

PCSS Post Secondary Spotlight

So, you want to be a... Railway Conductor



Overview

Designed to equip you with the specialized skills to manage railway vehicles, our 12-week program Railway Conductor is your ticket to the rapidly expanding railway operations sector.

As a student, you will:

- learn the critical roles of a train conductor, including the safe and efficient movement of rail cars
- learn how to assemble trains in the correct order, ensuring the cargo is organized according to its destination and the operational requirements of the railway
- gain the skills to safely change the path of a railcar from one track to another, a process essential for organizing and directing rail traffic
- learn how to apply your skills in a real-world setting with our private mini rail yard, featuring actual tracks and rail cars
- master the Canadian Railway Operating Rules (CROR) and related safety systems to ensure compliance and secure operations
- learn about the mechanical aspects of rail cars, including air brake systems and communication systems
- learn effective communication skills.

This course includes on-campus classes, labs, and field trips to nearby industrial sites. Get training from industry professionals with extensive field experience and a passion for training the next generation.

With the increasing need for rail transport of goods, the railway industry is on an upward trajectory, promising a stable and growing field for employment.

Position yourself in a market that values job-ready individuals, especially as current workforce demographics signal high retirement rates and the need for new talent.

The program paves the way for career growth, with prospects to move into various roles within the railway sector, such as engineer, dispatch, trainer and management.

If you're ready to play a crucial role in the movement of goods across the country and beyond, whether for Canadian National Railway, Canadian Pacific or another, our Railway Conductor program is the ideal start. Enroll today and get on track for a career that moves you forward.

Admission requirements

All applicants must demonstrate English language proficiency and meet the following requirements or equivalents.

- At least 50% in Math 20-1 or 20-2 or 20-3 and
- At least 50% in a Grade 12 English.