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NIC Plan 2020 Puts Students First

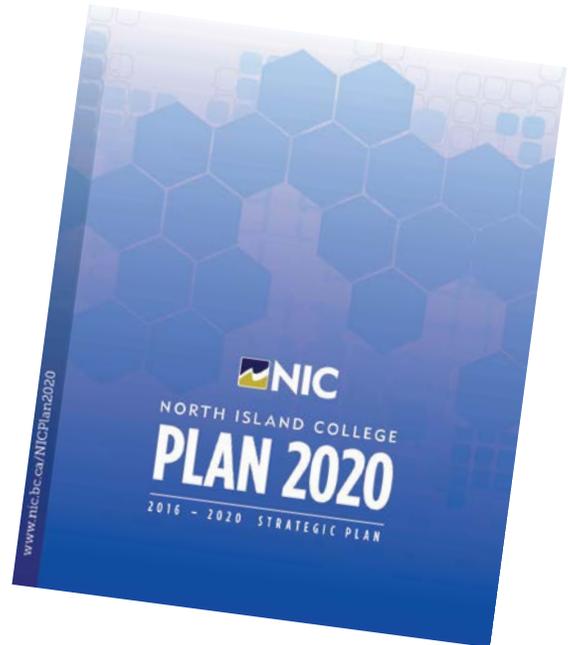
November 2, 2015 – North Island College unveiled its strategic plan today and student experiences and success will be priority Number 1 for the next five years.

NIC Plan 2020 outlines nine key priorities and 45 goals for the College between 2016 and 2020.

“We met with more than 500 people from central to northern Vancouver Island over the past year and it was exceedingly clear that student experiences and success are at the centre of all we do,” said NIC President John Bowman.

NIC Plan 2020 also contains eight additional priorities, which empower students and strengthen their foundation for success across the region. They are:

- High-quality, relevant, responsive curriculum and programs;
- Access to learning and services across the region;
- Aboriginal education and Indigenization;
- International education and internationalization;
- People, organization, culture;
- Resources, investment, sustainability;
- Active connections to community;
- College identity and brand



NIC Plan 2020 reflects the College’s mandate as a publically funded post-secondary institution and positions NIC to deliver relevant and responsive education on the North Island for generations to come.

The BC Labour Market Report projects one million job openings across BC between 2012 and 2022, with 78 per cent of those jobs requiring post-secondary education. NIC Plan 2020 will be instrumental in preparing health care professionals, tradespeople, artists, social workers, business leaders, and university graduates.

“Many people contributed greatly to this plan,” said Bowman. “But every college employee plays a role in student success. Many unsung heroes provide IT, facilities, accounting, and many other services which are foundational to positive student experiences at NIC.”

For more information on North Island College or *NIC Plan 2020*, visit www.nic.bc.ca/NICPlan2020.

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