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B3.1 PROGRAM STRUCTURE

From 2000 – 2005, TAH Vancouver had one grade 11/12 class and in 2005 added a grade 10 class. Both classes now have approximately 20 students each. A new program might want to consider starting small and building capacity when resources are available and staff have experience.

In the Vancouver Program, a semester system with 4 courses in each semester is utilized. Math and Science are the exception because the learning outcomes are so well suited to experiential learning and lessons can be reinforced on the day and multi-day excursions.

All Courses meet the requirements for the BC Secondary School Graduation Certificate (Dogwood Certificate), or a School Leaving Certificate. Students that are 18 or older are eligible for the Adult Dogwood Program.

Students take the 5 examinable courses required for graduation – Language Arts 10, Science 10, Mathematics 10, Social Studies 11/12, Language Arts 12. The learning outcomes for the 3 required areas of the Graduation Transitions Program (Personal Health, Community Connections, Career and Life) are easily covered in the Program.

Other courses are selected for their ease of meeting the learning outcomes in the classroom, day trips and multi-day expeditions. Courses such as Leadership, Tourism, PE, Art, Earth Science, Foods and Nutrition have outcomes that are easily reinforced by the adventure based learning component of the program. ([Sample assignments – 3.6 BC Curricular Justification](#))