

Application deadline › March 1



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If you would like to:

- Be part of a supportive, holistic, and culturally relevant learning community
- Get to know your teachers and learn collaboratively
- Meet other First Nations, Inuit and Métis students
- Have access to peer tutoring and mentoring
- Hang out between classes at the First Peoples' Centre, a home away from home (with community, cultural and spiritual support)

Then Journeys could be for you.

Journeys is an introduction to CEGEP designed for First Nations, Inuit and Métis students. This one-year transition program gives you the opportunity to do your prerequisites, obtain college credits, explore your options and settle in to the city to pursue your higher education. You will gain learning strategies that will set you up for success at CEGEP. Everyone knows your name in our tight-knit community and we work together to motivate and support each other in class and outside of class. Flexibility and a student-centred approach are core values of the program. In addition, students benefit from academic, cultural and spiritual support.



Being in Journeys is like being part of a family. The teachers and other students are there to support us no matter what the situation.

– Journeys student

What will you learn?

- Strategies and tools for college-level studies
- Indigenous and western perspectives in education and learning
- Critical thinking, analysis and research
- Collaborative, team and individual learning
- Autonomy and advocacy skills in a post-secondary learning environment
- Reading, writing and presentation skills
- French-language skills (preparation for credited French courses) for students not fluent in French
- Learn an Indigenous Language: Kanien'keha courses

Where will this program lead you?

Students can transition to any field of study at CEGEP including the Arts, Social Sciences, Sciences and technical programs. Some prerequisite classes needed for Science and technical programs may not be offered by Journeys, but are available at Dawson College.

What do you need to apply?

- A Diploma of Secondary Studies (DES) or academic background judged equivalent to the DES
- Letter of intent (including self-identification as an Indigenous person)

Conditional admission is based on Secondary IV final and Secondary V mid-term grades. Final admission into the Journeys program is contingent on obtaining a DES or equivalent.-

What else should you know?

- Courses are taught by culturally aware and engaged teachers working closely with Indigenous communities to include culturally relevant content and approaches
- Journeys includes land-based learning opportunities, field trips, participation in Indigenous gatherings and activities including First Peoples' Week
- Journeys collaborates closely with the First Peoples' Centre, a welcoming space where Indigenous students can access cultural activities, academic and para-academic support, computers, printing and more
- Journeys courses and study labs take place in a dedicated classroom