

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

ORDER NO 4/89 OF THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION

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I, Anthony J. Brummet, Minister of Education, effective September 1, 1989, hereby make the attached Correspondence Education Order.

August 30, 1989  
Date

Anthony J. Brummet  
Minister of Education

(This part is for administrative purposes only and is not part of the Order.)

Authority under which Order is made:

Act and section: School Act, section 182(2)(b).....

Other (specify): .....

August 25, 1989

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## **CORRESPONDENCE EDUCATION ORDER**

### **Eligibility**

1. (1) Subject to subsections (2) and (3), a person is entitled to take one or more courses by correspondence from a regional correspondence school or the Ministry of Education where the person is not younger than school age.

(2) A person enrolled in a school, other than a regional correspondence school, under the *School Act* or enrolled in an independent school under the *Independent School Act* is only eligible to take a correspondence course where the person receives the written permission of the principal of the school or the independent school the student is attending.

(3) Before a person takes any course by correspondence he or she must meet the academic prerequisites set by the minister.

### **Application for correspondence courses**

2. In order to enroll in a correspondence course, an applicant shall

- (a) complete the appropriate application form,
- (b) provide all certificates of previous education required by the regional correspondence school or the minister, as the case may be, and
- (c) pay the fees required by this order.

### **Period of enrollment**

3. No enrollment in a correspondence course shall remain valid for a period of more than 2 years.

### **Certificate**

4. A student who successfully completes a correspondence education course shall be granted a certificate indicating successful completion in the course.

### **Graduation**

5. (1) Requirements for graduation from an education program taken by correspondence shall be as determined by the minister in the General Requirements For Graduation From An Educational Program Order, (Ministerial Order No 7/89).

(2) Upon successful completion of graduation requirements, the minister or the regional correspondence school shall issue a British Columbia secondary school graduation diploma or British Columbia adult secondary school graduation diploma, whichever is appropriate.

### **Deposits**

6. A regional correspondence school or the minister may require deposits for the loan of educational resource materials to students.

## Fees

7. The tuition and other fees payable with respect to correspondence courses are those set out in the Schedule.

### SCHEDULE

1. The fees payable for applicants for correspondence courses are as follows:

| Column 1<br>CATEGORY OF PERSONS APPLYING FOR<br>CORRESPONDENCE COURSES                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Column 2<br>FEES                                                                                                              |
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| (a) A school age applicant who is ordinarily resident in British Columbia and whose parents are ordinarily resident in British Columbia.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Free                                                                                                                          |
| (b) An applicant who is<br>(i) an inmate of a provincial or federal correctional centre within British Columbia,<br>(ii) a person in receipt of direct financial assistance under the <i>Guaranteed Available Income for Need Act</i> , or<br>(iii) a person who will be resident in a hospital within British Columbia for a period of more than one month following the date of application for a correspondence course. | Free if the applicant is taking only one course at a time.                                                                    |
| (c) A school age applicant who has temporarily left British Columbia but who is ordinarily resident in British Columbia and whose parents are ordinarily resident in British Columbia.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Free for a period of 2 years from the date that the applicant left British Columbia.                                          |
| (d) An applicant older than school age who is ordinarily resident in British Columbia.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | \$70 per course<br>\$35 per block if the applicant takes 1 block of a course containing 2 or more blocks.                     |
| (e) An applicant residing outside of British Columbia in a jurisdiction where there is a reciprocal arrangement with British Columbia for the payment of fees for correspondence courses.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | \$35 for a school age applicant<br>\$70 for an applicant who is older than school age.                                        |
| (f) An applicant residing outside British Columbia in a jurisdiction where there is no reciprocal arrangement with British Columbia for the payment of fees for correspondence courses.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | The lesser of<br>(a) \$110 for each correspondence course, or<br>(b) \$700 for a one year correspondence educational program. |

2. If an applicant referred to in section 1 (a) is attending a school operated by a board or an independent school, the board operating the school or the authority operating the independent school shall pay the regional correspondence school or the minister \$35 per course.

3. In addition to any fees specified in section 1, a person referred to in paragraphs (b), (c), (d), (e), or (f) of that section, shall pay

(a) for educational resource materials provided for a correspondence course, an amount determined by the minister, and

(b) for goods and services requested by the person taking the course that are supplemental to and not required for completion of the correspondence course, a fee in the amount determined by the minister.