The Justice Institute of British Columbia

TRAINING TO SERVE



Introduction

This brochure will introduce you to the Justice Institute of B.C.

The Institute is an organization in which all British Columbians can take pride, particularly those dedicated to the improvement of justice and public safety.

We welcome your interest and invite inquiries about how we can assist you in achieving your human resource development objectives.



The Justice Institute of B.C. is dedicated to improving the quality of justice and public safety by developing and delivering training programs and educational services to professionals and the public.

The Institute is a unique resource and is linked to several other resources, both educational and governmental. It is a dynamic institution performing a vital service, as the following pages describe.

The main campus is located in Vancouver at 4180 West 4th Avenue and consists of classrooms, an auditorium, an instructional resources centre, a media centre, a gymnasium, a food service building, and administrative and faculty offices.



Roles of the Justice Institute of British Columbia

Training

The Justice Institute develops and delivers training programs to meet specific performance standards of justice and public safety organizations.



Education

Courses are developed and delivered for a broad range of topics and issues within the scope of justice and public safety. Many of these courses are intended to include personnel from related organizations, both public and private, as well as members of the public.

Service

The Justice Institute has diverse training resources that are made available to its main client group: the Ministries of Attorney General, Municipal Affairs, and Health. These include a modern library service, a media production facility, a program development unit, a physical education unit, and faculty members and administrators who consult on training and education matters. These resources are also made available to other justice and public safety organizations on a feefor-service basis.



Advisory

The Justice Institute works with other post-secondary educational institutions in British Columbia to provide advice, leadership and expertise to improve the provision of justice and public safety in the province. The Institute also provides assistance in applied research.



Partners in Training

Training Together

A primary objective of the Justice Institute is to encourage sharing of learning resources and opportunities among people and agencies involved in justice and public safety.

This intentional coming together is the Institute's distinguishing feature.

The Justice Institute is made up of five Academies and two Divisions.

Academies

The five Academies provide training to their specific client groups:

Ministry of Attorney General

- Corrections Academy
- Court Services Academy
- Police Academy

Ministry of Health

• Emergency Health Services Academy

Ministry of Municipal Affairs

• Fire Academy





Educational Services Division

The Educational Services Division consists of four units to serve the programming requirements of the Academies. These are the Instructional Resources Centre, Media Centre, Program Services and Physical Education. In addition, the Extension Programs unit provides courses for the wider justice and public safety community, including the public.

Finance and Administration Division

The Finance and Administration Division provides centralized services to support the corporate requirements of the Institute. This support includes strategic planning in addition to managing personnel and financial matters.





Training for Professionalism

Vocations



- Fire service
- Law enforcement
- Courts management
- Correctional services
- Emergency health care
- Related justice and public safety services

Careers

Each of the Institute's Academies has a mandate provided by its client organization. These mandates specify the need for both entry level (recruit) training and advanced level training to develop individuals as they progress in their careers.



Part-time

As well as addressing full-time, career personnel, Academies also provide training for those employed on a part-time basis. Included in this group are part-time emergency medical attendants, reserve/auxiliary police officers, auxiliary correctional officers and volunteer fire fighters.

Standards



All the Institute's major programs involve assessment of learning. The individual who successfully completes a course of studies is certified as having met the prescribed performance standards.



A Vital Resource

Faculty

Faculty of the Institute are selected from professionals in the field. They are seconded as faculty members in their specialty area for up to three years. In this way the Institute is assured of having the most capable and current instructors.

Specialists



Supporting the instructors are educational specialists working in the areas of program planning, curriculum development, learning assessment, media and print production, library research and physical training.

Provincial Access

Many of the Justice Institute's courses of instruction are made available to students by means of distance education technology including self-study packages, teleconferencing, the provincial educational television service, the library mailing service and local community resources. In this way learning can take place at work or in the home, and at the student's own pace.

Networks

As part of the educational system in British Columbia, the Justice Institute is able to take advantage of many resources. Examples include the broadcast studios of the Knowledge Network, the printing facilities of the Open Learning Agency, and the research capability of the universities.







Training for the Future

Changing Needs



The need for continuing justice and public safety training is ongoing due to societal, legislative, technological and employment changes. The Academies of the Justice Institute are constantly seeking better ways of meeting this need effectively and economically.

Human Resource Development

The Justice Institute Academies are keenly interested in meeting the knowledge and skill requirements of an organization as well as the career aspirations of its employees.

Innovation in Training

Innovative approaches to course design allow Academies to select the best and most cost effective training methods including individualized instruction, self-directed learning and competency-based training.



Collaboration

The Justice Institute works to match its expertise with the needs of other organizations. Examples of this collaboration include working with the Crime Prevention Association and with the Canadian Society for Industrial Security Pacific Region. As well, in co-operation with the Special Projects Branch of the Ministry of Attorney General, the Justice Institute has developed several booklets and media productions on topics such as wife assault. victim & witness support and the Young Offenders Act:

If you would like to know more about the Justice Institute

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- programs
- services
- products

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