

Turn Your Aurora College Diploma into an Athabasca University Degree

If you complete a Aurora College diploma program approved for block transfer credit, you can use build on your credits to complete a bachelor's degree through Athabasca University, Canada's leading online and distance university.

Aurora College is a vibrant, Northern college committed to excellence in education and research and fostering understanding and respect among all Northern people. Aurora College maintains campuses in Inuvik, Fort Smith, and Yellowknife, as well as Community Learning Centres in most Northwest Territories communities.

AU COURSE DELIVERY

Most AU students complete their courses through *Individualized study*, a method of instruction centred around a learning systems package that may include textbooks, workbooks, online resources and other print or electronic materials. In an individualized study course, you set your own schedule within the time allowed to complete the course.

You may begin an *Individualized Study* course on the first day of any month (provided you have registered for the course by the tenth of the preceding month). You have up to six months to complete a three-credit course and 12 months to complete a six-credit course (Extensions are available if needed). As you work through the course materials at your own pace and in your own way, you will have e-mail and toll-free phone access to instructional assistance.

Some courses are also offered through *Grouped Study*, either online or as traditional classroom courses offered at various partner institutions. The schedule and learning pace is set by the instructor. These courses usually start in September and January, although some institutions also offer AU courses during spring and summer terms.

ABOUT AU

Athabasca University, Canada's Open University, is dedicated to improving access to post-secondary education for adult learners worldwide. AU has been a leader in distance and online learning since its inception in 1970. Today, the university serves 37,000 students throughout Alberta, across Canada and around the world. With a focus on liberal arts, science and professional education, AU offers more than 700 courses in over 60 bachelor's, master's, doctoral and undergraduate and graduate certificate and diploma programs.

WHAT AU STUDENTS SAY

AU takes student service and satisfaction seriously. We consistently achieve high student satisfaction ratings on comprehensive surveys undertaken by the Government of Alberta and our Institutional Studies department; for example:

- 98 per cent of AU students say that they are satisfied with their overall university experience
- 95 per cent of AU graduates say that they would recommend AU to others.

GETTING STARTED: A STEP-BY-STEP GUIDE

To get started on your AU degree, follow these steps:

How to apply

1. Complete an AU Undergraduate General Application Form at the College.
2. To register for courses, pick up an AU Undergraduate Course Registration Form from the College. Complete the form and hand it in at the College.
Fees
 - Application fee — If you are a first-time AU student, you will be required to pay a one-time, non-refundable, \$60 application fee that must accompany your General Application Form.
 - Tuition fee for courses starting between September 1, 2007 and August 31, 2008—

for Canadian students living outside Alberta, a 3-credit AU course is \$689. This includes tuition, textbooks, any other learning materials required for the course, and mandatory Students' Union and Alumni Association fees.

For more information Contact Aurora College to:

- Register for AU courses offered at the College
- Plan which courses to take
- Get help seeking financial assistance for school

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