



SCHEDULE FOR GRADUATES

Congratulations on your graduation. We are excited to celebrate this achievement with you. Please share your photos and stories with us on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter using the hashtags #IamNIC and #NICGrad2019.

Thursday, June 20, 2019 – Graduation Ceremony

Place: Comox Valley Sports Centre, 3001 Vanier Drive

Time: The Graduation Ceremony will commence promptly at 1:00 pm. **All Graduates are to be at the Sports Centre by 11:00 am.** Our staff will be available to assist and direct you to Arena #2 where you will pick up your regalia and prepare for the class photos.

Photos: **“Class photos” will be taken at the Comox Valley Sports Centre – Arena #2. Please be dressed and ready in your regalia by 12:00 noon.** “Individual photos” will be taken on stage during the ceremony. The class photo and individual photos will be emailed to your myNIC email address approximately 2 weeks after grad. If you would like additional photos taken (not included in the grad fee), please contact Lee Simmons, Island Life Photographics at (778) 420-2833.

Seating: Graduates will be ushered in a procession to seats reserved by program area.

Guests: Guests enter through the main lobby of the Sports Centre. Staff will be available to direct guests to appropriate seating. There is no reserved seating and therefore it is advised all guests arrive early. **There is no limit to the number of guests you can bring** and invitations are not required at the door.

Attire: Formal grad regalia (pre-ordered as per student registration forms). It is recommended that you wear something light under your gown as grad regalia can be very warm. **Your regalia will be provided to you inside a plastic bag. Please ensure regalia is returned with the bag as it has a barcode that tracks our return to the supplier. **Students will be responsible for any charges incurred due to damage, loss or late return of regalia.**** Regalia must be returned after the ceremony. You may return the regalia immediately after the ceremony at the Sports Center or you may return regalia to Tyee 113 at the campus during the reception.

Personal Belongings: Although we have a secure room to store personal belongings, we recommend that you not bring valuables. This space will be unlocked between 12:00 pm and 12:45 pm and locked during the ceremony. It will be reopened approximately 10-15 minutes after the ceremony concludes.

Reception: Join us at the Comox Valley Campus where we will be hosting a formal reception following the Graduation ceremony.

Credentials: Graduates in certificate and diploma programs will receive their official certificate or diploma in the mail, not at the ceremony. Graduates in degree programs will receive their parchment at the ceremony. Completion of the ‘Application for Credential’ form is required for you to receive your credential. The form can be found on our website: <http://www.nic.bc.ca> through the graduation link or at the Student Services office.

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