

Credential Type	Credits (minimum)	Entrance Requirements (minimum) <sup>1</sup>	Equivalent Duration (terms) <sup>2</sup>	Rigour/level of study <sup>3</sup>	Final Internal Approval <sup>4</sup>
<b>Industry Partnership Certificate</b>	15	Policy 5003 Admissions	variable	variable	VP Academic
<b>Associate Certificate</b>	15	Policy 5003 Admissions	One	First year post-secondary	Education Council and Board of Governors
<b>Certificate</b>	30	High School or equivalent	Two	First year post-secondary	Education Council and Board of Governors
<b>Diploma</b>	75	High School or equivalent	Four	First and second year post-secondary or higher	Education Council and Board of Governors
<b>Advanced Certificate</b>	24	Diploma or degree or equivalent	One or more	Third year post-secondary or higher	Education Council and Board of Governors
<b>Advanced Diploma</b>	45	Diploma or degree or equivalent	Two or more	Third year post-secondary or higher	Education Council and Board of Governors
<b>Bachelor’s Degree</b>	Diploma equivalent + 60 upper level credits	High school  Degree completion programs require diploma or degree or equivalent.	Eight  Degree completion programs are four terms.	First through fourth year post-secondary.  Degree completion programs are at third and fourth year post-secondary.	Education Council and Board of Governors
<b>Post-baccalaureate Certificate</b>	15	Bachelor’s degree	One or more	Undergraduate level	Education Council and Board of Governors
<b>Post-baccalaureate Diploma</b>	30	Bachelor’s degree	Two or more	Undergraduate level	Education Council and Board of Governors
<b>Graduate Certificate</b>	15	Bachelor’s degree	One or more	Graduate level	Education Council and Board of Governors
<b>Master’s Degree</b>	30	Bachelor’s degree	Two or more	Graduate level	Education Council and Board of Governors

**Notes:**

- 1- Entrance requirements provide guidance on the ability of students entering a program. The formal admission criteria for all BCIT programs are defined in Policy 5003, Admissions and Recognition of Prior Learning.
- 2- A term is typically equivalent to 15-20 weeks of full-time study. Programs can set the delivery schedule and format that is best suited for the program.
- 3- Refer to credential standards later in this procedure for more detail and guidance on the expected rigour of BCIT credentials.
- 4- Final approval for bachelor’s and master’s degrees is by the Minister responsible for advanced education.

**Credentials Offered in Partnership**

BCIT may enter into domestic or international partnerships for the delivery of programs.

Refer to Policy 5801 Educational Affiliations for the development of new partnerships. Refer to Procedure 5401-PR2 for the development/approval process for credentials offered in partnership.