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Recreation Leadership Diploma Program

The Recreation Leadership Diploma Program is a two year career program based at Langara College in Vancouver, B.C. This program has been designed to appeal to students who have an interest leading, designing and managing quality recreation programs and facilities.

After a well deserved Christmas break the first year students are now working on their second term of study. Included in this term are courses in: Recreation Program Planning, Personal Portfolio Development and Seminar, English or Communication, Applied Psychology, an Arts and Science elective, as well as Applied Skills in Recreation Operations.

Supplementing the “in the classroom” material for the operation’s course are a number of field trips to major facilities in Vancouver. One such recent tour was to Queen’s Park Arena in New Westminister. Denis Leclerc, a Past President of the RFABC, provided a two-hour lecture on the basics of operating a custodial system. The students were then broken into four teams and participated in the 21st annual Langara Recreation Students’ Custodial Competition. Each team was assigned a hockey dressing room, supplies and off they went for an hour or so of cleaning. Judging the “action” for the day were second year students and past grads of the program. Prizes for the top first and second place teams and best dressed male and female custodians were kindly donated by quite a number of RFABC Associates.

Recruiting for the September 2008 term of this program is now underway. Further information can be obtained by calling Vince Kreiser, the Program Coordinator (Ph. 604-323-5276) or by visiting their website: <http://www.langara.bc.ca/recreation>



Denis Leclerc reviews the “fine art” of clearing a plugged toilet with the first year students of the Recreation Leadership Diploma Program during their annual custodial day at Queen’s Park Arena in New Westminister.