## **Start your First Semester off Strong!**



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\*This message is intended for domestic students only. If you are an international student and have received this message in error, please go to the <u>New International Students webpage</u> for information pertaining to international students.

Hello,

This New Student Update is here to give you the key information you need to start your first semester off strong! It covers:

- Course Registration and Waitlist Information
- Fee Payment and Financial Aid
- New Student Orientation Sessions
- Kickstart to College (Recap)

## **Course Registration and Waitlist Information**

On the <u>Registration - Fall 2024 webpage</u>, you will find helpful details about how to search and register for your courses. Make sure to watch the video tutorials available at the bottom of the page to learn more about the registration process.

Once you have registered for your courses, you may find yourself on the waitlist for some of them. If that happens, do not worry, there is still a chance you will make it into the course. When you are on the waitlist, be sure to check your **myAccount** every day

because if you are given an offer, you only have **23 hours** to accept it. If you miss your offer, you will be removed from the waitlist. If you are still on a waitlist on the first day of class, make sure you attend the class as there is still a chance you will get in. Visit the **Waitlist Information webpage** for more information.



## Fee Payment and Financial Aid

Get to know the <u>Dates & Deadlines webpage</u> to make sure you are on top of everything. The fee payment deadline is **August 19.** If you do not pay your fees on time, you will be deregistered from your courses and removed from any waitlists. Make sure this does not happen to you! Details on ways to pay can be found on the <u>Paying</u> Your Fees webpage.

First semester students can contact Enrolment Services advisors for financial aid support. They can assist you with applying for loans, bursaries and scholarships. If you are a B.C. resident and plan on applying for B.C. student loans, check your <a href="StudentAid">StudentAid</a> BC eligibility and, if necessary, get the required information from your parent/guardian to apply. For questions about loans or other financial aid matters, <a href="contact Enrolment">contact Enrolment</a> Services.



#### **New Student Orientation Sessions**

Get ready for your first semester and have your questions answered by attending **one** of the in-person New Student Orientation Sessions.

**Faculty-Specific New Student Orientation Sessions** provide you with an opportunity to meet your faculty instructors and receive information about your courses. Student Life will also introduce you to the available services to support your Douglas journey, give you a look at life on campus and walk you through the new student checklist. If you are unsure which faculty you are in, check out the **Programs webpage**.

Faculty of Applied Community Studies:

Coquitlam | August 21 | Registration\*

• Faculty of Commerce and Business Administration:

New Westminster | August 27 | Registration\*

Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences and
 Faculty of Language, Literature and Performing Arts:

New Westminster | August 22 | Registration\*

Faculty of Science and Technology:

Coquitlam | August 21 | Registration\*

or New Westminster | August 22 | Registration\*

**General New Student Orientation Sessions** are available for you if you are unable to attend the Faculty-Specific New Student Orientation Sessions or if there is not one

being offered for your faculty. These sessions are open to parents and supporters as well.

- Coquitlam | August 19 | Registration\*
- New Westminster | August 27 | Registration\*

\*Registration using desktop devices is highly recommended for better user experience. Contact **studentlife@douglascollege.ca** if you encounter any problems.

More details about new student orientation will be provided in the upcoming New Student Updates and on the **Orientation webpage**.



## **Kickstart to College (Recap)**

If you are looking for individualized support or have questions you want answered early in your orientation journey, sign up for **Kickstart**! You will be connected through email with one of our Kickstart Coaches, all of whom are Douglas College senior students. They can walk you through your first week of classes, show you where to find the services you need and tell you all the great ways you can get involved at Douglas College. Sign up for Kickstart now! Once you have registered, keep an eye out for your welcome email.

# Stay Informed!

If you want to revisit previous New Student Updates, please visit the <u>Orientation</u> <u>webpage</u> and refer to the column on the right.

Follow us on Instagram <a>@studentlifedc</a> to keep up to date with everything happening at Douglas College!

## Questions?

For questions, please email <a href="mailto:studentlife@douglascollege.ca">studentlife@douglascollege.ca</a>. If you are an international student, please submit your questions through the <a href="mailto:Douglas College">Douglas College</a> <a href="mailto:International contact form.">International contact form</a>.