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Capilano University adds Bachelor of Early Childhood Care and Education to the CapU Squamish offerings for Fall 2024

North Vancouver, B.C. January 18, 2024 – Capilano University has added the [Bachelor of Early Childhood Care and Education \(ECCE\) degree](#) to its programs that will be offered at the new CapU Squamish campus beginning in September, 2024.

The addition of the Early Childhood Care and Education degree will allow learners living in the Sea-to-Sky region to obtain their bachelor's degree near their home community, and help support the region's growing demand for early childhood educators.

"The university's ECCE degree is a well-established, highly regarded program and we are so pleased to offer it in Squamish," says Laureen Styles, vice president, academic & provost at Capilano University. "It will serve as an important extension of our existing program at the North Vancouver campus that is nationally and internationally recognized for fostering collaboration, innovation and best practices in early childhood education."

CapU is one of only four universities in Canada to offer the Early Childhood Care and Education degree and the only one in Western Canada.

Applications are open now for the following programs offered at CapU Squamish in Fall 2024.

- [Adult Basic Education](#)
- [Associate of Arts Degree](#) (curated select courses, including those focused on the environment and sustainability)
- [Bachelor of Arts with a Major in Interdisciplinary Studies](#)



- [Bachelor of Early Childhood Care and Education Degree](#)
- [Early Childhood Care & Education Diploma](#)
- [Tourism Management Co-operative Education Diploma](#)

The University is also in active conversations with Indigenous communities related to programming options specific for Indigenous learners.

The University announced its plans for the CapU Squamish campus in August of 2023 and is planning to enrol about 120 students for Fall 2024. The announcement also noted that CapU is exploring options to open a new child care centre on the Squamish campus in the future.

About Capilano University

Capilano University is a regional university based in North Vancouver, British Columbia, with additional programming serving the Sunshine Coast and the Sea-to-Sky corridor. With industry-leading instructors, small classes and over 100 programs across five distinctive faculties, CapU is a unique place where students are encouraged to make their mark, in and out of the classroom. Capilano University is named after Sa7plek (Chief Joe Capilano), an important leader of the Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish) Nation of the Coast Salish Peoples. We respectfully acknowledge that our campuses and learning centres are located on the territories of the Lílwat, xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam), shíshálh (Sechelt), Sḵwxwú7mesh (Squamish) and Səlílwətaʔ/Selilwitulh (Tseil-Waututh) Nations.

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