

Virtual REACH

Virtual Remote Employment and Career Help



Virtual REACH Program

This employment program for newcomers is:

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What is Virtual REACH?

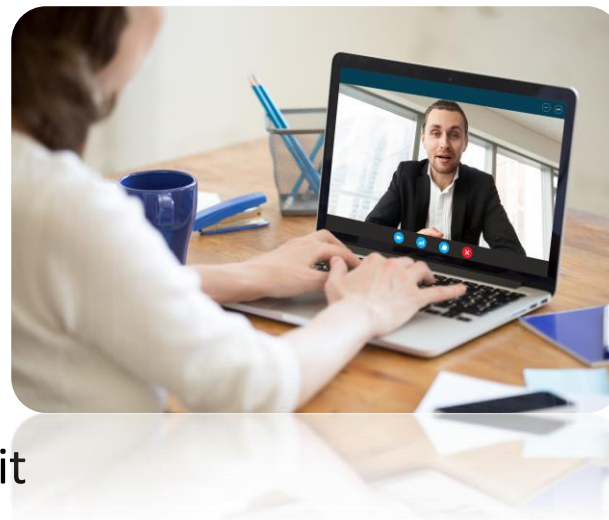
Virtual REACH program serves newcomers who live in small towns and remote areas of British Columbia.



It is also a research project that tests if virtual delivery can improve settlement services for newcomers to Canada in 4 regions of BC.

Program serves:

- Permanent Residents
- Protected Persons (refugees)
- Ukrainians on a CUAET work permit
- Basic ability to use a computer
- Good Wi-Fi connection
- Living in a small town in British Columbia



Challenges of Living in a Small Town



- 88% of immigrants have trouble finding work
- It is hard to find a job that matches their education
- 75% of newcomers need more information about local jobs and companies, better English for work, and more training
- Newcomers want to improve their Skills for Success including communication, reading, writing, and computer skills.

Participate in a Research Project

- Tell us what you need to make a good life in British Columbia
- Take part in focus groups and surveys and make up to \$250
- Help us design a great program just for you
- Borrow a laptop from Douglas College
- Attend the program and find a job that you like



Join Virtual REACH in 2022

- 25 newcomers from each region in BC are welcome to join this free program:
- Thompson-Nicola, the Okanagan & the Kootenays
- Northern BC
- Vancouver Island
- Vancouver Metropolitan fringe



Regions of BC: <https://www.go2hr.ca/essential-tips-info/working-in-bc-tourism-regions>

Schedule for Okanagan & Kootenays

Date	Activity	Time
Nov 2022	Survey	1 hour
Nov-Dec 2022	Training	8 weeks
Jan-Feb 2023	Job Search	8 weeks
Jan 2023	Survey	1 hour
Apr 2023	Survey	1 hour
Make up to \$250 in cash bonuses		
Douglas College Volunteer Certificate		
Douglas College Certificate of Completion		



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