

Part and Full Time 2025-2026

PROGRAM LENGTH: 10 months (2 terms of 20 weeks)

BRIEF DESCRIPTION: Are you dreaming of a new career? Have you been out of school for a while? Upgrade your future now at Northern Lakes College. Adult Basic Education can provide you with the courses you need to meet your career goals! With flexible offerings, this program is an accessible and affordable way to prepare you for your high school diploma, career training, or employment. You can take classes from home or on-campus in an online setting as a part-time or full-time student. The ABE Program assists adults of all ages and abilities to reach their goals.

TRANSFERABILITY: Students may wish to pursue Adult High School courses or Career programs as set out in their Educational Plans.

PROGRAM DELIVERY: The Adult Basic Education program is available both "live online," and "anytime, anywhere". Orientation takes place September 2, 3 and 4, 2025. Second term orientation takes place February 2, 3 and 4, 2026.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS: If you have been out of school for less than two years, you can use your high school transcript. If you have been out of school for more than 2 years or have not completed studies at the high school level, placement will be determined by an ACCUPLACER assessment. The -4 levels do not meet academic requirements and applicants must do an ACCUPLACER assessment for entrance. Contact accuplacer_exam_scheduling@northernlakescollege.ca to book your ACCUPLACER test or admissions@northernlakescollege.ca for other Accuplacer inquiries.

COST ESTIMATES: **NOTE: All fees are subject to change.** (BEL Communication courses are 10 credits *Full-time status requires students to be enrolled in 15 credits per term. Students enrolled in ABE-level communications are considered to be Adult Basic Education (ABE) students)

	Tuition	LRF (\$42.00/credit)	Student Association (\$13.50/credit)	Technology (\$12.00/credit)	est. TOTAL
PT – 5 Credits	\$665.00	\$210.00	\$67.50	\$60.00	\$1,002.50
PT – 10 Credits	\$1330.00	\$420.00	\$135.00	\$120.00	\$2,005.00
FT – 15 Credits	\$1995.00	\$630.00	\$202.50	\$180.00	\$3,007.50
FT – 30 Credits	\$3990.00	\$1260.00	\$405.00	\$360.00	\$6,015.00

PROGRAM OFFERINGS: Athabasca, Cadotte Lake, Chateh, Drayton Valley, Driftpile, Fox Creek, Fort Vermilion, Gift Lake, Grouard, High Level, High Prairie, Lacrete, Lakeland College (Lloydminster), Loon River, Peace River, Peavine, Peerless Lake, Slave Lake, Trout Lake, Valleyview, Wabasca (Stony Point), and online-at-home (any location).

OFFERING DATES:

Term 1: September 2, 2025 – January 23, 2026

Orientation / Registration Date: September 2, 2025 (onsite), September 3 and 4, 2025 (online)

Term 2: February 2, 2026 – June 25, 2026

Orientation / Registration Date: February 2, 2026 (onsite), February 3 and 4, 2026 (online)

PERSONAL EMAIL ADDRESSES: Northern Lakes College uses email to quickly contact students. If possible, please provide a current personal email address where we can reach you.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

- **APPLICATION:** Complete and submit a Northern Lakes College application on the college website at www.northernlakescollege.ca (follow: <https://www.northernlakescollege.ca/apply-now/program-applications>) or through Apply Alberta (APAS).
- **DEADLINE:** Students applying for September 2025 should submit their application by September 2, 2025. Students applying for February 2026 should submit their application by February 2, 2026. Late applications may be considered pending available seats in the program. Students meet with the Campus Instructor or program advisor to complete an Education Plan. If students require career objective planning they should meet with the local Counsellor.
- **TRANSCRIPTS:** Provide a High School transcript if available. The College may be able to obtain your transcript if you attended High School in Alberta. This must be forwarded directly to Northern Lakes College, Admission Services, from the granting institution (there may be a charge for this).
- **ACADEMIC SKILLS APPRAISAL:** If a student has been out of school for more than two years, then a skills appraisal test and writing sample may be administered. The College uses ACCUPLACER to assist in planning for course of studies. If academic requirements are not met, you may complete an ACCUPLACER assessment. Contact accuplacer_exam_scheduling@northernlakescollege.ca to book your ACCUPLACER test or admissions@northernlakescollege.ca for other Accuplacer inquiries.
- **ACCEPTANCE:** Applicants who meet the entrance requirements will be accepted and offered a space in the next available offering of the program. In some cases, the spaces at a specific location may be full and accepted applicants will be placed on a waitlist. These applicants will be accepted in the order of 'first qualified, first served.' It may also be possible to transfer to another location if there is space. Applicants will receive a letter informing them of their acceptance status.
- **FUNDING:** Applicants are encouraged to check on funding options early (minimum two-three months prior to program start date) and are responsible for forwarding any sponsorship letters to Admissions as soon as possible. Full and part-time students of this program may be eligible to receive Learner Income Support through Government of Alberta, Human Services. For more information about this funding, please visit our website (Prospective Students-> Financial Aid-> Grants). Specific awards related to this program include: Academic Upgrading Award, ABE Achievement Award, AHSF-Adult High School Equivalency Award, Distance Learning High School Award, Lorna Bell Literacy Award, Doreen Bellerose Memorial Award, Northern Region / Peace River Awards, and Shell Awards. Please visit the scholarships and awards page on the NLC website.
- **REGISTRATION:** Before the start date of the program, accepted applicants will receive information about registration dates, times, locations and other information to assist them in planning.

CONTACT INFORMATION:

For any assistance, questions or concerns, the following college staff are available:

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Including general inquiries about College services & programs; student housing, library, facilities