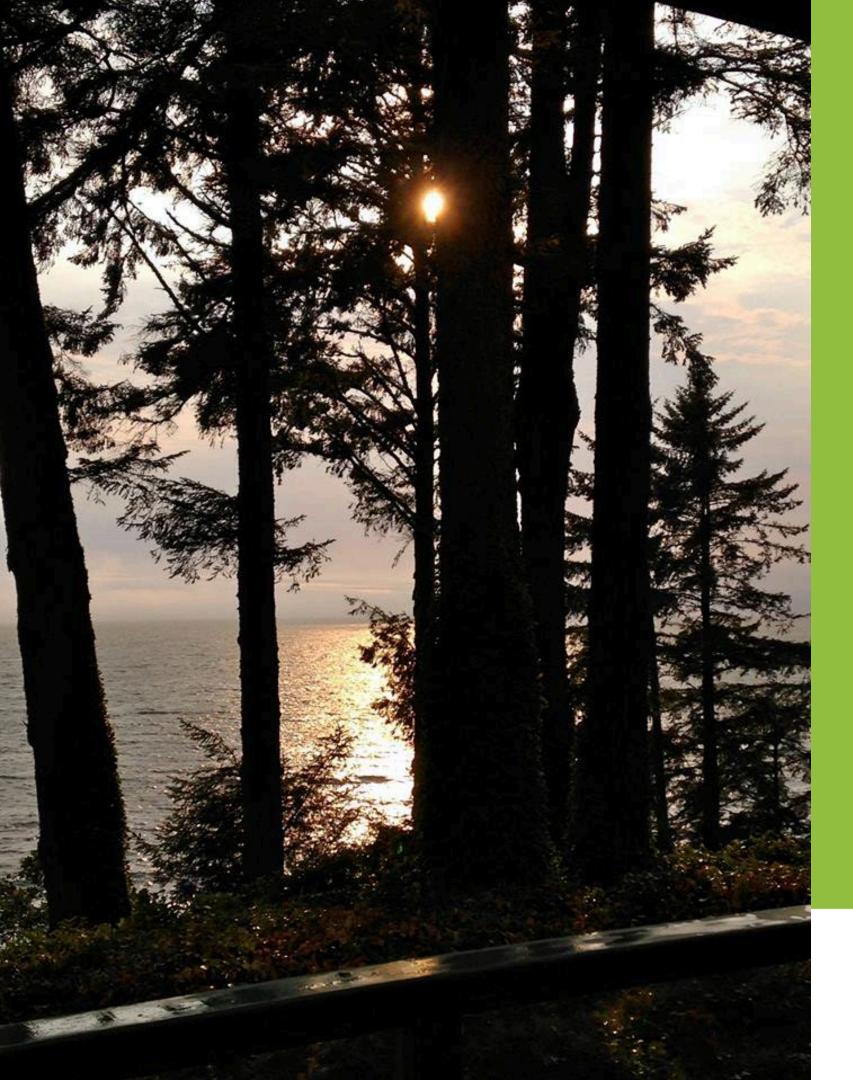
#### Education Assistant and Community Support (EACS) Certificate Program Info Session



\* Note, completing this information session is a pre-requisite for entry into this program. Upon completion, you will be asked to complete a short survey.





# Territorial Acknowledgement

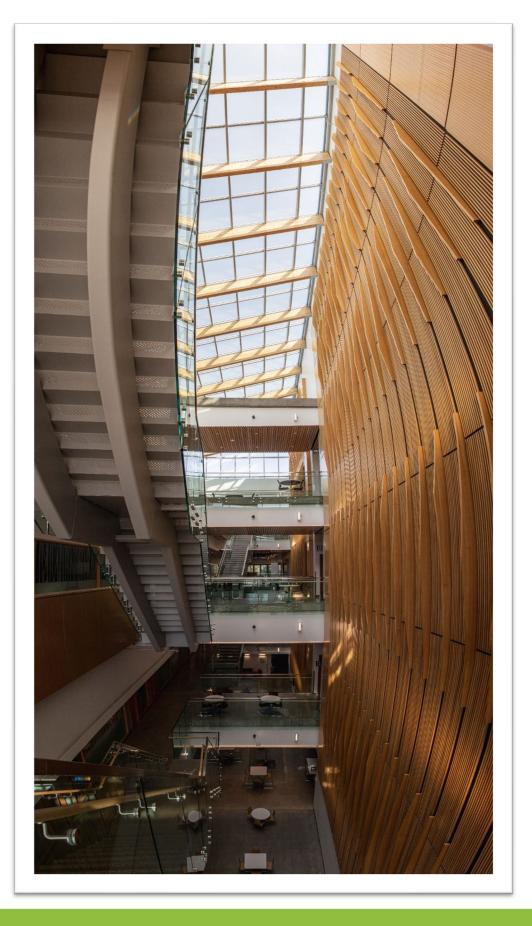
Camosun College is located in beautiful Victoria, British Columbia with campuses on the Traditional Territories of the Lekwungen and WSÁNEĆ peoples. We acknowledge their welcome and graciousness to the students who seek knowledge here.



### **Camosun College**

Camosun College is B.C.'s largest public college

- 19,000+ students
- 1,200+ faculty and staff
- Programs range from arts and business to tech and trades to university transfer and continuing education
- Credentials include dual credits, certificates, diplomas, degrees, post-degree diplomas





## School of Health & Human Services (HHS)

Camosun College offers more than 15 health and human services programs, including degrees, post-degree diplomas, certificates, diplomas and university transfer courses.

• Our School, the School of HHS is a place of warmth and caring.

Our goal is to educate and support "flourishing individuals, families, and communities".



# **Centre for Health and Wellness (CHW)**

- All HHS Programs except Dental are delivered at the CHW at Interurban Campus
- The CHW brings together HHS Programs and allows a more interdisciplinary approach to teaching and learning
- The CHW provides twenty-first century learning environments including modern classrooms designed to foster active learning, hands-on labs, high technology simulation environments, and lots of collaboration spaces





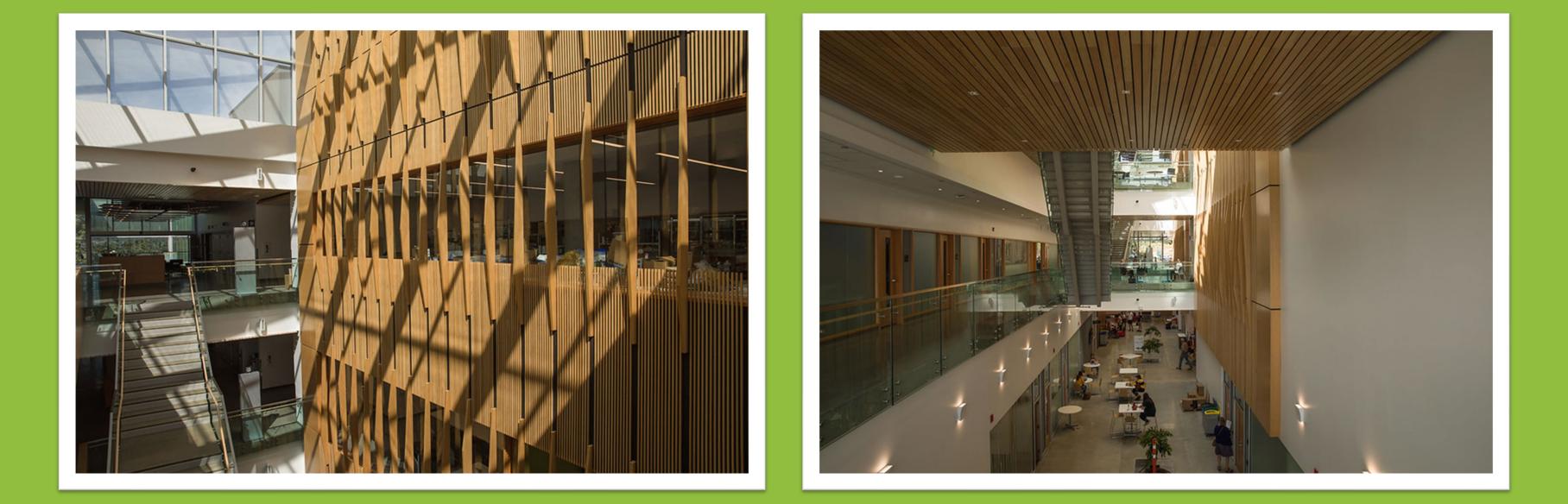
#### **Alex & Jo Campbell Centre for Health and Wellness 21st century education for outstanding health and wellness professionals**

- \$63.8 million investment
- 89,000 sq. ft. facility at Interurban campus
- 800+ students
- Latest in health education teaching
- Interdisciplinary approach is aligned with Island Health





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## Are you interested in....?

- Working with people with disabilities
- Education, Social Work, Child and Youth Care or the medical field
- Inclusive environments
- Being part of a team
- Working with children, youth and adults of all ages and cultures







The EACS program prepares you to support individuals with acquired and/or developmental disabilities both ethically and professionally in the context of home, school, work, and community settings

### **Welcoming Diversity**





### The EACS Program

- Certificate Program
- 2 Practicums are Offered:
  - 1. In school
  - 2. In the Community



## Is the EACS Program Right for You?

The role of the Education Assistant and Community Support Worker demands adherence to high standards of personal and professional conduct.

Employers expect sensitive and helpful responses to a wide range of problem situations, learning environments and behaviours.

- The work may involve participation in school and community settings, recreation activities, wellness needs of individuals.
- Both classroom and field work require a professional way of being with behaviours and attitudes that require us to challenge personal beliefs and values.





### **EACS Student Expectations:**

To be open, willing to give and receive feedback, critically evaluate their own performance and make themselves available for individual, online, group and virtual schoolwork and working with classmates outside of class time for some projects.

To deal with interpersonal communication, resolving conflict and negotiating, in a context of diverse opinions and learning styles, in mature and productive ways.



#### **Program Participation Requirements**

**Once accepted into the program, students will be required to complete** the following:

- **Current** immunizations
- Criminal Records Check
- TB skin test (Might be required by your practicum site).

Please note these are program requirements and should not be done before you have an accepted seat.



# **EACS Classes are Student Centred Learning**

- Groups
- Individual
- Hands on
- Virtual and Online





#### **Employment**

**GRADUATES** work as part of a professional team in:

• community, home, school, and day program settings to support children, youth and adults with developmental disabilities.

**CAREER** paths include a range of community-based positions: education assistants, residential counsellors and job coaches.

#### **EMPLOYERS** include:

 non-profit and private organizations, public and private school settings, as well as families and persons with disabilities.





# **Review the EACS program pages online:**

Program at a Glance



## **Education Assistant and Community Support**

#### **SUCCESSFUL STUDENTS:**

- Have support from family members, friends & classmates
- Devote approximately 30-35 hours each week to study
- Attend classes or practicum regularly
- Achieve a balance in home and school life
- Make a commitment to being a student
- Make time for practicum preparation and hours





### **Educational Pathways with the EACS Certificate**

- There are three educational pathways once completing the EACS Certificate
  - 1. Block transfer credits to University of Victoria's Child and Youth Care Degree
  - Block transfer credits to Vancouver Island University's Bachelor of Education (Elementary) Degree
    Join 2<sup>nd</sup> year of the Community, Family and Child Studies
  - 3. Join 2<sup>nd</sup> year of the Community, Family Program at Camosun College





#### Further education possibilities

#### **TRANSFER CREDITS** Completion of this certificate

provides you with transfer credits towards:

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Year of the <u>Community</u>, <u>Family and Child Studies</u> <u>Diploma</u> (CFCS).
- Credits to some Degree Programs (e.g. School of Child and Youth Care and Social Work), at other BC institutions such as the <u>University of</u> <u>Victoria and Vancouver</u> <u>Island University</u>.



#### **Student Services at Camosun**











Whatever your need, we have an option for you





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Supporting your learning experience



Indigenous Student Support Find your way and feel like you belong – with our help





# **Indigenous Support Coordinator**

Artemis Fire is Red River Métis and grateful to be a visitor on the unsurrendered territories of the ləkwəŋən and WSÁNEĆ peoples. Artemis is passionate about walking with people on their journeys.

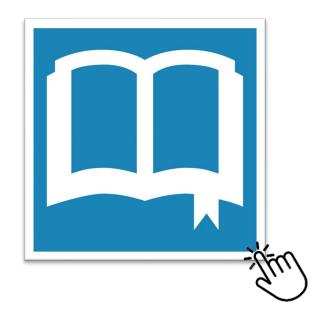
As the Health and Human Services Indigenous Support Coordinator, Artemis supports students in various ways, including assisting applicants to confirm their Indigenous identity.

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# View the Dean's Welcome and the School of Health & Human Services (HHS) Student Handbook online





#### **Carly Hall, RN, BSN, MEd** Dean, School of Health and Human Services

## **NEXT STEPS**

**Completing this Info Session is a** pre-requisite for entry into to the **EACS program.** Please complete the short survey with your information, to ensure we receive a record of your attendance.





<u>Click here to complete the survey or scan the QR code</u>



# Thank you!

#### We look forward to seeing you soon! – School of Health and Human Services

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