



Start College While Still in High School: South Island Partnership Dual Credit Option

Meet a successful SIP Graduate: Trevor Chown

Trevor Chown graduated from the *Foundation Welding Program* in January 2018. Currently working shifts at the United Engineering welding I-beams and steel trusses, he hopes to be taken on as an apprentice at **United Engineering** but has also been offered an apprenticeship at **Seaspan**. On completion of his red seal in welding, he plans to further his training towards another Red Seal in sheet metal fabrication. Trevor will be awarded with the Top Foundation Student Award at the Camosun Trades & Technology Awards ceremony in May 2018. He is excited for his future and recommends his fellow students to connect with career counselors and shop teachers to discuss dual credit opportunities in Trades & Technology at Camosun.



Trevor Chown with his instructor Jim Stratford

Dual Credit Options: Employer's Perspective

The Construction Ready team collaborated with the South Island Partnership, Camosun College and hosted two Employer Connections Events in 2017-2018, for secondary students interested in careers in the trades. In total, over hundred students from across Victoria and surrounding areas, had the opportunity to participate in practice interview sessions to gain experience responding to the types of questions they would be asked when being interviewed for a position in the construction industry.



Our team met with **Mark Bernhardt, President of Bernhardt Contracting Ltd.**, who participated in the event, to discuss why he is committed to providing guidance and opportunity to young people exploring careers in construction. Here are a few highlights from his interview.



Why do you feel it is important to attend events such as the Summer/Spring Opportunities event?

To recruit talented people to our team and to help a younger generation enter the construction work force. With labour shortages, I think it is important to start people young and help them to realize the potential that the trades have.

Why do you feel it is important to support young workers as they ready themselves for life after high school?

In my experience trades were not presented as a good option in high school. Presenting them as a good option at that age can save them a trip through other post secondary education that may not be the best fit for the student.

"We couldn't agree more Mark, a job in the trades is a viable option that offers many great career options for young people." Team Construction Ready.

New Dual Credit Program Options 2018-2019

MARINE TRADES TRAINING

Are you keen to explore the following trades?

- Welding
- Shipyard
- Millwright
- Shipyard
- Shipyard
- Shipyard

Would you like to have the following certifications on your resume?

- First Aid - Level 1
- WHMIS
- Confined Space Entry
- Fall Arrest Protection

WHEN TO APPLY
 Monday to Friday, 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
 SIP Office: 250-370-4827
 SIP Website: www.sip.comosun.ca

PROFESSIONAL COOK BLENDED FOUNDATION PROGRAM

What to expect?

How much will it cost?

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With the growing demand in trades sector, South Island Partnership (SIP) is set to offer four new Dual Credit programs starting this Spring/Summer.

1. Marine Trades Training Program (Marine TASK)
2. Professional Cook Blended Foundation Program
3. Camosun Joinery Program
4. Trades Access Common Core- TACC 109

For eligibility and further details, contact your Career Coordinator!

CAMOSUN JOINERY PROGRAM

What is a Joinery?

What to expect?

How much will it cost?

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CAMOSUN TRADES ACCESS COMMON CORE (TACC 109)

What is TACC 109?

When to apply?

Where?

How much will it cost?

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Skills Canada Provincial Competition 2018

Students from around British Columbia competed in an “Olympic” style trades and technology competition in Abbotsford on Wednesday, April 18. 50% of our competitors earned medals in the South Island category. Sheet Metal Work gold medalist **Dean Gustin**, will travel to Edmonton on June 4, for the Skills Canada National Competitions and compete for a spot on Team Canada. If he’s successful, he will be part of the team at World Skills in Kazan, Russia in August 2019.



Congratulations to all the South Island students, teachers, and coaches who participated in this year’s Skills Canada BC Event!

Student Support & Resources @SIP

SIP is proud to offer great resources to its Dual Credit students, to ensure they are successful in their respective courses and programs

- One on one tutoring
- Counselling Centre
- Help with finding accommodations
- Learning disability accommodations
- Scholarships/ Bursaries

Feedback or Questions?

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