

It all starts here.

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 Course available online

 Course available via teleconference

 Course available via video conference

Book a campus tour.

Contact NWCC recruitment
at 1.877.277.2288 Ext. 5427



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The College endeavours to provide students with the most current and accurate educational advice available; however, because of the dynamic and complex nature of post-secondary education in BC, it is the responsibility of all students who are seeking transfer to other institutions to always verify the advice we offer them with the receiving institution. Information contained in this guide is subject to change and revision. While every effort is made to ensure that the content remains valid for the period covered, the reader should recognize that changes may occur. The College website is the official calendar and should be referred to for the most up-to-date information.

We proudly acknowledge the traditional First Nations territories in which we operate and live. NWCC celebrates the rich cultural diversity in all of our communities.

Our campuses are centres of sharing for teachers and students, gathering places for friends, family and community where a mix of social, cultural and recreational activities are happening everyday.





“I so appreciate what I learned at NWCC. It was where I built a strong work ethic and study skills and I found it was in the small classroom discussions where I learned a lot about myself and from my classmates.”

— Matthew Simpson
NWCC University Transfer student now studying Political Science at Carlton University

Start here, finish anywhere.

Monash University

Melbourne, Australia

Study abroad in sunny Australia with our new transfer agreement.

Complete your Associate’s Degree at NWCC and transfer to Monash University to finish your Bachelor’s degree in just one more year.*

You can then go on to complete a Masters degree, or a double Bachelor’s degree in another field, in just one more year of study. That’s a total of four years to achieve a double Bachelor’s or a Master’s degree.

Visit monash.edu for more info about Monash.

*Dependant upon your individual study plan.

University of Victoria

Victoria, BC

Guaranteed Admission Agreement

Start your UVic degree at NWCC.

Benefit from extra support and save money as you complete up to two years of your degree at NWCC before moving to the University of Victoria.

This is open to UVic program areas such as: Art History and Visual Studies, Humanities, Science and Social Science.

British Columbia Institute of Technology

Burnaby, BC

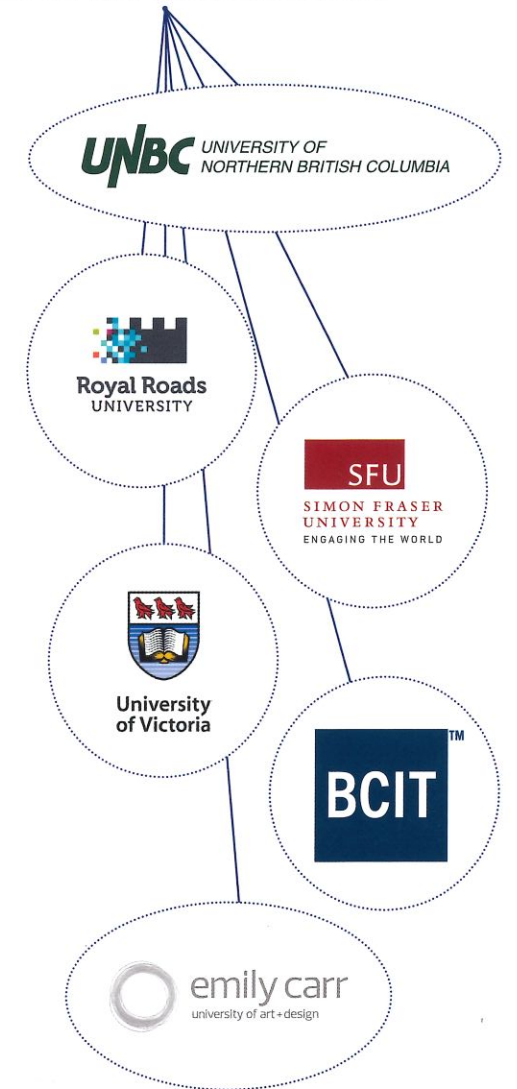
Collaborative Mining Engineering & Technology Diploma/Degree Program

Start your studies toward a technology diploma or engineering degree at NWCC before transferring to a full-time program at BCIT. You will have an opportunity to collaborate and network through discussion forums and other online features when taking the online BCIT courses.

Our program will provide you with a local and alternative pathway into Mineral Exploration & Mining Technology or Mining and Mineral Resource Engineering Programs at BCIT.



Start at NWCC and transfer to one of our partner institutes or any university in the province and beyond.



University Transfer

University Credit Certificate & Diploma programs

Applied Earth & Environmental Studies Certificate

Terrace Campus

This certificate program with Geostudies or Geosciences options, is one-year of study that emphasizes the practical application of earth and environmental studies. Hands-on curriculum includes community projects and field-based studies. Build valuable skills and knowledge to support your career goals.

Community, Crime & Social Justice Certificate (CCSJ)

Terrace, Prince Rupert & Smithers campuses

Gain solid grounding in criminal justice issues, with this fully accredited, 10-month program. Included is a unique work placement in a criminal justice (or related) agency to gain valuable employment experience. When complete, move directly into the Criminology Diploma.

Criminology Diploma

Terrace, Prince Rupert & Smithers campuses

This flexible, two-year program will give you a comprehensive understanding of criminology and criminal justice issues. Study a broad range of topics across a variety of fields.

Transfer into a Bachelors Degree in Criminology at Simon Fraser University (SFU) or the Bachelor of Technology in Forensic Sciences at British Columbia Institute of Technology (BCIT).



The choice is yours. We offer university credit courses in many subjects.

Arts & Humanities

Art
Art History
English
First Nations Studies
History
Philosophy
Women's Studies

Social Sciences

Anthropology
Asian Studies
Political Science
Psychology
Geography (Human)
Education
Criminology
Economics
Sociology

Sciences

Biology
Chemistry
Computer Science
Geography
Geology
Math
Oceanography
Physics

Wondering how the credits you earn at NWCC can transfer to programs at other institutions?

Contact an articulation officer at 1.877.277.2288 ext. 5382 or check BCtransferguide.ca.

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Start your Bachelor's Degree at NWCC and transfer into any university in the province and beyond.



I love how great the instructors are at NWCC and how they include field studies in almost every program. It's opened me up to an exciting passion for science that I didn't know existed.

— Vivian Clayton
Associate of Science Student

Associate Degrees

Associate Degree in Arts

Various campuses



An Associate Degree in Arts is a pathway to social services and humanities degrees. The Associate Degree in Arts has been designed to facilitate your transition to a Bachelor of Arts degree program or provide you with a marketable credential after two years at NWCC.

Options

- GENERAL ARTS
- ARCHAEOLOGICAL & CULTURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT SPECIALIZATION
- CRIMINOLOGY SPECIALIZATION
- FIRST NATIONS SPECIALIZATION
- SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES SPECIALIZATION

Associate Degree in Science

Various campuses



An Associate Degree in Science is a pathway into environmental, biological, health and medical degrees. The Associate Degree includes two years of university-level study in a variety of academic areas. You will complete a broad range of courses, balanced with in-depth study in specific disciplines. The Associate Degree in Science has been designed to facilitate maximum transferability to a Bachelor of Science degree program or to conclude after two years at NWCC.

Options ENVIRONMENTAL GEOSCIENCE SPECIALIZATION • GENERAL SCIENCE

Complete your northern degree

Bachelor of Education

Terrace Campus

Take the first and second year courses required to enrol in the third year of the Bachelor of Education at UNBC. The program includes course work and classroom experience to prepare you for a career in teaching.

Bachelor of Science (Integrated)

Terrace Campus

If you complete an Associate Degree in Science with a specialization in Environmental Geosciences at NWCC, you can transfer to the UNBC Bachelor of Science - Geosciences.



FIELD SCHOOLS

Field Schools are a unique way to get university credits, experience northwest BC's incredible history, culture and environment, and potentially change your life.

NEW! Relationships and Language: Truth and Reconciliation in North Western BC

Prince Rupert • April 25 to May 10

Examine how reconciliation is formed through relationship building and understanding. With visits to five First Nations communities, you will engage with Elders and leadership in each community, working closely with fluent speakers and leaders committed to restoring and revitalizing languages.

Courses: FNST 120 | Aboriginal Languages Preservation and Revitalization
HIST 213 | History of British Columbia

Skeena Watershed Ecosystems

Terrace • May 8 to 20

Explore the environmental factors that determine the distribution and function of our local ecosystems extending from the gorgeous mountain alpine to river valleys of Northern BC. Engage in important discussions on the effects of disturbance and management of natural and altered systems throughout the globe.

Course: GEOG 202 | Geography of Ecosystems

Haida Gwaii

Terrace • May 29 to June 16

Experience spectacular Haida Gwaii, immerse yourself in the Haida culture and history, explore the unique ecology of the archipelago and study the biology of the island ecosystems. This is a life-changing opportunity to become familiar with alternative cultural ways of viewing and relating to the environment.

Courses: BIOL 201 | Invertebrate Zoology
ANTH 270 | Traditional Knowledge in Practice

People of the Skeena

Terrace • August 8 to 13

Review the principles and methods of anthropological understanding to interpret culture while you prepare smoked salmon and weave with cedar in an amazing outdoor classroom. As a special case study, you will participate in field research and field excursion with Gitxsan Elders, Chiefs and Watchmen. Our course will provide you with an understanding and appreciation of the northern First Nations culture, oral histories, traditional ecological knowledge, territorial stewardship, and the struggle endured under colonialism.

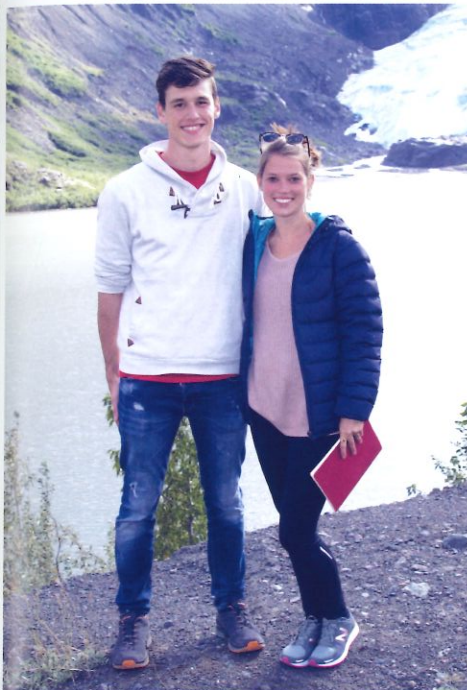
Course: ANTH 203 | Northern Nations of the NW Coast

NEW! Icefields to Oceans

Terrace • August 14 to September 4

Discover the unique landscapes of northwestern BC and the inside passage of southeastern Alaska. Immerse yourself in the current environmental and geopolitical issues concerning the many transboundary watersheds crossed during the field studies. These include the Unuk, Stikine, and Taku watersheds, each of which begin in the icefields of British Columbia and meet the Pacific Ocean in Alaska.

Courses: GEOG 210 | Environments & Society
GEOG 203 | Geomorphology





**Participate in
real-world
community-
based projects
in pristine
environments.**

Applied Coastal Ecology

Applied Coastal Ecology (ACE)

Prince Rupert Campus

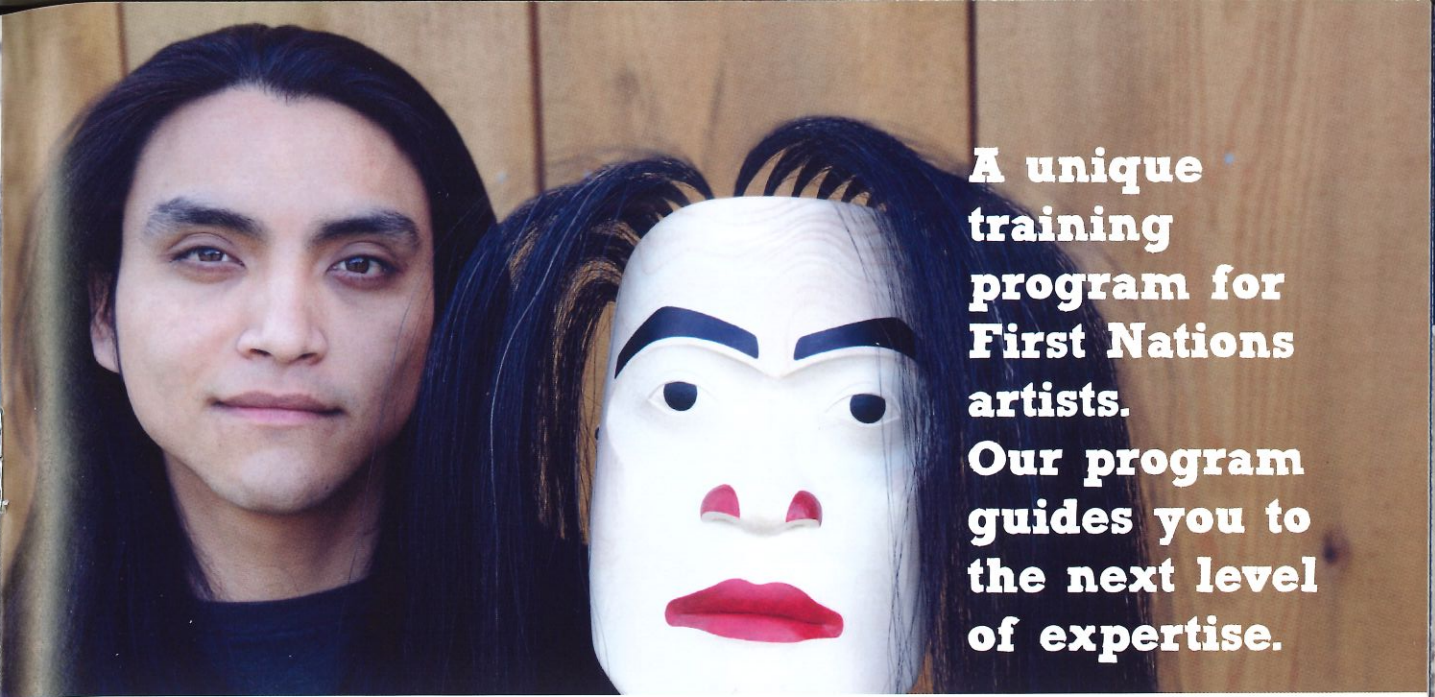
Study rainforest ecology, fish and wildlife management and stream habitat restoration. Our outdoor classrooms take advantage of the best of BC's ecosystems.

Achieve a certificate after one year and a diploma after the second year of study.

Options **APPLIED COASTAL ECOLOGY CERTIFICATE •
APPLIED COASTAL ECOLOGY DIPLOMA •
POST DEGREE DIPLOMA**

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Take your studies to the next level by transferring ACE credits to a related program at these universities.



**A unique
training
program for
First Nations
artists.
Our program
guides you to
the next level
of expertise.**

First Nations Fine Arts

First Nations Fine Arts

Terrace Campus

Develop a solid arts foundation while you learn and practice traditional woodcarving, all alongside world-renowned artists. Freda Diesing School of Northwest Coast Art honours and supports the rich culture and traditions of First Nations art in the northwest.

Our program includes field trips to important cultural events, cultural sites, museums and galleries. Visiting artists, dignitaries and cultural advocates enhance the learning environment with their knowledge, wisdom and experience. You will mount a number of public art exhibits each year and develop skills needed to display, promote and sell your work as a professional artist.

Options **FIRST NATIONS FINE ARTS CERTIFICATE •
FIRST NATIONS FINE ARTS DIPLOMA**



It all starts here.

With a First Nations Fine Arts diploma, and a GPA of B or better, you are eligible for acceptance into the third year of the Bachelor of Fine Arts degree program at Emily Carr University of Art + Design.





I chose Business Administration because I felt it would open more doors in the future. It's versatile and can transfer into any industry. I also like the instructors; they're very helpful.

— Madison Greening
Business Administration
student and owner of
Greening Cleaning

Business

Applied Business Technology

Various campuses

Prepare for general and specialized administrative support positions in a variety of business and office settings. You can study full- or part-time, or one course at a time.

Options OFFICE ASSISTANT CERTIFICATE • ACCOUNTING CERTIFICATE • ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT CERTIFICATE

Business Administration

Terrace & Prince Rupert Campuses

Whether you want to work as an administrator in an office, pursue a specialized career in business and finance, or start your own company, the Business Administration program can help take you where you want to go.

Options BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION CERTIFICATE • BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION DIPLOMA

Public Administration Program

Various campuses

Gain increased knowledge of the political and organizational realities of local government in BC, including First Nations government, through studies in public administration, municipal finance, local government services, and municipal law.

Options CERTIFICATE IN LOCAL GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION

Post-Degree Business Diploma

Terrace and Prince Rupert campuses

Do you have an undergraduate degree and an interest in expanding your career into the world of business? Our post-degree diploma is an excellent choice.

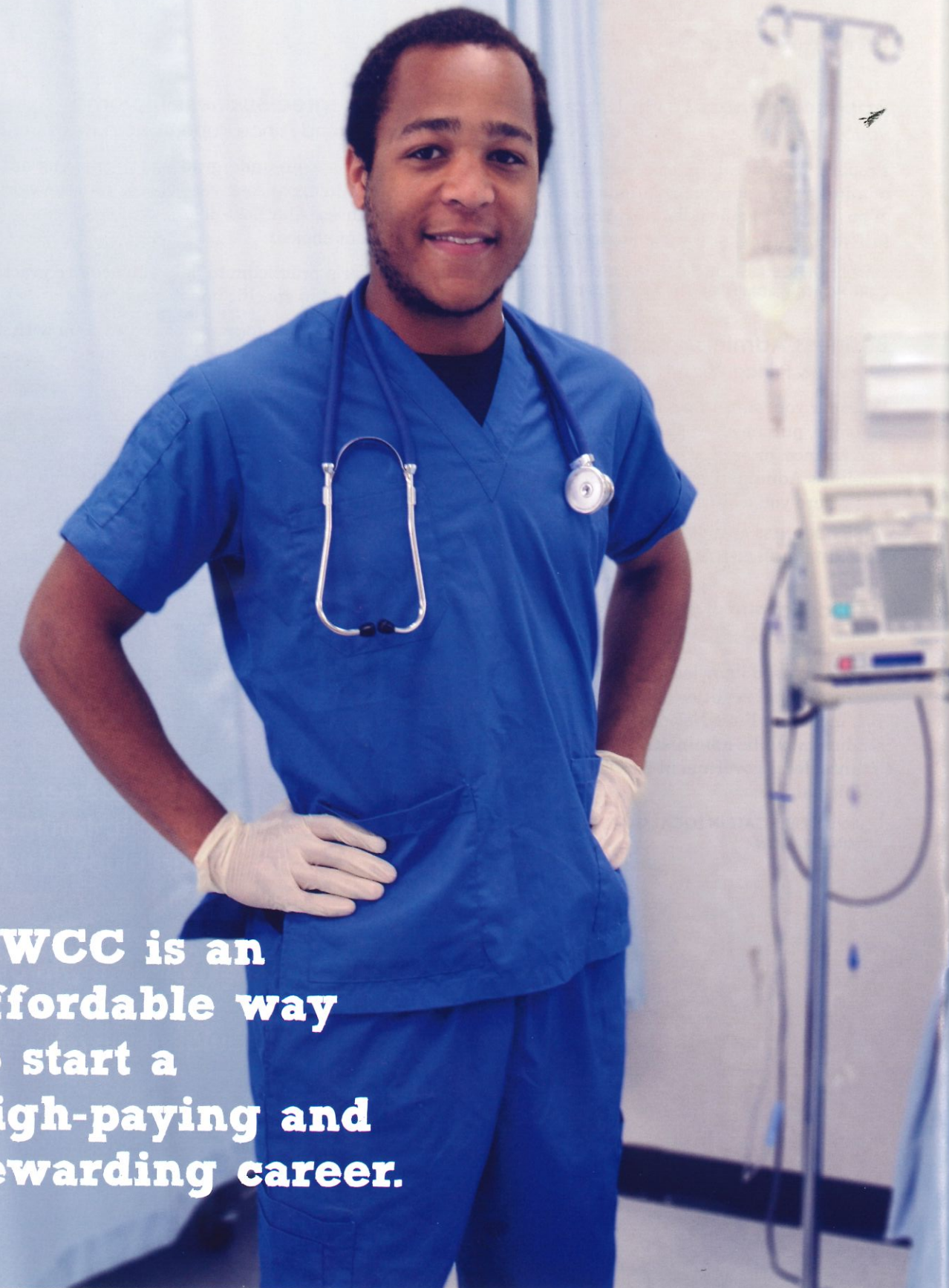
We offer a practicum to help you acquire practical skills used in specific businesses.

The diploma is a four-semester program with a concentration in General Management.

It all starts here.

Business Administration program courses transfer directly into the third year of degree programs at these BC universities.





NWCC is an affordable way to start a high-paying and rewarding career.

Health & Human Services

Early Childhood Education (ECE) Basic Level Certificate

Terrace Campus

Early childhood educators provide quality care and education for children from birth to school age. Our ECE program is taught in an inclusive atmosphere with a First Nations perspective in all courses.

Health Care Assistant Certificate

Various campuses

Health care assistants help clients enjoy the highest possible quality of life. Our program combines class lectures with hands-on practicum sessions where you will learn and practice personal care skills to transfer directly into the work setting.

NEW! Infant & Child Mental Health Certificate

Terrace & Prince Rupert campuses

Enhance your ability to understand and support children with mental health concerns. Focus on developmental process, as well as risk factors that can impede normative development. Our program prepares you to work with youth and their families in community-based or institutional settings.

Practical Nursing Diploma

Terrace Campus

The Practical Nursing diploma prepares you to give professional care to individuals and families in a variety of settings. After graduation from the diploma program, you can apply to write the Canadian Practical Nurse Registration Examination (CPNRE) to become a Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN). LPNs have career options in community, continuing care and acute care hospital settings.

Social Service Worker

Terrace & Hazelton Campuses

Study classroom theory and practical skills necessary for employment in a broad range of social services occupations. Practicum opportunities allow you to practice what you learn in workplace settings and gain valuable experience.

Options SOCIAL SERVICE WORKER CERTIFICATE • SOCIAL SERVICE WORKER DIPLOMA

Complete your northern degree

Registered Nurse | Northern Collaborative Baccalaureate Nursing

Terrace Campus

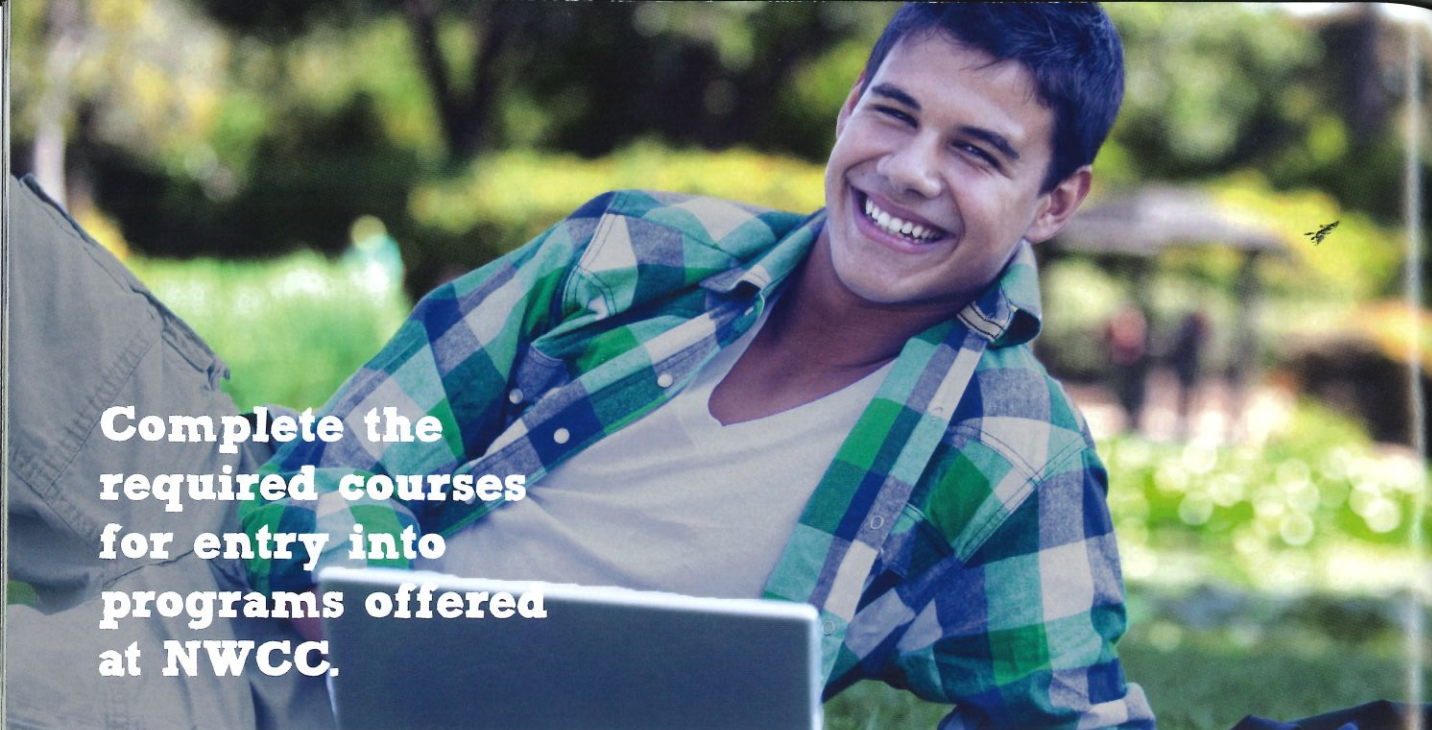
Achieve your dream of being a nurse. This four-year program provides entry into the registered nursing profession. After completing two years of study at NWCC's Terrace Campus you will complete your third and fourth years of a Baccalaureate of Science in Nursing (BSN) at UNBC's Terrace campus.

Bachelor of Social Work

Terrace campus

Students who have completed the Social Service Worker (SSW) Diploma program can receive credit towards UNBC's Bachelor of Social Work Degree.

UNBC UNIVERSITY OF
NORTHERN BRITISH COLUMBIA



Complete the required courses for entry into programs offered at NWCC.

Upgrading

Career & College Preparation (CCP)

Various campuses

Complete entry requirements or earn missing high school credits for grade 12 graduation / BC Adult Graduation Diploma (Adult Dogwood).

Options **CAREER & COLLEGE PREPARATION CERTIFICATE • ADULT DOGWOOD DIPLOMA**

Note: This program is intended for adults and is not a substitute for high school for younger students. The number of spaces available to students under 18 is limited – please contact NWCC for details.

Dual Credit: High School and College Credit

As a high school student you can take NWCC courses and programs and earn both high school and college credits. Talk to an educational advisor at 1.877.277.2288 to see if you are eligible.

Prior Learning Assessment (PLA)

A Prior Learning Assessment may give you credit for skills and knowledge you already have, regardless of how and where you learned them. For details, contact an educational advisor at 1.877.277.2288 or visit nwcc.ca.

Transfer Credits to NWCC

Save time and money. If you've taken courses at another college or university, transfer those credits to NWCC.



First Nations students choose NWCC because of our respect for indigenous world views and educational practices.

First Nations Student Support

First Nations Programs

We honour and support the rich traditions of First Nations in the northwest. In partnership with our First Nations Council and local First Nations communities, we develop programs and curricula connected to Aboriginal social, political, cultural and economic values and realities.

First Nations Council

The First Nations Council provides guidance for NWCC governance and decision-making by focusing on student advocacy, curriculum design, cultural issues, program content and education service evaluation.

First Nations Access Coordinators

First Nations students who want to access NWCC programs or services are strongly encouraged to visit a First Nations Access Coordinator. We provide a successful transition to NWCC, create a welcoming environment, and provide support at all points along your educational journey. Call 1.877.277.2288 to speak to a First Nations Access Coordinator for more information.

Cultural Programs

NWCC proudly offers culturally-focused student services and events by hosting feasts, workshops and socials throughout the year. We also offer an Elder in Residence program to provide guidance and support for our students. Call 1.877.277.2288 to speak to a First Nations Access Coordinator for more information.



Student Services

Bookstores

Find textbooks, course materials and tools for NWCC courses and programs, plus day-to-day items like stationery, backpacks and clothing.

Career Resources

The NWCC student services team and campus libraries have a wide variety of resources and information about career planning, personal development, and post-secondary programs.

Counseling (Personal)

Students can access confidential community counseling services by talking to any member of the student services team or an instructor.

Food

On-campus food services are available at NWCC Terrace Campus at the Waap Haawk cafeteria and the Bookstore Café.

Libraries

Borrow books and movies free of charge. Our campus libraries subscribe to over 39,000 electronic titles providing access from campus and from home. You can use the provincial chat reference service *AskAway*, which allows digital access to an academic librarian for help with citations and research.

Residences

On-campus living accommodations are available to students at our Terrace campus. For more information call 1.877.277.2288 Ext. 5266.

Students' Union

NWCC's Students' Union campaigns for common student interests and has local campus events and services. For more info call 250.638.5458 or email organiser@northweststudents.ca.

Wellness Centre

Our Terrace campus has a new fitness space at the Bookstore Café. Fully equipped with weight training and cardio machines, we offer student memberships at very affordable prices.

Student Support

NWCC's Student Services team is professional, knowledgeable and friendly. Available on campus, online and by phone at 1.877.277.2288.

Accessibility Services Coordinators

If you have a disability, Accessibility Services Coordinators are available to assist with a range of services including academic and classroom accommodations and program enrolment assistance. Contact us early so we can set you up for success.

Educational Advisors

We develop a personal educational plan to help you succeed at NWCC. Educational Advisors assist with NWCC services, policies, procedures, program and course selection, and financial aid.

Learning Assistance Specialists

We provide assessment services, drop-in learning, and free student success workshops throughout the year. We work hard to break down the barriers of learning difficulties and provide helpful strategies for your success.

Dollars & Sense

NWCC offers some of the lowest tuition in BC, but we understand that money can be tight. The cost for you to study depends on your program and personal circumstances.

*Estimated expenses for an eight-month, full-time program**

LIVING AT HOME

Tuition & fees (10 courses)	\$2,818
Bus pass	\$210
Textbooks/Supplies (\$900 - \$1,250 + GST)** ...	\$1,250
Miscellaneous	\$800
TOTAL EXPENSES FOR 1 YEAR	\$5,078

LIVING IN TERRACE CAMPUS RESIDENCE

Tuition & fees (10 courses)	\$2,818
Textbooks/Supplies (\$900 - \$1,250 + GST)** ...	\$1,250
Residence & meals at Terrace campus	\$4,337
Miscellaneous	\$800
TOTAL EXPENSES FOR 1 YEAR.....	\$9,868

* Estimates only. Prices vary and are subject to change.

** Based on a two-semester academic program. Tuition, fees and supplies vary by program. Current program costs are available at nwcc.ca.

Note: Costs for international students are different. Contact NWCC's registrar's office for more info.

Source: Human Resources and Skills Development Canada

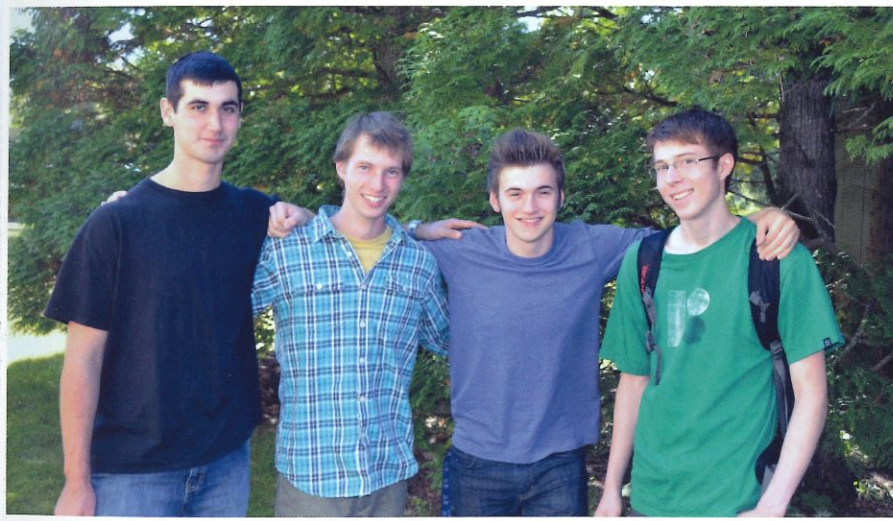
Financial Aid & Awards

Ways to pay for your education:

- Awards*
- Government grants
- Government student loans
- Bank loans & lines-of-credit
- Part-time work
- Transfer credits to NWCC

Talk to an educational advisor or visit nwcc.ca for more info.

* Each year NWCC offers more than \$85,000 of free money in bursaries and scholarships.





How to apply

Four easy steps

- 1** Choose your courses or program at nwcc.bc.ca/programs
- 2** Apply online at applybc.ca or complete an application for admission.
- 3** Register for classes
- 4** Pay your fees
 - online
 - by phone
 - in person
 - through a sponsor

Let us help

NWCC educational advisors can help you decide on the best program or course for you. We suggest you talk to us before you apply.

Hazelton

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Hazelton BC V0J 1Y0

Kitimat

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606 Mountainview Square
Kitimat BC V8C 2N2

Prince Rupert

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Fax: 250.624.3923
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Prince Rupert BC V8J 3L6

Skidegate

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Skidegate BC V0T 1S0

Terrace

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5331 McConnell Ave
Terrace BC V8G 4X2

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