

Understanding and Working with Families (CSSE 22)

(42 hours)

This subject focuses on diverse family systems and the impact that a child with special needs has on family dynamics. Principles and elements of family centered practice are explored. Students examine the skills required in order to develop partnerships with families. In addition to informal support systems, students identify community services that families can access for support. **Prerequisite:** Designing Teaching and Learning Activities, Designing and Assessing Learning Outcomes, Testing and Evaluating Learning and Fieldwork 103-Resource Teacher/Early Interventionist. Students registered in the subject without the prerequisites will be asked to withdraw from the subject. **NOTE: This course has mandatory chats and mandatory group work. Textbook required.**

Understanding Literature (CSAL 80)

(48 hours)

Understanding Literature acquaints students with the tools necessary to appreciate literature critically by reviewing literary history and examining different genres. Students will explore themes and conventions associated with these genres and develop an understanding of literary analysis and various critical approaches. For creative-writing students, this course will provide a framework in which to appreciate and evaluate their own writing. **Textbook required.**

Understanding Medical Tests for Medical Office Staff (CSLO 83)

(36 hours)

Designed to assist in developing an understanding of common medical tests related to a wide variety of body systems. This course is open to people currently employed in health related areas or who hope to do so in the future. **Textbook required.**

Understanding Surgical Procedures for Medical Office Staff (CSLO 178)

(36 hours)

This course has been designed for medical office staff to review a wide variety of surgical procedures that commonly occur in the hospital setting. This course is open to people currently employed in health related areas or hope to do so in the future. **Prerequisite:** Medical Terminology would be an asset. **Textbook required.**

Understanding Sustainable Farming: Principles and Practices (CSSL 29)

(45 hours)

Sustainable food systems start with sustainably-produced food. But what does sustainable agriculture look like? There are many competing production systems that claim to be sustainable. This course will help you define sustainable agriculture, understand the underlying principles, and look at some concrete practices for building sustainable farm systems. The course will also analyze case studies of production technologies and systems that claim to be sustainable, and examine the effects of Canadian agricultural policy on agricultural sustainability. **Prerequisite:** Field to Fork: Introduction to Local and Global Food Systems. **Software required:** Speakers. **Textbook required.**

Understanding Technology (CSSA 1)

(48 hours)

The computer has established itself as an integral part of today's workplace. From the PC itself to the Internet, scanners to digital camera, word processing to multi-media presentations, you will be introduced to all aspects of the modern computer to develop the computer literacy required in the workplace. **Software required:** CD player. **NOTE: This course has mandatory chats. Textbook required.**

Urban Agriculture, Community Gardens, Food Secure Cities (CSSL 30)

(45 hours)

Study the exciting urban agriculture projects and policies that are currently transforming the landscape, building community, and creating food security in Canadian cities. From community, schoolyard and roof top gardens, to urban CSA (community supported agriculture) farms and greenhouses, consider success stories and challenges for the development of urban food production. Take a close look at the relationship between municipal law and policy and urban agriculture in cities of interest to you. **Software required:** Speakers. **Textbook required.**

Using Google (CSLO 63)

(30 hours)

Did you know you could shop, create web pages, send email and more, all with Google? This course will teach you not only how to get the most out of your searches and to use Advanced search tools, but will also show you many other Google tools. Need to find something in the maze of folders on your hard drive? Google Desktop might be the answer. Google Toolbar, with an effective pop-up blocker and handy links, is the Internet Explorer toolbar to beat. Learn how to set up and make Google your Internet home page. You'll see how Picasa can help you instantly find, edit and share all the pictures on your PC. **Prerequisite:** Basic Knowledge of Internet Explorer. **No textbook required.**