BC PUBLIC POST-SECONDARY SYSTEM

2024/25 Accountability Framework Highlights[1]

CAPACITY

Meeting the evolving needs of the province

206,305 full-time equivalent student spaces[2]
Target: 208,885

- **184,980** PSFS-funded[3]
- **21,325** SkilledTradesBC -funded

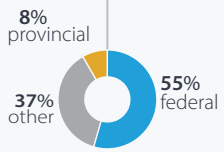
21,783 health | **1,233** medical | **5,681** developmental

56,324 credentials awarded

Bachelors	21,107
Certificate	12,556
Grad, First Professional & Post-Degree	10,492
Diploma	7,488
Short Certificate	3,627
Developmental	1,054

4,089 credentials awarded to Indigenous learners

$1.09B sponsored research funding
Target: ≥$1.02B



ACCESS

Providing equitable and affordable access for residents

Transition Rate

64.1% of BC high school grads transition to BC public post-secondary within three years Target: ≥70%

Participation Rate

43.0% of 18-24 year olds in BC are enrolled in private or public post-secondary education Target: ≥41.5%

Tuition Affordability

6.6% Undergraduate tuition & fees as a percent of median household income Target: ≤7.5%

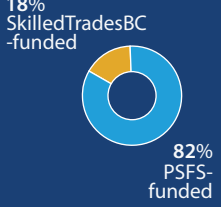
Debt Burden

3.7% Diploma, Associate Degree & Certificate Students

6.3% Baccalaureate Graduates

Average percent of income recent graduates used to repay education-related debt
Target: ≤8%

14,522 full-time equivalent student spaces filled by Indigenous learners
Target: ≥ 13,808



QUALITY

Enriched educational experiences that meet the learning objectives of students

In 2024, BC Student Outcomes surveyed over 21,000 former students[4]

90.7% of students satisfied or very satisfied with their education
Target: ≥90%

86.6% reported their education was helpful in developing various skills
Target: ≥85%

93.8% of students positively rated the quality of instruction of their program Target: ≥90%

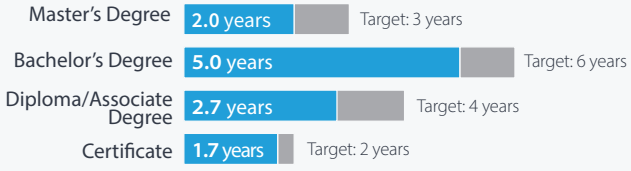
EFFICIENCY

Providing multiple and flexible pathways with clear returns on public and individual investments

First Year Retention Rate

86.6% of students enrolled in the previous year returned to public post-secondary studies or were awarded a credential
Target: ≥80%

Median Time to Completion



RELEVANCE

Breadth and depth of programming to meet the evolving economic needs of the province

8.0%

Unemployment Rate

3.8% lower than the provincial rate for 18-29 year olds with a high school credential or less
Target: ≤11.8%

85.8% of employed graduates said that the knowledge and skills acquired were useful in performing their job
Target: ≥90%

BC Public Post-Secondary System[5]

25 institutions
450K+ students enrolled
7.6% Indigenous[6]
22.7% international
50.0% female
50.3% 18-24 years old

1. For more information, visit the Accountability Framework website.
2. Full-time equivalent (FTE) student spaces are not reported as whole numbers. Rounding may affect the total FTEs reported.
3. Ministry of Post-Secondary Education and Future Skills
4. For more details, visit the BC Student Outcomes website.
5. Academic Year 2023/24
6. Percent of domestic students who self-identified as Indigenous. Indigenous self-identification information in the public post-secondary system is collected based on learners self-identifying as an Aboriginal person (i.e. First Nations, Métis, or Inuit).

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