

Child and Youth Care Program

Build your career brand in the Child and Youth Care Program at Fleming College As a Child and Youth Counsellor, you can find employment in a variety of community-based organizations, public and private workplaces, including human service agencies, educational settings, health facilities, and recreational/ sports facilities.

The increased need for CYWs in residential care settings has resulted in an accelerated hiring rate for locations such as group homes, residential and day treatment programs in children's mental health centres, and treatment residences.

	FIRST SEMESTER	SECOND SEMESTER	THIRD SEMESTER	FOURTH SEMESTER	FIFTH SEMESTER	SIXTH SEMESTER	AND BEYOND
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BE OPEN TO ALL CAREER POSSIBILITIES	Check out orientation , meet fellow students in your program and faculty.	Your Communications II course will allow you to start managing your achievements through your portfolio.	Your first field experience in CYC Field Practicum I will give you an exciting first experience in industry	Your CYC Integrative Seminar II supports you in practicum and provides space for debrief and analysis.	Come to a Program Advisory Committee meeting. Demonstrate leadership skills and initiative.	Your final practicum will allow you to demonstrate professionalism in the workplace.	Keep in contact with Career Services , graduates can access services for two years beyond graduation.
BUILD ON YOUR PROGRAM AND EXPERIENCES	Register with Career Services , access TypeFocus to identify personality strengths and values.	Professional Practice I for CYC will develop presentation skills and your awareness of public image.	Get involved in industry associations such as the Ontario Association of Child and Youth Care	Stay in touch with industry trends with site like Council of Child and Youth Care Associations .	With 1200 hours of placement you have many opportunities in industry, check out these student experiences.	Practice your interview skills by completing a virtual mock interview through Interview Stream .	Access community job search resources after graduation at Fleming CREW , Lindsay VCCS , or other providers .
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GIVE BACK TO THE COMMUNITY	Begin your co-curricular record to track involvement that contributes to your career brand.	Engage in community service learning. Investigate volunteer opportunities both on and off campus.	Check out the on-campus volunteer fair and find out how to create a larger professional network.	Book an appointment with a Career Educator to discuss communication skills gained in volunteer experiences.	Ethics for CYC develops your ethical decision making skills in relation to contemporary issues in child and youth care.	Your choice of setting for your third practicum . Grow skill sets in applied development and systems.	Stay in touch, network with program faculty and your peers after graduation.
FIND SUPPORT FOR YOUR CAREER PATH AND GOALS	First in your family to attend College? Connect with supports to help you navigate College.	Campus resources such as Tutoring & Academic Skills , start your academic career off on a strong footing.	Develop written and verbal communication in Observation, Reporting and Assessment for CYC .	Career Services can link you to employers who want to hire from your program!	Perfect your Group Design and Delivery in CYC skills in this capstone course.	Learn about how Child and Youth Care Program Coordinator brings real life to the classroom.	Connect with the FastStart program for entrepreneurship resources.
USE YOUR EDUCATION TO CREATE NEW OPPORTUNITIES	Investigate Fleming College's commitment to sustainable practices .	Investigate the Indigenous Perspectives Designation option to broaden your knowledge and skill sets.	It's a world of information! Enrol in the Information Literacy certification to gain the upper hand.	Build your diversity and cultural competencies to show your ability to succeed in inclusive workplaces.	Use your General Elective to explore interests or complete your Indigenous Perspectives Designation.	Link with Educational Pathways to investigate degree completion and formal transfer agreements .	Mentor a grad or student, stay connected through the Alumni LinkedIn page.
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BE SUCCESSFUL ON YOUR TERMS	Introductory Computing you will learn about software and hardware needed in industry.	Leadership and Group Facilitation for CYC will explore your leadership style and decision making process.	Continue to update your career portfolio, a great way to track your success and career path.	Participate in Networking and LinkedIn workshops to build your job search skill sets.	Connect and register with the Alumni Office , find out how Fleming supports you after graduation.	On Field Practicum III connect with new colleagues to learn about their career paths.	Explore Continuing Education courses for learning opportunities to stay updated in industry.
EMBRACE THE SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE AROUND YOU	First semester courses such as Family Dynamics and Development will have you learning	Access a wide variety of Student Life resources to help you succeed at College.	Enroll in the free Campus Health certification, find support to balance life and academics.	Explore your industry, conduct an informational interviews or job shadow.	Develop your professional identity in Professional Practice II for CYC as you transition from student.	Book an appointment with a Career Educator to discuss your plans beyond graduation.	Continue to document your career achievements in your portfolio.

DEVELOP YOUR CAREER BRAND