



BRITISH COLUMBIA COUNCIL
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FALL UPDATE 2024

JAM (Joint Annual Meeting) 2024

JAM is BCCAT's annual event for discussing and learning about transfer and transfer-related issues. [This year's JAM](#) is on Thursday, November 7 (online) and Friday, November 8 (in-person with online streaming).

Topics on this year's JAM [agenda](#) include:

- a panel discussion of the impact on transfer of changes to international student study permits
- research on simultaneous enrollment and Letters of Permission (LOPs) in the BC Transfer System
- a profile of BC transfer students' mobility and outcomes from 2018 to 2023.

Articulation committee members are welcome to attend some or all of the JAM online sessions; pre-registration is required. You can register for JAM [here](#). Videos of all sessions will be posted on [BCCAT's YouTube channel](#) after JAM concludes.



Spring Articulation Committee Meetings

Most of BC's 65 articulation committees hold their annual meetings between March and July of each year. In 2024, BCCAT staff attended more than 40 meetings, either in person or online. Most meetings were in-person with an online attendance option.

Discussion topics at many meetings were the potential effects of restricted numbers of international student visas; the impact of AI on academic integrity; faculty workloads; and student well-being.

BCCAT staff attend articulation committee meetings as invited guests. Please notify Anabella Chun (achun@bccat.ca) as soon as your committee chooses its meeting location and date, so that BCCAT staff can be assigned to attend if requested.

Technology

TCS Modernization

The Transfer Credit System (TCS) is currently used by all institutions to create and maintain agreements published in the BC Transfer Guide. The TCS has undergone extensive enhancements over the years to build features requested by users. BCCAT is about to embark upon a TCS Modernization consultation with stakeholders to help imagine the next generation of TCS technology. We will be seeking your input to better understand what current challenges and opportunities BCCAT should pursue to ensure TCS technologies remain best in class.

TCS Pathways

Development on the TCS Pathways proof of concept is close to completion. The TCS Pathways tool facilitates pathways development by connecting, courses, programs, and identifying and resolving equivalency gaps between programs.

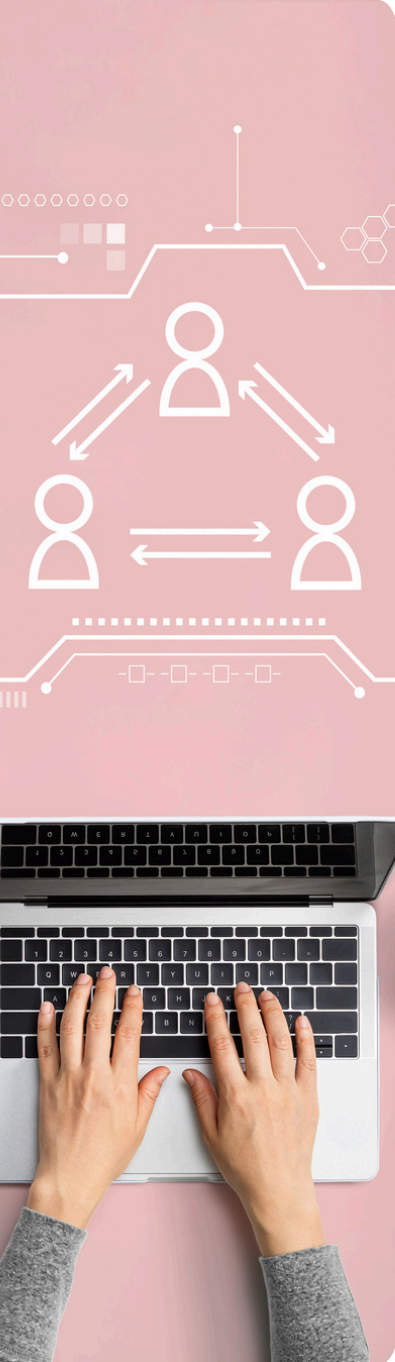
An overview of both of these projects will be provided at JAM 2024.

Articulation Resources

BCCAT has many resources to help articulation committees organize their meetings and stay connected throughout the rest of the year. These include:

- [Articulation Committee Guide](#) – information on committees’ terms of reference, planning and holding effective meetings, responsibilities of leadership positions on committees, and encouraging committee participation.
- [How To Articulate](#) handbook – reference guide for sending, receiving and completing articulation requests, including explanations of the different types of articulations in the BC Transfer System and how articulations are listed on the BC Transfer Guide
- List of institutions represented on each committee – articulation committee chairs can use this list to issue invitations for the committee’s meetings and to verify the institutions that are entitled to vote on motions at meetings. Please contact Anabella Chun (achun@bccat.ca) to obtain the list for your committee
- Training for new committee chairs and System Liaison Persons (SLPs) – offered on request. Please contact Anabella Chun (achun@bccat.ca) if you would like to participate in a training session (approximately 45 minutes).
- Moodle – BCCAT maintains a [Moodle site](#) where articulation committees can maintain their own page for announcements, information sharing, and discussion. Each committee is responsible for maintaining, updating and administrating its own page. Please contact moodle@bccat.ca if your committee would like its own page on this site, or if there are questions about an existing page.
- Templates: These documents provide recommended formats for [meeting agendas](#), [recording attendance](#), [meeting minutes](#), and [reports from each institution](#).

BCCAT staff are available to answer questions and provide support to committees throughout the year.



BCCAT Publications

BCCAT Annual Report 2023-24

<https://www.bccat.ca/publication/annualreview2024/>

Summer Melt

<https://www.bccat.ca/publication/summermelt/>

Transitions from Upgrading Programs into Further Studies at BC Post-Secondary Institutions

<https://www.bccat.ca/publication/upgradingprograms/>

2024-2025 Research Plan

<https://www.bccat.ca/resources/ResearchPlan2024.pdf>

Online Resources

- [Articulation Committees Web Pages](#)
- [Meeting Calendar](#)
- [Articulation Information & Resources](#)
- [Joint Annual Meeting \(JAM\)](#)
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