

## Education

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## A. Occupations

### 1) College Professor/Lecturer (Health-related program)

- College professor is not a regulated profession in Ontario  
Note: To be a university professor, you need a doctoral degree in your field of study. You may need a license or professional certification for teaching in certain professionally regulated fields such as medicine, law, psychology, engineering, and architecture. Source:  
<http://www.jobfutures.ca/noc/412p2.shtml>

#### Role

- Teach students in postsecondary institutions using lectures, demonstrations, discussion groups, laboratory work, shop sessions, case studies, field assignments, independent or group projects, and seminars
- Develop curriculum and prepare teaching materials/outlines for courses
- Supervise independent/group projects, field placements, laboratory work or hands-on training
- Prepare, administer, and mark tests/papers
- Advise students on program curricula/career decisions
- Serve on faculty committees that deal with matters such as budgets, curriculum revision, and course/diploma requirements

#### Educational Requirements

- College diploma, bachelor's degree or demonstrated expertise in the field of instruction

#### Skills/Qualities

##### *Technical*

- Basic computer skills: word processing, internet, email, presentation programs, spreadsheet and database knowledge

##### *Communication*

- Excellent oral and written communication skills

##### *Other*

- Presentation skills
- Creativity, resourcefulness
- Teaching/training/facilitation skills
- Leadership skills
- Interpersonal skills
- Expertise in the medically related field of instruction

### Typical Employers

- Community and private colleges

### Average Hourly Wage

\$25.00/ hour (average)

Salaries vary according to such factors such as experience, level of responsibility, seniority, size of company, size of city, etc.

## **2) Other Positions in the Field**

- Assessor/ Evaluator of students applying to medical school
- Invigilator (exam monitor), medical school

## **B) Labour Market Prospects**

*Source: excerpted and adapted from <http://www.jobfutures.ca/noc/4131p3.shtml>*

Vocational Instructors: Employment grew at an above-average rate over the 1999-2001 period because employers are seeking more highly trained workers.

Outlook To 2007: Work prospects will continue to be rated good because the employment growth rate will likely be significantly above average because of employers' ongoing need for a highly trained work force. Also, increased spending by government on education will likely contribute to employment growth. The retirement rate will likely be above average, and the number of retiring workers should contribute significantly to job openings. The number of job openings will likely exceed the number of job seekers.

## **C) ITPs in the Field**

Health Outreach/Education workers: Physicians, by virtue of their past experience in clinical management, have much of the knowledge and experience necessary to educate individuals on how to maintain healthier lifestyles and on what risk factors they need to be aware of. To be successful in this role some ITPs might need to improve public speaking (and hence language skills) as well as in the use of computer software such as Microsoft PowerPoint.

Most backgrounds of ITPs are prepared for work in the field of education, particularly those with previous academic experience.

## **D) Links**

Jobfutures.ca <http://www.jobfutures.ca/noc/4131p1.shtml>