



ABOUT HOW TO SUPPORT SOMEONE WITH A SPECIFIC DISABILITY
UNDERSTAND THE NEEDS AND ISSUES SPECIFIC TO THE MOST
PREVALENT DISABILITIES

CONDUCT COMPREHENSIVE RESEARCH INTO A SPECIFIC DISABILITY
TO DEVELOP EXPERTISE

ANALYZE CASES RELATED TO DISABILITIES USING COLLABORATIVE
AND COOPERATIVE PROBLEM-SOLVING STRATEGIES

DEVELOP AWARENESS OF HOW OUR OWN PERCEPTIONS AFFECT
OUR UNDERSTANDING OF DISABILITIES

WHY APPLY?

Developmental Services Worker/Personal Support Worker students will learn how to provide personal support to clients enabling them to achieve the highest degree of independence and quality of life possible.

Suited for anyone who wants to become a Personal Support Worker, Home Support Worker or Development Services Worker. "NO SIGNIFICANT
LEARNING OCCURS
WITHOUT A SIGNIFICANT
RELATIONSHIP."

- DR. JAMES P. COMER





Build on your potential by gaining the necessary skills to thrive in your role as a developmental services worker.

Courses include:

DSW 100: Introduction to Online Learning

DSW 101: Introduction to Developmental Disabilities

DSW 102: The Roles and Responsibilities of the Developmental Services Worker

DSW 103: Life Span Stages and Development

DSW 104: Introduction to Psychology and Abnormal Psychology DSW 105: Introduction to Mental Health & Promoting Wellness

DSW 106: Principles of Behaviour Management

DSW 107: Alternative and Augmentative Communication & Assistive Technologies

DSW 108: Dual Diagnosis

DSW 109: Fundamentals of Pharmacology and Medication Support

DSW 110: Supporting Independence of Activities of Daily Living (ADLs)

DSW 111: Person-Centred Planning

DSW 112: Career Planning and Preparation

DSW 113: Field Practicum

Application Fee: \$40 (Domestic) or \$140 (International) Tuition Fee: \$6,730 (Domestic) or \$8,412 (International)

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BETSY BRUYERE

Betsy Bruyere is a Survivor of the Canadian Residential School System who was confined for seven years, starting from age six. Betsy Bruyere returned to school as an adult student and graduated from Simon Fraser University with a Master's in Adult Education.



CHARLYN COLLINS

Charlyn began her career on her family farm in Southern Alberta and transitioned into social services and community support while completing her degree in Psychology. She has almost 15 years of experience in a wide variety of positions in the public and private sector.



PAULA LEACH

Paula Leach has a passion for education and supporting learners. She has a Master's Degree in Special Education and has worked as a special education teacher for nine years in schools across British Columbia and Saskatchewan.

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VALERIA OSTARA

Valerie Ostara's career started as a Youth Worker and has evolved into working as a Life Skills Coach, Special Education Teacher (Mental Health and Behavioural programs), counsellor, anxiety specialist, and Human Services instructor at schools across Alberta.



LORAINE REGISFORD

Loraine Regisford has a Master's of Education Degree, a
Bachelor of Arts in Public Administration as well a Diploma in
Community Development. With over 30 years of experience in
Human Services, she has significant experience working
within the public and private sectors. Her career has given her
the opportunity to work with a variety of clients and within
diverse communities.



LYNNE RHEAD

Lynne Rhead (BA, Psych.) worked in community support worker roles for over twenty years; later she became an educational assistant and a youth worker in a local school district. While achieving her Bachelor's Degree in Psychology, Lynne held adult instructor positions in colleges and nonprofits.

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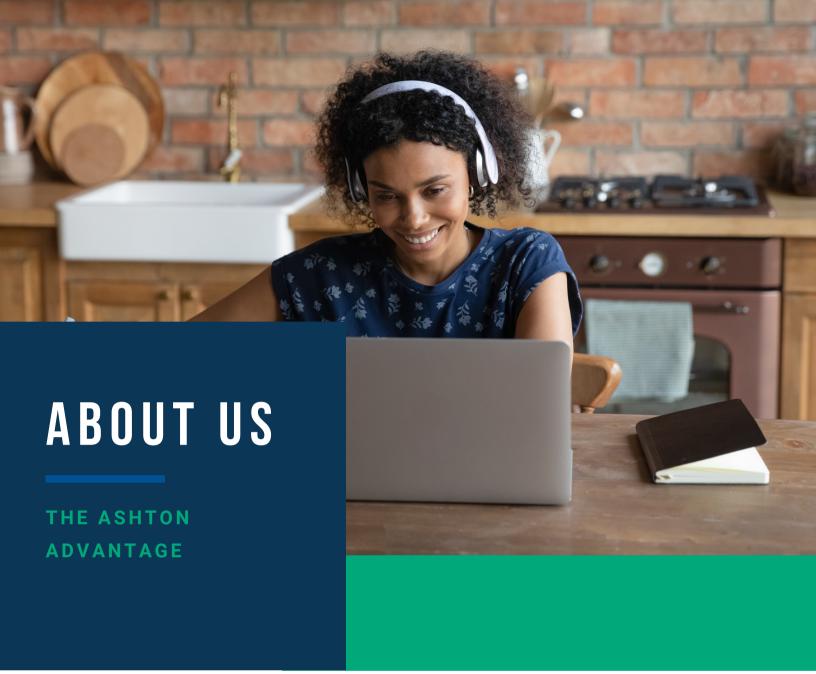
TODD SCHLEYER

Todd Schleyer (BA, Cognitive Behavioral Psychology) has worked as a District Behavioural Resource and SEL educator/facilitator to over 100 schools in his local school district. He has over 20 years of experience working with children and adults in the field of special education, community mental health and developmental disabilities.





Mike (he/him) holds his MBA in Innovation Leadership from the University of Fredericton, his BA in Psychology and BSc in General Sciences from Lakehead University and his Human Resources Management Certificate from Fanshawe College. Complimenting this he holds his C.I.M. (Certified in Management) designation, is a Certified Coach Practitioner, and has additional certificates and training in project management, online education, strategic management and economic development.



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