

Early Successes

Here are some recent initiatives (past last three or four years) to meet the demands of the new realities at Langara.

SUPPORT FOR ALL STUDENTS

Langara Student Success Course (LSSC)

An online course for all new students in select programs to support the development of academic and life skills as they transition into post-secondary education. This course has been delivered to over 2,000 student over five semesters.

Peer Supported Learning (PSL)

Senior level students lead regular study sessions to improve learning through collaborative study.

WriteAway

A free online writing help service for Langara students offered through a partnership of BC colleges and universities. Feedback on student writing is usually given within 48 hours.

Turnitin

Langara's campus-wide license for Turnitin supports faculty in teaching research and writing skills while encouraging academic integrity. Turnitin is a similarity checker allowing students and faculty to check assignments for matches in a database of papers, articles, and websites. All Langara faculty have access to *Turnitin* through their D2L courses.

Language Assisted Learning

A pilot project aimed at supporting the development of English writing skills in collaboration with the English, Psychology, and Sociology Departments.

Embedded English Language Support

A pilot project aimed at supporting the development of English writing skills in collaboration with the English and Health Sciences Departments.

SUPPORT FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

Student Case Management

New international students are assigned to an International Student Coordinator (ISC) prior to registration. The goal is to provide the student with a personal point of contact from pre-arrival to graduation.

Check-in Meetings

A pilot project to proactively invite new international students to meet with an ISC during their first semester. ISCs also set up meetings with international students who are on academic probation after their first semester to provide information about academic and student support services.

Immigration Advising

The IE Department includes Regulated Canadian Immigration Consultants (RCIC) and Regulated International Students Immigration Advisors (RISIA) who can provide information and advise students on immigration-related matters.

SUPPORT FOR EMPLOYEES

Intercultural Initiatives Coordinator

New faculty position created to support employees in the development of intercultural understanding in the classroom and student support areas of the college.

Intercultural Facilitators Group

A group of 22 employees have been trained to develop and deliver workshops on intercultural understanding.

Increased Intercultural Professional Development Opportunities

A series of workshops have been developed and delivered on intercultural understanding for Langara employees.

Streamlined Academic Misconduct Reporting

In January 2018 an updated procedure for reporting academic misconduct was implemented by the office of Student Conduct and Judicial Affairs. The new system seeks to streamline the process by eliminating redundancy and a cumbersome paper based system.

STRATEGIC

Internationalization Strategy Development (ISD)

Over the next year a strategic approach to internationalization at Langara will be developed through input from Langara employees and students.