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Mentorships connect professionals, business students

NIC's School of Business is once again partnering with the Comox Valley Chamber of Commerce to offer community professionals a chance to mentor NIC business students and empower future careers.

The Global Leaders of Tomorrow Mentorship Program pairs student mentees with their mentors between November and April with a time commitment of six hours over the six-month mentorship.

Students get a chance to build valuable networking skills and make new contacts, while mentors have the chance to share their experience and connect with the next generation of future employees and entrepreneurs.

Chamber of Commerce CEO Dianne Hawkins said the program is beneficial to both parties.

"For our members, it's really a chance to connect with a new wave of students and people who will go on to work in business," Hawkins said. "And for students, it's a wonderful opportunity to establish those early relationships that can help them start a career."

NIC's School of Business is also proud to sponsor the **Chamber of Commerce's You Rock Youth Award** as part of the **2018 Comox Valley Chamber Awards**. Nominations are currently open for a number of awards. For more information or to nominate a candidate by Nov. 5, visit www.comoxvalleychamber.com/chamberawards.html.

ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT: Kelsey Anglin (BBA, 2011)

Congratulations to NIC alumna Kelsey Anglin, who has once again been promoted at CIBC.



Anglin started at CIBC after graduating from NIC. In early 2015, she was promoted to commercial banking manager. This past summer, Anglin became senior manager and team lead, commercial banking at CIBC for the North Island.

Anglin graduated in 2011 as one of the first cohorts of students to be awarded a Bachelor of Business Administration, Management degree from NIC. She also took part in two international exchanges, studying business in Poland and later Hawaii gaining invaluable international experience.

She actively participates in the North Island business community serving clients and supporting her team. Kelsey also participates in two national teams focusing on creating a culture of positive change and gender diversity at the bank.

"My education at North Island College prepared me for a successful career. Now when I look to expand my team, I come to North Island College first to hire their graduates."



MESSAGE FROM YOUR CHAIR



Building partnerships

We successfully expanded our business programs in Campbell River and we continue to partner with employers in the region to offer exciting internship and co-op opportunities.

Our expanded selection of business courses in Campbell River has also seen us welcome students from around the world, including India, the Netherlands, Philippines, Israel, Zimbabwe, Nigeria, Mauritius and China. The School of Business continues to collaborate with the Office of Global Engagement to build and enhance partnerships with European colleges and universities as well.

We will continue to offer more business courses in Campbell River for the 2019-2020 academic year. During spring and summer 2019, we will be offering additional course options for students at our Comox Valley campus.

We also look forward to an increased presence in high schools and the community as we step up recruitment efforts.

On a personal note, I am pleased to be part of NIC's College Plan20-25 Committee, which will guide the development of a new five-year plan for NIC.

As always, I want to give our students the opportunity to work with local businesses on projects. If you have a suitable project, please let me know. I also encourage you to add me to your professional network on LinkedIn or email me at ali.mayboudi@nic.bc.ca.

Sincerely,

Ali Mayboudi, Chair
NIC School of Business

NIC welcomes new Business faculty members

Alan Chapelle spent 25 years teaching business courses at VIU (1986-2011), where he also served as marketing chair, business coordinator and Post-Degree Diploma in Business Studies advisor. While at VIU, Alan organized a field school in Zihuatanejo, Mexico in 2008 and taught Introduction to Marketing in Qingdao, China in 2011. Alan is a returning part-time instructor to NIC, having first started in January 2012.

Kate Erin is a certified public accountant teaching Financial Accounting Fundamentals, Mathematics of Finance and Administration Principles at NIC. She earned her MBA San Jose State University and attended the University of California, San Diego for her undergraduate work. She has taught at a number of colleges in the US, in Qatar and most recently at the US Coast Guard Academy.

Othman Bennis is teaching economics at NIC this fall. He holds a BA in finance from Kennesaw State University in Georgia, as well as a master's degree in economics from the University of Victoria. He completed the Provincial Instructor diploma at Vancouver Community College, where he is also enrolled in the Online Learning and Teaching certificate.

NIC's School of Business benefits from the expertise and experience of 13 regular faculty and six sessional instructors. Visit us online to read more about our [business faculty members](#).

Notable events, appointments and achievements



NIC's School of Business is proud of our students, alumni and faculty and celebrates their many achievements throughout the year.

In June, the 6th Annual NIC School of Business Spring Social went ahead without a hitch, connecting NIC alumni with local business leaders. School of Business chair Ali Mayboudi hosted attendees for an evening of conversation, networking, wine and delicious food at the Blackfin Pub, while Diane Naugler,

NIC's dean of business and applied studies, was also present to hand out prizes and meet alumni and graduates.

In September, Student Employment Services held the NIC Hiring Fair as a separate, standalone event for the first time ever, giving students the opportunity to meet local employers and apply for jobs during the school year. SES also hosted a series of 'How to Get a Job' workshops to help students prepare for the Hiring Fair and learn to craft a resumé.

NIC is set to host Robert R. Brown, author of the acclaimed personal finance book *Wealthening Like Rabbits*,

for a free public event at the Stan Hagen Theatre, Thursday, Nov. 1 at 7 pm. The evening is possible thanks to generous support from lead sponsor Rob Trainor, investment advisor and portfolio manager at CIBC Wood Gundy.

If you've recently received an award, promotion or been appointed to a new position, please email ali.mayboudi@nic.bc.ca so we can share your success in future editions of this newsletter.

UPCOMING EVENTS

NIC Campbell River and Comox Valley Information Night/Parent & Student Info Night events

Thursday, November 1, 6:30-8:30 pm (Campbell River campus) &

Wednesday, November 14, 6:30-8:30 pm (Comox Valley campus)

A great opportunity for prospective students, families and community members to meet NIC business and other faculty, tour the campus, learn about financial aid and resources and discover NIC's programs and courses.

9th Annual Business Student Mixer

Tuesday, November 6, 4:30-6 pm, Crown Isle Resort Ballroom

NIC business students are invited to attend the Business Student Mixer, an annual community networking event that brings together business students, colleagues and local employers. Please register at careercentral.nic.bc.ca.

STAY CONNECTED WITH NIC'S BUSINESS COMMUNITY

CareerCentral is NIC's new, free online job board, making it easier than ever to hire NIC students and graduates. You can promote jobs, co-op and internship opportunities at careercentral.nic.bc.ca to reach highly qualified NIC students and grads. Contact Anita Budisa-Bonneau at 250-334-5007 or email Anita.Budisa@nic.bc.ca for more information.

Guest speakers welcome. Members of the business community can share their expertise and the excitement of their professional journey with current students throughout the academic year. If you are interested in volunteering as a guest speaker in the classroom or at an event, please email ali.mayboudi@nic.bc.ca.

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