



Dear students,

Welcome to VCC! Below is important information to help you get started this term. Please read carefully:

1. Instructor Contact

- **Online/Blended Courses:** Your instructor will email you before classes begin with instructions to access course materials.
- **In-Person Courses:** You may or may not hear from your instructor before the first class. Check your course schedule for times and locations.

2. Moodle Access

Moodle is VCC's platform for online course materials (used in all course formats).

- **Login:** Use your VCC student ID and password (same as myVCC).
 - First-time login password format: VCCMMDDYY# (your birthday as MMDDYY).
- **Help:**
 - Watch [Introduction to VCC Moodle](#).
 - Complete the [Online Learner Success \(OLS\) Tutorial](#) for a Moodle overview.

3. Getting Oriented:

Explore the [Student Orientation and Resource \(S.O.A.R.\)](#) for help with online access, campus navigation, and study skills.

- Enrolment key: **welcome**

4. Textbooks & Lab Manuals

- Wait for instructor guidance before buying textbooks.
- **Academic Upgrading (ABE) Courses:** Many textbooks may be available to download or borrow from the VCC Library.
- **UT Courses:** Textbooks are usually purchased through the VCC Bookstore.

5. Academic Integrity

Cheating and plagiarism are not allowed. Review VCC's [Academic Integrity Policy](#) before classes begin. Your instructor will explain how AI tools may be used in your course.



6. Student Services

VCC offers many free and helpful services:

- **Tutoring:** Available online and on campus via the Learning Centre.
- **Other Services:** Counselling, Advising, Disability Services, and Indigenous Student Support.
- **Students' Union:** Visit suvcc.ca for more info.

7. Computer Requirements (Online/Blended Courses)

You'll need a computer with a webcam, microphone, and speakers. If your course uses special software (other than Microsoft 365), your instructor will provide access details.

- **Microsoft 365:** Free access via my.vcc.ca. Log in, click "email," then use the web apps or download desktop versions via "Install Office."
- **Refurbished Computers:** Available at reduced prices (\$150–175) through the [BC Technology for Learning Society](#).

Questions?

- **Course-specific:** Contact your instructor.
- **Program or subject-related:** Reach out to the appropriate department head:
 - Michael Weber – Humanities: humanities@vcc.ca
 - Nafiseh Tohidi – Science: science@vcc.ca
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Have a great term!

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