



Northern Lights College  
BC's Energy College



## Awards List, Financial Aid, and ECE Bursary

For a list of awards offered from Northern Lights College go to:

<http://www.nlc.bc.ca/Services/Financial-Assistance> (*many have an application deadline in January*)

ECEC and EA students can apply for any award listed for Regional or Fort St. John Campus locations as long as they meet the other criteria listed. For student loan information, go to <http://www.StudentAidBC.ca> or email [sfaa@nlc.bc.ca](mailto:sfaa@nlc.bc.ca)

### **Mary Thomas Memorial ECE Scholarship-BC Aboriginal Child Care Society**

Each year, BCACCS offers one \$1500 scholarship for eligible for the BC Infant and Toddler Certificate to Practice or a Special Needs Certificate to Practice (Post-Basic ECE students) –and one \$1000 scholarship for eligible Early Childhood Educator Certificates to Practice (Basic ECE students).

More information about the BC Early Childhood Registry and Certificates to Practice can be found at:

<http://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/education-training/early-learning/teach/training-and-professional-development/become-an-early-childhood-educator>

This scholarship is awarded **after** you have completed your Basic or Post-Basic ECE certificate or diploma program. Our goal is to recognize and reward two Aboriginal ECE students each year for the highest overall achievement including; academic standing (at an approved educational institution and ECE program within British Columbia), outstanding accomplishments, volunteer work, community involvement, references, history of the applicant, as well as their ongoing commitment to childcare.

More information can be found at: [http://www.acc-society.bc.ca/files\\_2/ece-scholarship.php](http://www.acc-society.bc.ca/files_2/ece-scholarship.php)

### **ECE BC Bursary**

The Early Childhood Educators of BC has received funding from the Ministry of Children and Family Development to establish a bursary fund for students enrolled in early childhood educational programs.

To respond to identified needs, priority will be given to:

- Aboriginal students,
- Students attending early childhood educational programs with an Aboriginal focus, and
- Students working to achieve an infant/toddler educator designation.

Students will be able to apply for up to \$300 per course, to a maximum of \$1,500 per semester.

More information can be found at: <http://www.ecebc.ca>

## **BC Hydro Skills Trades Award (2 Awards) Now for Full and Part Time ECEC Students**

The BC Hydro Trades & Skilled Training Award program has been provided by BC Hydro to assist qualifying individuals for payment of tuition and other expenses in respect of certain programs at Northern Lights College. This Award program focuses on increasing participation in trades training and supporting the development of skilled workers in Northeast British Columbia.

NOTE: additional funding to cover the costs associated with living expenses (defined broadly and including childcare, transportation, etc.) may also be available based on financial need and personal circumstances - be sure to include additional funding needs in your application.

Award will be distributed as follows:

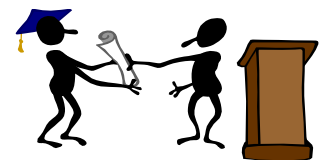
More information can be found at:

[http://www.nlc.bc.ca/Student-Awards-Grants/udt\\_1736\\_param\\_detail/616](http://www.nlc.bc.ca/Student-Awards-Grants/udt_1736_param_detail/616)

## **Convocation**

Convocation is held each June in Fort St. John (ECEC/EA Office home campus).

ECEC/EA students who wish to participate in a convocation ceremony to celebrate their program completion may attend and participate in any NLC ceremony. If you plan to complete your program at some point in the academic year (as of August 31), you are welcome to participate in a ceremony. Please visit the Convocation website for more information. Further information will be added there as it becomes available.



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<http://www.nlc.bc.ca/Student-Life/Convocation>

The office will be compiling a list of convocating ECEC/EA students. Please send an email to [ece-ea-office@nlc.bc.ca](mailto:ece-ea-office@nlc.bc.ca) if you plan to complete your program by August (see below).

The following credentials are included in convocation eligibility:

- ECEC Diploma
- Education Assistant Certificate (EDAS – K-12)
- Education Assistant Diploma (EDAS – K-12)

Note: You may receive a letter from the Registrar's office inviting you to apply to graduate. Only students who have completed all of the requirements for the above credentials are eligible. Students who are either completing a course for the purposes of applying to the BC ECE Registry for their ECE Assistant (ECEA) certificate, or who are completing the first 15 out of 20 courses in the ECEC Diploma so they can apply for the ECE Registry's basic ECE certificate, are not yet eligible for convocation. Upon completion of all 20 courses in the ECEC Diploma, a student will be invited to apply to graduate with their classmates.

More information can be found at: <http://www.nlc.bc.ca/Records/Graduation>