

# Defining Diversity: Creating Community

**You are invited to participate in an exciting community engaged research project designed to improve our social and economic well-being in Powell River.**

**As a volunteer you will:**

1. Take the two day continuing education course called Defining Diversity, Creating Community for free. This course provides opportunities to recognize our community's diversity and activate its potential. Lunches are included. The course is based on the award-winning film with the same name that was produced in Powell River in 2010 by the Powell River Diversity Initiative / PREP. Together with other community members, you will have the opportunity to expand notions of what diversity means; engage with the pain that comes when diversity is not valued; learn about how to cultivate our communities around our diverse gifts and contributions; and mobilize assets to create inclusive and thriving communities.
2. As a volunteer you will also learn about community-engaged research and participate in a focus group, a survey and a learning circle.

The course will be offered four times over two years. Right now the course is available on:

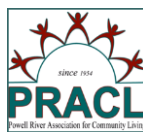
**Oct 3 (from 10-4) & 4 (from 9-4) at the Oceanview Education Center  
and  
Nov 14(from 10-4) & 15 (from 9-4) at Vancouver Island University**

If you are interested in participating in this project, please arrange registration by contacting:

**VIU at 604-485-8030 or emailing [Alison.Taplay@viu.ca](mailto:Alison.Taplay@viu.ca)**

Or talk to any one of the following community supporters:

Tla'Amin Community Health



*Powell River Employment Program Society*



For more information about the project email [Alison.Taplay@viu.ca](mailto:Alison.Taplay@viu.ca)

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