

NORTH ISLAND COLLEGE

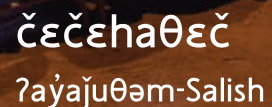


VANCOUVER ISLAND, CANADA



2020/2021 INTERNATIONAL VIEWBOOK

Your journey begins here.



North Island College is honoured to acknowledge the traditional territories of the combined 35 First Nations of the Nuu-chah-nulth, Kwakwaka'wakw and Coast Salish traditions, on whose traditional and unceded territories the College's campuses are situated.

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Learn more about
our programs and courses:
international.nic.bc.ca

Why study at NIC?

- 1 DESTINATION COLLEGE:**
Explore Canadian life in a beautiful and friendly community surrounded by mountains and ocean.
- 2 UNIVERSITY PATHWAY:**
Start at NIC and transfer seamlessly to top universities in Canada.
- 3 CAREER SUCCESS:**
Study, work and pave your way to your career.
- 4 ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE:**
Learn to succeed.
- 5 STUDENT SUPPORT:**
Be supported in your student life from arrival through graduation.



The NIC Experience

8,053

total number of students

7%

of students are international

16%

of students are indigenous

30

countries represented in our student body

120

programs and university pathways

18

average number of students per class

NIC alumni say*

92%

that NIC's quality of instruction is high

98%

that they were well-prepared by NIC for further studies

**DACSO survey of former NIC Diploma, Associate Degree and Certificate students*





Destination: Vancouver Island

North Island College international students study at three campuses on central Vancouver Island, a popular tourist destination with beaches, mountains, wilderness areas and lively, friendly communities. Whether you study in the Comox Valley, Port Alberni or Campbell River, each community offers one-of-a-kind restaurants, social activities and opportunities for adventure you can't get anywhere else.

Comox Valley

Known for: **Having it all!**

The Comox Valley offers access to the great outdoors, international and local food, shopping, year-round sports, and a welcoming community.

Estimated population: **67,000**

Size: **1700 km²**

Average summer temperature: **17.3°C**

Average winter temp **4.1°C**

Find out more:

<https://discovercomoxvalley.com>

Campbell River

Known for: **Being the "Salmon Capital of the World"**

Campbell River has proudly held the reputation of one of the top salmon fishing destinations in the world.

Estimated population: **37,500**

Size: **143.1 km²**

Average summer temp **16.8°C**

Average winter temp **3.4°C**

Find out more: www.campbellriver.travel

Port Alberni

Known for: **Ancient rainforests and oceanic history**

The Alberni Valley is an outdoor paradise and home to many historical tourist attractions.

Estimated population: **18,000**

Size **19.76 km²**

Average summer temp **16.8°C**

Average winter temp **3.6°C**

Find out more: portalbernitourism.ca



“ You can smell the fresh air and the nature is so beautiful. I’m so glad that I chose this place.”

Nila Kundu,
NIC International Student



kayaking and paddle boarding ♦ skiing, snowboarding and snow/river tubing ♦ hiking ♦ community sports ♦ rivers, oceans & lakes ♦ local farms and wineries ♦ music and art festivals ♦ farmer’s market for fresh produce ♦ artisan studios and galleries ♦ local and international cuisine



Student Support: Your Success is Our Focus

Academic study in a new country is challenging, yet rewarding. NIC provides a wide range of student services, resources and supports to help you reach your goals. We are all in this together.

Academic Support

A collaborative and inclusive environment provides you with learning opportunities, access to information resources. Our Library and Learning Commons are here to provide a variety of services to help you succeed in your studies.

- Math support
- Writing (English) support
- Research Help
- Free Peer Tutoring across disciplines
- Academic workshops on a variety of topics throughout the year

Learn more about academic support online at www.nic.bc.ca/life-at-nic/library-learning-commons

International Student Advising

International student advisors, who are certified Regulated International Student Immigration Advisor (RISIA), provide advice on study permits, post graduate work permits and other related immigration questions.

Counselling services

Counselling services are available to help you if you're experiencing difficulty or mental health issues at NIC. Our professionally trained staff can help with any issues you might be facing, big or small. Along with personal support, we also offer career and educational counselling and learning strategies.

Learn more: www.nic.bc.ca/student-services/counselling

Student Technical Services

NIC's student technical services offers support for all your technology questions to help you succeed. From setting up your email, to printing, to WiFi access, mobile apps and more, student technical services are here to help.

Access Student Tech support online at www.nic.bc.ca/StudentTech

Student Life, Outreach and Leadership Opportunities

Get involved in engaging events and activities. Student Life also helps you navigate NIC policies and procedures and is there for you throughout your educational journey. Go further and become a student leader through leadership skills training and giving back to the college community.

Contact studentlife@nic.bc.ca or visit: www.nic.bc.ca/life-at-nic/student-involvement/student-leadership-team

Support for students with diverse learning needs

Making education accessible is a key priority for NIC. NIC staff are available to provide support for students with documented temporary or permanent disabilities such as accommodation in exams, note-taking services and access to alternative text formats.

Learn more: www.nic.bc.ca/student-services/accessible-learning-services



Career Success



NIC offers a wide range of work-integrated learning. Gain work experience during your program, build your network and work with mentors. Work-integrated learning opportunities help you determine your future career directions.

Gain Employment Support

The Student Employment Services team is also available to support you.

- Career exploration
- Cover letter, resume and interview preparation
- Online student job board and job search assistance
- Online profile development

Connect with the industry

Connect with employers through NIC networking events, career fairs, and the Comox Valley Chamber of Commerce Mentorship program. Many NIC programs

regularly bring industry experts into classrooms to connect students and employers. You may participate in a mentorship program, research project or work-based project that demonstrates your ability to collaborate with industry professionals to solve challenges confronted by industry.

Co-operative Education, Internships and Practicum

Co-op, internship and practicum or hands-on industry experiences create pathways to employment. Leverage on the opportunity to learn new skills, apply your learning and demonstrate your potential to future employers while you study.

CO-OP	INTERNSHIP	PRACTICUM	EXPERIENTIAL EDUCATION
▶ 420 hours	▶ 180 – 360 hours	▶ Variable	▶ Variable
▶ Full-time	▶ Full-time or part-time	▶ Full-time or part-time	▶ Part of the course curriculum
▶ Paid	▶ Paid or unpaid	▶ Unpaid	▶ Unpaid

English Language Pathway



Apply to NIC's Language Pathway schools and NIC at the same time and gain guaranteed admission into NIC's academic programs. Upon successful completion of required courses at one of our Language Pathway partners, you can smoothly transition into NIC's academic program.



Wondering how to apply to NIC and Language Pathway schools?

Learn more: www.nic.bc.ca/international/become-an-nic-student/admission-requirements/language-pathway

University Pathway



Start here. Graduate there. Guaranteed.

NIC's exclusive university partnerships give you guaranteed degree pathways from the beginning of your study. In addition to partnerships, NIC courses can be combined to create your unique plan to transfer seamlessly to universities across BC and beyond.



University Arts and Sciences

Begin your degree at NIC. NIC offers engaging, interactive and high-quality university courses with personalized learning and supportive instructors, you will develop confidence and skills for future academic success.

Associate of Arts Degree

Learn critical thinking and research skills as you explore a wide range of subjects in humanities and social sciences, English and modern languages, and earn the first two years of your degree.

Location	Starts	Length	Fees
Comox Valley	September, January or May	2 years	\$17,256/yr

Keep learning

Earn your Associate degree at NIC and then transfer to finish your Bachelors's degree at university.

Engineering Foundations Certificate

Qualify for guaranteed admission to UVic's engineering degree programs or secure general transfer to UBC, SFU and beyond. Learn strong problem-solving skills to work in design, analysis, project management and gain a solid foundation in computer programming, math, physics and engineering mechanics.

Location	Starts	Length	Fees
Campbell River, Comox Valley, Port Alberni	September	1 year	\$19,400

Examples of courses

Introduction to Engineering I (ENR-100), Matrix Algebra (MAT-133), Calculus I (MAT-181), Principles of Physics I (PHY-120), Engineering Mechanics I: Statics (PHY-141)

Keep learning

Transfer up to 52 credits toward degree programs at universities like UVic and UBC

Start working

Engineering graduates are well-prepared for work in design, analysis, information technology, project management, and other careers requiring a combination of strong problem solving and creativity.

Associate of Science Degree

Focus on your area of interest or explore a wide range of sciences and math while completing the first two years of your degree.

Location	Starts	Length	Fees
Comox Valley	September or January	2 years	\$17,256/yr

Keep learning

Earn your Associate degree at NIC and then transfer to finish your Bachelors's degree at university.

Our advisors will work with you to create a custom university transfer plan to help you reach your goals. We can help you develop a pathway for a science based career.

(Note: Course availability may be limited for January intake.)

Criminology Diploma

Gain insight into the justice system through experiences like correctional facility tours, mock trials and class discussions. Start your degree at NIC and receive transfer credit toward university degree programs, including VIU and SFU.

Location	Starts	Length	Fees
Campbell River, Comox Valley, Port Alberni	September or January	2 years	\$17,256/yr

Examples of courses

Introduction to Criminology (CRM-101), Introduction to Canadian Law and Legal Institutions (CRM-135), Law and Politics (POL-151), Psychological Explanations of Criminal and Deviant Behaviour (PSY-260), Introduction to Sociology I (SOC-110)

Keep learning

Transfer your credits toward degree programs at universities like VIU and SFU.

Start working

Qualify for a range of careers, including correctional officer, court reporter, immigration officer, youth court worker, probation officer, crime analyst and much more.



Complete two years of Associate of Arts or Science program at NIC, then transfer to Portland State University, USA to complete the 3rd and 4th year of your bachelor's degree. Maximize your international experience by studying in two different countries.

How does it work?

Each degree pathway has its own unique deadlines and transfer requirements:



UVic Guaranteed Admission

Achieve a 2.0 GPA (C average) or higher in eight or more eligible courses (24 transfer credits) and UVic will guarantee your admission to select programs. (See UVic Engineering Guaranteed Admission below.)



UVic Engineering Guaranteed Admission

Achieve a minimum GPA of 2.33 (C+ average and no courses less than C) to guarantee your admission into second-year Computer, Electrical, Mechanical, Biomedical, Civil or Software Engineering.

Please note you may be required to have higher GPA to enter some programs



VIU Transfer Options

Take eight or more eligible courses (24 transfer credits) and transfer to VIU's select programs.



UNBC Dual Admission

As a dual admission student, your admission is confirmed to UNBC and NIC at the start of your education. Complete two years of eligible classes at NIC and then transfer into Year 3 of UNBC's Bachelor of Science.

Dual Admission options to UVIC and VIU are only available to international students currently studying at one of our partner high schools in our campus regions. Please contact us for more information.



Royal Roads Guaranteed Admission

Achieve a minimum GPA of 3.0 or higher in eligible diploma or associate degree to guarantee your admission into third year of a bachelor degree in justice studies, interdisciplinary studies, professional communication, international hotel management and global tourism management.



Emily Carr University of Art + Design Guaranteed Admission

Complete NIC's Fine Arts diploma with a GPA of 3.0 or higher and you can automatically transfer into Year 3 of a Bachelor of Fine Arts (Visual Arts) or Bachelor of Fine Arts (Critical and Cultural Practices)



Alberta College of Art + Design Guaranteed Admission

Complete NIC's Fine Arts diploma with an average of C (2.0) or higher and you can automatically transfer into Year 3 of a Bachelor of Fine Arts on the basis of academic standing and portfolio review.

Please note you may be required to have higher GPA to enter some programs

LEGEND

G = Guaranteed Admission

D = Dual Admission

T = Transfer Agreement

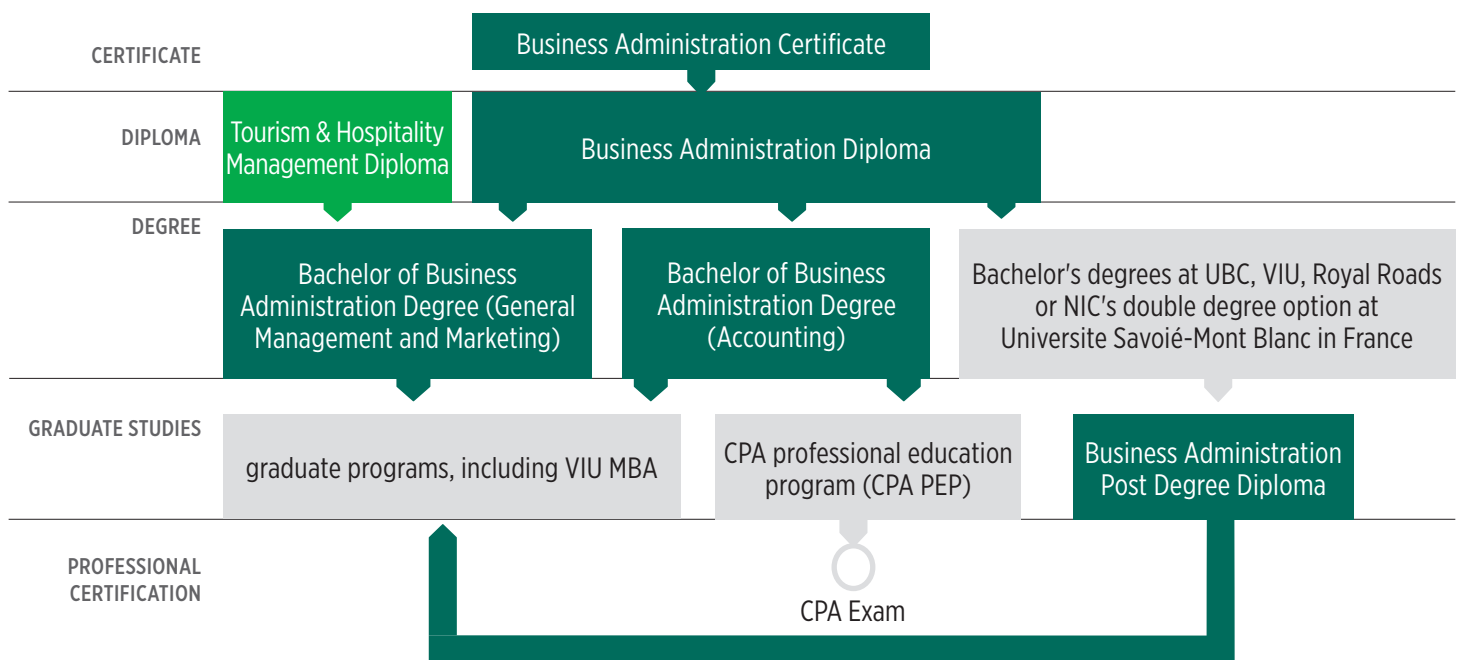
START YOUR STUDIES AT NORTH ISLAND COLLEGE NIC		With NIC's agreements you can transfer to university programs in:		
ENGLISH & LANGUAGES AT NIC • Associate of Arts Degree		UVic	VIU	UNBC
HUMANITIES & SOCIAL SCIENCE AT NIC • Associate of Arts Degree • Criminology Diploma	English	G/D	D/T	
	French	G/D	D/T	
	Spanish	G/D	D/T	
	Anthropology	G/D	D/T	
	Economics	G/D	D/T	
	Environmental Studies	G/D	D/T	
	First Nations Studies/Indigenous Studies	G/D	D/T	
	Geography	G/D	D/T	
	History	G/D	D/T	
	Liberal Studies	G/D	D/T	
	Philosophy	G/D	D/T	
	Political Science	G/D	D/T	
	Psychology	G/D	D/T	
	Sociology	G/D	D/T	
	Women's Studies	G/D	D/T	
ENGINEERING AT NIC • Associate of Science Degree • Engineering Certificate	Biomedical Engineering	G/D		
	Civil Engineering	G/D		
	Computer Engineering/Computer Studies	G/D		
	Electrical Engineering	G/D		
	Mechanical Engineering	G/D		
	Software Engineering	G/D		
MATH & SCIENCE AT NIC • Associate of Arts Degree	Astronomy	G/D		
	Biochemistry	G/D		D/T
	Biochemistry & Molecular/ Microbiology	G/D		D/T
	Biology	G/D	D/T	
	Chemistry	G/D	D/T	D/T
	Computing Science/Computer Science	G/D	D/T	
	Earth & Ocean Sciences	G/D		
	Environmental Science			D/T
	Mathematics	G/D	D/T	D/T
	Physics	G/D		D/T
	Psychology	G/D	D/T	
	Statistics	G/D		

NIC School of Business



Navigate the world of business with NIC's broad curriculum, knowledgeable faculty and work placement opportunities. Specialize your skills as you progress through certificate, diploma, degree and post-degree diplomas.

SCHOOL OF BUSINESS PROGRAM PATHWAY



Business Administration Certificate

Explore general management, marketing or accounting to determine the path that's right for you. Learn from top-notch faculty, connect with business leaders and prepare for great careers locally and internationally with a range of co-op and applied learning opportunities

Location	Starts	Length	Fees
Comox Valley	September, January or May	1 year	\$17,256

Start working

Career positions may include, but would not be limited to, office employee, banking and financial assistant or accounting assistant.

Keep learning

Earn one year's credit towards NIC's Business diploma and degree programs.

Business Administration Diploma

Explore career options in general management, marketing or accounting to determine the path that's right for you. Learn from top-notch faculty, connect with business leaders and prepare for great jobs locally and internationally with a range of co-op and applied learning opportunities.

Location	Starts	Length	Fees
Comox Valley	September, January or May	2 years with optional co-op	\$17,256/yr

Start working

Depending on your interests and area of specialization, job titles may include, but would not be limited to, market researcher, sales and retail manager, advertising coordinator and product manager.

Keep learning

Earn two year's credit towards your business degree at NIC or at universities in BC, across Canada and at RGU in Scotland.

Bachelor of Business Administration Degree

Develop your career goals, apply theory learned in class and earn academic credits with opportunities for paid co-op work experience, international exchanges and networking opportunities.

Choose one of three specialities:

- Accounting Major
- Marketing Major
- General Management Major

Location	Starts	Length	Fees
Comox Valley	September, January or May	4 years with optional co-op	\$17,256/yr

Start working

Get prepared for management-level positions in public accounting, financial management, planning and business accounting.

Keep learning

Guaranteed admission to VIU's dual graduate MBA/MScIB program or apply to master's, MBA programs and professional CPA designations.



I knew I wanted to go to law school, so I was looking for a degree that provided a lot of versatility. The business degree is so applicable to anything you'd want to do, and I know the skills I developed during my co-ops will help me in my future practice.

Sheldon Falk

NIC Bachelor of Business Administration,
General Management Major grad
and UBC law student



Université Savoie Mont Blanc Double Degree

Complete two years at NIC, then transfer to Université Savoie Mont Blanc, France to study International Sales in Sports in English. Come back to NIC to complete the 4th year and earn Bachelor of Business Administration from NIC and Bachelor of Arts in International Sales Specialist in Sports from University of Savoie Mont Blanc.

Post Degree Diplomas (PDD)

Advance your undergraduate degree with a marketable business education.

Post degree diplomas offer a range of specialities to suit your interests and career goals.

Business Administration

Specialize in accounting and finance, general management, international management, human resource management or marketing.

Location	Starts	Length	Fees
Comox Valley	September or January	1 year	\$17,256

Start working

Post degree diploma will prepare you for a wide range of opportunities in Canada and internationally. This may include working in the diplomatics corps, government, college and university international offices, international development agencies, and as a small business owner.

Global Business Management

Specialize in Canadian and international global business management including trades, marketing and finance.

Develop cross-cultural skills to operate in a variety of industries.

Location	Starts	Length	Fees
Comox Valley, Campbell River (location may vary)	September or January	2 years including internship	1st yr \$17,367 2nd yr \$15,774

Pre-Professional Accountant

Specialize in accounting with a focus on preparation for entry into the Canadian Chartered Professional Accountant (CPA) certification program.

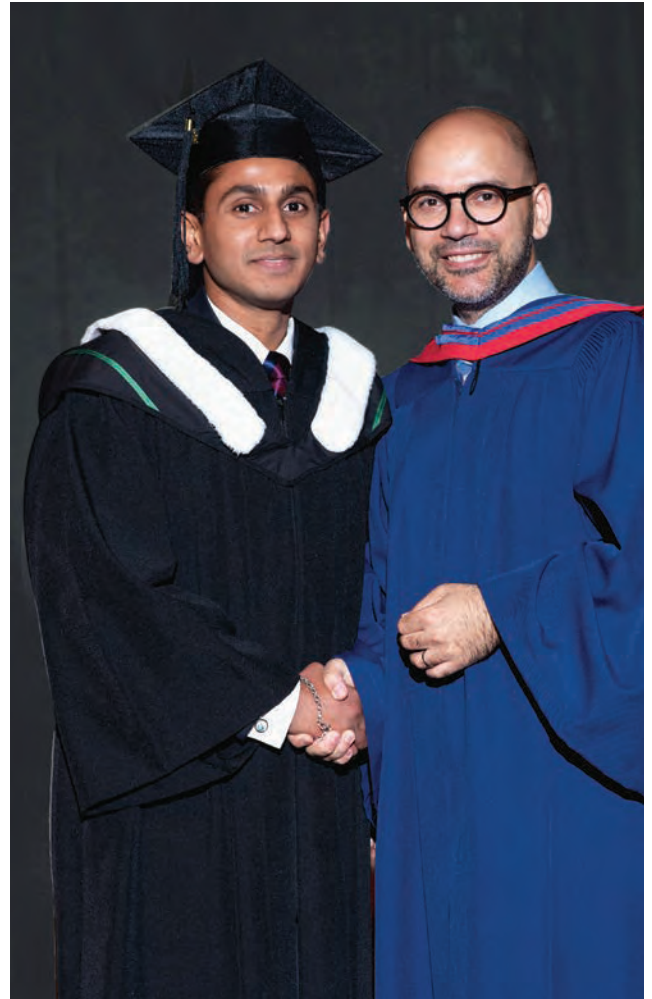
Location	Starts	Length	Fees
Comox Valley	September or January	2 years including internship	1st yr \$17,246 2nd yr \$15,782

Start working

This program prepares you for career opportunities in a wide range of work environments in accounting in Canada and internationally.

Keep learning

You may also pursue your designation in accounting or towards CPA certification, or could consider further education in Masters programs in a variety of disciplines.



I strongly believe the internship component of my program prepared me for my job, and all the courses provided me the knowledge and skills to carry out my work.

Vikas Jain

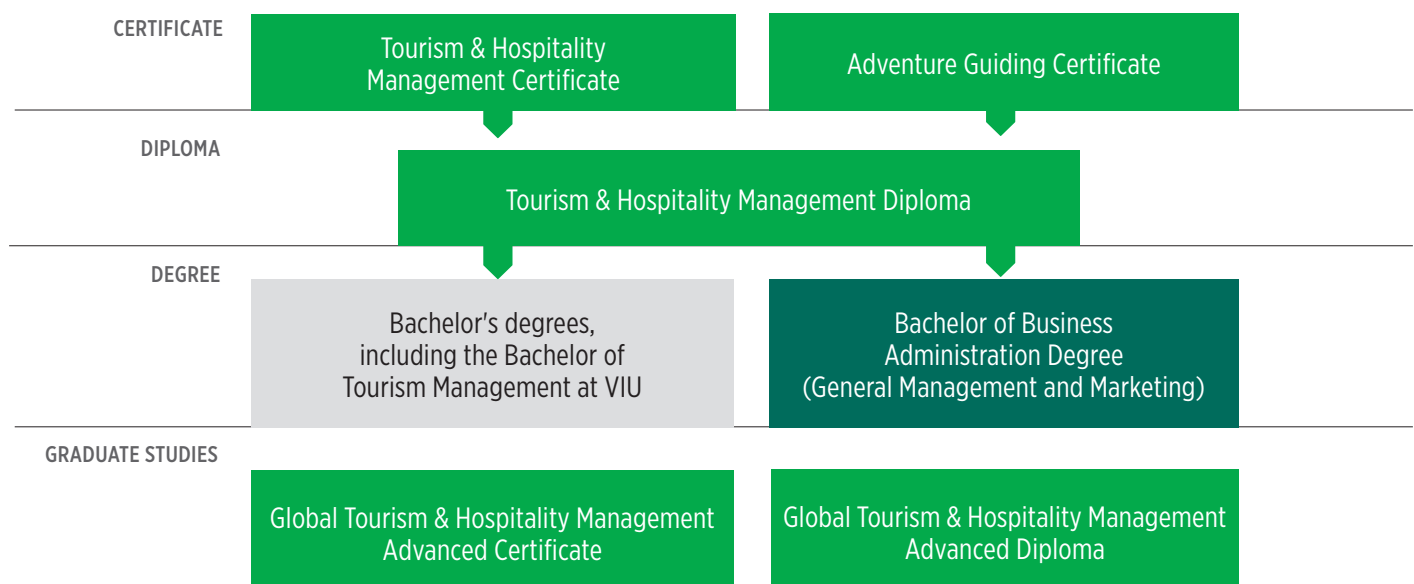
NIC PDD in Global Business Management
Accounting Technician, MNP

Tourism & Hospitality



Learn from industry leaders as you organize tourism events, travel to top resorts, take part in academic exchanges and paid work experience opportunities locally and around the world.

TOURISM & HOSPITALITY PROGRAM PATHWAY



Tourism & Hospitality Management Certificate

Gain business and industry-specific skills to launch a career in the tourism and hospitality industry. Explore careers in restaurants, hotels, resorts, event planning, conferences and more.

Location	Starts	Length	Fees
Comox Valley	September or January	1 year	\$18,040

Start working

You'll be prepared to launch a career in restaurants, hotels, resorts, event planning, conferences, fine dining, and casual establishments.

Keep learning

Transfer into NIC's Tourism and Hospitality Management diploma program, Business Administration diploma or degree.

Tourism & Hospitality Management Diploma

Unique in BC, NIC's Tourism & Hospitality Management diplomas are fun, flexible and maximize your options and career opportunities. Whether your interest is adventure tourism in the outdoors, sustainable tourism or resort management, you'll balance classroom theory and applied learning for a solid foundation to build your career.

Choose one of three options:

- Adventure Guiding
- Hospitality
- Sustainable Tourism

Location	Starts	Length	Fees
Comox Valley	September or January	2 years including co-op	1st yr \$17,655
			2nd yr \$17,540

Start working

Qualify for employment in all areas of the tourism and hospitality industry, including luxury hotels, ski and golf resorts, restaurants, tourism services and the travel trade.

Keep learning

Bridge into NIC's Bachelor of Business Administration degree, Marketing major and General Management major.

Global Tourism & Hospitality Management Advanced Certificate

Advance your degree or diploma with post-graduate study of business, including marketing and accounting, and hospitality management, including international hotels, food & beverage and events.

Choose one of two specialties:

- Hospitality
- Sustainable Tourism

Location	Starts	Length	Fees
Comox Valley	September or January	1 year	\$17,020

Start working

Qualify for positions in hotel and restaurant general management, human resources management, sales and marketing management, convention services management, hotel revenue and financial management and more.

Keep learning

Receive credit toward NIC's Global Tourism and Hospitality Management Advanced Diploma.

Global Tourism & Hospitality Management Advanced Diploma

Launch a career in international tourism by combining post-graduate study of business with valuable workplace experience. Choose between hospitality or sustainable tourism.

Choose one of two specialties:

- Hospitality
- Sustainable Tourism

Location	Starts	Length	Fees
Comox Valley	September or January	2 years including Internship	1st yr \$14,735
			2nd yr \$15,965

Start working

As a graduate, you will qualify for leadership and management opportunities in luxurious hotels and resorts across the tourism and hospitality industry, including hotel and restaurant management, human resources management, sales and marketing management and hotel revenue/financial management.



The demand for skilled, creative and qualified individuals in BC's tourism and hospitality industry is increasing. The skills you'll learn in the Tourism and Hospitality Management certificate program will prepare you for a career in a growing industry.

Harley Elias, NIC instructor



Adventure Guiding Certificate

Prepare to work as a guide in BC's growing adventure tourism sector. Develop field skills such as sea kayaking, river rafting, sailing, ski touring, mountaineering, interpretation, leadership, wilderness first aid, navigation and more. Train, then work in amazing locations.

Location	Starts	Length	Fees
Comox Valley	September	1 year with experiential education	\$19,155

Additional fees may also include necessary equipment

Example of Courses

Guiding Skills 1 (TGA-100), Sea Kayaking 1 (TGA-103), Wilderness First Aid (TGA-111), Interpretation (TGA-100), Sustainable Tourism (THM-211)

Start working

Achieve industry-recognized certifications and qualify for entry-level leadership and guiding positions in sea kayaking, with sea and land-based tour operators, at outdoor centres, or with youth wilderness programs and adventure therapy programs.

Keep learning

Transfer into year 2 of NIC's Tourism & Hospitality Management diploma, Adventure Guiding option or to other post-secondary institutions across BC.

Tourism & Hospitality Management, Adventure Guiding Diploma

Gain a strong foundation in key management functions such as accounting, marketing, human resource management, leadership and computer skills, have an opportunity to visit one of Canada's top tourism destinations and receive a practical introduction to restaurant and hotel operations.

Location	Starts	Length	Fees
Comox Valley	September	2 years with co-op	1st yr \$21,374 2nd yr \$18,275

Additional fees may also include necessary equipment

Example of Courses

Financial Accounting Fundamentals (BUS-100), The Tourism Industry (THM-100), Cross Cultural Tourism (THM-225), Conventions & Special Events Management (THM-203), Consumer Behaviour (BUS-260), International Marketing (BUS-370)

Start working

Qualify for employment in all areas of the tourism and hospitality industry, including luxury hotels, ski and golf resorts, restaurants, tourism services and the travel trade.

Keep learning

Bridge into NIC's Bachelor of Business Administration degree, Marketing major and General Management major.



After graduating from the Adventure diploma I completed my degree in Tourism Management, then a post graduate certificate in Destination Development. After schooling I continued to guide and even ran my own company. My new career with the Canadian Coast Guard as a Risk Analyst for Maritime Search and Rescue Delivery (RAMSARD) became possible because of my studies, training and experience in marine-based Adventure Tourism.

Trevor Chapman, NIC Adventure Guiding Management Diploma graduate.

Culinary Arts



NIC alumni Tina Tang (centre right), named one of Canada's Next Star Chefs, demonstrates how to make her award-winning cheesecake to students.

Follow your passion for food with a career in the Culinary Arts. Get instruction from expert chefs as you learn kitchen basics and then hone your skills in one of NIC's fully-equipped commercial kitchens.

Culinary Business Operations Diploma

This diploma blends ITA professional cook levels 1 & 2 with front of house skills. Practice in NIC's fully-equipped commercial kitchen and earn your apprenticeship hours and gain employer connections with co-op placements.

Location	Starts	Length	Fees
Campbell River	September	1 year including co-op	\$18,769

Start working

Be prepared for entry and mid-level positions in the culinary industry.

Keep learning

Advance your training and skills with the Culinary Business Operations advanced diploma.

Culinary Business Operations Advanced Diploma

This diploma combines ITA professional cook level 3 with business, financial, marketing and leadership skills. Gain work experience in NIC's Café and Bistro settings and connect with employers through co-op opportunities.

Location	Starts	Length	Fees
Campbell River	September	2 years including co-op	1st yr \$18,381 2nd yr \$17,536

Start working

Be prepared for mid-level positions in the culinary industry, including leadership roles.

Keep learning

After five years as a Red Seal chef, you may enter the Chef de Cuisine certification program available through the Canadian Culinary Federation.



Institute of Technology, Tralee Degree Pathway

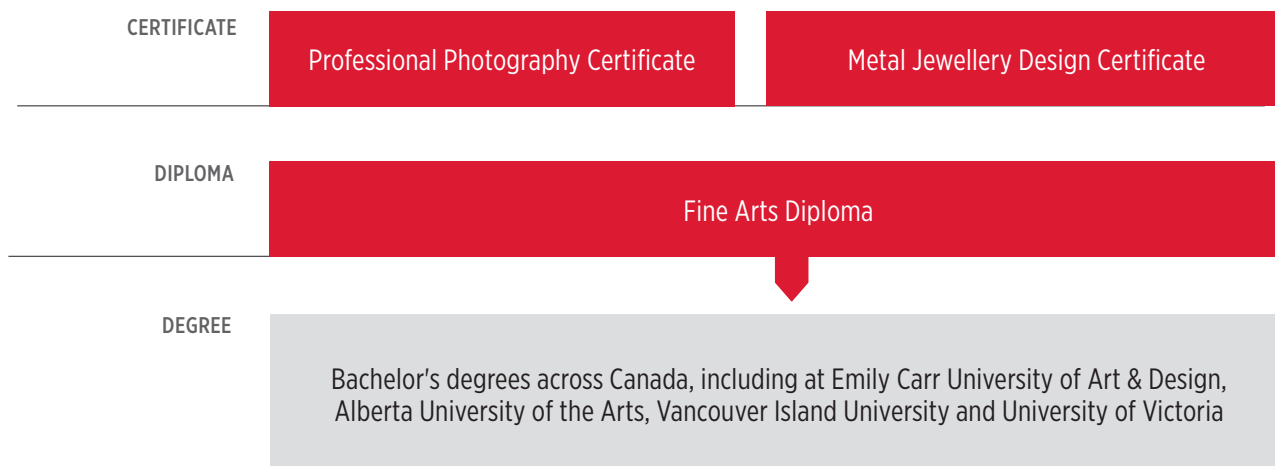
Complete NIC's Culinary Business Operations Diploma and transfer to ITT in Ireland to earn a Bachelor of Arts in Culinary Arts degree. Enhance your skills and gain international experience.

School of Fine Art



Explore printmaking, video, painting, drawing, digital media, ceramics, photography and sculpture in NIC's high-calibre fine arts studios. Develop creative and critical thinking skills as you pursue your career as an artist or transfer to degree programs across Canada.

FINE ART PROGRAM PATHWAY



Fine Arts Diploma

Explore printmaking, video, painting, drawing, digital media, ceramics, photography and sculpture. Transfer seamlessly into Canada's top universities.

Location	Starts	Length	Fees
Comox Valley	September	2 years	1st yr \$17,367 2nd yr \$17,277

Start working

Pursue a career in a broad range of artistic disciplines, including painting, sculpture, printmaking, curating, art therapy, community arts programming, exhibit design, fashion, interior design, set design, video, film and in other entrepreneurial creative industries.

Keep learning

Transfer to a degree program at Emily Carr University of Art + Design, Alberta University of the Arts, University of Victoria or Vancouver Island University.



Metal Jewellery Design Certificate

Gain the technical skills and industry knowledge to design, create and promote beautiful metal jewellery. Hone your artistry in NIC's studios, then make your designs a reality as you pursue employment in the retail industry or independently selling your work at festivals, galleries or from your own studio.

Location	Starts	Length	Fees
Campbell River	January 2021 TBA 2022	1 year	\$9,870

Start working

Upon completion, you will have both the technical skills to produce your own metal jewellery and the business skills to present and promote your designs. Depending on your background and interests, you may seek employment in the retail jewellery industry or pursue self-employment options.

Professional Photography Certificate

This intensive 10-month program will prepare you to enter the world of professional photography. Develop core professional photography skills and gain hands-on experience as you build an industry relevant portfolio that showcases your artistic talent and technical skills.

Location	Starts	Length	Fees
Comox Valley	September	1 year	\$18,646

Additional fees may also include necessary equipment

Examples of courses

Digital Photography I (FIN-710), Intro to Studio Practices & Lighting (FIN-718), Editorial & Photojournalism (FIN-723), Advertising & Commercial Photography (FIN-729), Videography & Multi Media (FIN-739)

Start working

Graduate with NIC's Professional Photography certificate and gain the advanced technical skills required to work professionally in a variety of fields like photojournalism, advertising, wedding photography and more. Follow your passion and graduate with the tools to build your future in photography.

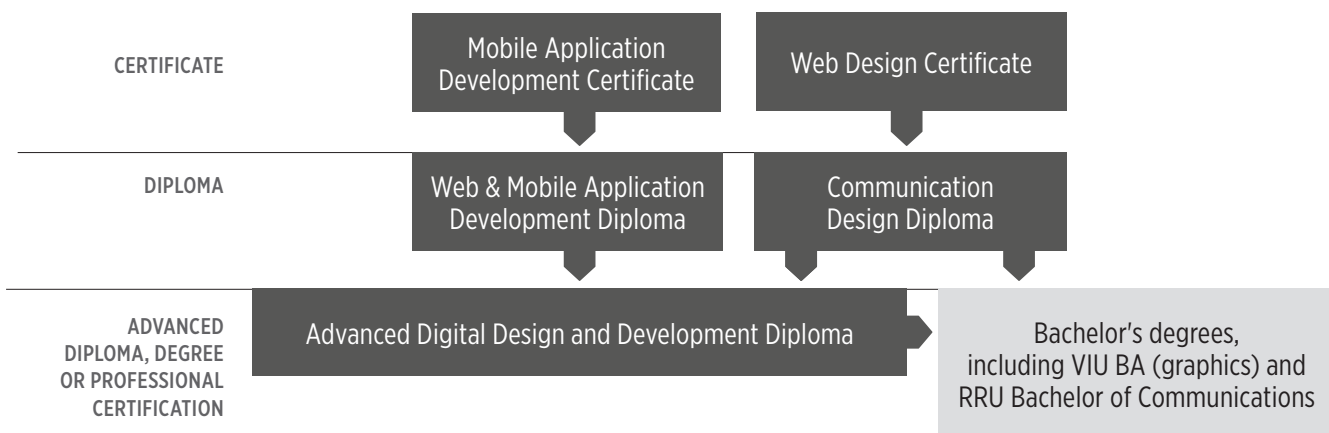
DIGITAL Design + Development



Web and Mobile Application Development diploma student Liam Quinn shows his final project to Nick Ward of The Update Company.

Explore graphic design and computer programming for mobile apps and the web. Whether starting your career or broadening your skillset, you'll achieve the knowledge and experience employers are seeking.

DIGITAL DESIGN + DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS PATHWAY



Design Stream

Immerse yourself in the discipline of communication design and explore branding, typography, graphic design, user interface design and front-end web development. Learn web standards and communication design principles to create user experiences for print, web and mobile devices.

Web Design Fundamentals Certificate

Gain foundational web technology skills, understand key communication design principles and web-based standards and produce attractive, intuitive web pages that connect with their audiences.

Location	Starts	Length	Fees
Comox Valley	September	1 year	\$17,463

Start working: Graduate, then pursue careers in communication design, graphic and web design and front-end scripting.

Keep learning: Transfer into second year of NIC's Communication Design diploma.



“The curriculum curated by my mentors (instructors) instilled the basic principles of web and design. Without their patience and encouragement, I don't think I would have the job I have today.”

Dale Garcia
CDIMD Graduate
Brand Identity and User Interface Designer

Communication Design Diploma

Connect with an audience by creating visual solutions to communication goals. Explore principles of communication design and critical skills in web programming.

Location	Starts	Length	Fees
Comox Valley	September	2 years	1st yr \$17,463
			2nd yr, \$17,580

Start working: Pursue careers in communication and graphic design, front-end web design and development, user experience design and more.

Keep learning: Continue your studies by transferring into year 3 of a degree program, including the Bachelor's of Arts in Professional Communication at Royal Roads University.

Advanced Digital Design and Development Diploma: Design Stream

The Advanced Diploma is our most in-depth and flexible program. This comprehensive and flexible program allows you to develop foundational skills in both design and development with specialization as a designer, with a wide section of electives to broaden your education. You'll develop in-demand skills by using cutting-edge tools to take complex digital products from concept to launch and become a force in the digital design and development industry.

Location	Starts	Length	Fees
Comox Valley	September	3 years	1st yr \$17,458
			2nd yr \$17,434
			3rd yr \$17,396

Start working: Graduates pursue careers in communication and graphic design, web design and development, iOS and Android app development and more.

Keep learning: Continue your studies by transferring into year 3 of a degree program, including the Bachelor of Arts in Professional Communication at Royal Roads University and Bachelor of Arts in Graphic Design at VIU.

Development Stream

Dive into in-demand computer programming skills for web and smartphone app development. You'll learn industry-standard programming languages and tools for developing effective web sites, browser-based applications and mobile apps for Android and Apple devices.

Mobile Application Development Certificate

Gain an in-depth introduction to mobile app development with a program designed for skilled web developers. Focus on building object-oriented programming skills in Android and iOS development environments.

Location	Starts	Length	Fees
Comox Valley	September	1 year	\$17,513

Start working: Graduates pursue careers in iOS and Android application development, game development, computer programming and more.

Keep learning: Continue your training with NIC's Web and Mobile Application Development – Interactive Media diploma.



“NIC's Mobile App Development program gave me the foundational skills to get started in the industry and opened my eyes to the many possibilities and opportunities I could have programming for smartphones. Today I'm employed by one of the biggest tech companies in Canada.”

Lucas Storti

WMAD graduate
Mobile Team Lead, Rain
(U.S. payroll app development company)

Web and Mobile Application Development Diploma

Gain industry-ready skills in web and mobile programming along with communication design and project management fundamentals. This program's well-rounded curriculum combines the Web Design and Mobile Application certificates.

Location	Starts	Length	Fees
Comox Valley	September	2 years	1st yr \$17,473
			2nd yr \$17,473

Start working: Pursue careers in iOS and Android application development, web and games development and computer programming.

Keep learning: Continue your studies with NIC's Advanced Communication and Interactive Design diploma.

Advanced Digital Design and Development Diploma: Development Stream

The Advanced Diploma is our most in-depth and flexible program. This comprehensive and flexible program allows you to develop foundational skills in both design and development with specialization as a developer, with a wide section of electives to broaden your education. You'll develop in-demand skills by using cutting-edge tools to take complex digital products from concept to launch and become a force in the digital design and development industry.

Location	Starts	Length	Fees
Comox Valley	September	3 years	1st yr \$17,463
			2nd yr \$17,439
			3rd yr \$17,396

Start working

Graduates pursue careers in communication and graphic design, web design and development, iOS and Android app development and more.

Keep learning

Continue your studies by transferring into year 3 of a degree program, including the Bachelor of Arts in Professional Communication at Royal Roads University and Bachelor of Arts in Graphic Design at VIU.

Human Services



Connect with compassion and make a difference in the lives of others. Gain the communication skills, theoretical knowledge and practical skills you need to start working in the field. NIC's graduates are in demand in the community to support children, adults and families.

Early Childhood Care & Education Certificate

Make a difference in the lives of young children by providing quality care and education for healthy learning and development. Specialize your skills while you apply theory to practice with children ages 30 months to five years in a variety of early care and learning settings.

Location	Starts	Length	Fees
Campbell River, Comox Valley, Port Alberni	September	1 year	\$19,734

Start working

The ECCE diploma is designed to provide you with the skills and theory to practice with children ages 30 months to five years in a variety of early care and learning settings.

Early Childhood Care & Education Diploma

Specialize your skills in the field of early childhood education. Choose to concentrate in one of two areas: working collaboratively with families in the care of infants and toddlers and/or with children who require extra support.

Location	Starts	Length	Fees
Campbell River, Comox Valley, Port Alberni	January	2 years	1st yr \$16,039 2nd yr \$13,295 <i>*cost may change without notice</i>

Start working

The ECCE diploma is designed to prepare you for work with infants and toddlers, children of varying abilities and their families.

Human Services Certificate - Educational Assistant / Community Support

Prepare to provide support and assist individuals with a broad range of differing abilities. Become qualified for a career as an educational assistant or community support in school districts, group homes, employment agencies and community organizations.

Location	Starts	Length	Fees
Comox Valley	September	1 year	\$18,502

Start working

Be prepared to assist individuals who have physical, cognitive and psychiatric disabilities, in schools, government or community-based agencies.

Keep learning

Continue your training with NIC's Human Services diploma.

“ My practicums taught me so much, giving me experience working with people with diverse abilities. I am now working through the CDA (Child Development Centre) with the Project Inclusion where I did one of my practicums.

— Kelly Hillis, Human Services Certificate alumni

Human Services Certificate Educational Assistant/Community Support, Indigenous Focus

As a specialized education assistant or community support worker, you will be prepared to provide support to individuals with a broad range of differing abilities, bringing unique skills and training to the workplace to help integrate Aboriginal cultural and curricular content.

Location	Starts	Length	Tuition
Port Alberni	September	1 year	\$16,925

Start working

Be prepared to assist individuals who have physical, cognitive and psychiatric disabilities, in schools, government or community-based agencies.

Keep learning

Continue your training with NIC's Human Services diploma.

“ [The Indigenous focus of the program] changed my perspective and how I looked at life in general. It can be very emotional, especially if you've lived some of it, but you need to learn it and understand it. It's made me a more empathetic person.

— Kristy Salter, HSC Ind. Focus alumni

Human Services Diploma

Build on your Human Services certificate and gain knowledge and skills to work in human service agencies providing community support, education assistance, social services and behaviour interventionism.

Location	Starts	Length	Fees
Comox Valley	September	1 year	\$20,250

Start working

A variety of employment options exist in human service agencies depending on the courses chosen and final practicum focus.

“ The atmosphere here is so diverse, warm, inviting and uplifting. It helped me on my journey and I know it helped others as well.

— David Dawson, Human Services diploma alumni

Social Service Diploma

Gain insight into social justice to support and empower individuals, families and communities. You will examine issues relating to inequality, social policy, human rights, multiculturalism, conflict management, program development and community development.

Location	Starts	Length	Fees
Comox Valley	September	2 years	\$19,405/yr

Start working

Be qualified to work with individuals accessing services from agencies in areas such as financial assistance, family support, employment, life-skills acquisition, services to women, youth justice, mental health, substance abuse and a variety of other community-based programs.

“ The program was fun but also very challenging. You're learning how to walk alongside and support people who are experiencing different issues and situations that affect their lives. The instructors were very supportive and the practicums were rewarding and helpful in developing my skills and applying the theory and knowledge I was learning in class.

— Rudi-Lee Canil, NIC Social Service diploma alumni

Trades & Technical



Students in the Aircraft Structures Technician (AME-S) program work with sheet metal, tubular, composite, wood and fabric structures to develop skills in the fabrication and repair of metal skins and structures for the aircraft industry.

Learn from expert faculty in modern, well-equipped shops to develop the internationally recognized skills employers are looking for. Hundreds of students launch their trades and technical training at NIC each year, opening doors to diverse and exciting careers in resource, technology, transportation and construction trades.



The great thing about this industry is the variety – anything you can think about can be automated. The possibilities are endless. It's really exciting to work in a field like that.

Jonathan Levasseur

Industrial Automation graduate

Electronics Technician Core Certificate (Year 1)



Take the first step toward an exciting career in industrial electrical and automation. Learn to troubleshoot, maintain and build electronic circuits including microprocessors and robotics equipment. Approximately 700 hours of lab time gives you hands-on experience in the correct use of tools, testing equipment, troubleshooting procedures and soldering techniques. Graduates may continue on to the second year of the Industrial Automation diploma.

Location	Starts	Length	Tuition & Fees
Campbell River	September	1 year	\$18,073

Start working

Second-year specialties lead to a wide range of high-demand career opportunities in industries such as forest products, pulp and paper, chemical processing, oil/gas/petroleum, mining and metal processing, steam generation and utilities, water and waste water treatment, food and beverage, pharmaceuticals, textiles, materials handling and electronics/semi-conductors manufacturing.

Keep learning

Continue your training with NIC's Industrial Automation Technician Diploma.

Furniture Design and Joinery Certificate

Learn the art of designing, constructing, finishing and repairing a wide range of high-quality wood products using hand tools to create intricate, detail-oriented designs. Pursue a career in furniture restoration or manufacturing, millwork and cabinets, marine joinery, residential finishing carpentry, sales or as a self-employed artisan.

Location	Starts	Length	Fees
Port Alberni	September	1 year	\$16,710

Aircraft Structures Technician (AME-S)

Learn about the basic theory of flight, aircraft systems, construction and Transport Canada regulatory requirements while learning to build and repair aircraft structures. Upon successful completion of the program you will receive recognition by Transport Canada for training and technical tests required for the Aircraft Maintenance Engineer-Structures (AME-S) licence.

Location	Starts	Length	Fees
Campbell River	September	1 year	\$17,721

Industrial Automation Technician Diploma (Year 2)

Learn to work on all types of electronic systems including motor controls and programmable logic controllers, data acquisition, process control systems and robotics. You'll work with state-of-the-art equipment and technology, with a combined total of 1,400 hours of practical training, including a capstone project. As a graduate you'll qualify to work in a variety of industries including renewable energy, oil and gas, manufacturing and more.

Location	Starts	Length	Fees
Campbell River	September	1 year	\$18,072

Examples of courses

Process Measurement (ELC-201), Programmable Logic Controllers I (ELC-15), AutoCAD for Technicians (ELC-220), Industrial Power Electronics (ELC-230), Fluid Power Controls (ELC-250)

Start working

Discover career opportunities in high demand fields such as engineering design, maintenance, industrial control, supervisory control and data acquisition, industrial networking and technical sales. Or, transition into an instrumentation or electrical apprenticeship with advanced standing.

NEW PROGRAM

Computer Information Systems Certificate

Learn the essential components of modern information systems including hardware, software, and networking. You will develop essential skills through extensive hands-on lab exercises and projects. At the end of the program you will be prepared to enter the industry or continue with further study.

Location	Starts	Length	Fees
Campbell River	September	1 year	\$20,089

“ I'm incredibly satisfied with the quality and motivation of NIC's aircraft structures students. I have hired many of them.
— Bill Alder, Sealand Aviation Campbell River

“ Employees who maintain networks, systems and software are invaluable to organizations. This program provides students the foundational skills they need to find employment in a wide range of information technology areas.

— Neil Cruickshank, NIC dean, arts, science & technology

Tuition and Awards

Invest in your future. Be financially prepared for academic success.

Entrance Awards*

\$500 - 1,500 English Proficiency Award	\$1,000 - 2,000 Regional Awards	\$1,000 - 2,000 Language Pathway Awards	\$1,000 - 2,000 High School Pathway Awards
IELTS 6.5-8.0 for Undergraduate Programs; IELTS 7.0-8.0 for Post-graduate Programs	Students from select countries	Students from one of our language pathway partner schools	Students from one of our partner high schools

*Entrance awards are subject to change or cancellation.

Work while you study

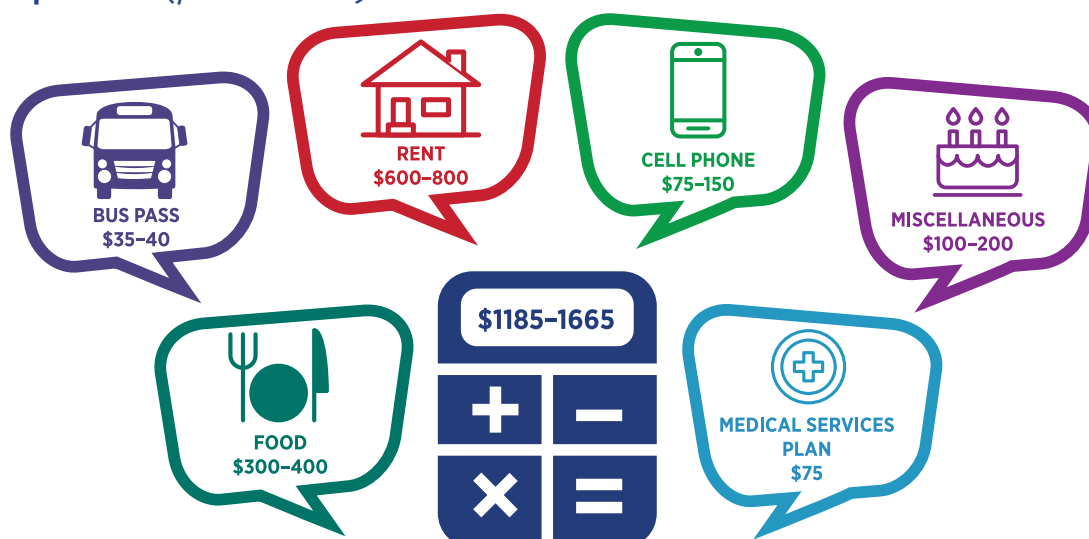
As an international student, you may be allowed to work up to 20 hours per week during regular academic sessions, and full time during scheduled breaks in winter and summer. Many businesses in NIC campus areas hire NIC students regularly. Our provincial minimum wage is \$14.60 per hour, and working full-time in co-op/ internship position could earn up to \$11,000 during the scheduled break term.

Tuition Fees

Estimated costs for two academic terms (one academic year)		
	NORTH ISLAND COLLEGE	URBAN UNIVERSITY
Tuition*	\$13,770	\$21,000
Books & supplies*	\$2,000	\$2,000
Mandatory Fees and Medical Insurance	\$1,486	\$1,500
TOTAL	\$17,256	\$30,000

*Based on a course load of 10 university transfer courses per year and subject to annual cost of living increase. Approximate costs are stated in Canadian dollars. This estimated cost comparison is a guide only. Actual costs vary depending on institution, program and living arrangements. For complete information about program costs, refund policies, college fees and more, please visit www.nic.bc.ca/international.

Living Expenses (per month)*



This estimated cost comparison is intended as a guide only. Actual costs vary, depending on the campus location, living arrangements and personal preferences.

Apply to NIC

Your first stop is British Columbia's Education Planner website: www.educationplannerbc.ca
Once you choose your program, check if you meet the admission requirements.
Then, simply gather the necessary information and prepare to apply online!

Minimum requirement

- 18 years of age prior to or within the first term of study
- High school graduation
- Meet the minimum English proficiency requirement (*see below*)
- You may be required to meet other academic and admission requirements for your chosen program (for example: Grade 11 math)

What English language scores do I need?

BC Curriculum	Academic IELTS	TOEFL iBT	TOEFL (Code 8538)	CAEL	PTE Academic	Duolingo English Test
English 12 C	Overall 6.0 All sections 5.5 minimum	80 no subsection below 19	550	60 and Writing 60	54 overall, no component less than 46	105 overall

What supporting documents do I need?

Copy of passport with signature page	High school transcripts and graduation diploma	Post-secondary transcripts from all post-secondary institutions you attended
Post-secondary credential (certificate, diploma, degree etc.)	Official language proficiency scores	Supplemental information, as required by the specific program

Questions & Answers

When are my application and supporting documents due?

NIC accepts students on an ongoing basis, and program applicants are waitlisted once full. Earlier the better.

What if my English language scores are too low?

If you meet requirements academically but don't meet the English requirements, you may be offered conditional admission through one of our English language pathway schools.

Check out the list of pathway schools on page 8, or visit the website

www.nic.bc.ca/international/become-an-nic-student/admission-requirements/language-pathway

Do I need a counselor/agent?

If you are from India, Bangladesh, Pakistan, Nepal, Sri Lanka or Nigeria, you are required to work with an NIC authorized consultant. NIC collaborates with numerous recognized education and immigration consultants around the world who can assist with application, admission and preparation for studies at NIC.

Visit www.nic.bc.ca/international/become-an-nic-student/find-an-agent

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