

# Earn your Education Assistance and Inclusion Certificate

Are you a Support Assistant working in the Northwest Territories?

You can apply to earn an Education Assistance and Inclusion (EAI) Certificate.

Tuition, fees, and materials will be fully covered by the GNWT

Department of Education, Culture and Employment.

These courses will support you in developing the specialized skills to encourage the wellbeing, development, and education of students. You will learn from experienced instructors in inclusive education, using innovative teaching methods, who will help you become a leader in your school.

This opportunity is being offered in partnership between the Department of Education, Culture and Employment (ECE) and Douglas College.

## Who can apply:

You can apply if you are a currently employed JK-12 Support Assistant in the NWT who is in a permanent contract (not on a term); and has a High School diploma (or equivalency program).

\*The pilot course is only available in English.



### Faculty

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Applied Community Studies at  
Douglas College/ Contracted  
Local NWT Instructors

### Department

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Disability and Community  
Studies

### Credits

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30

### Length of Program

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A total of 10 courses  
2 courses/semester

(Fall and Winter semesters)

### Delivery

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Fully online:  
learn from where you are

### Start Date

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Winter 2022

## Learn more at

- [www.douglascollege.ca/program/cteaci](http://www.douglascollege.ca/program/cteaci)
- Contact your Regional Inclusive Schooling Coordinator

## How to apply

All education authorities have a limited number of spots to fill for this program. Please contact your Regional Inclusive Schooling Coordinator (RISC) to apply. The RISC and the Superintendent will determine which applicants will join our EAI pilot program.

## Program delivery

- Students will take one or two courses a semester while working in their Support Assistant position.
- Students will go through the program as a cohort, drawing on real-life examples, contextualizing the material to people and places in the NWT.
- Two instructors will lead the cohort; one local instructor living and working in the NWT from the field of education with Student Support experience, as well as one instructor from Douglas College.
- Courses will be delivered online through Blackboard: Douglas College's online learning platform.

## Incentives

- Use your local expertise to help us make a better program through providing ongoing feedback as you complete your courses.
- Tuition, fees, and materials will be fully covered by the Department of Education, Culture and Employment. There is no cost to students.
- Receive job-embedded learning, and a new credential to add to your learning portfolio.
- Once you graduate, you can transfer credits from the EAI certificate into:
  - The second year of Douglas College's [Classroom and Community Support \(CCS\) Diploma](#), a program that extends learning into inclusive support, transitions to adulthood and behavioral intervention for children with autism.
  - Another equivalent type of program.
  - Diploma programs can ladder into degree programs, including but not limited to child and youth care, education, and more.

## Courses offered

Change & Development: Lifespan	Characteristics of Exceptionalities
Working with Others	Teaching and Learning: Introduction to Communication and Behaviour
Teaching and Learning: Universal Design for Learning	Foundations of Family Support
Introduction to Practice	Personal Assistance
Teaching and Learning: Foundations	Work-based Practicum