University of the Fraser Valley

Workplace TASK

Training in Attitude Skills and Knowledge for the Workplace

Philosophy

- Assumption of competence
- Teaching/learning both require love, vulnerability, and an environment that is both physically and emotionally safe
- Each student challenged at their own level
- Disability Pride
- Students involvement in the running of the program
- Rights, responsibility and consequences
- Making decisions about their own life
- Importance of:
 - Developing relationships
 - Contribution
 - Being a community member



What We Learn in TASK







- Personal and Work Place Essentials
- Career Exploration
- Safety and Industry Certificates
 - First aid
 - Food safe
 - WHMIS
 - Customer Service
- Community based work experiences
- Portfolio



Eligibility Criteria for TASK

- 19 or older
 - Can be younger with proof of completion of the K-12 system
- History of a disability
- Able to safely navigate the community
- Motivated to find competitive paid employment

Frequently Asked Questions About TASK

- When does the program start?
 - Every year in September
- How long is the program?
 - 8 months
- How can we handle the transportation required to get to and from the Chilliwack campus and the work experiences?
 - Bus training
 - Shuttle
- Is there funding for the TASK program?
 - Yes Adult Upgrading Grant (AUG)
- How do I get more information on applying?
 - Call Alyson 604-702-2621 or check out the UFV Task webpage

Questions about the TASK program?



Suggestions for Funding

- Adult Upgrading Grant
- ICBC
- Workers Compensation
- Indigenous Band
- High School Scholarships
- Bank of Ma and Pa
- Savings
- Others

Adult Upgrading Grant (AUG)

- Can also be used for any upgrading courses
- Nearly all TASK students use this fund
- Covers:
 - Student Fees
 - Books
 - Supplies
 - Transportation
 - Unsubsidized childcare

Eligibility Criteria for the Adult Upgrading Funding

- a Canadian citizen, permanent resident, or protected person.
- an adult (19 years of age)
- attending a public postsecondary institution in B.C.
- enrolled in Adult Basic Education, English Language Studies, or the Workplace TASK program
- able to demonstrate financial need (proof of income is required)



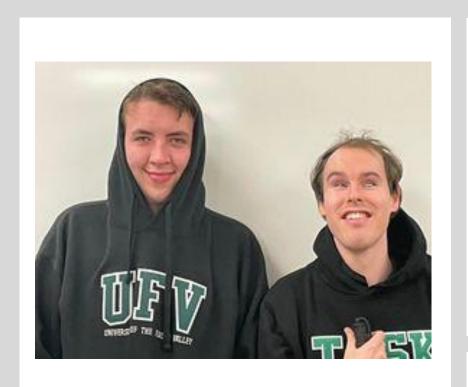
Building Friendships

Friendships that start in TASK often continue being friends after TASK.

One of the biggest struggles adults with disabilities experience is loneliness and isolation.

We have been working on:

- -how to nurture relationships at home and at work
- -self regulation and responsibility for words and actions
- -forgiveness of self and others











Belonging





Teamwork Customer service



People First





Successes

- Liam is thrilled that he successfully gave CPR to his baby in First Aid. Proud Papa!
- Ryder and I enjoyed a lunch out to celebrate his full driver's license.



TASK Gang(stas)

TASK

A Poem By Tara Kowalski (TASK Graduate)

We came into the Program not knowing what to expect But ready to try our best and take the next step With a helping hand our instructor's guide Our independence is ours to find

Who we are and our newfound callings
Is what we have unearthed
Setting us on a path of open doors
To friendship, opportunity and more

It's up to us whether it be fleeting or lifelong
As we prepare for the next step in the course
Employment doors will open
We can walk through them calm

WE ARE PREPARED