



## PERSONAL SUPPORT WORKER (PSW)

A Personal Support Worker (PSW) is a valuable member of the modern health care team and in high demand in today's job market. In just a few short months you can acquire the knowledge, skills and hands-on training to begin a career in this challenging field. If you enjoy seeing people increase their independence, self-esteem, dignity and social interaction, consider this worthwhile vocation.

This one-year certificate program trains students to offer personal care and home management services to clients in community or institutional settings.

Personal support workers provide services to clients with physical, cognitive, emotional and behavioral challenges and work under a regulated health professional or in a supported independent living environment. Students learn through in-class instruction, hands-on labs and community placements. Graduates are awarded a Personal Support Worker Certificate from Canadore College.

### Admission Requirements:

Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD) or equivalent including:

- Grade 12 English at the C or U level

*A Criminal Record Check and Vulnerable Sector Screening – (clear of convictions involving abuse or theft) are required before Clinical Placement).*

- **Note:** If you have been convicted of an offence under the Criminal Code for which you haven't been pardoned, you may be ineligible for the clinical/field placements.

### How to Apply:

Apply online at [fnti.net](http://fnti.net)

**OR**

Call 1-800-267-0637 ext. 182

**Type:** Certificate

**Length:** 1 year

**Delivery:** Compressed

- *Students attend Mon, Tues and Wed weekly*

**Location:** FNTI Home Campus

**2013-14 Tuition:** \$1954 per semester  
*(\$1304 basic tuition + \$650 FNTI fees)*  
*\*Textbooks not included*

### Semester 1

CMM125 Communication Fundamentals  
DFM123 Healthy Living, Healthy Eating  
PSW150 Professional Issues I  
PSW155 Client, Family and Community  
PSW160 Lab I  
PSW165 Lifespan I  
PSW170 LTC Clinical 1  
PSW180 Biology for PSWs

### Semester 2

PSW200 Professional Issues II  
PSW205 Mental Health, Cog Imp Pharm  
PSW210 Lab II  
PSW215 Life Span Development II  
PSW220 LTC Clinical 2  
PSW300 Consolidation  
SOC100 Intro to Sociology  
MTH128 Pre-Health Math  
IPE100 Collaborating Across Professions

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# WHY FNTI? IT'S ALL ABOUT YOU!

## High-Quality, Recognized Programs

Our graduates have been building and strengthening communities through Indigenous knowledge since 1985. Join the long list of successful FNTI graduates who are now leaders and innovators in their chosen field.

**You too can make a difference!**

## Indigenous Learning

At FNTI your learning experience is enhanced by culturally-rich curriculum and learning environments designed for your benefit. Traditional celebrations, activities and sharing are integrated into your **personalized learning journey**. We believe that deepening your Indigenous knowledge is critical to your **personal and professional success**.

## Student Support

You can expect an academic environment that is **collaborative, friendly and learner-centred**. Student support is available to meet either your academic or personal needs as required. **Exceptional student support** is provided by committed and caring staff during your educational experience. Most programs have education support officers in place to assist you on your learning journey. In many cases, an Elder is associated with the program and is often on-site during course delivery.

## “Sharing & Learning”

Your existing talents, skills and ideas are the natural starting place for your further learning. At FNTI we recognize that you join us with post-secondary skill level and knowledge gained from a variety of experiences. Your valuable knowledge and understanding is nurtured in an environment of “sharing and learning” – our school motto. Collaborative learning frameworks are designed to **enrich your educational experience** and our learning community.

## Flexible Delivery

Our condensed study format is designed to allow you to pursue your studies with minimal impact on your existing schedule and busy lifestyle. This condensed/intensive delivery format is **ideal for working adult learners** who wish to remain in their home community and **pursue higher education**. Our innovative delivery model is designed to allow you to increase your marketability and professional skill with minimal lifestyle disruption.

## Nomadic Delivery

**We bring the classroom to you.** FNTI delivers programs all over Ontario – in First Nations, in large and mid-sized urban centres and in smaller, remote communities. Our nomadic program delivery is strategically designed to bring educational programs to the people who want them. Programs are typically delivered in classrooms set up on or near First Nations communities. Students, FNTI staff and faculty gather at collaboratively identified delivery locations to increase access to learning for committed students. We also offer programs at our home campus, located on Tyendinaga Mohawk Territory on the beautiful Bay of Quinte.

## Financial Support

*Tuition fees, travel and accommodation costs may be supported through several sources:*

- Post-secondary funds through the Education Office of the student's home territory or First Nation
- Friendship Centres
- Local Area Management Boards
- Ontario Student Assistance Program (OSAP)
- Scholarships, bursaries and grants

## Student Awards & Bursaries

A variety of scholarships and bursaries are available due to the generosity of a number of agencies and organizations. Scholarships and prizes are awarded on the basis of academic achievement while bursaries are given primarily based on financial need. Find a detailed list online at **fnti.net**.