



**FRANCINE LAROCQUE ALWAYS  
WANTED MORE FOR HERSELF**

## THANKS TO E-LEARNING SHE'S REALIZING HER DREAM



When Francine Larocque retired early, she knew she needed to start challenging herself. A former accounting clerk who felt stuck doing accounts payable for years, she yearned for a deeper, richer understanding of accounting principles. But Francine didn't have a high school diploma, plus she was a shy person and a nervous driver, so she didn't know how she could go back to school.

A local learning centre suggested Francine try e-learning from home. She got a computer and the centre set her up with a mentor who supports her in achieving her learning goals. Currently enrolled in a number of on-line classes, Francine is steadily working towards getting her grade 12 equivalency. Then she plans to study accounting.

"I have always wanted to better myself," says Francine. "E-learning has given me the flexibility to take courses at my own pace and at home where I am comfortable. Soon I will be able to manage my own budget and do my own taxes – to be more self-sufficient. I'm making my life-long dream come true and I'm proud of myself."

**AlphaPlus Centre is the leading resource and support centre for literacy practitioners across Ontario. Through the innovative use of technology, we work to increase access to basic education and empower adult learners to achieve their goals.**

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