

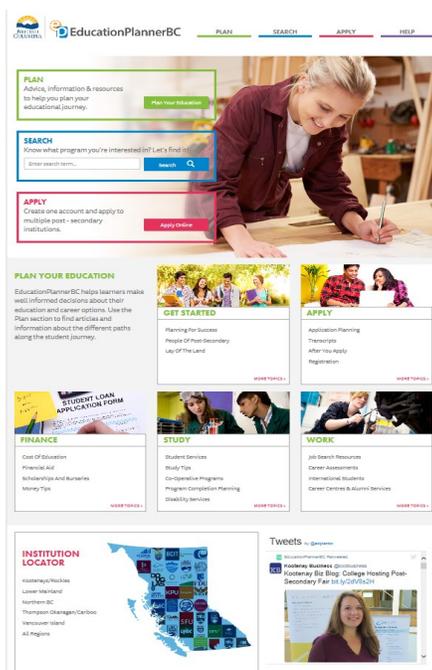
The B.C. public post-secondary sector and government are working together to develop an online system that will consolidate existing government-supported advisory and application resources for students, making it easier to plan, search, and apply for post-secondary education in B.C.

## Why are we doing this?

*EducationPlannerBC* will integrate planning and application services in one website. By using the centralized *EducationPlannerBC* planning resources, students can search for information about various programs, institutions and communities across BC, allowing them to make informed decisions about the programs to which they choose to apply. When students decide to apply to one or more programs, they can then easily complete the application without having to re-enter the same information each time.

## What has already happened?

- Developed and implemented an interim governance structure and strategic framework
- Established Policy, Governance and Technology Working Groups (made up of representatives from across the 25 public post-secondary institutions)
- Launched policy consultations to gather input from across the public post-secondary sector to inform planning and decision making
- Implemented initial system changes—  
EducationPlanner and ApplyBC were integrated in to the new [EducationPlannerBC.ca](http://EducationPlannerBC.ca) website. Check it out!!!



## What is happening next?

In early 2017, further changes will be introduced to [EducationPlannerBC.ca](http://EducationPlannerBC.ca). They include:

1. **Expanding existing application services:** ensuring application questions can capture text answers to program specific questions, providing more specific program information and adding the ability upload documents with application forms.
2. **Increasing community visibility:** improving the ability for students to search by community and creating more visible links to existing community information sites.
3. **Making additional improvements:** continuing to enhance the overall user experience of the site.

## What else is happening?

- Consultations will be held with the public post-secondary sector to inform policy, governance and technology decisions
- A Business Case will be developed to guide further activities.
- A new long term governance structure will be developed to operate the system.