



English

Literature

Creative Writing

Academic Writing

Professional Writing

LETTER FROM THE CHAIR

Studying English opens up a broad world of exploration into culture, history, politics and communication. You'll develop writing and editing skills you need for your academic and career success, learn how to think critically about how humans live and find meaning, and examine literature through historical, sociocultural and political perspectives.

Whether you're interested in a single course or starting your English degree at NIC, we are excited to welcome you and support you on your educational journey. Please reach out if you have any questions.

- Alix Carrel, Department Chair, English, Humanities & Social Science

The faculty literally showed us a world beyond our own, opening our eyes to a new way of thinking and seeing. I am a better person because of my experiences at NIC.

CHRISTY VANDEN

NIC UNIVERSITY STUDIES STUDENT





START UNIVERSITY AT NIC

With a wide range of study areas, small class sizes, expert instructors and exclusive transfer agreements, NIC is the perfect place for you to start your studies. Thanks to a special province-wide collaboration, you can easily transfer from first and second-year courses at NIC to institutions throughout BC.

START YOUR ENGLISH DEGREE

Transfer directly into the third-year of an English degree by completing 18 credits from first and second-year English courses including:

- at least nine credits from second-year courses;
- at least one second-year historical survey course
- two other second-year English literature courses

EARN YOUR ASSOCIATE OF ARTS DEGREE

Complete a two-year associate degree at NIC and graduate with a credential that is fully transferable to university. An associate degree includes:

- 6 credits in first year English
- 9 credits in Science, including:
 - 3 credits in mathematics, computer science or statistics
 - 3 credits in a laboratory science
- 36 credits in Arts, including:
 - 6 credits in the Social Sciences
 - 6 credit in Humanities (excluding English)
- 9 credits in Arts, Science or other areas

CUSTOM TRANSFER PLANS

NIC courses can be combined to create a custom transfer plan, helping you move seamlessly into universities across BC, Canada and beyond. Each degree pathway has its own unique transfer requirements. NIC Educational Advisors can help you develop a unique plan to meet your educational goals.



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of Victoria

WRITING & LITERATURE COURSES

NIC offers a wide range of English courses that transfer to universities across BC and beyond. With small class sizes, supportive, teaching-focused faculty, and personalized education, you will be fully prepared for university and career success.

Academic Writing

Acquire research skills and learn expository and persuasive writing techniques foundational to your success in a variety of academic disciplines.

Choose from:

- ENG-104 Foundations of Academic Writing
- ENG-115 Essay Writing and Critical Analysis
- ENG-116 Essay Writing and Indigenous Perspectives
- ENG-117 Academic Writing
- ENG-215 Advanced Composition

Creative Writing

Create a portfolio of work including fiction, creative non-fiction, poetry and drama as you examine the method and craft of writing through discussions, exercises and peer critiques.

Choose from:

- ENG-107 Introduction to Creative Writing: Fiction & Non-Fiction
- ENG-108 Introduction to Creative Writing: Poetry & Drama
- ENG-207 Creative Non-Fiction
- ENG-208 Creative Writing: Poetry
- ENG-209 Creative Writing: Fiction
- ENG-216 Travel Writing

Professional Writing

Earn university transfer English credit while learning effective business communication strategies (such as resume, proposal and report writing) to succeed in the modern workplace.

Choose from:

- ENG-159 Professional Writing
- ENG-160 Effective Organizational Communications
- ENG-260 Advanced Communications and Professional Writing

Canadian & Indigenous Literature

Study the texts and oral traditions of Canadian and Indigenous writers and teachers. Explore fiction, drama, poetry and literary non-fiction using a range of critical and research approaches.

Choose from:

- ENG-127 Indigenous Literatures in Canada
- ENG-212 Introduction to Canadian Literature I
- ENG-213 Introduction to Canadian Literature II

Reading Literature

Learn to read critically, analyze literary works, and write effectively about a range of genres and themes.

Choose from:

- ENG-122 Reading Literature
- ENG-230 Selected Topics in Literature

Historical Survey of English Literature

Survey significant works of English literature and examine themes within the context of philosophical, social, and political contexts.

Choose from:

- ENG-202 Survey of English Literature I
- ENG-203 Survey of English Literature II

Women's Literature

Explore literature written in English by women from medieval times to the present. Focus on poetry and fiction as you learn feminist literary theory and history.

Choose from:

- ENG-224 Women's Literature & Theory I
- ENG-225 Women's Literature & Theory II

CONNECT WITH AUTHORS

Engage with writers of national significance as well as local talent at NIC's Write Here Readers Series, the North Island Writers Conference and the annual NIC short story competition. These events connect readers and writers while celebrating the people and places that make Vancouver Island unique.

UPGRADING OPTIONS

Gain reading, writing, spelling, listening and grammar skills to prepare for entry into specific academic programs or to increase your employment options.

Choose from:

- ENG-052 Advanced English
- ENG-096 First Peoples Literature and Composition
- ENG-098 Essay Writing and Critical Reading

GET STARTED IN HIGH SCHOOL – DUAL CREDIT

Dual credit is an opportunity for high school students to begin post-secondary programs and courses while they are still in high school.

Most dual credit students are Grade 12 students that take a program or course in their second semester (February) of their Grade 12 year.

Learn more: www.nic.bc.ca/dual-credit

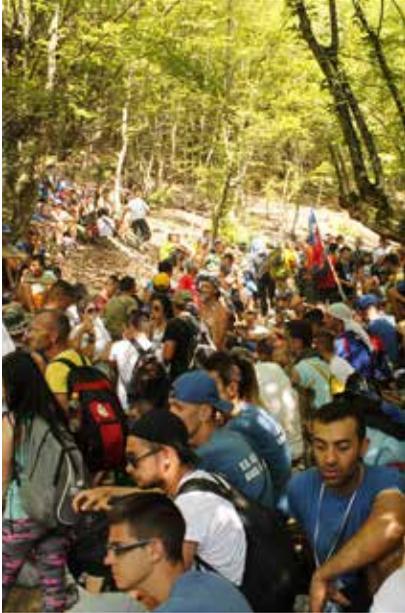
If you're considering college of university, take Dual Credit. It's going to set you up to explore what you're passionate about and make the transition to post-secondary that much smoother.

VICTOR KAMEL

NIC DUAL CREDIT GRAD



STUDY ABROAD



BOSNIA & CROATIA

FIELD SCHOOL

Gain university transfer credit and strengthen intercultural competence while visiting former conflict zones. Meet with peace activists, academics and officials to learn the roots of Balkan conflict.



GREECE & TURKEY

FIELD SCHOOL

Learn about ancient Crete, visit archaeological sites and experience modern day Greek culture while earning up to nine academic credits in English, history and anthropology.



JAPAN

EXCHANGE

There are exciting Japan exchange opportunities through NIC with Nagoya University of Foreign Studies (NUFS). Study abroad placements occur in the spring or fall (subject to availability). The language of instruction is English.

Travel the world as you earn academic credit. Scholarships available.

For more information about NIC's study abroad opportunities, visit

www.nic.bc.ca/study-abroad

LEARN FROM EXPERT FACULTY



CAITLIN HARNETT

MA, ENGLISH LITERATURE



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MA, CREATIVE WRITING & NEW MEDIA
MASTER OF EDUCATION



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NICK VAN ORDEN

MA, ENGLISH/CULTURAL, SOCIAL
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These are just a few of NIC's faculty, all of whom are accessible, approachable and focused on student success. Read their full profiles at www.nic.bc.ca/about-us/nic-faculty

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For more information or to further discuss your educational goals, please book an appointment with an Educational Advisor.

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