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BC Safety Council's Motorcycle Training Program rides on at the JIBC

The Justice Institute of British Columbia (JIBC) acquired the rights to the British Columbia Safety Council's Motorcycle Training Program in December 2009 and will officially re-launch the program at the Vancouver Motorcycle Show, starting January 21, in Abbotsford. The BC Safety Council started training riders in 1971 and its program is widely recognized as an industry leader and a critical component of efforts to promote motorcycle riding safety and skills.

The addition of the this program to the well-established driver training programs, offered through the JIBC's Pacific Traffic Education Centre (PTEC), will leverage the commitment, knowledge and expertise applied to enhancing driving skills and reducing collisions on our roadways.

"The JIBC is committed to providing education and training that contributes to the safety of our communities," said JIBC President Jack McGee. "We see the addition of the motorcycle program as a tremendous opportunity to deliver on our mandate."

The Motorcycle Training Program will maintain its focus on monitoring the latest trends and best practices in motorcycle training. JIBC instructors, many of whom were instructors with the BC Safety Council, are extensively trained in rider instruction techniques and have Class 6 Instructor's Licenses issued by the BC Provincial Government.

"We are extremely proud of the program developed at the BC Safety Council and the impact it has had on enhancing the safety of riders," said former Executive Director, Bryan Lowes. "We are thrilled that the JIBC will be maintaining this legacy."

PTEC will be offering two programs – an introductory Motorcycle Skills Course (MST 100) and the more advanced Motorcycle Traffic Skills course (MST 150). Training will be held at the JIBC New Westminster Campus and its driver training facility in Surrey.



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The Pacific Traffic Education Centre (PTEC) is a division of JIBC and is responsible for all driver education programs. PTEC's goal is to produce better drivers and reduce collisions on our highways and roads. PTEC plays a leading role in traffic related training and education by using advanced technology, matched by a fresh approach and philosophy aimed at tangibly transforming driver behavior.

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