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**PROGRAM PLANNING GUIDE 2026 - 2027**  
**Service Dog and Canine Studies Management Diploma**

The purpose of this program planning guide is to help students track their progress within their chosen program. The information in this planning guide is accurate at the time of printing and is subject to change without notice. It is the students' responsibility to ensure the accuracy of their program and course choice. Students should use the program planning guide dated the year in which they began the program. This guide should be used in conjunction with the official version of the Medicine Hat College Calendar, and calendars of appropriate transfer institutions, which are the final authorities regarding program requirements.

**Year One**

FALL SEMESTER (September-December)			WINTER SEMESTER (January-April)		
COURSE	DATE	GRADE	COURSE	DATE	GRADE
CNST 110 [3] (lec) <i>Canine Physiology &amp; Care</i>			CNST 114 [3] (lec/lab) <i>Obedience Training for Public Access</i> Prerequisite: CNST 111 Pre/Corequisite: COMM 252 (or approval from Program Coordinator)		
CNST 111 [3] (lec/lab) <i>Puppy Development, Early Foundations &amp; Training</i> Pre/Corequisite: COMM 140 (or approval from Program Coordinator)			CNST 120 [3] (lec) <i>Introduction to Dog Selection, Assessment &amp; Breeding</i> Prerequisite: CNST 110		
CNST 112 [3] (lec) <i>Introduction to Canine Learning Theory &amp; the Human/Dog Connection</i>			CNST 121 [3] (lec) <i>Introduction to Assistance Dog Laws</i>		
COMM 140 CST [3] (lec) <i>Communication in the Workplace</i>			COMM 252 CST [3] (lec) <i>Advanced Business Communications</i> Prerequisite: COMM 140		
MGMT 161 CST [3] (lec) <i>Management Theory</i>			MKTG 171 CST [3] (lec) <i>Marketing</i>		
SPRING/SUMMER SEMESTER (May-August)					
COURSE	DATE	GRADE			
ACCT 200 [3] (lec) <i>Introduction to Accounting (May)</i>					
CNST 113 [3] (lec) <i>Kennel Technologies (June)</i>					
CNST 215 [3] (lec) <i>Introduction to Canine Career Pathways (July)</i>					
CNST 216 [3] (lec/lab) <i>Service Dogs Roles &amp; Task Training</i> Prerequisite: CNST 114 Pre/Corequisite: MGMT 263 (or approval from Program Coordinator) (May – August)					
MGMT 263 [3] (lec) <i>Organizational Behaviour (August)</i>					

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For more information or assistance with your program, please contact the Academic Advising office at (403) 529-3819

## Year Two

FALL SEMESTER (September-December)			WINTER SEMESTER (January-February)		
COURSE	DATE	GRADE	COURSE	DATE	GRADE
<b>CNST 217 [3] (lec)</b> <i>Client Processing &amp; Dog Matching</i> <b>Prerequisite:</b> CNST 112 <b>Corequisite:</b> CNST 218			<b>CNST 222 [6] (practicum 240 hours/ 8 weeks approx.)</b> <i>Service Dog &amp; Canine Studies Management – Work Term</i> <b>Prerequisite:</b> CNST 219, COMM 252, & MGMT 263 <i>This course is graded on a CR (Pass)/ NC (Fail) basis.</i>		
<b>CNST 218 [3] (lec)</b> <i>Introduction to Disability for Service Dog Providers</i> <b>Corequisite:</b> CNST 217					
<b>CNST 219 [3] (lec/lab)</b> <i>Common Behaviour Problems, Creating Training Plans &amp; Peer Training</i> <b>Prerequisite:</b> CNST 216					
<b>MGMT 270 [3] (lec)</b> <i>The Entrepreneurial Experience</i>					
<b>MKTG 315 [3] (lec)</b> <i>Science of Persuasion</i> <b>Prerequisite:</b> MKTG 171					

### Program Notes:

#### PROGRAM PROGRESSION:

- Prerequisite grades must be C- (56% - 59%) or higher.
- Students that are dismissed from the canine studies program are dismissed for one academic year.
- While the college and program will endeavor to inform students of their academic status in a timely manner, students are responsible for monitoring their own academic progress.

#### GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS:

To successfully complete this program students must:

- Attain a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0
- Achieve no grade lower than C-
- Achieve a grade of CR in CNST 222

You should see your Academic Advisor or Program Coordinator if you:

- Choose to take courses in a different configuration than shown above.
- Drop or fail a course.