

Truro Campus Convocation

June 3rd, 2024

Land acknowledgement

NSCC is located in Mi'kma'ki, the unceded territory and traditional homeland of the Mi'kmaq Nation. Our relationship is based on a series of peace and friendship treaties between the Mi'kmaq Nation and the Crown, dating back to 1725.

As Treaty beneficiaries, we recognize that we are all Treaty People.

Order of proceedings

Processional

Mi'kmaq Honour Song

O Canada

Principal's welcome

Lech Krzywonos, Campus Principal

President's remarks

Don Bureaux, President

Presentation of credentials

Presentation of major awards

Valedictory address

Christopher Perry, Practical Nursing

Recessional

Please rise as you are able when the academic procession enters and remain standing until the conclusion of *O Canada*.

Please remain at your seats until the platform party and graduates have exited.

Drumming during the processional is performed by Dr. Henry Bishop and Adrian Bishop. The Mi'kmaq Honour Song is performed by Joseph Sylliboy. Music during the presentation of credentials is arranged and produced by NSCC Music Arts faculty Tom Easley and Bill Stevenson.

Please join us after the ceremony for a reception in honour of our graduates, presented by NSCC Alumni Relations.



Don Bureaux

Message from the NSCC President

Graduates,

Today, we celebrate you and all you have accomplished during your time as an NSCC student. We celebrate your academic achievements, hard work and perseverance, the skills you have developed and the connections you have made.

It is a pleasure and an honour to mark this important milestone with you.

As NSCC graduates, and now officially NSCC alumni, I encourage you to embrace the next chapter in your lives with the same determination, passion and willingness to learn that you demonstrated as students. I wish you every success in your future endeavours.

On behalf of the College, thank you for allowing us the privilege of being part of your incredible journey. It is truly inspiring to see what you can accomplish. We are so proud of you and we are cheering you on today, and beyond.

Congratulations, class of 2024!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Don Bureaux'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a prominent loop at the end.

Don

Class of 2024

School of Access, Education and Language

Nova Scotia High School Graduation Diploma for Adults

Bonin, Jessica	Truro, NS
Brenton, Stacey (<i>Honours</i>)	Brookfield, NS
Colpitts, Lucena	Brookfield, NS
Cox, Hillary	Bass River, NS
Gaudrault, Emma	Truro, NS
Harrison, Mekayla (<i>Honours</i>)	Truro, NS
Helin, Charity (<i>Honours</i>)	Stewiacke, NS
Henneberry, Robin	Shubenacadie, NS
Hennigar, Sandra	Portapique, NS
Hubleby, Meaghan	Truro, NS
Johnston, Sara	Truro, NS
Langille, Doug (<i>Honours</i>)	Truro, NS
Leighton, Rebecca (<i>Honours</i>)	Truro, NS
MacCallum, Linden	Truro, NS
Macumber, Edith	Bramber, NS
MacKenzie, Adelia (<i>Honours</i>)	Truro, NS
Matthews, Jenna	Truro, NS
McGill, Meaghan (<i>Honours</i>)	Bible Hill, NS
Murphy, Miranda (<i>Honours</i>)	Truro, NS
Nicholson, Emily (<i>Honours</i>)	Dartmouth, NS
O'Donnell Sullivan, Caitlyn	Truro, NS
Olowu, Malique	Kingston, Jamaica
Quigley, Kenly (<i>Honours</i>)	Truro, NS
Read, Jesse (<i>Honours</i>)	Upper Musquodoboit, NS
Richards, Chris (<i>Honours</i>)	Truro, NS
Roode, Juanita	Truro Heights, NS
Royal, Colin	Portmore, Jamaica
Rushton, Dylan	Truro, NS
Rushton, Tanisha	Truro, NS
Smith, Devon	Truro, NS

Certificate of Completion in Achieve

Burris, Cheyenne	Harmony, NS
Faulkner, Nicholas	Truro, NS
Garland, Dakai	Truro, NS
Harnish, Cheyenne	Salmon River, NS
Hill, Dallas	Truro, NS
Lahey, Kegan	Truro, NS
Poirier, Kaelan	Truro, NS

School of Business and Creative Industries

Certificate in Medical Office Administration

Betts, Katrina (<i>Honours</i>)	Truro, NS
Chase, Izabelle	Truro, NS
Clark, Gabrielle (<i>Honours</i>)	Brookfield, NS
Creelman, Jocelyn (<i>Honours</i>)	Hilden, NS
Elliott, Jamie (<i>Honours</i>)	Windsor, NS
Furlotte, Danielle	Truro, NS
Hancott, Cecilia (<i>Honours</i>)	New Glasgow, NS
Hillier, Jade (<i>Honours</i>)	East Hants, NS
Hunt, Hailey (<i>Honours</i>)	Parrsboro, NS
Lyons, Harmony	Halifax, NS
Maclsaac, Kayla	Pictou, NS
McCully, Shalene	Economy, NS
Mingo, Georgia	Truro, NS
Rogers, Amber (<i>Honours</i>)	New Glasgow, NS
Rushton, Gabrielle	Debert, NS
Saini, Jaskirat Kaur (<i>Honours</i>)	Chandigarh, India
Simran, Simran	Truro, NS
Skafté, Danelia (<i>Honours</i>)	Meadowvale, NS
White, Sandra Noelle (<i>Honours</i>)	Hilden, NS
Wilcox, Maryssa (<i>Honours</i>)	Truro, NS
Witsel, Kristen (<i>Honours</i>)	Truro, NS

Certificate in Office Administration

Fisher, Madelyn (<i>Honours</i>)	Stewiacke, NS
Marshall, Jennifer	Truro, NS

Diploma in Business Administration

Bhatt, Abhishek	Truro, NS
DeCoste, Brent (<i>Honours</i>)	Antigonish, NS
Ervin, Benjamin (<i>Honours</i>)	Truro, NS
Hernandez, Monica (<i>Honours</i>)	Guanajuato, Mexico
Kumar, Samdarsh	Jalandhar, India
Lepper, Madison	Tatamagouche, NS
Marchese, Jessica	Toronto, On
Sharda, Abhyudhay (<i>Honours</i>)	Truro, NS

Diploma in Business Administration – Accounting

Banquill, Anliza (<i>Honours</i>)	Dipolog City, Philippines
Chacon Centellas, Katerin (<i>Honours</i>)	La Paz, Bolivia
Doucette, Tyler	Noel, NS
Garber-Clark, Keegan	Enfield, NS

Hernandez, Leandro De Leon
Lo, Chen-Jung (*Honours*)
Pinto, Daniel

Metro Manila, Philippines
Taipei, Taiwan
Fall River, NS

Diploma in Digital Animation – 2D Animation

Kenneally, Emily
Kurniawan, Timotius
MacDougall, Josh
McLean, Taylor
Myalla, Haley
Parreno, Chinny
Pelrine, Vincent (*Honours*)

Berwick, NS
Jimbaran, Bali
Beaver Bank, NS
Murray Siding, NS
Middlewood, NS
Halifax, NS
Halifax, NS

Diploma in Digital Animation – 3D Animation

Eckhart, Robyn Irene
MacMaster, Lauren Anne Elizabeth
Parsons, Lola Joy
Rouse, Joey Andrew
Spidle, Brooklyn (*Honours*)

Antigonish, NS
Porters Lake, NS
Halifax, NS
Truro, NS
Wileville, NS

Diploma in Game Development – Game Art

Chiasson, Christopher Ernest

Belle Côte, NS

Diploma in Game Development – Game Programming and Design

Clarke, Richard Charles
Martel, Rowan Alexander
Schnurr, Christopher Terrance
Wohler, Ryan Michael

Windsor, ON
Halifax, NS
Warman, SK
Hammonds Plains, NS

Advanced Diploma in International Business

Barrett, Shaneka (*Honours*)
Bisht, Veethika (*Honours*)
Butt, Michael
Filho, Luiz Angulo
Hernandez, Andrea (*Honours*)
Hodgson, Bailey (*Honours*)
Hunter, Tara Lynn (*Honours*)
Meguinis-Spaulding, Noah
Miller, Hayley
Nnamdi, Divine
Vargos, Adolf (*Honours*)
Winters, Penny (*Honours*)

St. Catherine, Jamaica
Halifax, NS
Middle Musquodoboit, NS
São Paulo, Brazil
Pateros, Philippines
Brookfield, NS
Lower Sackville, NS
Westville, NS
Kennetcook, NS
Halifax, NS
Truro, NS
Truro, NS

Graduate Certificate in Digital Marketing

Collett, Cassandra (*Honours*)

Taber, AB

School of Health and Human Services

Certificate in Continuing Care

Adams, Amanda

Baggaley, Justin (*Honours*)

Blois, Kelsey (*Honours*)

Brown, Martha (*Honours*)

Burris, Amanda (*Honours*)

Chisling, Kaylee (*Honours*)

Deba Arongmbo, Charima (*Honours*)

De Fauw, Tamara (*Honours*)

Dickson, Taylor (*Honours*)

Dodsworth-Lush, Rebecca (*Honours*)

Fancy, Kayla (*Honours*)

Gaudet, Aubree

Gaudet, Rachele (*Honours*)

Gloade, Mya

Graham, Emily (*Honours*)

Graham, Chelsey

Heitkemper, Jenna

Horst, Kristen (*Honours*)

Isenor, Amanda (*Honours*)

Jones, Olivia (*Honours*)

Laffin, Melody (*Honours*)

MacKenzie, Abigail

Mathew, Thresia (*Honours*)

Mooney, Caitlin

Morin, Theresa

Musgrave, Taylor

Pring, Nathaneal

Purdy, Summer

Pysher, Nicole (*Honours*)

Robar, Addison (*Honours*)

Smith, Angella

Vokey, Sam (*Honours*)

White, Kali Ann

Grand Desert, NS

Truro, NS

Truro, NS

Upper Musquodoboit, NS

Middle Stewiacke, NS

Truro, NS

Akata, Cameroon

Truro, NS

Truro, NS

Valley, NS

Truro, NS

Truro, NS

Pictou, NS

Millbrook, NS

Alton, NS

Upper Stewiacke, NS

Tatamagouche, NS

Tatamagouche NS

Truro, NS

Truro, NS

Noel, NS

Truro, NS

Truro, NS

Trenton, NS

Middle Musquodoboit, NS

Elmsdale, NS

Valley, NS

Truro, NS

Bible Hill, NS

Bridgewater, NS

Truro, NS

Stewiacke, NS

Kennetcook, NS

Certificate in Law and Security

Fleck, Legend
Hingley, Ben
Kerr, Hugh Alexander
Knockwood, Blade
MacAskill, Josh
MacLellan, Conner
Manley, Roary
Morris, Kelsey
Nickerson, Mya (*Honours*)
Ross, Chase
Wright, Kegan

Truro, NS
Stellarton, NS
Upper Tantallon, NS
Millbrook, NS
Sydney, NS
Antigonish, NS
Bible Hill, NS
Truro, NS
Barrington, NS
Southampton, NS
Shortts Lake, NS

Diploma in Child and Youth Care

Aitchison-Rant, Samantha (*Honours*)
Chuk, Judy Sau Lai
Dewtie, Kelsey
Sacrey, Rebecca
Scothorn, Lydia

Camden, NS
Hong Kong, China
Thorburn, NS
Coldbrook, NS
East Hants, NS

Diploma in Community Recreation

Beaton, James Douglas

Inverness, NS

Diploma in Criminal Justice

Ball, Cody
Brunet, Marissa
Blackwood, Benjamin
Bowles, Cate Marie (*Honours*)
Caines, Tracy Lynn
Cameron, Keegan
Campbell, Michelle (*Honours*)
Casey-Ainsworth, Rachel
Charlton, Chase
Cleaves, Jayce
Colford, Keenan
Corra, Elena
Doyle-Cochrane, J'Lynne
Duke, Madison
Gray, Michael
Harnish, Emma
Hart, Chloe
Langille, Jaylen
LaPierre, Marshall (*Honours*)
MacInnis, Duncan (*Honours*)

Cambridge, NS
Middle Sackville, NS
Halifax, NS
East Hants, NS
Glace Bay, NS
Truro, NS
Manchester, NS
St. George, NB
Newport, NS
Halifax, NS
Valley, NS
Glen Margaret, NS
Antigonish, NS
Halifax, NS
Halifax, NS
Halifax, NS
Truro, NS
Thorburn, NS
Halifax, NS
Judique, NS

MacMillan, Nicholas	Pictou County, NS
MacNeil, Noah	Halifax, NS
MacNeil, Anthony	North River, NS
MacPherson, Miles	Lower Sackville, NS
Morris, Nick	Halifax, NS
Murray, Keenan	Scotsburn, NS
Raymond, Emily (<i>Honours</i>)	Halifax, NS
Scott, Emma	Annapolis Valley, NS
Smith, Madisyn	Cole Harbour, NS
Thibault, Storm Mackenzie (<i>Honours</i>)	Annapolis Valley, NS
Turner, Alyssa	Kentville, NS
Vogler, Benjamin	Coldbrook, NS
Wah, Ethan	Bridgewater, NS
Webber, Sarah	Lower Sackville, NS
White, Elijah	Easter Island, ON

Diploma in Early Childhood Education

Ferguson, Amber	North River, NS
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Diploma in Practical Nursing

Bailey, Rebecca (<i>Honours</i>)	Truro, NS
Beanlands, Kaitlyn	Rawdon, NS
Bezanson, Kholey	West Branch, NS
Collins, Emma	Parrsboro, NS
Dean, Chloe	Truro, NS
Donovan, Courtney (<i>Honours</i>)	Ingonish, NS
Donovan, Caitlyn (<i>Honours</i>)	Truro, NS
Eagles, Sharmane	La Union, Philippines
Gamble, Elizabeth	Truro, NS
Harrison, Jordan	Cape Breton, NS
Higgins, Hannah	Valley, NS
Luscombe, Roslyn (<i>Honours</i>)	Truro, NS
Martell, Erin (<i>Honours</i>)	Halifax, NS
McCabe, Hailey	Truro, NS
Oshikoya, Eniola	Truro, NS
Perry, Christopher	Truro, NS
Phinney, Madison	Five Islands, NS
Roper, Shafawn	Truro, NS
Ross, Emily	Cooks Brook, NS
Shillington, Olivia	Hilden, NS

Diploma in Social Services

Baxter, Wynter	Falmouth, NS
Byers, Sonya (<i>Honours</i>)	Truro, NS

Castrillon, Pablo (*Honours*)
Chapman, Riley
Cigolotti, Kelly (*Honours*)
Griffiths, Dania
Ifeka, Adobi Princess (*Honours*)
Mellor-Bonin, Katie (*Honours*)
Merriam, Regan (*Honours*)
Osmond, Miranda (*Honours*)
Parsons, Alexis (*Honours*)
Perrin, Olivia
Peters, Gbeminiyi (*Honours*)
Rhyno, Hayden (*Honours*)
Steeves, Alexis (*Honours*)
Thorne, Matthew (*Honours*)
Watson, Jennifer Lee (*Honours*)

Truro, NS
Lunenburg, NS
Elmsdale, NS
Dartmouth, NS
Anambra State, Nigeria
Bedford, NS
Truro, NS
Eastern Passage, NS
Halifax, NS
Whittenburg, NS
Sagamu, Nigeria
Cedar Lake, NS
Stewiacke, NS
Edmonton, AB
Truro, NS

School of Technology and Environment

Diploma in IT Systems Management and Security

Domantay, Peter (*Honours*)
Falcitelli, Keigan
Ferreira Scafutto, Marco
Mann, Nathan
Martin, Khaleed
Melanson, Isaac
Navarrete, Nicolas
Ndukwe, Aruagha Dike
Quinonez, Alejandro
Singh, Bir (*Honours*)

Kidapawan City, Philippines
New Glasgow, NS
Viçosa, Brazil
New Glasgow, NS
Montego Bay, Jamaica
Yarmouth, NS
Bogota, Colombia
Abuja, Nigeria
New Glasgow, NS
Truro, NS

Diploma in IT Web Programming

Chaudhari, Vishal (*Honours*)
Davey, James
Fagbohun, Oladoyin (*Honours*)
Gillam-Wright, Kayla Dawn
Halliday, Nathan (*Honours*)
Kaur, Harmandeep
MacCormack, Dylan
Marcelo Castro, Alan (*Honours*)
McDonald, James
North, Amy (*Honours*)
Osmond, Vicky
Santos, Pablo

Gandhinagar, India
Truro, NS
Ibadan, Nigeria
Truro, NS
Masstown, NS
Punjab, India
Stellerton, NS
Lima, Peru
Enfield, NS
Halifax, NS
Halifax, NS
Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

Diploma in Natural Resources Environmental Technology

Clark, Nicholas

Stewiacke, NS

Comish, Nicholas

Truro, NS

Demers, Kevin

Eastern Passage, NS

Dorey, Kateri

Sipekne'katik, NS

Furmidge, Andyn

Middle Stewiacke, NS

MacDonald, Neil

Truro, NS

MacKay, Logan

Truro, NS

Muise, MacKenzie

Middle Sackville, NS

Richards, Will

Middle Stewiacke, NS

Stevens, Joseph

Pugwash, NS

NSCC Employee Learning Programs

Operational Excellence

Beltran Schiavi, Nathieli

Valley, NS

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Honorary Diplomas

NSCC is pleased to award Honorary Diplomas to these outstanding individuals who demonstrate true leadership in their field and community.



Annie E Johnson

School of Technology and Environment

Strait Area Campus

Annie E. Johnson is a leader who is committed to protecting the environment and natural resources in her home community of Eskasoni and all of Unama'ki (Cape Breton). In both her work and personal life, Annie integrates Netukulimk (Mi'kmaq traditional ways of using natural resources) with Etuaptmumk (Two-Eyed Seeing – viewing the world through the strengths of Indigenous knowledge together with conventional methods).

Passionate about culture, Mi'kmaq language and the natural world, Annie is the Director of Administration of the Unama'ki Institute of Natural Resources which leads in aquatic research and stewardship, Mi'kmaq knowledge and conservation.

Dedicated to many initiatives in her community, she was a driving force behind locally held Collaborative Environmental Planning Initiative (CEPI) conferences, ensuring meaningful, cultural experiences for attendees from across Turtle Island.

Annie exemplifies many of NSCC's values, especially accessibility, diversity, inclusion, public accountability and sustainability. As a mentor and an employer, her ongoing support for the College and NSCC graduates has spanned almost two decades.

Annie is an avid volunteer and currently serves as a member of the board for Aboriginal Financial Officers Association of Atlantic Canada.



Michael Johnston

School of Technology and Environment

Institute of Technology Campus

Michael Johnston, originally from Truro, Nova Scotia, is a technology industry founder who believes in the power of investing in people and innovation together to achieve greatness.

Following an IT career in Boston, Mike returned to his roots in Atlantic Canada to establish REDspace, a technology firm that builds custom platforms, apps and services that entertain, educate and empower millions around the world. Headquartered in Halifax, REDspace has grown into a dynamic team of over 250 talented professionals renowned for their creation of award-winning web, mobile and video solutions. Notable partners include industry giants such as Paramount, Warner Bros. Discovery, Sony Pictures, IBM and the Royal Canadian Air Force.

A magna cum laude graduate of Harvard University, Mike is a recipient of numerous awards and recognitions, including the Queen Elizabeth II Platinum Jubilee Medal for Service to Business/Commerce in 2023 and two Emmy awards for apps developed by REDspace. Passionate about helping the next generation of young Canadians unlock their potential, he serves as national Board Chair and interview committee chair for the prestigious Loran Scholars Foundation. Mike is also founding President of the Harvard Club of Atlantic Canada and serves as regional interview chair.

Mike's dedication to education extends to shaping the future of IT and actively supporting the next generation of technology innovators. He is a member of the NSCC IT Programming Advisory Committee, shaping curriculum and participating in key industry events including the annual

NSCC IT Job Fair and TechConnection. Recognizing the value that NSCC graduates bring to the industry in Nova Scotia and abroad, over one third of REDspace employees are NSCC alumni - a testament to Mike's commitment to hiring and nurturing local talent.

Outside of his professional pursuits, Mike finds joy in music as an avid woodwind musician, participating in various performing ensembles. A devoted father to his three children, he treasures family time and adventures around the globe. Alongside his wife Angela, Mike co-manages The Johnston Family Foundation, a philanthropic endeavour dedicated to unlocking the potential in others through strategic investments in programs that foster lasting positive change, in education, literacy, the performing arts and healthcare research.



Krista Lee Langille

School of Trades and Technology

Akerley Campus

Krista Lee Langille is an NSCC Women Unlimited graduate who has found success as a Red Seal welder at Halifax Shipyard with Irving Shipbuilding and is an advocate for women pursuing careers in skilled trades.

Krista has made significant contributions to her community and NSCC. From graduating with honours to her continued involvement empowering young women, she is a true ambassador of the College's vision helping to transform the province one learner at a time.

Krista's journey to NSCC was not an easy one, having overcome many hardships in her life. She dropped out of school in grade 10 and moved to Toronto at age 16. She eventually returned to Nova Scotia as a mother of two, earned her GED and found work at a call centre. While in search of something more, a worker at the employment insurance office told her about NSCC's Women Unlimited program to explore careers in trades and technology, which inspired her to embark on a new path as a student.

In 2012, Krista began her journey with Women Unlimited which led to her love for welding. In the program, Krista made new and lasting friendships, discovered skills she had within herself and learned about trades in shop visits at NSCC. She chose to pursue welding and worked hard at school and at home.

Through perseverance and resilience, Krista graduated with a Welding

diploma from Akerley Campus in 2014. In 2016, she achieved her Red Seal certification - the first Women Unlimited participant to receive a Red Seal in welding.

Since then, she has worked steadily as a welder and spent a year teaching trades at the high school level and running an after-school trades program for teen girls.

Krista loves to inspire and be inspired. She was hired by Irving Shipbuilding in January 2021 where she continues to mentor welding apprentices and "pass along the positivity" every day. Aside from empowering young women interested in the trades, she says building ships for the Royal Canadian Navy is the most rewarding job she has ever had.

Dedicated to giving back, she often returns to Women Unlimited as a guest speaker and mentor, offering words of wisdom and a look at the welding trade as a skilled and passionate alum.



Sandra Anne McKenzie

School of Access, Education and Language

Ivany Campus

Sandra Anne McKenzie is a champion for Nova Scotia ingenuity and is known for leading transformational strategies in workforce development, adult education, economic development, policy development and strategic planning.

Sandra's career is inextricably linked to the success of NSCC. Twenty-six years ago, she played a pivotal role as a member of the provincial government team supporting the creation of the College. Since the beginning, she's stood behind NSCC as a catalyst for community and individual prosperity.

As one of the founders of the Nova Scotia School for Adult Learning (NSSAL) Sandra advocated for accessible, high quality post-secondary education. Other legacy initiatives include the foundations for province-wide career and employment counselling through Nova Scotia Works, the Workplace Education Program, the Read to Me Program with Dr. Richard Goldbloom, the Halifax Youth Foundation and the IWK, and the Family Literacy Initiative Endowment Fund.

Her extensive government experience led her to serve Nova Scotia as Deputy Minister of Education and Early Childhood Development, Deputy Minister of Labour and Advanced Education, and Acting Deputy Minister of Economic and Rural Development and Tourism. Sandra also chaired the Ships Start Here partnership which brought government, businesses and leaders together to support the bid for the federal shipbuilding contract.

Following her time in the government, she has launched a successful consulting business, McKenzie Consulting, and is co-founder of the Forge Institute, a thinker space dedicated to thought leadership for social innovation. She was also the inaugural chair of the Forestry Innovation Transition Trust. An active member of her community, Sandra chairs the Alderney Landing Board, Get Everyone Online (GEO) and is vice-chair of the Halifax Youth Foundation. She also is a board member of the Provincial Government Employees Credit Union.

Outside of professional life, Sandra enjoys spending time with family, friends and many pets.

Sandra's dedication and unwavering commitment to community and individual prosperity is truly reflective of the College's values regarding education and the importance of fostering community.



Virginia 'Ginny' Smith

School of Health and Human Services

Burridge Campus

A community leader for over 50 years, Virginia 'Ginny' Smith has impacted lives and contributed to the quality of life and education of people across the province and nationwide.

Originally from Denver, Colorado, Ginny, alongside her husband Andy, made Nova Scotia their home in the 1970s. She worked at Southend Renewal and became a volunteer coach for the YMCA Yarmouth Whitecaps Swim Team and continued in this role for over 45 years.

Ginny holds a master's degree in education and a bachelor of arts in education with a concentration in child psychology. She also holds a bachelor of arts in psychology. For over 27 years, she worked with the Yarmouth District School Board, holding various roles such as administrator, teacher and special education specialist.

Dedicated to her community, Ginny's involvement in numerous initiatives created lasting impacts that go beyond the classroom. She played a pivotal role in co-founding the Yarmouth Literacy Council and was instrumental in starting the Yarmouth Adult Literacy program, empowering individuals to complete their GED. She is also the founder of the Southwest Paddlers Association and the Yarmouth Association for Community Residential Options (YACRO).

Ginny's advocacy also extends to environmental causes. She has contributed her efforts to the Yarmouth Environmental Think Tank (YETT) and the Tusket River Environmental Protection Association. She is an active advocate for environmental conservation through initiatives like the Coastal Protection Act.

Ginny's many accolades are a true reflection of contributions to her community. She was inducted into the Nova Scotia Sports Hall of Fame in 2001, has coached Nova Scotia Canada Games teams and earned recognitions including the Swim Nova Scotia Sovereign's Medal and the Swimming Canada Volunteer Contribution Award. She was also the first female in Atlantic Canada to achieve a level 4 National Coaching Certification.

From shaping young minds to nurturing swimming talents, Ginny has touched the lives of countless individuals, fostering a culture of excellence and embodying the spirit of lifelong learning.

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Valedictorian

NSCC is proud to introduce the outstanding student(s), chosen by their campuses, to represent the achievements and experiences of the Class of 2024.



Christopher Perry

School of Health and Human Services

Practical Nursing

Christopher spent many years working in construction, coaching equestrian and working for himself but he knew he wanted more. Looking to pursue a career path that aligned with his passion of making a difference in people's lives in a meaningful way, he was drawn to the Practical Nursing program.

At NSCC, Christopher says the unwavering support of faculty and staff became the cornerstone of his success. Their belief in his potential fueled his confidence and reshaped his outlook on education and his future. With their guidance, he succeeded academically while honing invaluable skills that will transcend beyond the classroom. He's grateful to everyone who has supported and inspired him during his time as a student. Despite facing challenges, he highlights one common theme – resilience. Alongside his classmates, their collective perseverance has built them into stronger individuals throughout their time as students.

Following graduation, Christopher plans to work in his field for one year to gain hands-on experience, then apply to the LPN to RN bridge program to continue his education.

Christopher's message to the Class of 2024: "Keep pushing forward with determination and optimism as you pursue your dreams. The future holds endless possibilities for each of us."

Major awards

Governor General's Academic Medal

Awarded to a graduating student of a College Diploma Program who has achieved the highest academic standing.

Kelly Cigolotti
Social Services

Nova Scotia Community College Gold Medal

Awarded to a graduating student of a College Certificate Program who has achieved the highest academic standing.

Emily Graham
Continuing Care Assistant

Board of Governors' Award

Awarded to a graduating student of a College Diploma Program who has demonstrated outstanding academic achievement and contributed to campus and/or community activities.

Nicholas Navarrete
IT Systems Management and Security

President's Award

Awarded to a graduating student of a College Certificate Program who has demonstrated outstanding academic achievement and contributed to campus and/or community activities.

Martha Brown
Continuing Care Assistant

NSCC Alumni Award

Awarded to a graduating student of a College Program (Diploma or Certificate) who has demonstrated outstanding academic achievement and whose service and leadership has made a difference in the lives of others.

Colin Royal
Adult Learning Program

Brent DeCoste
Business Administration ECampus

Staff

Adams, Sabrina	Facilities Support Assistant, Facilities
Afroz, Farhana	International Student Services Advisor
Altmann, Thekla	Life Drawing Model, School of Business and Creative Industries
Atwell, Norman	Clinical Faculty, School of Health and Human Services
Arsenault, David	Life Drawing Model, School of Business and Creative Industries
Auld-Cameron, Jennifer	Faculty, School of Access, Education and Language
Bagnell, Bronwyn	Student Accessibility Specialist, Student Services
Baillie, Nancy	Facilities Support Assistant, Facilities
Baillie, Trevor	Facilities Support Assistant, Facilities
Baird, Connie	Administrative Assistant, Facilities
Blackie, Erin	Clinical Faculty, School of Health and Human Services
Borden, Charmaine	Campus Librarian, Library Services
Bray, Miranda	Faculty, School of Health and Human Services
Budgey, Cynthia	Faculty, School of Access, Education and Language
Burns, Edward	Lead Public Safety Officer, Facilities
Callahan, Eva	Faculty, School of Access, Education and Language
Cameron, Don	Faculty, School of Technology and Environment
Cameron, Jordan	Faculty, School of Business and Creative Industries
Chester, Beverly	Facilities Support Assistant, Facilities
Chute, Ruston	Faculty, School of Health and Human Services
Colley, Patrick	Coordinator of Campus Housing
Collins, June	Faculty, School of Business and Creative Industries
Collins, Megan	Student Services Advisor, Student and Career Services
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