

# PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION (PADM)

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## **PADM 200 Local Government Administration in BC**

3 Credits

This course provides opportunities for participants to gain an understanding of the organizational and political realities of local government in British Columbia. Topics include: the history and purposes of local government; how local governments are organized and administered; their powers and limitations; issues of sustainability; relations with aboriginal government; and issues of public participation such as interest group lobbying and public consultation. Guest speakers and leaders from provincial, regional, First Nations and local governments as well as service delivery agencies will be invited to provide their perspectives.

### **Prerequisites**

English Studies 12, English First Peoples 12 or equivalent

### **Transfer Credits**

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## **PADM 201 Municipal Finance in BC**

3 Credits

The purpose of the program is to provide opportunities for participants to gain increased knowledge of the political and organizational realities of local governments in BC and to identify opportunities for change within these systems. It is expected that participants will be more effective managers, leaders and change agents as a result of their involvement in the program.

### **Prerequisites**

PADM 200 and Math 11 or Advanced Math 12, or Principles of Math 11

### **Transfer Credits**

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## **PADM 202 Local Government Service in BC**

3 Credits

The goal of this course is to provide students with a broad based knowledge and understanding of the current issues and innovative practices related to the provision of local government services in British Columbia. This course examines the wide range of services provided by BC municipalities and regional districts in three general categories: External Services to the Community (e.g. engineering and public works, refuse collection and solid waste disposal, parks, recreation and cultural services, environmental protection, regulatory services); Internal /Support Services to the Corporation (e.g. corporate administration, finance, human resources); and Protective Services and Enforcement (e.g. fire, police, bylaw enforcement). Current issues to be discussed include alternative service delivery (e.g. public private partnerships), downloading and performance measurement, with an emphasis on examining innovative practices related to sustainability, e-Government and inter-municipal collaboration.

### **Prerequisites**

PADM 200

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## **PADM 203 Municipal Law in BC**

3 Credits

This program is designed with and for professionals currently employed in a Municipality, Regional District, Improvement District, First Nations Government or Supporting Agencies in British Columbia. The purpose of the program is to provide opportunities for participants to gain increased knowledge of the political and organizational realities of local governments in BC and to identify opportunities for change within these systems. It is expected that participants will be more effective managers, leaders and change agents as a result of their involvement in the program. This program focuses on legal principles pertaining to municipal government, with particular emphasis on its status, functions, and legal powers and constraints. It will also introduce the principles of administrative law, how legislation is created, and the powers and duties of administrative agencies. This course will examine the legal aspects affecting services that municipalities and regional districts provide to their citizens in British Columbia.

### **Prerequisites**

PADM 200

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