

# WHAT IS THE

# Centre for Adult Learning

The Centre for Adult Learning (CAL) at Assiniboine has two campuses—one in Brandon at our Victoria Avenue East campus and one at our Parkland campus in Dauphin. Both offer two intakes a year: September and January and at other designated times.

CAL is a supportive and inclusive environment dedicated to helping adult learners achieve their educational goals. Our programs are designed to accommodate busy schedules and diverse learning styles, and include independent study and online options. Whether you are looking to upgrade your high school courses to meet admission requirements for college or university programs or earn your high school diploma as an adult, our experienced instructors and staff are here to support you every step of the way.

To enroll, you must be 19 years of age or older at the time of enrollment or reach the age of 19 before completion of the course(s). Furthermore, you must have been out of high school for at least six months.

# I WANT TO EARN MY HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA

We offer three options for obtaining your high school diploma:

- Mature Student High School diploma
- Integrated Comprehensive Health Care Aide High school diploma with a Health Care Aide certificate
- Integrated Education Assistant High school diploma with an Education Assistant certificate

The Mature Student High School diploma requires eight credits and is equivalent to a regular high school diploma (not a GED/CAEC). We will create a personalized education plan based on your existing credits, goals and academic skills. Tuition is free for completing the high school diploma.

The integrated programs let you earn both a Mature Student High School diploma and a college certificate faster than completing them separately.

#### I HAVE MY HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA, BUT WANT TO IMPROVE MY MARKS

If you have a high school diploma and are looking to improve your grades or take extra courses for college, university or job requirements, consider our Additional Credits/Upgrading program. You can take up to four courses tuition-free.

Courses may include studies in physics, math, English, law, psychology, biology, and much more!

# NOT READY YET TO ENTER THE MATURE STUDENT HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM?

If you are not yet prepared to join the Mature Student High School program, consider the Secondary Preparation program. You will receive personalized support to enhance your English and/or Math skills. Participation in this program is free. Currently, it is only offered at the Centre for Adult Learning in Dauphin.

# Our Locations

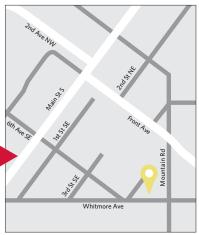
#### CENTRE FOR ADULT LEARNING -BRANDON

Victoria Avenue East Campus 1430 Victoria Avenue East, Room 410



#### CENTRE FOR ADULT LEARNING -DAUPHIN

Parkland Campus 520 Whitmore Avenue East





# What does it cost?

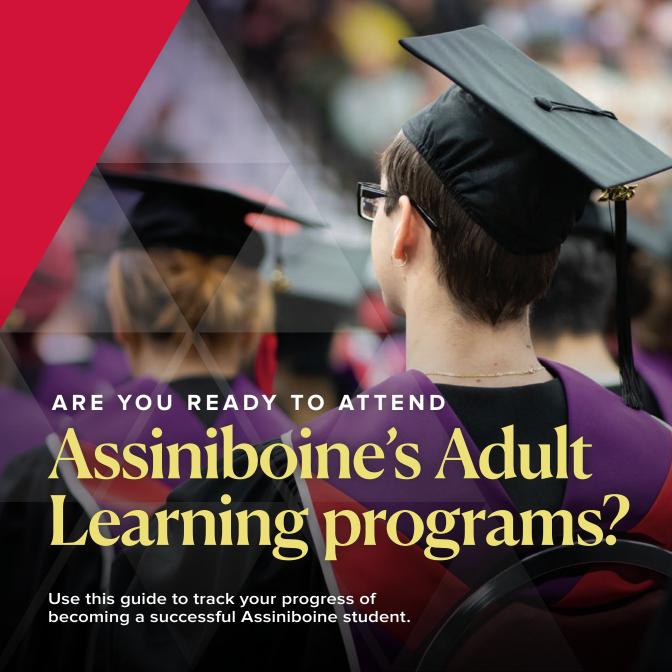
The Mature Student High School program is tuition-free! Already have a high school diploma? Take up to four courses tuition-free to improve your grades or add new ones.

# **BRANDON AND DAUPHIN**

The fees for high school courses are under \$65 per one-credit course, with variations between Brandon and Dauphin.

### INTEGRATED PROGRAMS

Fees for the Comprehensive Health Care Aide and Education Assistant portions of the integrated programs can be found at assiniboine.net/fees.



# Part 1 STEPS TO APPLYING

### BOOK AN APPOINTMENT WITH A STUDENT SUCCESS ADVISOR

- ► To book appointments, contact us in Brandon at 204.725.8735 ext 6650 or adultlearning@assiniboine.net or in Dauphin at 204.622.2222 ext. 6591 or parklandinfo@assiniboine.net.
- If possible, please bring a high school transcript with you to this meeting. If you are not sure how to get a transcript or have trouble getting a copy, we can help you.
- This meeting will give you information about upgrading courses or the Mature Student High School diploma and how each option can fit with your life.

#### □ COMPLETE AN APPLICATION

- You can do this when you come to meet with the student success advisor.
- ► There is no application fee!

# ☐ APPLY FOR SPONSORSHIP (IF APPLICABLE)

- ► Your sponsor will need to fill out a sponsorship authorization form and send it back to Assiniboine as soon as your sponsorship is confirmed. We can give you the form or you can download it from assiniboine.net/applynow.
- If you are applying for sponsorship, we can give you a letter to send to your sponsoring agency. This letter outlines the courses you intend to take and how much they will cost.

# ☐ CHOOSE WHEN YOU'D LIKE TO START

- ▶ Term 1 runs September to December.
- Term 2 runs January to May.

# □ DECIDE WHICH STUDY OPTION IS RIGHT FOR YOU

- ▶ In-person classes: In-person means attending your classes on campus, where you will be able to work directly with instructors and peers. This option offers hands-on learning, real-time discussions, and access to campus resources.
- ▶ Independent Study (Continuous Registration):
  The Independent Study option lets students work on their own, at their own pace. There are no regular classes to attend, and most learning happens through written instructions. Students turn in their work by mail, email, the online learning system (LMS), or in person. This option is very flexible, but students are required to set a schedule for checking in and getting help when needed.
  - Independent study courses follow a set registration schedule. Students can start at any time during the registration period. Once they are enrolled, they have up to 12 months to complete the course.
- ▶ Hub Mode: In Hub Mode, classes are taught in-person at one CAL location and streamed live to students, who can join class from another site or from home using Zoom or Microsoft Teams. Students can take part in class discussions and activities just like those in the room. Teachers can be reached by phone, email, through the online learning system (LMS), or in person by appointment.

#### □ CHOOSE YOUR CAMPUS

► In Brandon at the Victoria Avenue East campus or in Dauphin at the Parkland campus.

# □ CHOOSE YOUR SUBJECT

Pick your course(s)—what do you need to achieve your goals?



# Part 2 IDENTIFYING YOUR NEEDS

#### □ COMMUNICATE WITH YOUR SUPPORTS

Identify supports that will help you through your education journey. Find friends and family that will assist you in times of stress or worry. Feel free to contact the Assiniboine team member who has been assisting you so far.

# ☐ FIND HOUSING (IF APPLICABLE)

While Assiniboine does not offer on-campus housing, we have compiled valuable resources to help you find comfortable and convenient accommodations. For more information, visit assiniboine.net/housing.

# □ SECURE DAYCARE (IF APPLICABLE)

There are two licensed early learning centres on Assiniboine campuses that accept children ages three months to six years:

Assiniboine Early Learning Centre Victoria Avenue East campus, Brandon | 204.725.8713

Parkland Campus Kids Inc.

Parkland campus, Dauphin | 204.622.2222 ext. 6557

Apply early as space is limited at these centres.

# □ FIND YOUR MODE OF TRANSPORTATION

 In Brandon, a free transit bus pass (U-Pass) is included in your Students' Association fees. For more information on parking and fees at all campuses, visit assiniboine.net/parking.

#### □ ORGANIZE YOUR FINANCES

- ▶ Plan for the financial and time commitment of attending school—make a budget and ensure you will have the money you will need for housing and other living expenses. A student success advisor can help you develop a financial plan.
- Apply for scholarships, awards and bursaries.

# Student Supports

The Centre for Adult Learning is here to support you as you work towards achieving your goals. As an Assiniboine student, you will have access to:

- Student success advisors
- Student orientation and transition support
- Accessibility services and learning accommodations
- ► Learning Curve
- ► Learning strategist
- Free tutoring
- ► Indigenous Affairs
- Indigenous Services Officer
- ► Elders and Knowledge Keepers



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