

NORTH ISLAND COLLEGE



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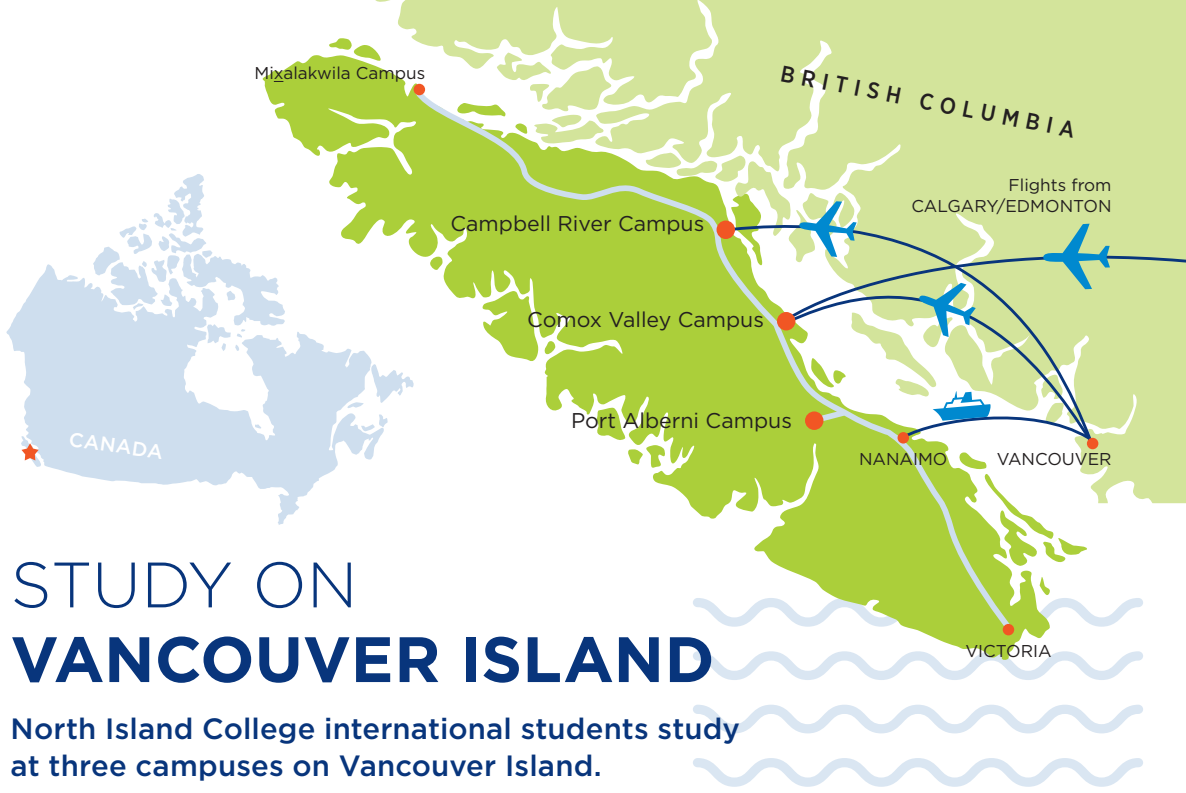
VANCOUVER ISLAND, CANADA



INTERNATIONAL STUDENT GUIDE

**UNDERGRADUATE
PROGRAMS**

2024-2025 ACADEMIC YEAR



STUDY ON VANCOUVER ISLAND

North Island College international students study at three campuses on Vancouver Island.

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Nuu-chah-nulth

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Kwak'wala

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Liq'wala

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Island Comox

The above words mean 'welcome' in the four languages of the Nuu-chah-nulth, Kwakwaka'wakw, Liᑭᓄᓄᓄᓄᓄᓄᓄᓄᓄᓄᓄ, and Coast Salish people.

NIC 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.

LIVE HERE AND STUDY AT NIC

Immerse yourself in a beautiful and vibrant location and discover the power of community that takes your future further. Our campus region offers an unbeatable combination of opportunity and quality of life.

NATURALLY EXTRAORDINARY

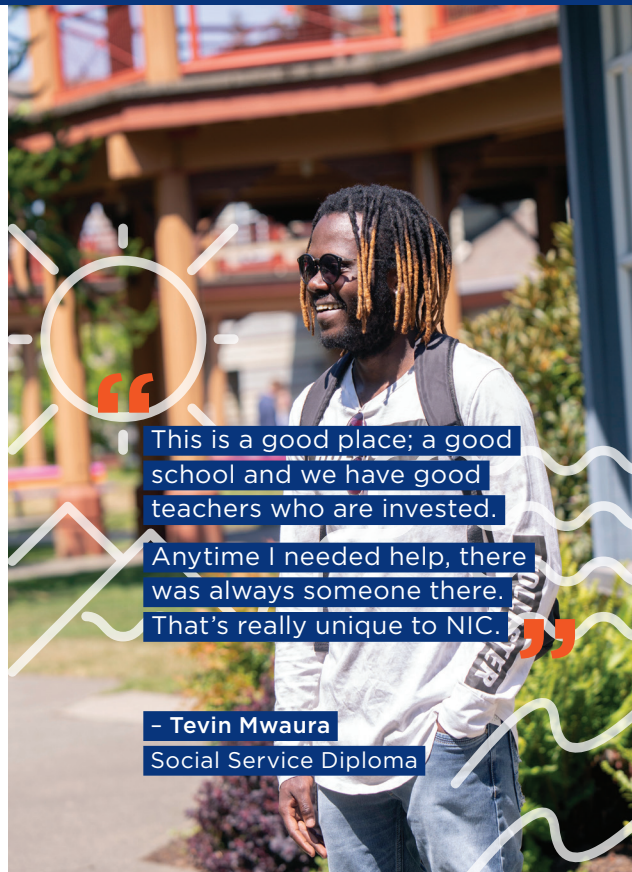
Unparalleled lifestyle — where you learn matters.

A SEA OF OPPORTUNITY

Boundless opportunities for co-ops, work integrated learning, and post graduation employment.

COMMUNITY POWERED

Where connection and collaboration make the difference.



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This is a good place; a good school and we have good teachers who are invested.

Anytime I needed help, there was always someone there.

That's really unique to NIC.”

- Tevin Mwaura

Social Service Diploma

WHERE YOU STUDY



Campbell River

Population: 38,000
Student number: 771

The coastal city of Campbell River is an unofficial Outdoor HQ, offering a variety of outdoor activities. The campus is equipped with state-of-the-art facilities and classrooms, including our modern kitchen and bistro.

campbellriver.travel



Comox Valley

Population: 73,000
Student number: 1,812

Comox Valley campus is a hub of academic activity and community engagement. Comox Valley stretches from mountains to farmlands to beaches and offers a variety of amenities, activities and culinary expertise.

discovercomoxvalley.com



Port Alberni

Population: 22,000
Student number: 400

Port Alberni lies at the head of the rich salmon fishing grounds of the Alberni inlet, and it is known for its welcoming and supportive community and intimate environment.

portalbernitourism.ca

NIC FACTS

630

International students

4,340

Total students

18

Students in an average class

MORE THAN

35

Countries of origin

BE SUPPORTED

Starting your life in another country is a big step, but it doesn't have to be challenging. We are here to help you get the most out of your experience in Canada and at NIC.



Academic and Immigration Advising



Student Employment Service



Counselling & Mental Health



Math & Writing Support



Peer Tutoring



Research Support

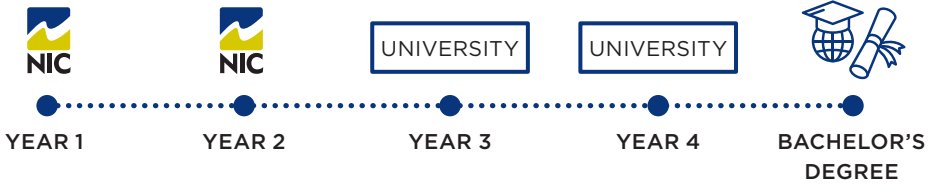


Whenever I present a dish it puts a smile on the person's face. For me, that's the best feedback.

- Kartik Goel
Culinary Business Operations

CHOOSE YOUR PROGRAM

Students in associate degree or select diploma programs will complete up to 20 courses (about 60 credits) in first and second year university level. You can continue your studies by transferring to universities directly after NIC.



Associate of Arts Degree can major in:

English, French, Spanish, Anthropology Economics, Environmental Studies, Fine Arts, Indigenous Studies, Geography, History, Latin American Studies, Liberal Studies, Philosophy, Political Science, Psychology, Sociology, Women's Studies, Criminology, Social Work

Associate of Science Degree can major in:

Astronomy, Biochemistry, Molecular Biology, Microbiology, Biology, Chemistry, Computing Sciences/ Studies, Earth & Ocean Sciences, Environmental Sciences, Mathematics, Physics, Psychology, Statistics

Engineering Foundation Certificate can major in:

Biomedical Engineering, Civil Engineering, Computer Engineering, Electrical Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Software Engineering

TRANSFER SMOOTHLY

WITH GUARANTEE

Take advantage of NIC's Dual and/or Guaranteed Admission Agreement with BC universities to make your transfer smooth and hassle-free!



WITH GENERAL TRANSFER AGREEMENT

You can also transfer your credits to other universities in BC and elsewhere in Canada.



COMPLETE ASSOCIATE DEGREE OR DIPLOMA FIRST

Not ready for a 4-year degree? Complete an associate degree or diploma at NIC and take advantage of the Post Graduation Work Permit Program (PGWPP). Credits earned can be applied towards a future degree.

FIND YOUR PROGRAM

CV = Comox Valley Campus | CR = Campbell River Campus | PA = Port Alberni Campus
 CO-OP = Co-operative education / paid work | WIL = Work-Integrated Learning, Internship

AREAS OF STUDY	LENGTH	INTAKES			CAMPUS CV/CR/PA	CO-OP	WIL	ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS	EST. COST PER YEAR (CAD \$)
		SEP	JAN	MAY					
ARTS, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY - UNIVERSITY DEGREE TRANSFER									
Associate of Arts Degree	2 YEARS	Sep	Jan	May	CV			Math 11	\$16,500
Associate of Science Degree	2 YEARS	Sep			CV			Math 12, Grade 12 Sciences	\$16,500
Engineering Foundation Certificate	1-2 YEARS	Sep			CV			Math 12, Chemistry 12, Physics 12	\$18,500
Criminology Diploma	2 YEARS	Sep			CV			Math 11	\$16,500
University of Victoria Guaranteed Admission *Jan/May intake not available for science students	2 YEARS	Sep	Jan*	May*	CV			Relevant Math and Sciences	\$16,500
Vancouver Island University Dual Admission *Jan intake not available for science students	2 YEARS	Sep	Jan*		CV				\$16,500
BUSINESS									
Business Administration Certificate	1 YEAR	Sep	Jan	May	CV			Math 11	\$16,500
Business Administration Diploma - Accounting, Marketing, and Management	2 YEARS	Sep	Jan	May	CV	✓			\$16,500
Bachelor of Business Administration - Accounting, Marketing, and Management	4 YEARS	Sep	Jan	May	CV	✓			\$16,500
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES									
Early Childhood Care & Education - Infant Toddler Specialization	2 YEARS	Sep			CR/PA		✓	IELTS 6.0 all bands, Requisite Skills and Abilities documents	\$17,200
Human Services - Educational Assistant/ Community Support Certificate (Year 1)	1 YEAR	Sep			CV		✓		\$18,500
Human Services Diploma (Year 2)	1 YEAR	Sep			CV		✓		\$20,000
Social Service Diploma	2 YEARS	Sep			CV		✓		\$19,000
TRADES AND TECHNICAL									
Instrumentation and Electrical Automation Technician Diploma	2 YEARS	Sep			CR		✓	IELTS 6.0 all bands, Math 11	\$17,500
Coastal Forest Technology Diploma	2 YEARS	Sep			CR		✓		\$17,500
Furniture Design and Joinery Certificate	1 YEAR	Sep			PA		✓		\$17,500
TOURISM & HOSPITALITY									
ADVENTURE GUIDING									
Adventure Guiding Certificate	1 YEAR	Sep			CV		✓	IELTS 6.0 all bands, Math 11	\$19,500
Tourism & Hospitality Management Diploma Adventure Guiding Option	2 YEARS	Sep			CV		✓		\$23,000 (yr. 1) \$18,500 (yr. 2)
CULINARY ARTS									
Culinary Business Operations Certificate	1 YEAR	Sep			CR		✓	Math 10	\$17,800
Culinary Business Operations Diploma	2 YEARS	Sep			CR		✓		\$17,500
TOURISM & HOSPITALITY MANAGEMENT									
Tourism and Hospitality Management Certificate - Tourism or Hospitality	1 YEAR	Sep	TBA		CV			Math 11	\$18,000
Tourism and Hospitality Management Diploma - Tourism or Hospitality	2 YEARS	Sep	TBA		CV		✓		\$21,000



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		SEP	JAN	MAY					
VISUAL ART, DESIGN & DEVELOPMENT									
FINE ART									
Fine Arts Diploma	2 YEARS	Sep			CV				\$17,000
Metal Jewellery Design Certificate	8 MONTHS	Sep			CR				\$16,000
DIGITAL DESIGN + DEVELOPMENT									
Android Mobile Application Development Certificate	1 YEAR	Sep	TBA		CV				\$16,500
Web Design Fundamentals Certificate	1 YEAR	Sep	TBA		CV				\$16,500
Web and Mobile Application Development Diploma	2 YEARS	Sep	TBA		CV		✓		\$16,500
Communication Design Diploma - Design and Media - Design and Development	2 YEARS	Sep	TBA		CV		✓		\$16,500
	2 YEARS	Sep	TBA		CV		✓		\$16,500
Advanced Digital Design and Development Diploma - Development Stream - Design Stream	3 YEARS	Sep	TBA		CV		✓		\$16,500
	3 YEARS	Sep	TBA		CV		✓		\$16,500

ENTRANCE AWARDS

English Proficiency Award
\$500 - \$1,500

Language Pathway Award
\$1,000

High School Pathway Award
\$1,000 - \$2,000

Regional & Pathway Awards
\$500 - \$2,000

After enrolment, International students are also eligible to apply for many awards and bursaries.

IMPORTANT DATES

INTAKE	MAY 2024	SEPTEMBER 2024	JANUARY 2025	MAY 2025
Applications Open	CLOSED	October 2023	October 2023	October 2023
Application Deadline (Offshore)	CLOSED	April 30, 2024	August 16, 2024	December 31, 2024
Study Permit Deadline	April 19, 2024	August 16, 2024	December 13, 2024	April 17, 2025
First Day of Class	May 6, 2024	September 3, 2024	January 6, 2025	May 5, 2025

Offshore international applicants to NIC are required to meet the above deadlines. For international applicants who are already in Canada with a valid study permit, alternate dates will apply.

Applications may close without notice if programs are full. Prospective students are encouraged to submit their application as soon as the application window opens.

STEP BY STEP APPLICATION

- 1 Choose your program and check Admissions Requirements and Deadline
- 2 Apply online for the program of your choice
- 3 Make the deposit payment and receive Letter of Acceptance
- 4 Apply for study permit

Do I need an agent?

If you are from India, Bangladesh, Pakistan, Philippines, Nepal, Sri Lanka or Nigeria, you are required to work with an NIC authorized agent. To find an agent, visit international.nic.bc.ca

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

General admission requirements for international applicants:

- Passport valid until the end of your scheduled program
- High School Graduation or equivalent (include transcripts and graduation diploma)
- IELTS 6.0 or equivalent (Some programs may require higher IELTS scores. See Admission Requirements for more information at nic.bc.ca/international)

Math Requirements:

Students who do not meet math requirements to enter their chosen programs are offered to complete a free math assessment after the deposit payment is made.

Science and Engineering-specific Requirements:

Students entering Associate of Science or Engineering Foundation program are required to have completed courses equivalent to grade 12 math and science. If you do not have the required courses/grades, you may enter NIC's Associate degree program and upgrade your math and science.

ENGLISH REQUIREMENTS*

BC CURRICULUM	ACADEMIC IELTS	TOEFL IBT	CAEL	PTE ACADEMIC	CAMBRIDGE ASSESSMENT C1 ADVANCED	DUOLINGO ENGLISH TEST
OPEN ENTRY PROGRAMS						
English 12 C	6.0 Overall All sections 5.5 minimum	80 No subsection below 19	60 and Writing 60	54 Overall No component less than 46	174 overall with no sub- score less than 165	105 Overall All sections 95 minimum
LIMITED ENTRY PROGRAMS						
English 12 with C+	6.0 overall 6.0 Section minimum	83 No subsection below 20	60 and Writing 60	54 Overall No component less than 50	174 overall with no sub- score less than 169	110 Overall All sections 100 minimum

*Higher requirements may apply to students applying for study permit under Student Direct Stream (SDS)

Improve your English first

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.



GV6 Level with minimum 80% average grade and minimum 80% attendance



A1 completion with B or higher



PW3.2 completion (level 15)



EPE certificate with minimum coursework grade of 70% at SSLC

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In the future, I would like to be an early childhood educator. I would like to own my own daycare, either in Canada or in my home country. That's what's next for me.

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- Valentina Huerfano Alonso
Early Childhood Care and Education Diploma



WE'RE **HERE** FOR YOU

Let's start talking.

Country-specific questions:

- Southeast Asia: seasia@nic.bc.ca
- LATAM & Caribbean: americas@nic.bc.ca
- India, Nepal, Sri Lanka: india@nic.bc.ca
- Pakistan & Bangladesh: southasia@nic.bc.ca

All other countries: study@nic.bc.ca

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