Season’s Greetings
from NITEP

Happy Holidays and Best Wishes for the New Year!

We are now accepting applications for the 2014–2015 Academic Year. Submit your complete application by March 15 and you won’t have to pay the application fee!
FACULTY OF EDUCATION – NITEP
Native Indian Teacher Education Program

NITEP IS THE INDIGENOUS TEACHER EDUCATION PROGRAM AT THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA. FOUNDED IN 1974, NITEP WAS DEVELOPED IN RESPONSE TO THE NEED EXPRESSED BY ABORIGINAL PEOPLE THROUGHOUT THE PROVINCE FOR A MORE RELEVANT AND EFFECTIVE TEACHER EDUCATION PROGRAM.

Students earn a Bachelor of Education degree (Elementary or Secondary) that builds upon Aboriginal identity and culture, while preparing and challenging them to be effective educators for band-operated, independent and public schools.

In addition to the Urban Centre on the UBC Vancouver campus, NITEP is also offered at field centres in Bella Bella, Duncan, and Kamloops. These centres allow students to maintain their connection to home and community while pursuing their education. NITEP Coordinators teach in the program and assist students with course planning, advising, and arranging for tutors. The cohort structure of NITEP allows students to bond and become a family as they experience the program together. Students have likened their experience to a canoe journey; the more they pull together the easier it becomes.

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New NITEP Website Launched

On November 28, 2013 NITEP launched its new website! The new website was part of the Faculty of Education’s Website Platform Replacement Project and is now in line with UBC’s Common Look and Feel.

Check out our new website at www.nitep.educ.ubc.ca

NITEP Book Club

As part of the Year of Teacher Education, NITEP students were encouraged to take part in the Faculty of Education READS: Community Book Club. Each NITEP student was given a copy of Sherman Alexie’s book The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian and took part in the events in Vancouver and/or discussion in class.

More information about the FoE Community Book Club can be found at http://yte.educ.ubc.ca/faculty-of-education-reads-community-book-club/
Congratulations to the NITEP Student Award Recipients!

Non–Graduating Awards

**UBC Alumni Scholarship**
- Brionne Asham
- Roseanne Greene
- Camielle Laslo
- Tyler Peters

**Amy E. Sauder Scholarship**
- Brandon Peters
- Tanya Terbasket

**Rob Gray Memorial Award**
- Brionne Asham

Graduating Awards

**Sharp Family NITEP Graduation Prize**
- Tyler Peters

**Bert McKay Memorial Award**
- Steven Adams

**Joan Ryan Award**
- Tanya Terbasket

**Robert W. Sterling Memorial NITEP Award**
- Melanie McKenna

**Irving K. Barber Aboriginal Teacher Education Award**
- Flora Andy
- Lori Humchitt
- Lily (Mercedes) Innes
- Dancing Water Lulua
- Darla Smith
- Dawn Wilson
- Verna Wilson
- Jackie Windsor

Melanie McKenna, Justin Boehringer, Rosetta Doolan, Dorothy Johnson, Dustin Thorkelsson and Tammy Jack

(Spring 2013)
Save the Date!
Come celebrate NITEP’s 40th Anniversary with us on the evening of October 23, 2014 at the First Nations Longhouse. In partnership with the BCTF Aboriginal Education Association, a one-day conference will be held on October 24, 2014.

We are creating a book to commemorate the anniversary and will send out a call for submissions to alumni to share photos, stories, and videos. Stay tuned to the NITEP website for more information: http://nitep.educ.ubc.ca/nitep-40th-anniversary-celebration/

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NITEP Alumni and Friends Gathering & Book Launch for Verna Kirkness

Thank you to all our alumni and friends who came to the gathering and book launch on December 13th. You helped make the event a huge success.

If you have any photos from the event, please forward them to nitep.educ@ubc.ca
Kw’as Hoy!

The NITEP Kamloops field centre is expanding to NVIT-Merritt! If you have completed an ECE certificate or diploma at NVIT you can be granted 15-30 credits of transfer into NITEP!

Contact Karen Blain, Kamloops NITEP Coordinator, for more information.

Thank you to our alumni panel: Mike Akiwenzie, Heather Commodore, and Perry Smith for speaking to our students at the NITEP Student Gathering in September. The students were very inspired!