



## Transition Checklist & Timeline for Post-Secondary Education

### October – February

- ✓ *Research* programs of interest - Attend information sessions at universities and colleges
- ✓ *Apply* for course or program
- ✓ *Contact Disability Resource Centre (DRC)* to request information for available services

### March/April

- ✓ Sign up for a campus tour to check out activities, events and supports available
- ✓ Visit your Audiologist and obtain a copy of:
  - Updated audiogram
  - Audiologic Report outlining post-secondary equipment, recommendations, and accommodations
  - Hearing aid information (make, model, and power) and Individualized Education Plan (IEP)
  - Ask your Audiologist to complete Student Aid BC Appendix 8 – Request for Permanent Disability Programs Form [https://studentaidbc.ca/sites/all/files/form-library/appendix\\_8.pdf](https://studentaidbc.ca/sites/all/files/form-library/appendix_8.pdf)
- ✓ Attend a post-secondary transition workshop to understand the differences between secondary and post-secondary education, including:
  - Structure and size of classes
  - Course load
  - Expectations
  - Self-advocacy

### May/June

- ✓ Make an appointment with a Disability Advisor to discuss the services you will receive
  - Provide *documentation* of hearing loss, including Audiogram, Audiologic Report, and Appendix 8
- ✓ Apply for financial aids <https://studentaidbc.ca/explore/grants-scholarships> and ask the Disability Advisor if there are any other funding opportunities (also visit the “Funding” page of this document).



## July/August

- ✓ Once you have your class schedule, *contact your instructors* to:
  - Inform them of your hearing loss, attach a letter of verification from your Disability Advisor
  - Ask to meet in-person to show them the technology you will be using and discuss how they can help you to have full accessibility in the classroom
- ✓ If you plan to live in *on-campus residences*, or away from home, make sure to:
  - Ensure accommodation for your room – flashing/ tactile alarms (smoke, doorbell, motion)
  - Inform your roommate and Residence Advisor of your hearing loss; what to do in the case of an emergency

## September

- ✓ Attend orientation events on campus
  - DRCs at some institutions would have a welcome session
- ✓ Check-in with your Disability Advisor to ensure everything is set for the academic year
- ✓ Meet with your service providers (transcribing, captioning, or ASL interpreting)

## Financial Aid & Awards

### ✓ Student Aid BC

- Student Loan
- BC Access Grant for Students with Permanent Disabilities
- BC Supplemental Bursary for Students with Permanent Disabilities
- BC Access Grant for Deaf Students – Gallaudet & National Technical Institute for the Deaf
- Canada Student Grant
- Canada Student Grant for Services and Equipment
- Assistance Program for Students with Permanent Disabilities

<https://studentaidbc.ca/explore/full-time#disability>

[https://studentaidbc.ca/sites/all/files/form-library/permanent\\_disability\\_application.pdf](https://studentaidbc.ca/sites/all/files/form-library/permanent_disability_application.pdf)

<http://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/education-training/k-12/support/provincial-scholarships>

### ✓ CHHA Scholarships

<http://www.chha.ca/chha/scholarships-index.php>

### ✓ Cochlear Graeme Clark Scholarship

<http://www.cochlear.com/wps/wcm/connect/b8d8d150-f7a3-49ab-b2b5-9acd8fde1a1d/2013-Graeme-Clark-Scholarship-Application.pdf?MOD=AJPERES&CACHEID=b8d8d150-f7a3-49ab-b2b5-9acd8fde1a1d>

### ✓ Jericho Legacy Trust Scholarships

[http://www.studentscholarships.org/foundation/2559/jericho\\_hill\\_legacy\\_trust\\_fund.php](http://www.studentscholarships.org/foundation/2559/jericho_hill_legacy_trust_fund.php)

### ✓ NEADS Scholarships

<http://www.neads.ca/en/about/awards/>

### ✓ Coast Capital Savings Credit Union – Standing Tall

[https://www.coastcapitalsavings.com/About\\_Coast\\_Capital\\_Savings/Helping\\_Communities/Youth\\_Programs/Education\\_Awards/](https://www.coastcapitalsavings.com/About_Coast_Capital_Savings/Helping_Communities/Youth_Programs/Education_Awards/)

## Additional Resources

- Post-Secondary Communication Access Services (PCAS)  
[www.bcit.ca/pcas](http://www.bcit.ca/pcas)
- Canadian Hard of Hearing Association – BC Youth Peer Support Program (CHHA BC PSP)  
[www.chha-bc.org/youthpsp](http://www.chha-bc.org/youthpsp)
- Canadian Hard of Hearing Association (CHHA) Membership  
<http://www.chha.ca/chha/membership-forms.php>
- Western Institute for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing (WIDHH)  
<http://www.widhh.com/>
- Provincial Deaf and Hard of Hearing Service (PDHHS)  
<http://www.mcf.gov.bc.ca/pdhhs/>
- Resource Directory of ASE Programs and DSS Services,  
Students with Disabilities in Public Post-Secondary Institutions, June 2011  
[https://studentaidbc.ca/sites/all/files/form-library/resource\\_directory\\_pd.pdf](https://studentaidbc.ca/sites/all/files/form-library/resource_directory_pd.pdf)
- Assistive Technology BC (ATBC)  
<http://www.at-bc.ca/>