

Indigenous Skills for Success Journey, Planting the Seeds for Growth. Approved Facilitators

for Workshops Intended to Ladder into the Douglas College SFSP Certificate program

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Francesca de Bastiani	604-684-4028	fdebasti@gmail.com		
Francesca is a certified Skills for Success Practitioner and holds a Master's degree in Education with a focus on diversity and curriculum development. She has over 30 years' experience working in employment and training initiatives working closely with Indigenous learners and practitioners. She operates a social enterprise called Paintedstone & Associates Learning Systems (PALS) which was created in partnership with her late husband John Webster. She is fully dedicated to creating enjoyable and meaningful learning experiences for adult learners who strive to strengthen their foundation skills.				
Allen Keeley	604-615-9833	skillsforsuccesscoach@outlook.com		
Allen lives in Treaty 6 territory and is based out of Whitecourt, Alberta. He has worked in the employment services/education industry for over 25 years and brings a wealth of experience to the training workshops. He began working with the Douglas College Career Builders program in 2005 and moved to the Essential Skills team in 2010.				

He has 12 years' experience delivering a variety of Essential Skills workshops and the Essential Skills/Skills for Success Practitioner Training to many Indigenous organizations and participants throughout Canada. He was part of the curriculum development team for the Indigenous Skills for Success Journey project and facilitated the online Blackboard courses and weekly webinars. Allen is a passionate about utilizing the Skills for Success to enhance career planning, job readiness and post-secondary training. He is an emphatic, down to earth trainer who loves to mix humour and life experience to make everyone feel comfortable, supported and valued.		
Colleen Yamamoto	250-681-1855	fdebasti@gmail.com
Employment Coach Location: Okanagan, BC Provides Services to: First Nation & Veteran Community Colleen Yamamoto, is an employment coach who has worked specifically in the Sto:lo region, throughout BC and now lives in the Okanagan Valley of BC working virtually on various contracts. Her background is in working with First Nation communities and the Veteran community since 2001. Colleen is a a certified Career Development Practitioner, Skills For Success (Essential Skills) Practitioner, & Structure Of Intellect/Life Skills Instructor. As a lifelong learner, Colleen is committed to a holistic model that allows one to see who they are emotionally, physically, mentally, and spiritually. Colleen has discovered that to be passionately curious allows for greater understanding of our world. Her background experience includes: • 20+ years' experience within the employment and		

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Essential/Skills for Success field in many roles including		
Program Coordinator, Program Manager, Employment	I	
Supervisor, Vocational Rehab Counsellor, Assessment	I	
Invigilator, Researcher, Writer, Producer, Employment	I	
Specialist.	I	
 Develop, monitor, and implement strategies with goal- 	I	
oriented plans for clients that lead to positive solutions.	I	
 Dedicated to upholding the skills for success theories and 	I	
methodologies to foster an understanding of their underlying	I	
principles to all learners, regardless of their academic or	I	
cultural background	I	

For more information, please contact the Program Coordinator or Program Assistant.

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