

APRIL 2024 NEWSLETTER

DRAKE MEDOX COLLEGE

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DEDICATED TEAM OF ESL INSTRUCTORS AT YOUR SERVICE

Drake Medox College is very proud of our incredibly talented and passionate team of English as a Second Language instructors.

Cindy, John, Marina, Laurie, Maddy, Susanna, and Summer guide our students in the development of their English skills to help them become confident communicators, and achieve success in their careers in a healthcare setting.

In the **Career Preparation Program**, our Instructors assist students to qualify to enter their Career Study Program.

In the **English as a Second Language-Health Care Assistant** Study Pathway, students are engaged in interesting and relevant topics to work toward higher level skill development in English.

In the **HCA-Career Communications** course, our ESL-HCA students increase their Intercultural Competence, allowing them to be effective communicators across cultures different than their own.

Whatever your English language and communications needs are, DMC's English Instructors are here for you!

"The knowledge I have gained will help me provide culturally sensitive care and promote effective communication with clients from various cultural backgrounds." - Vera O.



CINDY COOK



JOHN TINKESS



MARINA CRAWFORD



LAURIE THOMAS



SUSANNA FIRLEY



SUMMER SHAH



April is World Autism Month, an annual opportunity for a dedicated conversation and celebration of autism.

In Canada approximately 1 in 50 children and youth are autistic. Let's build an inclusive Canada where autistic people can reach their full potential. *

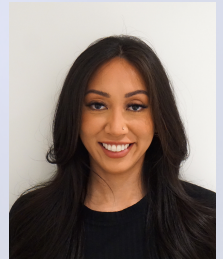
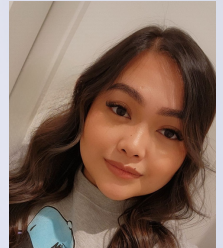
Our **Community Support Worker Program** prepares students to provide holistic support for those living with autism across the spectrum throughout their lifespan. This 6 month program is offered in a combination of online and in-person learning, so students can continue to work while they study. Monthly starts are available.

*<https://www.autismspeaks.ca/world-autism-month/>

HERE WE GROW AGAIN!!!

Due to the overwhelming demand for our Health Care Assistant Program, we recently introduced two additional classes starting in March and April, and both were filled within weeks. This brings our HCA class offerings up to 19 total at both campuses. With 20 students each, this represents 380 students preparing to become certified HCAs, in addition to the over 90 students actively participating in practicum. That is A LOT of new HCAs getting ready to embark on a new and rewarding career in just 6 months!

We would like to welcome **Jessica Ignacio** and **Ivy Gloria** to our HCA instructional team. Both nurses are looking forward to share their experiences with their students, and mentor them towards becoming outstanding care providers.



I am filled with gratitude for the invaluable education and support I received during my time with you. The knowledge and skills I acquired have not only empowered me in my professional endeavors but have also instilled in me a deep sense of compassion and dedication to serving others. Your faculty members' dedication to excellence and commitment to nurturing future Care Aides have truly made a lasting impact on me. From the hands-on training to the insightful lectures, every aspect of the program contributed to my growth and prepared me to embark on a fulfilling career in the field of care aid. I am proud to carry the values and principles instilled in me by your institution as I continue to make a difference in the lives of those in need.

Thank you for equipping me with the tools to make a meaningful contribution to society and for being an integral part of my journey toward becoming a compassionate and skilled care aid professional.

I'm grateful and proud to be part of Drake Medox College



**NOVA SAURA
2024 HCA GRAD**