



High School Counsellor Newsletter

June & July Edition

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Important Dates

JUNE 1, 2020

Tuition Deposit deadline for domestic students admitted prior to May 1, 2020

JUNE 9, 2020

Continuing student registration opens for 2020-2021.

JUNE 15, 2020

New extended deadline for international students to apply for Fall 2020 admission.

Tuition Deposit deadline for international students admitted prior to May 15, 2020

JUNE 23, 2020

New student registration opens for 2020-2021.

JULY 1, 2020

Canada Day - College closed.

JULY 2, 2020

Summer term 2020 begins.

Summer term tuition and fees due.

JULY 6, 2020

Last day to apply for admission for Summer term 2020.

JULY 15, 2020

International document deadline for Fall term 2020 admission.

August 1, 2020

Begin accepting applications for admission to Spring term 2021.

RDC's Response to COVID-19



Visit rdc.ab.ca/coronavirus for up-to-date information on RDC's college-wide response to COVID-19.

Recruitment Services

On behalf of RDC, we would like to wish you a safe, pleasant and relaxing summer. We're looking forward to connecting with you and your students this Fall. In addition to in-person presentations, our recruiters will also have interactive online presentations available. Stay tuned! More details on our recruitment services will be sent out in the August newsletter.

In the meantime, we would love to hear from you. Please complete our short, 4-question survey so we can continue to improve upon our services.

[Click here to complete our Feedback Survey](#)

It's Not Too Late: Attend RDC This Fall!

Still pondering the future? It's not too late to attend RDC!

We continue to accept applications for admission to Fall term 2020 until September 4, 2020. [Apply now!](#)

Choose from the following programs:

- Academic Upgrading
- Administrative Professional Certificate
- Bachelor of Applied Arts in Film, Theatre & Live Entertainment - Film Production Major (currently waitlisted)
- Bachelor of Applied Arts in Animation and Visual Effects (currently waitlisted)
- Bachelor of Arts - All Majors
- Bachelor of Business Administration
- Bachelor of Commerce
- Bachelor of Education
- Bachelor of Fine Art
- Bachelor of Kinesiology (currently waitlisted)
- Bachelor of Science - All Majors
- Bachelor of Science in Engineering (currently waitlisted)
- Bachelor of Science in Nursing

- Business Administration Diploma
- Early Learning & Child Care Certificate and Diploma
- Educational Assistant Certificate
- Electrical Engineering Technology Diploma
- Justice Studies (currently waitlisted)
- Kinesiology Fitness & Health Promotion Diploma (currently waitlisted)
- Management Certificate
- Mechanical Engineering Technology Diploma
- Medical Laboratory Assistant Certificate (currently waitlisted)
- Legal Assistant
- Occupational & Physical Therapist Assistant Diploma (currently waitlisted)
- Open Studies
- Pharmacy Technician Diploma (currently waitlisted)
- Practical Nurse Diploma
- Pre-Health Sciences Certificate (currently waitlisted)
- Social Work
- Unit Clerk (currently waitlisted)
- Visual Art Diploma

Find more detailed information on these programs, their requirements and content on [RDC's Academic Calendar](#).

Please encourage students who are interested in currently waitlisted programs to **apply as soon as possible** to be placed on the waitlist. A reminder that applicants can indicate both a first and second choice program on their application for admission (should the first choice program be full, applicants meeting admission requirements will be placed on the waitlist and considered for admission for their second choice program).

2020-2021 Registration Information

New student registration opens as of 7:00am on June 23, 2020. Students are encouraged to log in to their [Loop account](#) and navigate to the **Registration** page where they will find [step-by-step registration](#) and [waitlist instructions](#) as well as helpful tips and tricks.

Registration

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Registration Information

1. Before registering, refer to your program's [ACADEMIC PLANNING GUIDE](#) to ensure you are registering in the courses required for your program.
2. Select **Online Services** from the top banner, then select **Student Services**, then **Registration**, then **Register for Classes** and select the term in which you wish to enrol.
3. Search for and add courses to your schedule. For additional assistance, follow these [REGISTRATION INSTRUCTIONS](#) or watch our [REGISTRATION VIDEO](#).
4. Submit a [REGISTRATION REVIEW FORM](#) once you have completed your registration so that your Academic Advising Specialist can review your registration and provide feedback. A response will be sent to your RDC email address within 5-7 business days.

[2020/2021 Registration Dates](#)

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Student Funding for Fall 2020

Alberta Student Aid's annual application is generally released in the beginning of June. At this time, we have yet to hear of an official release date, but we do expect for the release to be delayed. Stay up to date by visiting [Alberta Student Aid's](#) website or rdc.ab.ca/studentloans.

Students seeking funding for upgrading courses may apply for funding now. More information on the application process can be found at rdc.ab.ca/upgradingfunding.

Questions? The Student Connect Centre is happy to help. Contact us at studentconnect@rdc.ab.ca or [book an online appointment](#).

We're Still Here: eAdvising

Although RDC's facilities are closed, our advisors are still available. Book an eAdvising appointment today!

- **Student Connect Centre:** Click [here](#) to book an instant chat, virtual call or video appointment.

- **School of Arts & Sciences Academic Advising:** Click [here](#) to book an online or phone appointment.
- **Donald School of Business Academic Advising:** Email dsbinfo@rdc.ab.ca to book an online or phone appointment.
- **School of Creative Arts Academic Advising:** Click [here](#) to book an online or phone appointment.
- **School of Education Academic Advising:** Click [here](#) to book an online or phone appointment.
- **School of Health Sciences Academic Advising:** Click [here](#) to book an online or phone appointment.
- **School of Trades & Technologies Academic Advising:** Email tradesandtechnologies@rdc.ab.ca to book an online or phone appointment.
- **School of Continuing Education Advising:** Email ce@rdc.ab.ca to book an online or phone appointment.

Summer at RDC

Although this summer may feel different, RDC's School of Continuing Education summer programming is still here for you and your family! Our programs are undergoing an expansive overhaul to adapt to our current situation in order to ensure that the fun, learning and creativity continues to flourish.

Updated information will be posted to rdc.ab.ca/summercamps in the near future. Alternatively, you may still reach the School of Continuing Education at ce@rdc.ab.ca.

Bachelor of Science Pre-Professional: Program Updates for Fall 2021

Pre-Professional Program at RDC have been problematic for a few years, as many of these requirements change rapidly and vary considerably between institutions. In addition, most students will require completion of an undergraduate degree prior to admission into a professional program (i.e. Medical School), and pre-professional programs can be misleading and hard to update. As a result, we are removing these admission categories as of Fall 2021 and will be encouraging students to apply directly into a degree route. Students will still be able to start, and pursue, their studies toward the professional program of choice, but we will have them start in a degree program. This will set realistic expectations for students regarding the preparation required for admission, and ensure they are on a path for an undergraduate degree. We will still maintain planning guides and resources for students who want to tailor their studies to work towards a professional program, and no pathways have been lost.

In summation, all that is changing is students will no longer apply into a “pre-professional program”, rather, they will apply into a degree of their choosing. For students who do not know where to start, we recommend they apply for admission to the Bachelor of Science, General degree program.

For more information, please connect with Courtney Johnston or Joseph Fittes at artscienceinfo@rdc.ab.ca.

Open Studies: Updated Admission Requirements for Fall 2021

The admission requirements for RDC's Open Studies program are changing as of Fall 2021 to allow for easier access into the program and reduce barriers to students wishing to start their post-secondary education. The new requirements for Open Studies will be:

- 50% in ELA 30-1 or equivalent, or
- 60% in ELA 30-2 or equivalent

We will begin accepting applications for admission to Fall 2021 under these new admission requirements as of October 1, 2020.

Staff Spotlight: Gifty Amakye



Hello Counsellors!

My name is Gifty Amakye and I am the Disability Resources Coordinator at Red Deer College. I have had the privilege of working in this role since August 2017, working with students who experience disability-related barriers to learning.

I work with a fantastic team in Disability Resources who are committed to actively working to provide an accessible learning environment for all of our students. We collaborate with students, faculty, staff and community service providers to reduce and eliminate the barriers that students may experience whilst pursuing their post-secondary studies.

We are driven by our desire to create an accessible and inclusive learning environment for diverse learners in which they thrive and achieve their academic goals.

We would love to hear from you. Please feel free to connect with us anytime at disabilityservices@rdc.ab.ca or 403.357.3629.



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