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Laurie knew she had to transition to a new career. She started her journey in Academic Upgrading, where she focused on improving her computer skills and learning how to feel comfortable in a classroom again.

Her instructors saw a great change in her personality, confidence and motivation. She even began inspiring others to engage in academic upgrading.

Laurie committed herself to strengthening her skills in reading, writing, math, and computer applications, knowing that these would open doors to opportunities in the future.

Around this time, Laurie began exploring the Office Administration – Health Services program as a possible next step.

Through her connection with Fanshawe College Career and Employment Services, other community services and Fanshawe College staff, she was able to continue forward in her pathway.

Today, Laurie is in her first semester of the Office Administration Health Services program. She is a valued member of the Fanshawe community and her story is one of dedication and transformation.

Her journey is still unfolding; but already it is one to be proud of and one that inspires everyone around her.

“It’s been amazing to go through this incredible journey,” Laurie says. “I highly recommend the Academic Upgrading program for giving me the foundation that I needed to get started and recommend it to everyone I know.

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— Sara Reesor, Fanshawe College