



PERSONAL SUPPORT WORKER (PSW) PROGRAM

The Personal Support Worker Program trains adults to provide or assist with personal care for the elderly, the chronically ill and people with physical challenges or special needs living in the community, long-term care facilities and in select ambulatory settings. After training complete, you will receive a PSW certificate.

This program includes a theoretical component and two practical co-op placements following the Ministry of Education policies and procedures.

Requirements to be eligible to apply to the PSW Program:

Admission Process:

- Applicants must be age 21 or older at time of application
- Applicants must provide proof of Status in Canada (Citizenship, PR card or refugee)
- Applicants must attend an Information Session
- Applicants must successfully complete a literacy test demonstrating sufficient communication and comprehension skills to meet the demands of the program
- Applicants must complete an Interview with the PSW teacher
- Applicants must show proof of ESL Benchmarks if English not first language or if educated in another language; Proficiency in English - verbal, written and listening with CLB/IELTS at least level 7
- Applicants must sign they understand that the program will require flexibility as hours will vary for placements and there may be field trips for the theory portion of the program
- Applicants must show proof (if they have children) of childcare arrangements with two backup plans, in the event of one or more being unavailable
- Applicants must be willing to provide a clear Police Vulnerable Sector Check dated within 6 months of placements – you will need to obtain two copies- one for each of your two placements
- Applicants must be willing to complete 16 hrs. of First Aid & CPR C/AED and provide proof of certification before placement.
- Applicants must be willing to provide medical documentation (before attending placement) indicating physical and mental competence and up to date immunizations; mandatory TB screening – 2 step Mantoux test within 6 months or X-ray clearance within 3 months of placement; flu shot is also mandatory before placement
- Applicants must show mature and responsible attitude, a sincere interest in working with the elderly and persons with special needs, have a professional attitude including a good work ethic and understand the importance of reliability, teamwork and accountability
- Applicants must have intention of attending class and placement every day which is critical to the success and is mandatory to complete the hours of this program

Personal Support Program Classes held at:

St. Dunstan
1525 Cuthbert Avenue
Mississauga, ON., L5M 3R6

Program Dates:
September 30, 2019 - April 29, 2020

Program Dates

Sept. 30th, 2019 – Feb. 4th, 2020
Monday – Friday
9:30 am – 2:30 pm
St. Dunstan

Co-op Placements:

#1 Long Term Care Placement
Friday, Feb. 7th – March 27th, 2020
Monday – Friday
Hours will vary

#2 Community Placement
Monday, March 30th – April 28th, 2020
Monday – Friday
Hours will vary

May 1st PSW Final Integration
PSW Certificate to be Awarded on this date.

Costs: \$2000.00

Additional costs:

Scrubs, Shoes, Immunization and Proof of Records, Vulnerable Sector Police Check, CPR/First Aid Standard Level HCP (Health Care Provider) Certificate, Food Handlers Course and Transportation to and from the school, Field Trips and co-op placements.

Next Information Session

Date: September 10, 2019 at 1:00 pm
Location: St. Dunstan, 1525 Cuthbert
Avenue, Mississauga, L5M 3R6

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