



VANCOUVER ISLAND
UNIVERSITY

Employment Skills Access Marine Operator Training Program

Are you interested in a career in the marine industry? This three-week program kicks off with one week of foundation training that will refresh the participant's knowledge in communication skills, working with others (partners/ teams / leadership), computer skills, numeracy, and document use. The remainder of the program will focus on building awareness and receiving the necessary skills to meet the standards for gaining employment in the marine industry.

This program is being funded by the Ministry of Jobs, Tourism and Innovation's Employment Skills Access (ESA) Program. Tuition and materials are available for participants that meet the criteria of the ESA program. Funding for this training program will be administered by Vancouver Island University (VIU).

What will the participants gain from this course?

The participants will gain knowledge and skills that meet the standards as outlined by Transport Canada to work on, and operate a commercial vessel. Upon successful completion, students will receive certificates in the following:

- Marine Basic First Aid – Red Cross Certificate
- Med A 3 – Transport Canada Certificate
- Restricted Operator – Transport Canada Certificate
- Small Vessel Operator – Transport Canada Certificate

There are four intakes scheduled, and there is opportunity to apply individually, or run a complete program at your specific location.

Dates are as follows:

- Feb 9 – Feb 29, 2012 (Powell River)
- Mar 5 – Mar 23, 2012
- Apr 30 – May 18, 2012



Canada



BRITISH
COLUMBIA

Eligibility

This program has been selected to assist unemployed, or low skilled individuals gain employment and will cover all tuition and books for students that meet the eligibility criteria of the ESA program, namely the person:

- Unemployed:
 - Cannot be on EI or attached to EI in the past three years for a regular claim or past five years for a Maternity/Parental claim.
- Employed and low skilled:
 - Have not completed high school or have completed high school but have no post secondary education towards a degree or recognized certification/credentials.



How to Register

Interested parties should contact:

Pam Botterill, ESA Client Manager
Telephone: 250 618-7748
Email: pam.botterill@viu.ca

Or

Marion Knost, ESA Program Manager
Telephone: 250-740-6364
Email: marion.knost@viu.ca

Course List:

| Week | Course | Hours |
|------|-----------------------------------|-------|
| 1 | Marine Career Foundation Week | 30 |
| 2 | Marine Basic First Aid – Two Days | 14 |
| | Restricted Operator Certificate | 21 |
| 3 | Small Vessel Operator | 28 |
| | MED A3 | 7 |

Canada



*Funding provided through the
Canada-British Columbia Labour Market Agreement*