



ESSENTIAL SKILLS SUPPORT FOR POST SECONDARY EDUCATION STUDENTS

FOR STUDENTS



How can ESM/WEM help you prepare for and succeed in your Post Secondary Education Program?

ESM/WEM can provide an Post Secondary Readiness Assessment and training support in the areas of Reading Text, Writing, Numeracy and Digital Technology, to ensure you have the skills needed for your Post Secondary studies. This includes:

- An online Post Secondary Readiness Assessment to identify your strengths in these areas, as well as your learning needs, to prepare for your program.
- A debrief with an ESM Facilitator to review your assessment outcomes, recommendations and to plan next steps for upskilling, if needed. This will be provided online, and your Advisor could also participate if you wish.
- A written summary report of your assessment outcomes, recommendations and next steps, will be provided for you and your Advisor.
- If you would benefit from upskilling, a referral can be made to ESM/WEM. This is available at no cost and can be provided online or at a local WEST Centre, where available.

I have completed the assessment intake form what happens next?

- Forward the intake form to Essential Skills Manitoba (ESM) by emailing to referral@esmanitoba.ca and the ESM Programs Assistant will contact you.
- You will need to complete a Government of Manitoba Intake Form, which is a funder requirement and allows us to provide this service at no cost. It does ask for some personal information, including a SIN #. Your personal information is confidential and is handled securely.
- You will be invited to participate in a Group Orientation session.
- You will then receive a Welcome email and passcode to access the online Post-Secondary Essential Skills Assessment.
- An online tutorial is included (Accessing Online Learning), to give you an opportunity to practice using the online platform Blackboard Collaborate, before taking the assessment.
- After you complete the online Post-Secondary Readiness Assessment, you will meet with an ESM Facilitator to debrief/review your results (approx. 30 minutes).
- If upskilling is recommended, you will develop a next step plan with the Facilitator for how to access the support you need.
- An Assessment Summary Report of your results, recommendations and plan will be emailed to you and your Post Secondary Advisor (if consent is given on the intake form).

Best of success in your post-secondary educational journey!
