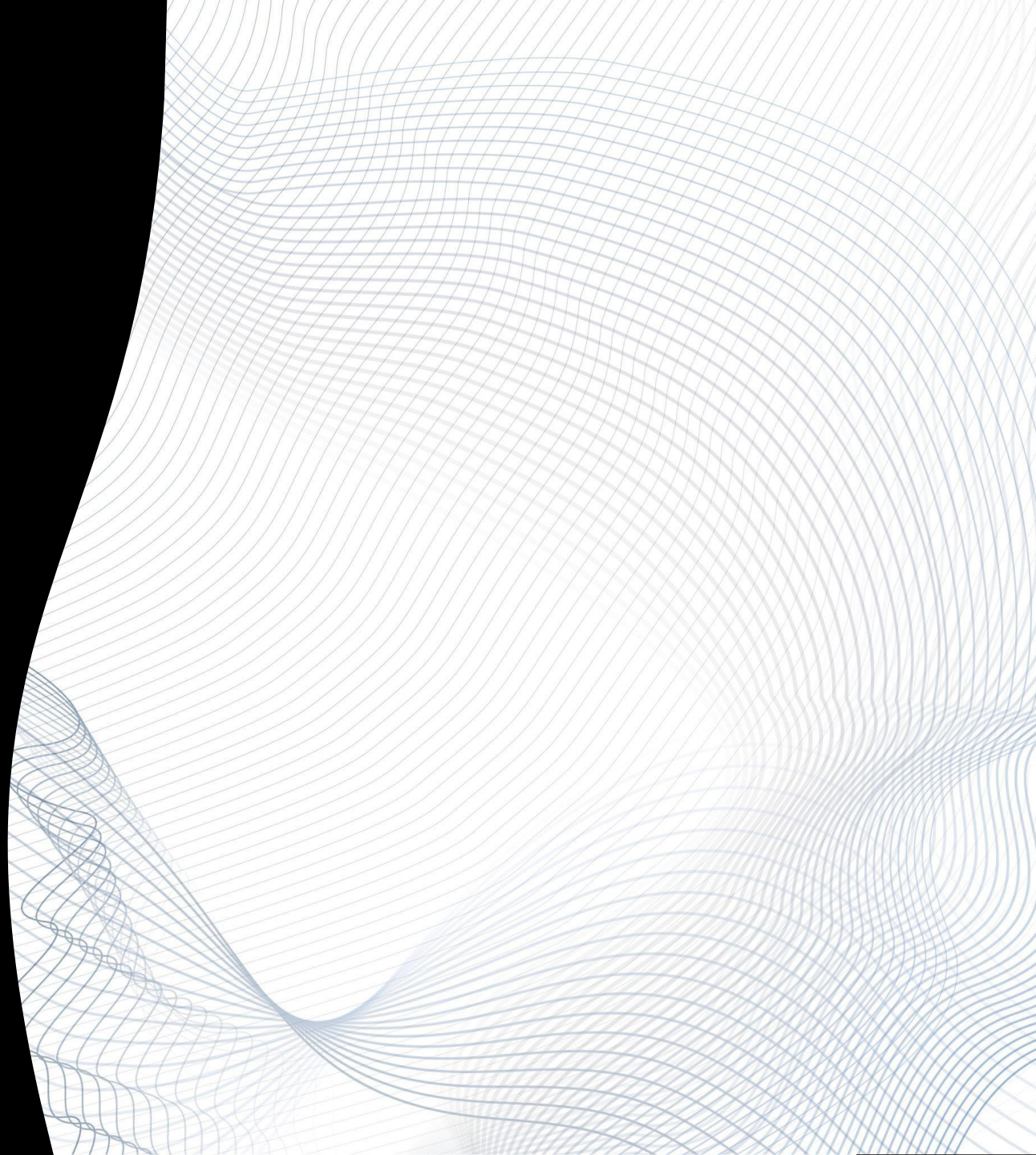


THE LANDSCAPE OF RECREATION POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION IN CANADA

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GOOD MORNING!

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SESSION PLAN

- Introduction – Why Are We Here?
- Methodology – What did We Do?
- Results – What Did We Learn?
- Work session! – What is Next?

INTRODUCTION

- Suspension of Community Recreation Program @ NSCC
- Where does this leave the industry?
 - Nova Scotia / Atlantic Canada / Canada as a whole
- What is currently out there?
 - What opportunities exist in the country
 - Part/whole programs

INTRODUCTION

- Perspectives.....
 - New to the industry
- Justifying the need
 - How?
 - What does our industry need?

METHODOLOGY

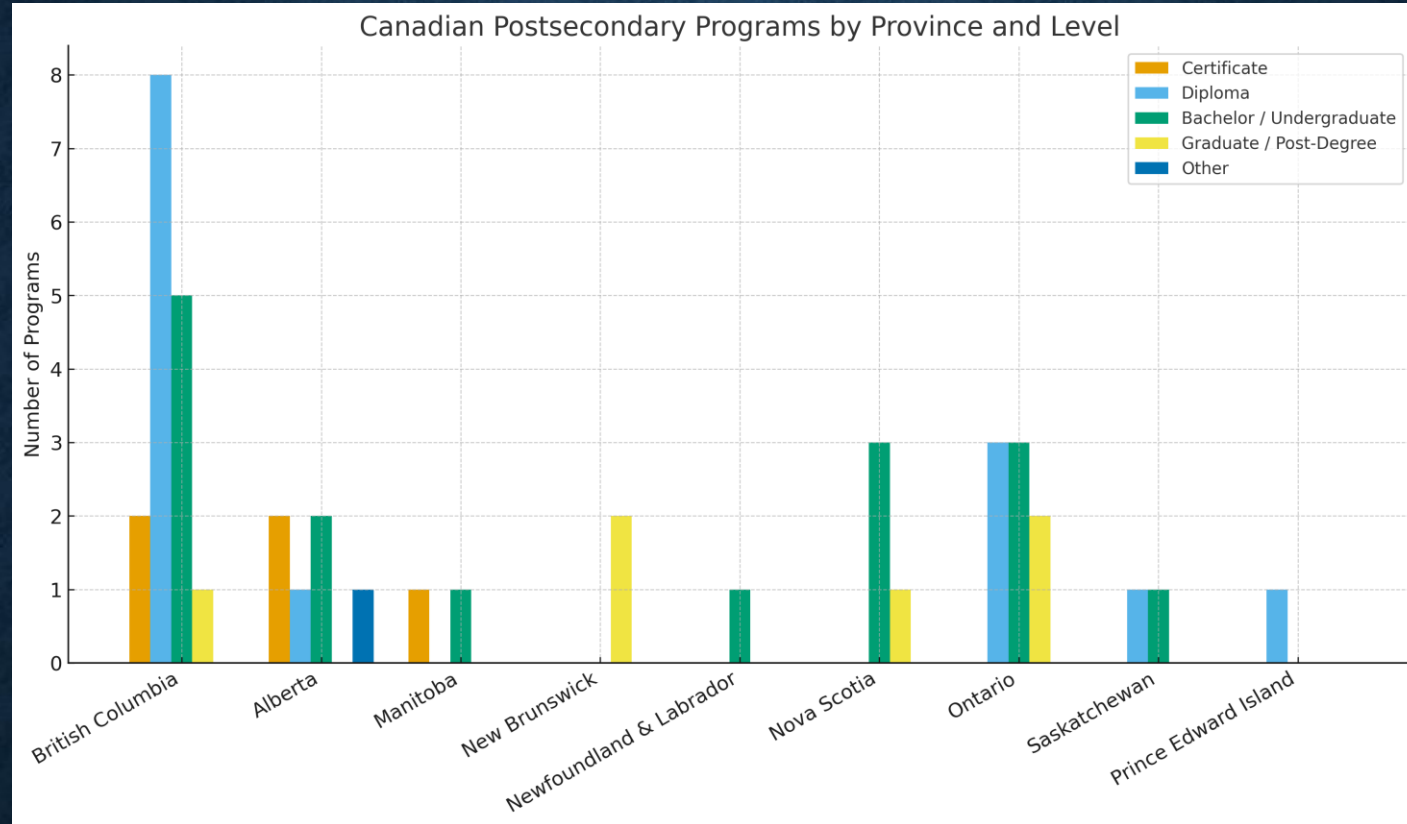
- “What lengths would a reasonable person go to in order to find post-secondary educational opportunities in Recreation?”
- Scan: Across the country
- Web searching
- Program descriptions
- Maps????

METHODOLOGY

- Searching for:
 - Programs/parts of programs
 - Certificate/Diploma/Degree/Graduate Level
 - Cost/Length/Delivery method
 - Admission requirements

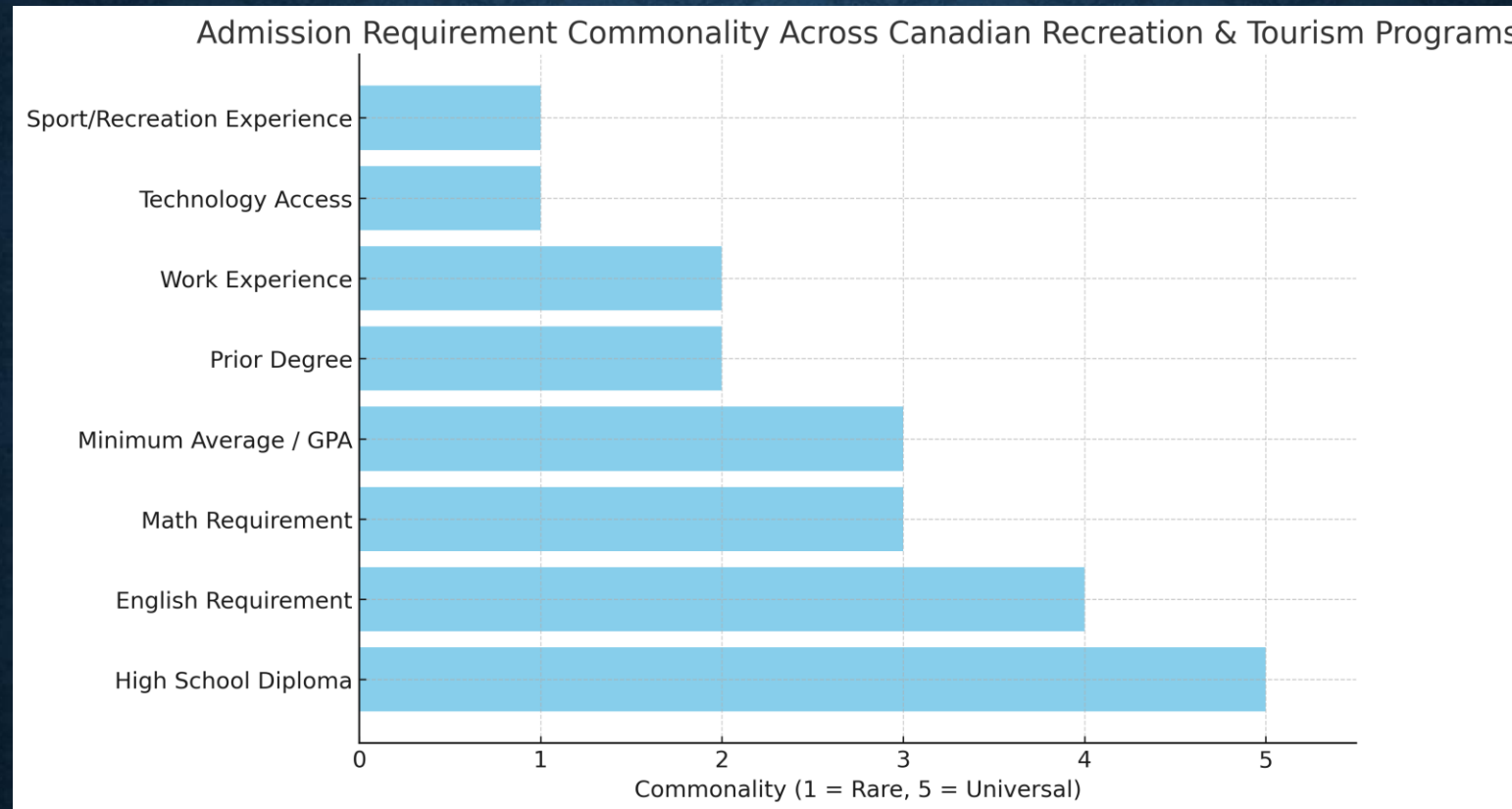
DEFINING POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION

- Certificate
- Diploma
- Undergraduate/Bachelor
- Graduate



PROVINCIAL PROGRAMS DATA

42 Programs Total



ADMISSION REQUIREMENT DATA

RESULTS - THEMES

- Flexible Delivery Options (In-Person, Online, Blended)
- Admission Requirements
- Program Specialization
- Wide variety of program
 - What are we getting?

WORK SESSION INTRO

- Who is here?
 - Variety of experiences
 - Education
 - Skills
- What do we need?
 - What are our struggles?

WORK SESSION!

- Some questions to ponder:
 - What knowledge do you have?
 - What has caused you difficulty in your work?
 - “I wish I knew how to do this/that/the other thing”
 - What gaps are there in your organization?
 - Missing skills
 - What training would be beneficial?

WORK SESSION: ACTIVITY!

- Task #1 (at your tables):
 - Think about your current role in Recreation
 - What are the top tasks/duties that you spend the *most time on* in your job?
 - Where did you acquire the skills for those things?
 - **Create a master list of job duties at your table**

WORK SESSION: ACTIVITY!

- Task #2:
 - Look at your master list
 - Within your group, select a top three job duties
 - Thinking about common duties

WORK SESSION: ACTIVITY!

- Task #3:
 - Tables to present/share their lists
 - We will look for commonalities (or lack thereof!)

MOVING FORWARD

- Job duties as basis
- Advocacy for gaps

THANK
YOU!!