New Student Orientation



New Student Update Summer 2025 #3 - April 1

Hello,

The start of the semester is just around the corner. In this **New Student Update**, we will share details about:

- New Student Orientation
- Understanding academic integrity
- Class registration and fee payment (not applicable to international students)
- Purchasing textbooks through the Bookstore



New Student Orientation

The New Student Orientation program offers a mix of digital and in-person experiences, helping you explore available services, connect with fellow first-year students and navigate our campuses. Below, we will break down each component to give you a closer look at what to expect. The program includes:

- 1. General New Student Orientation Sessions: These in-person orientations allow you to navigate the campus and have your questions answered before the semester begins. We will walk you through the new student checklist and introduce you to student services which support your college journey. You will have a chance to connect with peers in person, so you know some familiar faces at the beginning of the semester. Please register for one of the sessions below. Parents and supporters are also welcome.
 - May 1 | Coquitlam Campus | Register now*
 - May 5 | New Westminster Campus | Register now*

*Registration using desktop devices is highly recommended for better user experience. Contact studentlife@douglascollege.ca if you encounter any problems.

2. Orientation Workshops: These workshops set you up for success at Douglas College. Some are for all new students while some are for international new students only. Check out the workshop offerings and be sure to register for the ones that best fit your needs.

- 3. DCUE 0200 New Student Orientation: This online course is automatically made available to all new students via <u>Blackboard</u> beginning mid-April. It covers all the basics of how to get ready for your first semester, including:
 - a new student checklist with information such as how to pay your tuition fees, get your textbooks and apply for your student ID card
 - an overview of different available student services
 - resources for international students
 - and more!

This online course should **not** be considered a substitution of the in-person orientation sessions mentioned in (1).

Those who complete the online course by the end of the Summer Semester will enter a draw to win \$250 in tuition credit! To access the course:

- Log on to <u>Blackboard</u> with your College Network Access credentials (your 9-digit student number and CNA password).
- Click on "Courses".
- Click on "New Student Orientation" to unveil your orientation!

Check out the **Orientation webpage** for all the details about New Student Orientation!



Understanding academic integrity

<u>Douglas College expects students to adhere to the highest standards of academic integrity</u>. To help you understand what academic integrity means at

Douglas, all new students will be automatically enrolled into **DCUE 0100 - Academic Integrity**, an online course that lives on **Blackboard**. This course is **mandatory**. Students are expected to complete the course before the Summer Semester begins. Students who do not complete the course with a passing grade will not be allowed to register for future semesters until it is completed. To access, please find "**Academic Integrity**" under "**Courses**" on **Blackboard**.

To learn more about academic integrity and this online course, attend the <u>Academic Integrity Workshop</u> on April 25. Contact <u>aie@douglascollege.ca</u> if you have questions.



Class registration and fee payment

(*Information in this section is applicable to domestic students only. Please refer to separate instructions provided by Douglas College International (DCI) if you are an international student.)

If you have not registered for all your classes, have a look through the Register for classes webpage. If you are on a waitlist for one or more of your classes, don't worry, there is still a chance you'll make it into the class. When you are on the waitlist, be sure to check your myAccount every day because if you are given an offer, you only have 23 hours to accept it. If you miss your offer, you will be removed from the waitlist. If you still find yourself on a waitlist on the first day of class, make sure you attend the first class to talk to the instructor and indicate your interest. Visit the Waitlist information webpage for more information.

Reminder that the fee payment deadline is **April 22**. Information on ways to pay can be found on the **Paying your fees webpage**. For questions about class registration and fee payment, **contact Enrolment Services**.



Purchasing textbooks through the Bookstore

The Douglas College Bookstore is where you can find textbooks for your studies at Douglas. Use their <u>web ordering service</u> available April 7 onwards to order necessary materials. Make sure that you have chosen the correct materials by matching the ISBN to those on your personalized booklist, which will be available under "Student Records" on your <u>myAccount</u> later this month. Visit the <u>Bookstore's website</u> or contact them at <u>bookstore@douglascollege.ca</u> for questions.

Stay informed!

If you want to revisit previous New Student Updates, please visit the <u>Orientation</u> <u>webpage</u> and refer to the column on the right.

Follow us on Instagram <a>@studentlifedc to keep up to date with everything happening at Douglas College!

Questions?

Answers to some frequently asked questions are available at the bottom of the **Orientation webpage** under the "**Questions**" section.

If you have further questions, please email studentlife@douglascollege.ca. If you are an international student, please submit your questions through the Douglas College International contact form.