



The **BC Council on Admissions & Transfer (BCCAT)**

oversees the BC Transfer System, enabling important links between the BC post-secondary institutions, the education ministries, and the public and private education sectors.

BCCAT facilitates admission, articulation, and transfer arrangements among BC post-secondary institutions for the benefit of students by:

- a) providing coordination and support for transfer and articulation in the BC system,
- b) promoting student mobility through system-wide collaboration and extensive research on student movement and credit transfer, and
- c) developing and managing user-friendly online resources (BCTransferGuide.ca and EducationPlanner.ca) to assist students in their education planning.

[A chart highlighting the Council's major, ongoing activities is provided overleaf.]

Members of the Council are appointed by the Minister and are selected from across the BC post-secondary system to serve the overall best interests of the system.

[For further information regarding the Council, including a list of current members, see bccat.ca/about/council.]

The Council guides the work of five standing committees (bccat.ca/about/committees), each devoted to different aspects of the Council's mandate. The work of the Council and committees is coordinated by a small team of staff members (bccat.ca/about/staff).

BCCAT is a non-profit, public agency that is funded by the provincial government and operates by promoting collaboration among BC post-secondary institutions.

BCCAT Your guide through
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Chart of Major Activities

Admissions & Research

- Examine admissions policies and practices.
- Collect and disseminate comparative information.
- Conduct research on admissions, access, and student mobility for registrants and applicants.
- Encourage information sharing among institutions for enrolment planning purposes.
- Assist with admissions issues concerning on-line learning and secondary/post-secondary transitions.
- Work in collaboration with the Student Transitions Project (STP).
- Conduct policy reviews, transfer student profiles, and student surveys.
- Examine the overall effectiveness of the transfer system.



System Collaboration

- Liaise with institutions, system committees, agencies, and the Ministry responsible for Advanced Education.
- Promote inter-provincial credential recognition.
- Promote inter-provincial transfer through collaboration with groups in other jurisdictions.
- Support the BC Transfer System through collaboration, mediation, facilitation, and education.

Web Resources & Communications

- Develop and implement ongoing marketing and outreach strategy.
- Manage BCCAT web resources: EducationPlanner.ca, BCTransferGuide.ca, and BCCAT.ca.
- Maintain and support the Transfer Credit Evaluation System (TCES) and assist system users.
- Respond to enquiries from students, institutions, and government agencies.
- Maintain system awareness of BCCAT activities and key issues facing the system through regular publication of Annual Reports, discussion papers, research reports, and newsletters.

Transfer & Articulation

- Develop and review transfer policies and practices.
- Provide information and orientation on transfer system membership.
- Establish and monitor values and expectations for all members of the BC Transfer System.
- Oversee and support provincial articulation committees.
- Develop key resources for best practices in transfer and articulation.
- Provide advice and assistance with articulation issues or disputes.
- Support articulation projects through Transfer Innovation (TI) and Transfer and Articulation Project (TAP) grants.
- Implement new articulation agreements and resources (grids, guides, pathways, etc.), and explore new models for transfer.

The mandate of BCCAT is to facilitate admission, articulation, and transfer among BC post-secondary institutions for the benefit of students. The Council's collaborative approach helps to ensure an accessible and responsive transfer system.