



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN

**Justice Institute of British Columbia,
New Westminster, BC**

AND

THE NICOLA VALLEY INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

BRITISH COLUMBIA'S ABORIGINAL POST SECONDARY INSTITUTE

Justice Institute of British Columbia located in New Westminster, BC, Canada and the Nicola Valley Institute of Technology located in Merritt and Burnaby, BC, Canada.

Recognizing their common interests in many academic and educational fields,

Valuing institutional cooperation, and

Wanting to promote such cooperation in a more structured fashion

Agree as follows:

ARTICLE I OBJECTIVES

The objective of this Memorandum of Understanding is to outline the understandings on which the Nicola Valley Institute of Technology and Justice Institute of British Columbia will develop and carry out collaborative activities.

ARTICLE II SCOPE OF ACTIVITIES

The scope of collaboration on academic and research activities under this Memorandum of Understanding may include, but is not limited to, the following:

1. Transfer of students from NVIT to Justice Institute of British Columbia, and articulation of courses and programs to encourage such transfers;
2. Development of collaborative programs or projects of mutual interest and benefit, particularly those intended to support Aboriginal students and strengthen services for these students;

3. Exchange of information and expertise to strengthen and expand cultural resources, expertise, protocols, and events;
4. Discussion of potential joint pilot programs and research partnerships;
5. Exploration of opportunities to jointly develop and host a conference.

ARTICLE III CONTRIBUTION BY BOTH PARTIES

Signature of the Memorandum of Understanding does not entail any material, financial or other obligation for either of the two institutions. Specific initiatives are to be considered and agreed upon, on a case by case basis, including the contributions and obligations of each institution. Subsidiary agreements are to be signed as required.

Each institution will designate an individual as a regular point of contact, and each institution agrees to meet regularly, no less than annually, to review and evaluate activities undertaken through this agreement. Such discussions may give rise to new initiatives.

The designated point of contact for Justice Institute of British Columbia will be: Michel Tarko, Vice President Academic , JIBC, New Westminster, BC.

The designated point of contact for NVIT will be: Verna Billy-Minnabarriet, Vice President Academic and Strategic Partnership, NVIT-Vancouver.

ARTICLE IV AMENDMENT AND DURATION OF THE AGREEMENT

This Memorandum is effective for a period of three years from the date of signature. It may be extended or amended with the written agreement of both parties. This Memorandum of Understanding may be terminated by either party subject to the delivery of six months advance notice, in writing.

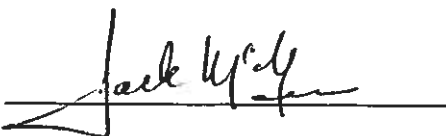
Signed on behalf of:

NICOLA VALLEY INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

JUSTICE INSTITUTE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA



Ken Tourand, President / CEO
Nicola Valley Institute of Technology



Jack McGee, President / CEO
Justice Institute of British Columbia

June 27, 2012
Date

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Memorandum of Understanding

Block Transfer Agreement

Between

Justice Institute of British Columbia,
New Westminster, BC

and

Nicola Valley Institute of Technology
Merritt, BC

This Memorandum of Understanding constitutes an agreement between the Justice Institute of British Columbia and the Nicola Valley Institute of Technology. The participating units at the respective institutions are the School of Public Safety and Security at the Justice Institute of British Columbia (JIBC) and the Law Enforcement Preparatory Program Department at the Nicola Valley Institute of Technology (NVIT).

Objective of the Agreement:

- (1) JIBC agrees to facilitate the block transfer of students with appropriate prerequisite qualifications from NVIT into the JIBC Law Enforcement Studies Diploma with 15 Credits of advanced standing;
- (2) Form strategic alliances with NVIT to provide support to Aboriginal learners in relation to admission requirements for JIBC programs.

Requirements:

In relation to block transfer from NVIT into JIBC LESD program:

- NVIT students must successfully complete the LEPP program with a minimum program GPA of 2.33 or C+ .
- NVIT students will receive transfer credit for JIBC courses:
 - BCMNS 110 – Business Communications
 - LESD 100 – Introduction to the Canadian Criminal Justice System
 - LESD 102 – Introduction to Canadian Criminal Law
 - LESD 207 – Aboriginal Justice
 - LESD 104 – Applied Law Enforcement 1
 - Students will be required to complete a bridging course for the Emergency Vehicle Driving component. Students will be responsible for additional costs.
- Students are required to take ENGL 100 and ENGL 105 within the first two semesters at JIBC.

NVIT agrees to:

- Make information about this agreement and the Law Enforcement Studies Diploma available to NVIT students.
- Provide opportunity for representatives of JIBC to visit appropriate forums at NVIT to disseminate information about the Law Enforcement Studies Diploma.
- Provide JIBC with updated information about NVIT Law Enforcement Preparatory Certificate on an annual basis, and
- Notify JIBC, with as much lead time as possible, about any changes to the Law Enforcement Preparatory Certificate requirements that are anticipated or approved.

JIBC agrees:

- That applicants from NVIT who meet the requirements outlined above will be eligible for admission to JIBC with 15 credits of block transfer into the Law Enforcement Studies Diploma program.
- To provide NVIT with updated information about the Law Enforcement Studies Diploma program on an annual basis, and
- To notify NVIT, with as much lead time as possible, about any changes to Law Enforcement Studies Diploma program requirements that are anticipated or approved.

Other aspects of this agreement:

1. This block transfer agreement will be promoted by both the JIBC and NVIT and communicated to current and prospective students of both institutions, and to business,

industry, and other Aboriginal institutions and communities. Promotion will include, but not limited to, publication in each institution's promotional and communications materials, use of logos and direct linkages between institutional websites. Consent will be obtained before using the other party's logo or trademarks.

2. JIBC will refer prospective students to NVIT for assessment and upgrading as needed to meet admission requirements of grade 12 with English at a C+. For example, prospective Aboriginal learners interested in the JIBC Aboriginal Leadership Certificate or Diploma, Primary Care Paramedic Certificate, Emergency Management Diploma or Degree programs. JIBC and NVIT will implement a joint communication for prospective JIBC students regarding NVIT's testing and upgrading programs, as well as a tracking system for students referred from the JIBC to NVIT's testing and upgrading programs to ensure pathways are created and monitored in order to support student success.


Liaison:


Implementation of this agreement will be through the Office of the Director of Students and Registrar (NVIT) and Registrar's Office (JIBC), in consultation with the appropriate authorities in the respective programs.

Terms of the Agreement:

This agreement shall be in place for an initial period of five years commencing on this 1st of July, 2012. At the end of this time, the agreement may be extended for an additional period of time subject to reviews and approval of the JIBC and/or NVIT. Either party may terminate this Memorandum of Understanding upon 90 days advance notice in writing.

This agreement signed on the 27 day of June, 2012.


Dr. Yerna Billy Minnabarriet
Vice President Academic & Strategic Partnerships
Nicola Valley Institute of Technology


Dr. Michel Tarko
Vice President Academic
JIBC, New Westminster, BC