CLAC – Climate Action

Business

Effective Term & Year: Fall 2027
Program Outline Review Date: 2032-03-01

Program Area: Business Management

Description:

The Citation in Climate Action equips emerging professionals, entrepreneurs, and changemakers with the scientific literacy, strategic tools, and ethical grounding required to lead climate-responsive initiatives across organizations and communities. Learners develop the ability to assess climate risks, evaluate regulatory and financial mechanisms, and design net-zero and low-carbon transition strategies that integrate environmental, economic, and social considerations.

Through applied analysis, sustainability reporting frameworks, and a directed community-based project, students build the leadership capacity, systems thinking skills, and technical competencies needed to implement measurable climate solutions in business, government, non-profit, and community settings. Emphasis is placed on climate justice, accountability, and the ability to communicate and mobilize action in an emerging post-carbon economy.

Program Information:

The Citation in Climate Action is designed for working professionals. It complements existing offerings by providing focused, skills-based training in climate literacy, risk assessment, and low-carbon transition strategies grounded in sustainability, ethics, and systems thinking.

The program fills a distinct niche by bridging foundational climate science and policy with applied business strategy and leadership.

Credentials Granted:

Citation in Climate Action

Program Average: A minimum program grade point average of 2.0/10 (C- average)

Delivery Methods: Blended (Hybrid), On-Campus (Face-to-Face), Online

Credits: 15

Instructional Activity and Hours:

Activity	Hours
Classroom, Directed Studies or Online Instruction	
Seminar/Tutorials	
Laboratory/Studio	
Practicum/Field Experience	
Co-op/Work Experience	
Other	
Total	

Admission Requirements:

Program Completion Requirements:

None

Program Completion Requirements Notes:

The citation must be completed within 2 years.

Program Learning Outcomes:

Graduates of the Citation in Climate Action will be able to:

- analyze the scientific, economic, and systemic dimensions of climate change by assessing climate risks, vulnerabilities, and policy implications for organizations and communities;
- evaluate regulatory, financial, and market mechanisms related to climate action, including carbon pricing, green financing, compliance frameworks, and the risks of inaction;
- develop and interpret climate and sustainability performance indicators, including

emissions accounting, energy tracking, and reporting frameworks to support informed decision-making; and
- communicate and mobilize climate solutions effectively, applying innovative and entrepreneurial thinking to convene stakeholders and advance resilience in an emerging post-carbon economy.

Prior Learning and Recognition: Yes

Students are able to request formal recognition of their prior learning or experience outside the classroom. Challenge examination, portfolio-assisted assessment, work-based assessment or a combination of assessments that is appropriate to identify, assess, and recognize prior skills, competencies, and knowledge to achieve course credit. Tuition fees apply, refer to Policy 2.5.5 Prior Learning Assessment and Recognition (PLAR) or contact an education advisor for more information.

Program Transfer Credit:

For information about block transfer agreements between programs in British Columbia, Alberta, and elsewhere, please visit http://www.cotr.bc.ca/transfer.

To minimize transfer issues, check with an academic advisor at the institution that will receive the transfer credits.

Academic Policies:

College of the Rockies policies related to courses can be found at https://cotr.bc.ca/about-us/college-policies/ and include the following:

- Policy 2.1.4 Course Audit
- Policy 2.4.1 Credential Framework
- Policy 2.4.3 Students with Documented Disabilities
- Policy 2.4.4 Student Rights, Responsibilities and Conduct
- Policy 2.4.8 Academic Performance
- Policy 2.4.9 Student Feedback and Concerns
- Policy 2.4.11 Storage of Academic Works
- Policy 2.5.3 Student Appeal
- Policy 2.5.5 Prior Learning Assessment and Recognition (PLA

Program Changes:

Information contained in this program outline is correct at the time of publication. Courses and course content may be revised from time to time based on changing educational, employment and marketing needs. The timetable may also be revised.

Course Descriptions: Refer to Course Outlines – https://outlines.cotr.bc.ca/course/