Sanders and / or Ms. Cathy Fowlie:

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Questions?

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