

**UNBC** UNIVERSITY OF  
NORTHERN BRITISH COLUMBIA

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## A Message from the Chancellor

To the UNBC Graduating students of 2024.

It is my absolute pleasure to be with you today, celebrating your accomplishments in receiving your degree.

If you look back on your journey in post-secondary, how are you feeling today? Do you have a sense of pride of all the late nights studying, the hours and hours you put into getting your grades? The days when you felt you can't do this anymore?

Well, here you are, receiving your diploma, crossing the stage in front of all your peers, your family, your friends, who are so overwhelmingly proud of you.

Let that light within shine brightly. You deserve all the accolades you will be receiving today. You make your family, the community of UNBC, and the greater community of the North very proud. You have persevered, making this day very special.

Today, you have the world in your hands, with many paths to choose from. Follow your heart and above all make yourself proud of what you have accomplished.

You are the leaders of our changing landscape in the world. Make your mark, be in your integrity, open up to new ideas, new ways of thinking and change the world.

Snachailya (Dakelh – Carrier)  
Heartfelt thanks – you honor me as I honor you.

Elder Darlene McIntosh  
Chancellor



## A Message from the President and Vice-Chancellor

Dear Graduates, Families, and Friends,

With immense pride, I congratulate the UNBC Class of 2024. Today, we celebrate not only your academic achievements but also the spirit of initiative and leadership you have demonstrated throughout your time with us.

You have ignited curiosity within our halls, inspired your peers and professors alike, and are now poised to lead change in a world that eagerly awaits your contributions. Your journey has been a beacon of the inquiry, support, and empowerment that our communities cherish.

As new alumni, you carry with you the capacity to cultivate meaningful change and the responsibility to act on the path to reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples. Your achievements have already begun to empower our communities, reflecting the collaborative and impactful ethos we hold dear.

We look forward to the indelible mark you will make on the world and the sustainable paths you will forge. Congratulations, once again, on this monumental day—you are truly Ready.

With warmest regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Geoffrey Payne".

Dr. Geoffrey W. Payne President & Vice Chancellor





## **A Message from the Minister of Post-Secondary Education and Future Skills**

Welcome to everyone gathered for the University of Northern British Columbia's class of 2024 convocation ceremonies.

On behalf of Premier David Eby and the Government of British Columbia, congratulations on your graduation. This is an important milestone, and you should be very proud of the work you have done to reach this milestone.

You have equipped yourselves with the education and training to secure rewarding careers in the fields of your choosing. As graduates, you have invested in yourself and are ready to enter the growing workforce with opportunities in a wide range of sectors throughout the province.

With nearly one million new job openings in B.C. over the next ten years, your hard work, perseverance, and excellent post-secondary education put you in a great position to take advantage of employment opportunities in British Columbia.

You are the next generation of leaders, innovators, and changemakers. Be proud of your accomplishments and graduation. I wish you all a big congratulations and the very best as you pursue your dreams and make big things happen.

Sincerely,

The Honourable Lisa Beare



## A Message from Shirley Bond, MLA

Dear UNBC Graduates,

I would like to extend my heartfelt congratulations to this year's graduates. Today is an exciting day for all of you; the culmination of a time of hard work filled with studying, classes, and homework. What you have accomplished is something to be proud of and celebrated.

For those of you who now look to begin your careers or professions here in British Columbia, there are countless exciting opportunities, especially here in the North. Regardless of the decision you make about where you choose to work, I hope you have thoroughly enjoyed your time at UNBC.

Today is your day, and you should be proud of yourself and your achievement. I wish each of you continued success in your future endeavours and hope that today holds special memories as you celebrate with family and friends. Sincerely,

Shirley Bond, MLA  
Prince George - Valemount



## A Message from Mike Morris, MLA

Congratulations on reaching this major milestone in life. Your hard work, accomplishments, and the sacrifices you have made while attending UNBC, will serve you well in your future endeavors and career paths. What you have accomplished is something to be extremely proud of and should be celebrated.

Education is one of the cornerstones of our personal foundations, helping to support each of us as we accumulate life experiences and make those difficult decisions life will no doubt put before us.

On behalf of the Province of British Columbia and my riding of Prince George-Mackenzie, I extend my very best wishes and most heartfelt congratulations!

Mike Morris, MLA  
Prince George - Mackenzie



## A Message from His Worship Simon Yu, Mayor of Prince George

On behalf of the Prince George City Council, it is my privilege and honour to offer our congratulations to the University of Northern British Columbia class of 2024.

Today is a celebration of your accomplishments. It is the highlight that follows years of dedication, sacrifice, and hard work.

Graduation from UNBC is both an ending and a beginning. Whether you are embarking on further education or stepping into a career, you have reached a significant milestone in your life. I know you are eager to look forward to the future, but I hope that you will be in the present moment and enjoy what you have accomplished.

Wherever your future endeavors may take you, I hope that you will find your way back to Prince George and keep in touch with your alma mater.

Congratulations to the Graduating Class of 2024 and best wishes for everything that is ahead of you!

Mayor Simon Yu  
City of Prince George



## A Message from the Alumni Council of UNBC

I am pleased to have the opportunity to congratulate you all on your graduation. On behalf of UNBC's Alumni Council and your fellow alumni, it is a pleasure to celebrate this achievement with you all - a success for which you have worked hard, and overcome many challenges.

Studying at a university like UNBC -- connected to the North, and focused on a sustainable future -- is unlike most other university experiences. I hope that it will continue to inspire your personal growth and foster deeper connections with your communities that endure wherever life leads you, as it has for me.

You are now a part of a diverse and growing alumni community, linked across time and space by our shared experiences at UNBC. I am pleased to welcome you into this community, and I sincerely hope that you will stay connected to UNBC and to your fellow alumni in meaningful ways. Share with us your accomplishments, bring us your unique perspectives, and let us face the challenges of our journeys grounded by our community. As an alumni community, we can serve each other, and we can provide insights from our unique journeys to help shape the future of UNBC.

Thank you all for allowing me, and the Alumni Council, to be a part of your celebrations today.

With best wishes for your future,

Melissa Lynn Bolster  
Chair, Alumni Council of UNBC



## A Message from the NCLGA

How exciting this time must be for all of you, to have this goal in your life paths meet. Your paths going forward will be so exciting with so many successes in your future.

I am honoured to be giving congratulations to all of the Graduates on behalf of the North Central Local Government Association. Our association represents all of the local elected Officials in the North of the Province of British Columbia.

All your academic accomplishments and your hard work have brought you to this day of your journey going forward. Congratulations.

Judy Greenaway  
President of the North Central Local Government Association

## UNBC Senate Members

### Senior Administration

Geoff Payne, President  
*Vice-Chancellor and Chair of Senate*

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*Chancellor*

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*Vice-President, Academic and Provost (Interim)*

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*Vice-President, Research and Innovation*

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*Dean, Faculty of Business and Economics*

Nicola Koper  
*Interim Dean, Faculty of Human and Health Sciences  
Dean, Faculty of Environment*

Kriston Rennie  
*Dean, Faculty of Indigenous Studies, Social Sciences and Humanities*

Deborah Roberts  
*Dean, Faculty of Science and Engineering*

Stacey Linton  
*Interim Manager, Continuing Studies*

Trina Fyfe  
*University Librarian*

### Faculty of Business and Economics

Julius Bankole  
Karima Fredj

### Faculty of Environment

Mark Groulx  
Neil Hanlon

### Faculty of Human and Health Sciences

Christine Ho Younghusband  
David Litz

### Faculty of Indigenous Studies, Social Sciences and Humanities

Jessie King  
Rheanna Robinson

### Faculty of Science and Engineering

Fei Tong  
Allan Kranz

### Faculty Members at Large

David Casperson  
Joanie Crandall  
Balbinder Deo  
Maik Gehloff  
Clarence Hofsink  
Hossein Kazemian  
Tammy Klassen-Ross  
Margot Mandy  
Kim Stathers  
Todd Whitcombe  
Susie Wilson

### Student Representatives

Syeda Emaan Iftikhar  
*President, NUGSS*

Behrouz Danesh  
*Chairperson, NBCGSS*

Faizaan Somani  
*Student Representative for the Faculty of Business and Economics*

Parikshit Gangani  
*Student Representative for the Faculty of Environment*

Barb Durau  
*Student Representative for the Faculty of Human and Health Sciences*

Cheri Brown  
*Student Representative for the Faculty of Indigenous Studies, Social Sciences and Humanities*

Jared Hirt  
*Student Representative for the Faculty of Science and Engineering*

Dev Pandya  
*Undergraduate Student Representative*

Rachel Fonda  
*Undergraduate Student Representative*

Piumi Lakchani  
Denagamage  
*Graduate Student Representative*

### Lay Senators

Claudia Barreira  
Patricia Prince  
Ray Noonan  
Shannon MacKay

### WWN Senator

Deanna Nyce

### Senior University Administrators Not Otherwise Elected or Appointed to Senate

Rahim Somani  
*Vice President, Finance and Administration*

Paul Winwood  
*Associate Vice President, Northern Medical Program*

Trevor Fuson  
*Chief Information Officer*

Kimberly Read  
*Secretary of Senate*

Alexandra Parent  
*Recording Secretary*

Megan Tipler  
*Associate Vice President, Equity, Diversity and Inclusion*

Katerina Standish  
*Vice-Provost, Graduate and Postdoctoral, Faculty Association*

Lisa Haslett  
*Associate Vice-President, Administration*

Dennis Stark  
*Senior Director, Enrolment Management & Strategy*

Grant Potter  
*Director, Centre for Teaching, Learning and Technology*

Dave Kubert  
*Chief Information Security Officer*

### Other Representatives

Paul Siakaluk  
*President of the Faculty Association*



## **UNBC Board of Governors**

**Dr. Geoff Payne**  
President and Vice-Chancellor

**Ms. Darlene McIntosh**  
Chancellor

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**Dr. Todd Whitcombe**  
**Ms. Catherine Wishart**





## Honorary Degree Recipients

Honorary degrees at UNBC are presented to individuals who display the highest levels of achievement in public service, the arts, business, politics, environmental stewardship, and community development. Prominent in their professions and in the community, UNBC recognizes those whose distinguished contributions add to the betterment of the University and society as a whole.



### Alex Cuba

Alex Cuba is an acclaimed singer, songwriter and producer whose ever-evolving musical career is a testament to the power of music to transcend borders, draw people together and create connections.

Born Alexis Puentes in Artemisa, Cuba, the talented musician immigrated to Canada in 1999 after marrying his wife, Sarah.

Embracing his Cuban roots and his Canadian experiences, Cuba has found his adopted home community of Smithers in northwestern B.C. to be an inspiring place to raise a family, manage his musical career and contribute to the vibrant musical and artistic fabric of the community.

“My music takes me far and wide, but having the opportunity to create and play with local musicians and share our love of music with community will always be a highlight,” says Cuba. “Music helps to bridge divides and build connections — it’s truly gratifying to think my music may contribute to community-building in northern B.C., I’m thrilled to be receiving this honorary degree from UNBC.”



### Carey Price

Carey Price is a world-renowned goaltender, role model for Indigenous youth and philanthropist, empowering community connections through his charitable efforts.

From his roots in Anahim Lake to the heights of hockey fame with the Montreal Canadiens and Team Canada, Price has captivated fans around the world and used his story to inspire and uplift Indigenous youth across the country.

Price and his wife Angela work to actively make a difference in the lives of others, providing support to youth and youth sports programs through the Carey and Angela Price Foundation.

“In sharing my journey and experiences with young people in Anahim Lake and across the country, I want to shine a light on all the possibilities and pathways open to them,” says Price, who is of Ulkatcho/Southern Dakelh and Nuxalk First Nations heritage. “Receiving this honorary Doctor of Laws degree from UNBC is an example of the unexpected opportunities that arise and fulfilling ways that community service gives back to you.”



### Jim Good

Jim Good is a lifelong nature enthusiast, land steward and community builder who has been sharing his passion for botany with Prince George residents and visitors to the region for the past 35 years.

Good is the founder of Goodsir Nature, a 160-acre botanical park featuring more than 3,000 plant species and tranquil walking trails located just north of Prince George.

A true labour of love, the park was the realization of Good’s childhood dream when it opened to the public in 1989. Showcasing a national collection of trees, plants, flowers and other botanical species collected by Good during two cross-country road trips, the park is also home to two museums.

“Being a caretaker of this land has been my life’s work and sharing it with others has brought me immense joy,” says Good. “To now be receiving this honorary Doctor of Laws degree from UNBC in acknowledgement of my efforts is above and beyond the goals I set for myself as a young man.”

# Indication of Faculty Honours

## **Professor Emerita**

Dr. Karin Beeler  
Dr. Pamela Wright  
Dr. Sylvia Barton

## **Professor Emeritus**

Dr. P. Michael Rutherford  
Dr. Paul Sanborn  
Dr. Philip J. Burton  
Dr. Theodore Binnema  
Dr. Jonathan Swainger

## **Excellence in Research Award**

Dr. Jianhui Zhou  
Dr. Chengbo Fu

## **Excellence in Service Award**

Maik Gehloff

## **Excellence in Teaching Award**

Emily Cheung  
Dr. Oliver Iorhemen  
Dr. Si Transken  
Glen Thielmann

## **Excellence in Professional Practice, Mentorship or Stewardship Award**

Dr. Sheila Blackstock  
Dr. Chris Johnson  
Bonnie Fuller

# Ceremony One

## Program

### **Introductory Remarks**

#### **Call to Order**

Talking Stick Bearer Chief Dolleen Logan  
Lheidli T'enneh Nation

#### **Singing of the National Anthem**

Dawn Zemoura

### **Welcome to the Traditional Territory of the Lheidli T'enneh**

Talking Stick Bearer Chief Dolleen Logan  
Lheidli T'enneh Nation

#### **Chancellor's Address**

Elder Darlene McIntosh

#### **President's Address**

Dr. Geoffrey W. Payne

#### **Conferral of Honorary Degrees**

Alex Cuba

Carey Price

#### **Conferral of Degrees**

#### **Valedictorian's Address**

Behrouz Danesh

#### **Alumni Welcome Address**

Melissa Bolster

#### **Conclusion**

### **Recessional Lead by the Thundering Eagles**

## The Degree of Master of Arts

### Development Economics

Khushpreet Kaur, Prince George, BC

### Disability Management

Nicole Bracewell, Victoria, BC  
Katelyn Charrette, Ottawa, ON  
Sarah Janine Douglas, Prince George, BC  
Lindsay Karen Marriott, Prince George, BC  
Diekololaoluwa Opeyemi Oluwole-Raji,  
Surrey, BC

Otuodi Chigozie Opara, Owerri, Nigeria  
Jennifer Sedlacek, Red Lake, ON

### English

Katelynn Jennifer Baerg, Prince George, BC  
Adam Gordon Harasimiuk, Prince George, BC  
Mariet Steinmann, Cape Town, South Africa

### First Nations Studies

Gerald Alexander Bent, Vancouver, BC

### Gender Studies

Chinedum Josephine Adebomi  
Bahareh Amiri, Prince George, BC  
Victoria Elizabeth Awodele, Badagry, Nigeria  
Piumi Lakchani Denagamage, Kandy, Sri Lanka  
Gertrude Achiaa Fordjour, Kumasi, Ghana  
Maliheh Sadat Hosseini, Prince George, BC  
Zaida Victoria Lara Gonzales, Lima, Peru  
Faezeh Mahdavi Shirazi  
Kanwal Shoukat, Lahore, Pakistan  
Sahar Tamadoni Asefabad, Prince George, BC

### History

Courtney Eileen Lea Castle, Prince George, BC

### Interdisciplinary Studies

Courtney John Lawrence, Edmonton, AB

### International Studies

Irish Eyd Presores Abendan,  
Cagayan de Oro, Philippines  
Philomena Oseremen Anetor, Abuja, Nigeria  
Adriana Mayela Hurtado Bautista,  
Cucuta-Colombia, Colombia  
Parisa Khodadadi Sharifabad, Tehran, Iran  
Monique Andrea LeFeuvre, Yorba Linda,  
California  
Grace Amarachi Lekwauwa, Lagos, Nigeria  
Kell Nyamekye-Acquah  
Ayodeji Oreoluwa Olaomi, Oyo, Nigeria  
Stephen Owusu-Serbeh, Kumasi, Ghana  
Lenworth George Reckford, Portmore, Jamaica  
Lucas Wanderley Rigamont Braganca, Belo  
Horizonte, Brazil  
Rozanna Devamalar Rosarydasan,  
Colombo, Sri Lanka  
Arturo Ramon Sepulveda Garcia,  
Prince George, BC  
Musfiq Tajwar, Prince George, BC  
Ekpeno John Ukut, Akwa Ibom, Nigeria

## The Degree of Master of Education

### Counselling

Tiffany Ros Aubrey, Cape Town, South Africa  
Suzanne Rose Campbell, Prince George, BC  
Emily Grace Carter, Prince George, BC  
Marnie Leigh DeBow Chouinard,  
Prince George, BC  
Melissa Lynn D'Agostino  
Amanpreet Kaur, Prince George, BC  
Jay Alexander Kryklywyj  
Rebecca Nicole Morin, Vanderhoof, BC  
Carly Alise Nightingale, Prince George, BC  
Kavita Parmar, Prince George, BC  
Allison Elizabeth Prins, Chemainus, BC  
Shedeka Taneka Richards, Mandeville, Jamaica  
Tyler Kelvin Ringdahl, Prince George, BC  
Christel Naomi Smith, Prince George, BC  
Marta Torok, Prince George, BC  
Roxanne Umpherville, Prince George, BC  
Megan Rebecca Usipuk, Prince George, BC

### Multi-Disciplinary Leadership

Edwin Agyemang, Ghana  
Abigail Anane  
Abigail Asare, Ashanti, Ghana  
Lisa Barbara Provencher, Prince George, BC  
Dennis Andrew Stark, Prince George, BC

### Special Education

Breanne Nicole Dar, Prince George, BC  
Kirsten Louise Davies, Dawson Creek, BC  
Jennifer Mary Drennan, Coquitlam, BC  
Vanessa Katherine Gill, Terrace, BC  
Rajvir Jhutti, Doaba, Punjab, India  
De-anna Ouida Lea, Telkwa, BC  
Shylah Rae Ann Marshall, Hazelton, BC  
Emma Mary Noonan, Dawson Creek, BC  
Terri Lynn Scott, Stewart, BC  
Donya Marie Smith-Powell, Prince George, BC  
Mary Nadine Stregger, Fort St. John, BC  
Melissa Catherine Mary Therrien,  
Williams Lake, BC  
Sarah Lynne Willan, Hazelton, BC

## The Degree of Master of Science

### Health Sciences

Cameron Johan Aird, Chetwynd, BC  
Anam Liaqat, Islamabad, Pakistan  
Alishia Lea Lindsay, Fort St. John, BC

### Psychology

Kiranjot Kaur Jhaji, Prince George, BC  
Matthew James Sargent, Quesnel, BC

## The Degree of Master of Science in Nursing

Emily June Fetterly, Prince George, BC  
Amanda Green, Fernie, BC  
Gina Dawn Neumann, Cranbrook, BC  
Samantha Marie Soo, Whitehorse, YT  
Rebecca Margot Stent, Prince George, BC

## Family Nurse Practitioner

Samantha Marie Baddock, Vancouver, BC  
Andi Brianne Bernauer, Armstrong, BC  
Fawn Miranda Clark, Barriere, BC  
Elizabeth Grace Czechmeister,  
Prince George, BC  
Savanna McKay DeAlmeida, Vancouver, BC  
Alana Danielle DeClercq, Abbotsford, BC  
Kamal Kumar Dewan, Quesnel, BC  
Monica Anne Dunlop, Cowichan Valley, BC  
Susan Dianna French, Kelowna, BC  
Hae Kyung Gu, Prince George, BC  
Breann Rose Hallstrom, Kaslo, BC  
Bhavninder Kaur Jhaj, Kelowna, BC  
Maryam Koochek, Vancouver, BC  
Candice Tiffany Manuel, West Kelowna, BC  
Ravneet Marahar, Penticton, BC  
Gwendolyn Iseabal Muir, West Kelowna, BC  
Kevin Arthur Sandgren, Vancouver, BC  
Gillian Rose Shepherd, Hamilton, ON  
Rauchene Spearing, Qualicum Beach, BC  
Genevieve Michelle Trussler, Prince George, BC  
Brittany Marina Williams, Surrey, BC

## The Degree of Master of Social Work

Monette Brideau Boyes, Prince George, BC  
Katy Lauren Brown, Prince George, BC  
Mark Christopher Connelly, Prince George, BC  
Natalie Nicole Grigg, Prince George, BC  
Connie Lynn McKellar, Prince George, BC  
Tavia Stein McKinnon, Winnipeg, MB  
Bonnie Lisa Tobler, Prince George, BC  
Zakary John Zarichney, Salmon Arm, BC

## Graduate Certificate

### Leading for Learning

Lisa Barbara Provencher, Prince George, BC

## The Degree of Bachelor of Arts - Honours

### History

Matea Terez Tomasino, Prince George, BC

## The Degree of Bachelor of Arts

### Anthropology

Joyce Amalia Cortez, North Vancouver, BC  
Emily Beth Delorme, Prince George, BC  
Courtney Lynn Hayhurst, Prince George, BC  
Ryan G Kalsbeek, Prince George, BC  
Sylvie Lynn Kubert, Prince George, BC  
Katherine Marie Holland McClain,  
Prince George, BC  
Sarah Cristina Pashkewicz, Smithers, BC  
Kendalle Rae Scheck, Prince George, BC  
Rowan Ursula Westfall, Whitehorse, YT

## Joint Major in Anthropology and Geography

Macaulay Danielle Baldwin, Prince George, BC  
Desiree Lynn McEwen, Prince George, BC

## Joint Major in Economics and Global & International Studies

Brendan Thomas William, Williams Lake, BC

## Economics

Harrison Lloyd Ritchie, Prince Rupert, BC

## Joint Major in English and History

Kirstyn Gwendolyn Isaac, Lillooet, BC

## Joint Major in English and Political Science

Bethanie Child, Prince George, BC

## Joint Major in English and Women's Studies

Danielle Kaitlyn Haggarty, Prince George, BC

## English

Sydney Elizabeth Alexander, Prince George, BC  
Ashlee Erin Bartlett, Calgary, AB  
Christopher Conley, Surrey, BC  
Jacob Cundy, Prince George, BC  
Andrea Janet Howell, Tahsis, BC  
Tanner Francis Lucas Lane, Vancouver, BC  
Yinuo Lu, Shenzhen, Guangdong, China  
Alexa Rae Anne Martindale, Prince George, BC  
Alexa Marie Mocilac, Prince George, BC  
Emily Rachel Siakaluk, Prince George, BC  
Samantha Spent  
Gregory Paul Steindl  
Paige Leota Unger, Prince George, BC  
Rylan Thomas Lorne Watson, Prince George, BC

## First Nations Studies

Janessa Robin Allen, Fort St. James, BC  
Amanda Jeanne Heinze, Prince George, BC  
Trisha Lynn McCreery, Prince George, BC  
Emily Miranda Prouse, Prince George, BC  
Kelly Sarah Tizya, Burns Lake, BC  
Michelle Williams, Prince George, BC

## The Degree of Bachelor of Arts - General

Alyssa Morgan Quast, Houston, BC

## The Degree of Bachelor of Arts

### History

Zhiyi Bian, Nanjing, China  
Kaylie Danielle Lottie Boersma,  
Williams Lake, BC  
William Ethan Brown, Prince George, BC  
Jordan Hannah Ehalt, Smithers, BC  
Hunter King, Prince Rupert, BC  
Riley Morgan Stewart, Prince George, BC

## Political Science

Sophia Amy Campbell, Prince George, BC  
Ian Joshua Forman, Prince George, BC  
Lochlan James Hermiston, Prince George, BC  
Sofia Maren Ostergaard Thompson,  
Prince George, BC  
Sloane Fay Zogas, Prince George, BC

## The Degree of Bachelor of Education

Brent Ross Allan, Maple Ridge, BC  
Corinne Marie Anderson, Fort Fraser, BC  
Kiernan Andrews, Prince George, BC  
Alisha Rae Arnold, Williams Lake, BC  
Taylor MacKenzie Assels, Port Coquitlam, BC  
Opinder Kaur Baidwan, Prince Rupert, BC  
Zoey Mychall Bartha, Prince George, BC  
Adrian Francesco Borsoi, Abbotsford, BC  
Michael James Boulding, Prince George, BC  
Evan Elaine Campbell, Prince George, BC  
Christopher Bryan Cox, North Vancouver, BC  
Sage Christina Marie Desjardins,  
Prince George, BC  
Girjesh Dubey  
Sarah Irena Flisikowski, Kingston, ON  
Jaiden Ann Greenfield, Prince George, BC  
Brady Walter Grove, Williams Lake, BC  
Jett Higginbottom, Chilliwack, BC  
Samantha Marie Hofsink, Vernon, BC  
Faith Frances Kelly, Williams Lake, BC  
Lon Gordy Kerr, Prince George, BC  
Anita Marie King, Yellowknife, NT  
Carly Deanna Lorntsen, Quesnel, BC  
Molly Mae Mabbett, Unity, SK  
Chelsea Dawn Madsen, Prince George, BC  
Brendan Dal Makay, Trail, BC  
Jonathan Trevor McAfee, New Hazelton, BC  
Joshua Stephen McAvoy, Prince George, BC  
Cole Andrew Melin, Vernon, BC  
Jannik Emanuel Michalzik, Burns Lake, BC  
Kathleen Taylor Morgan, Prince George, BC  
Hannah Danielle Norum, Prince George, BC  
Mikeila Isabella Terroso Oliveira,  
Prince George, BC  
Jennifer Joyce Oviatt, Prince George, BC  
Jillian Alexandra Pearson, Vanderhoof, BC  
Rebecca Lynn Pinko, Prince George, BC  
Karlea Ann Simmonds, Prince George, BC  
Julianne Emily Slaney, Prince George, BC  
Karri-Anne Ina Stang, Delta, BC  
Jennifer Leslie Stern, Prince George, BC  
Monika Todorovska, Prince George, BC  
Jessica Kayliegh Wickstrom, Prince George, BC  
Jacob Damon Worrall, Markham, ON  
Kirsten Marie Yeast, Terrace, BC

## The Degree of Bachelor of Health Sciences - Honours

### Biomedical Studies

Thomas Raffaele Kreitz, Prince George, BC  
Jakob Earl Ostberg  
Emily Grace Pinko, Prince George, BC

## Community and Population Health - Environmental Health

Behrouz Danesh, Toronto, ON

## The Degree of Bachelor of Health Sciences

### Biomedical Studies

Halle Claire Atchison, Prince Rupert, BC  
Payton Leigh Bonin, Edmonton, AB  
Laura Katherine Buchanan, Prince George, BC  
Blair Bysouth, Burns Lake, BC  
Hanna Marinus Cockle, Houston, BC  
Megan Elizabeth Cousins, Castlegar, BC  
Lukas Dauksas, Calgary, AB  
Kaitlin Taylor Earl, Prince George, BC  
Justine Nicole Guillet, Prince George, BC  
Kalista Jaye Kirkness, Chilliwack, BC  
Alexa Glory Macabitas, Prince George, BC  
Anna Elaine Marquis, Prince George, BC  
Nathan Ross McIntyre, Prince Rupert, BC  
Conor Michael William McLaughlin  
Kiersten Louise Mikkelsen, Prince George, BC  
Samantha Julianna Paulson, Prince George, BC  
Alexa Joana Ruiz Esquer, Prince George, BC  
Claudia Deepak Smith, Prince George, BC  
Jenah Bolirrinno Smith, Delta, BC  
Haley Beth Taylor, Victoria, BC  
Claire Maelyn Turner, Fort St. John, BC  
Charlene Vanveldhuizen, Terrace, BC  
Josh Averay Wakelin  
Ella Mackenzie Wedel, Prince George, BC  
Youqian Wu, Shanghai, China  
Abigail Yoder, Vanderhoof, BC  
Dominik Antonius Zwiers, Prince George, BC

## Community and Population Health - Aboriginal & Rural Health

Meghan Annette Eisner Bowles, Terrace, BC  
Madeleine Louise Ghosh-Logan,  
Prince George, BC

## Community and Population Health - Environmental Health

Reshmi Abraham, Mallappally, India  
Jordan Rachel Cranmer, Vanderhoof, BC  
Julia Louise Giesbrecht, Prince George, BC  
Jessalyn Danielle Lone Johnson,  
Prince George, BC  
Amy Marie Swan, Big Lake Ranch, BC  
Courtney Nicole Unger, Prince George, BC

## The Degree of Bachelor of Science - Honours

### Psychology

Rachel Lynn Fonda, Dawson Creek, BC  
Tiarri Jade Cherise Rushton, Burns Lake, BC  
Cianna Rae Wetterlind, Prince George, BC



## The Degree of Bachelor of Science

### Psychology

Amanda Erin Antrobus, Prince George, BC  
Sarah Ashley Basi, Prince George, BC  
Krista Marie Best, Fort St. James, BC  
Kendall Ann Ferguson, Kitimat, BC  
Madeleine Rose Dunlop Fisher  
Nicole Lara Gagnon, Falher, AB  
Tyra Mae Hallgren, Burns Lake, BC  
Rebecca Mary Johnson, Prince George, BC  
Mathusan Selveratnam Kandasamy,  
Prince George, BC  
Jynessa Lee Kaulback, Prince George, BC  
Avery Fenton Kugler, Prince George, BC  
Kimberly Anne Langlois, Prince George, BC  
Lexie Taylor Christine LaRose,  
Prince George, BC  
Dallyn Tami Long, Prince George, BC  
Nikki Chantal Maclver, Prince George, BC  
Alexa Leigh Martin, Prince George, BC  
Nicole Ashley Minci, Henderson, Nevada  
Annah Marie Moores, Mackenzie, BC  
Jackson Davis Netzel, Terrace, BC  
Grace Janelle Antonyk Norn, Prince George, BC  
Jessica Alexandra Payne, Salmon Arm, BC  
Andrea Lauren Pearce, Prince George, BC  
Grace Emily Pery, Prince George, BC  
Kirstin Sophia Plumridge, Prince George, BC  
Marie Jael Lee Louise Reimer, Dunster, BC  
Aiden Cael Stevie Smith, Prince George, BC  
Andrew Ronald Smyth, Whitehorse, YT  
Brooklyn Amanda Stauffer, Prince George, BC  
Ashley Danielle Taylor, Prince George, BC  
Madison Mackenzie Taylor, Langley, BC  
Kasey Lynn Walker, Dawson Creek, BC  
Veronica Paige Wiebe, Prince George, BC

## The Degree of Bachelor of Science in Nursing

Brittany Anne Abercrombie, Terrace, BC  
Deborah Ilesabay Akanmu, Prince George, BC  
Rena Michelle Atchison, Prince Rupert, BC  
Sally Long Ching Au, Richmond, BC  
Nicole Grace Margerie Avery, Penticton, BC  
Joy Bacud, Terrace, BC  
Michael Carter Bains, Prince George, BC  
Kamleen Kaur Bajwa, Abbotsford, BC  
Varsha Bali, North Delta, BC  
Maleen Elizabeth Barry, Prince George, BC  
Harmanjot Kaur Bassi, Abbotsford, BC  
Harmony Dawn Berca, Williams Lake, BC  
Cassandra Heidi Biggs, Terrace, BC  
Beenakshi Nisha Birdi, Surrey, BC  
Jesse William Booth, Langley, BC  
Ouma Boubé Moussa, Niamey, Niger  
Russell Keith Boyd, Prince George, BC  
Danielle Louise Bradford, Smithers, BC  
Madison Brown, Surrey, BC  
Kanisha Marija Clairmont, Abbotsford, BC  
Rebecca Rumay Compeau, Prince George, BC  
Hailey Isabella Marie Cunningham,  
Prince George, BC  
Jennifer Dahl, Terrace, BC  
Sydney Caitlyn Davis, Prince George, BC  
Jelaine Danelle Candelario De Dios,  
Prince George, BC  
Mackenna Elizabeth de Haan, Surrey, BC

Gladys Ines Delgadillo Angulo, Golden, BC  
Gunpreet Kaur Dhaliwal, Surrey, BC  
Ishpreet Kaur Dhot, Surrey, BC  
Gillian Molly Pauline Dudoward, Terrace, BC  
Kamryn Jane Ellery, Prince George, BC  
Monique Lee Favel,  
Saddle Lake Cree Nation, AB  
Lauren Elizabeth Ficke, Kamloops, BC  
Shanelle Mary Fitzgerald, Mackenzie, BC  
Chloe Lynn Foster, Fort St. John, BC  
Patricia Bianca Fuentes, Kamloops, BC  
Nichole Marie Furtado, Kitimat, BC  
Adriana Nicole Galamini, Kitimat, BC  
Jaidyn Paige Goertzen, Fort St. John, BC  
Breanne Nicole Grant, Markham, ON  
Reece Neila Halovich, Prince George, BC  
Rachel Margaret Harding, Nanaimo, BC  
Christopher McCabe Harris, Vancouver, BC  
Jessica Taylor Hartwig, Vanderhoof, BC  
Brittany Ann Hill, Terrace, BC  
Kirby Jane Hodson, Penticton, BC  
Maddison Reese Holloway, Fort St. John, BC  
Morgan Dawn Holyk, Prince George, BC  
Charlotte Nancy Hunter, Prince George, BC  
Obielumani Lilian Ilekendi, Prince George, BC  
Gillian Marie Jardim, Prince Rupert, BC  
Khaleel Muhammad Javed, Surrey, BC  
Morgan Elise Johnson, Prince George, BC  
Ashleigh Barbara Christin Johnston,  
Prince George, BC  
Melissa Taylor Johnstone, Smithers, BC  
Anna Geniene Kaied, Surrey, BC  
Janvi Kaler, Prince George, BC  
Harkiran Kaur Kandola, Abbotsford, BC  
Mekenzie Keeley, Chilliwack, BC  
Jessie Jeanette Knoke, Hixon, BC  
Danelle Marie Koch, Terrace, BC  
Kasey Simone Kupferschmid, Quesnel, BC  
Rebecca Leanne Rose Landry, Fort St. John, BC  
Ashley Bessie Langille, Quesnel, BC  
Yuan I (Joanna) Lee, Surrey, BC  
Chelsea Lynn Littlechild, Prince George, BC  
Abigail Farrell Loach, Sidney, BC  
Joy Marie Loewen, Abbotsford, BC  
Carly May Louise Maley, Nanaimo, BC  
Violet Lucy Martin, Prince George, BC  
Rebecca Margaret Matthews, Prince George, BC  
Shayla Lynn McCartney, Prince George, BC  
Madison Elizabeth McGill, Prince George, BC  
Carli Tahereh Mehrassa, Prince George, BC  
Skye Miller, Motherwell, United Kingdom  
Anjali Minhas, Delta, BC  
Tess Imogene Morgan, Vancouver, BC  
Kate Lauren Morse, Prince Rupert, BC  
Stephanie Rose Mosley, Kamloops, BC  
Emily Michelle Motley, Prince George, BC  
Jaden Helen Musselman, Quesnel, BC  
Laurn Kennedy Nash, Prince George, BC  
Gabriela Anna Natanek, Port Coquitlam, BC  
Anmol Nijjar, Surrey, BC  
Oladipo Ayo Olatunbosun, Prince George, BC  
Kaitlyn Marie Panter, Cache Creek, BC  
Natalie Victoria Payette, North Okanagan, BC  
James Hendrik Penninga, Prince George, BC  
Alexa Riley Persson, Vanderhoof, BC  
Rayanna Pfefferle, Prince George, BC  
Samantha Whitney Phillips, Revelstoke, BC  
Abbey Julianna June Philpot, Williams Lake, BC  
Akamjot Singh Rai, Prince George, BC  
Elyse Paige Ratslaff, Abbotsford, BC  
Constance Mildred Rauter, McBride, BC  
Victoria Deborah Reid, Prince George, BC  
Marcel Lee Robinson, Terrace, BC  
Kansas Marelle Ross, Fort St. John, BC  
Kierra Rufiange, Westlock, AB  
Nurcan Saber, Fort St. John, BC

Ajuni Sandhu, Prince George, BC  
Esha Kaur Sandhu, Prince George, BC  
Chanpreet Kaur Sanghera, Surrey, BC  
Sarah May Sargent, Amherstburg, ON  
Autumn Grace Schley, Smithers, BC  
Desirae Alexa Sherman, Fort St. John, BC  
Kierra Julia Singh, Abbotsford, BC  
Erin Elizabeth Skinnider, Victoria, BC  
Olivia Arielle Joice Smith, Smithers, BC  
Morgan Julia Spain, Gibsons, BC  
Jasmin Stiffler, Burns Lake, BC  
Chantel Jean Stiles, Prince George, BC  
Daria Daniela Brigida Strimbold, Burns Lake, BC  
Carmyn Janet Szoo, Fort St. John, BC  
Talon Scott Tanninen, Prince George, BC  
Vanessa Rose Tanski, Terrace, BC  
Morgan Molly Taylor, Prince George, BC  
Gurveet Thandhi, Prince George, BC  
Kamalpreet Kaur Thandhi, Prince George, BC  
Aashna Thapar, Surrey, BC  
Emily Margaret Tobin, Quesnel, BC  
Jasmine Mary Turnbull, Prince George, BC  
Cierra Lynn Turner, Edmonton, AB  
Kristina Jean Ummerhofer, Penticton, BC  
Hallie Joann Urzinger, Langley, BC  
Jessica Verma, Surrey, BC  
Lillie Josee Vincent, Fort St. James, BC  
Alexandra Victorovna Volodarets,  
New Westminster, BC  
Duojiang Wang, Delta, BC  
Hannah Lynn Warnock, Prince George, BC  
Sydney Webb, Terrace, BC  
Charles Alexander Williams, Prince George, BC  
Marlee Marie-Durban Wilson, Burns Lake, BC  
Kaia Alexis Winstone, Abbotsford, BC  
Brynn Madison Witwicki, Prince George, BC  
Allyson Mia Wood, Prince George, BC  
Taya Keiko Yoshida, Kelowna, BC

## The Degree of Bachelor of Social Work

Charla Mae Anderson, Prince George, BC  
Rachel Cesira Jacqueline Aussem,  
Prince George, BC  
Arman Banger, Prince George, BC  
Trisha Bansal, Prince George, BC  
Megan Sharon Bellamy, Terrace, BC  
Jennifer Ann Caron, Prince George, BC  
Jessica Doris Elizabeth Collins, Terrace, BC  
Louise Coyle, Prince George, BC  
Kevin Alexander Creamore, Vernon, BC  
Esther Changuna Cumbamngalam,  
Prince George, BC  
Richard Clayton Davis, Moberly Lake, BC  
Jeevan Deepak, Prince George, BC  
Michael Jacob Groenenberg, Prince George, BC  
Emily Hohmann, Quesnel, BC  
Rebecca Rae Houle, Terrace, BC  
Bonnie Jean Kay, Powell River, BC  
Dayle Kennedy, Prince George, BC  
Cathleen Marie Lube, Fort St. John, BC  
Kristen McKenzie, Prince George, BC  
Cara Beryl Mighton  
Kimbelyn Natoya Morris-Barnes  
Alexandra June Muir, Prince George, BC  
Jennifer Darlene Nelson  
Elizabeth Nicol, Dawson Creek, BC  
Chailee Ann Normandin, Quesnel, BC  
Chinwe Olivia Obiechina, Prince George, BC  
Kelly Elizabeth Quick  
Matthew Bradley Rathjen, Prince George, BC

Emily Rose Retza, Fraser Lake, BC  
Montanna Relindis Rohrbach Boya,  
Fort Ware, BC  
Hannah Alexi Smith  
Alison Lee Spooner, Ashcroft, BC  
Lindsay Gail Streifel, Quesnel, BC  
Taylor Nicole Walbauer, Terrace, BC  
Melyssa Watson, Prince George, BC  
Maya Louise Wellman, Burns Lake, BC  
Katarina Pamela Jean Wriglesworth, Terrace, BC  
Alan Carlos Yu, Marikina, Philippines

## Diploma

### **First Nations Language - Gitxsan**

Johnny Alexander, Hazelton, BC

## Certificate

### **First Nations Language - Gitxsan**

Johnny Alexander, Hazelton, BC

### **First Nations Language - Haisla**

Hailey Heather Balatti, Sechelt, BC  
Angelina Gwendolen Bowen, Chilliwack, BC  
Mellisa Joyce Franz, Abbotsford, BC  
Maureen Lynn Nyce, Haisla, BC  
Liana Rene Stevens, Haisla, BC  
Christopher Walter Wilson, Haisla, BC  
Jennifer N Wilson, Vancouver, BC

### **General First Nations Studies**

Susanne Annabel Blackwater, Kispiox, BC  
Geraldine Johnson, Smithers, BC  
Rosealine Starr, Kispiox, BC  
Alysha Morgan Raven Stewart, Kispiox, BC

### **Rural Nursing**

Linda Chidimma Ikwuagwu, Kamloops, BC  
Paige Elizabeth Montague-Wheatley,  
Prince Rupert, BC  
Duojiang Wang, Delta, BC

# Ceremony Two

## Program

### **Introductory Remarks**

#### **Call to Order**

Talking Stick Bearer Chief Dolleen Logan  
Lheidli T'enneh Nation

#### **Singing of the National Anthem**

Dawn Zemoura

### **Welcome to the Traditional Territory of the Lheidli T'enneh**

Talking Stick Bearer Chief Dolleen Logan  
Lheidli T'enneh Nation

#### **Chancellor's Address**

Elder Darlene McIntosh

#### **President's Address**

Dr. Geoffrey W. Payne

#### **Presentation of Awards**

Governor General's Gold Medal  
Kristen Kieta

Governor General's Silver Medal  
Melody Mah

Lieutenant Governor's Silver Medal for Inclusion,  
Democracy, and/or Reconciliation  
Mikhaila Carr

#### **Conferral of Honorary Degree**

Jim Good

#### **Conferral of Degrees**

#### **Valedictorian's Address**

Will Hanlon

#### **Alumni Welcome Address**

Melissa Bolster

#### **Conclusion**

### **Recessional Lead by the Thundering Eagles**

## The Degree of Doctor of Philosophy

### Natural Resources and Environmental Studies

Mahboubeh Barahimi Varnousfaderani, Isfahan, Iran

Qing Guo, Xinxiang, China

Adam Christopher Hawkins, Seattle, Washington

Kristen Anne Kieta, Cleveland, Ohio

Lisa Jeanne Koetke, Redmond, Washington

Victoria Rachele Kress, Hudson's Hope, BC

Fabricio Scarpeta Matheus, Sao Paulo, Brazil

## The Degree of Master of Applied Science

### Engineering

Hamidreza Chaboki, Mashhad, Iran

Sedigheh Gheisari, Shiraz, Iran

Chenyue Guo, Jian, China

## The Degree of Master of Arts

### Natural Resources and Environmental Studies - Geography

Ann Mary King, Lumsden, SK

James McGregor Whitehead, Victoria, BC

### Natural Resources and Environmental Studies

#### - Outdoor Recreation, Conservation & Tourism

Kevin John Fraser, North Vancouver, BC

Christena McHarg, Calgary, AB

## The Degree of Master of Business Administration

Md Mosiul Alam, Edmonton, AB

Michael Albert, Elliot Lake, ON

Klyne Kenaz Gregorio Aquino, Marikina, Philippines

Ahmad Azizieh, Prince George, BC

Samuel Joseph Brennan, Dawson Creek, BC

Tia Lynn Chabot, Grand Prairie, AB

Togeymon Cherian, Dawson Creek, BC

Maryam Ghareh Abadi, Coquitlam, BC

Sonya Helene Gill, Terrace, BC

Christopher Andrew Gledlie, Smithers, BC

Mitchell Joseph Guitard, Prince George, BC

Kevin Gunderson, Prince George, BC

Jarem Landon Gurney, Grande Prairie, AB

Elin Hasper, Grande Prairie, AB

David Holt Humphrey, Grande Prairie, AB

Atesh Kant, Surrey, BC

Wendy Marie Knox, Grande Prairie, AB

Diana Meghan Leong, Vancouver, BC

Dawn Leroy, Wells, BC

Sarah Victoria Lloyd, Prince George, BC

Owen Conrad Miller, Fort St. James, BC

Rand Kawa Mustafa, Vancouver, BC

Jodi Peebles

Stephen Reinhard Quilala, Vancouver, BC

Balaji Rajendran, Chennai, India

Matt Rossington, Vancouver, BC

Gemma Marie Abonita Sawchuk, Chetwynd, BC

Emma Elizabeth Schofield, Port Moody, BC

Riley Dean Skinner, Prince George, BC

Christine Tran, Beaverlodge, AB

Lorelle Walker, Terrace, BC

Jonathan Joseph Wayne Waller,

Prince George, BC

Jacqueline Shauna Wolsey, Grande Prairie, AB

Ravi Thej Yendru, Vijayawada, India

## The Degree of Master of Engineering

### Integrated Wood Design

Mohammad Bayat, Prince George, BC

Jefferson Andres Fuentes Gonzalez,

Bucaramanga, Colombia

Keyvan Ghasemi Soleimanieh, Kermanshah, Iran

Mohammadhassan Hassani, Shiraz, Iran

Arvin Keykhosravi, Sanandaj, Iran

Xinyang Pan, Prince George, BC

Jose Enrique Peralta Paras, Pasig City,

Philippines

Vahid Rezaeiroushan, Babol, Iran

Narges Sadidi, Tehran, Iran

## The Degree of Master of Natural Resources and Environmental Studies

Anseena Basheer, Kerala, India

Muybalikhon Jumakhonov, Khorog, Tajikistan

Erin Alexandra Nevison, Bella Coola, BC

## The Degree of Master of Science

### Biochemistry

Khoa Doan Bhanthumnawin,

Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam

Martha Jessica Giesbrecht, Prince George, BC

### Business Administration

Mehdi Aghajohnpour Pasha

Saad Ahmed, Dhaka, Bangladesh

Richard Hee Peng Foo, Vancouver, BC

Mansoor Pirabi, Tehran, Iran

### Chemistry

Abid Afzal, Faisalabad, Pakistan

### Computer Science

Ruliang Ma, Shanghai, China

Chengfang Zhu, Wuhan, China

### Interdisciplinary Studies

Katie Alice Tribe, Courtenay, BC

### Mathematics

Mahdieh Moazzamigodarzi, Prince George, BC

Yun Wang, TianShui, China

### Natural Resources and Environmental Studies - Biology

Thomas James Balfour, Ucluelet, BC

Stephanie Chan, Montreal, QC

Alexandra Renee Golt, Prince George, BC

Alexandra Rae Lambertson, Ladysmith, BC

Andrew McDermot-Fouts,

Portage La Prairie, MB

Robin Victoria Rhoads, Juneau, Alaska

Hariharan Sendamangalam Varudaraju,

Namakkal, India

Suzanne Kathrine Stevenson, Hinton, AB

### Natural Resources and Environmental Studies - Environmental Science

Mohammadhassan Ahmadian

Charles Richard Leo Bradshaw,

Prince George, BC

Anqi Chen

Emily Marie de Freitas, Fernie, BC

Mostafa Dorosti, Prince George, BC

Simran Gill, Ludhiana, India

Seyedeh Mahboobeh Jafari, Prince George, BC

Narayan Koirala, Damak, Nepal

Helena Mirzabeigi, Tehran, Iran

Brayden Richard Obert Nilson,

Hudson's Hope, BC

Ali Sadeghi, Esfahan, Iran

Hossein Zeinalzadeh, Khoy, Iran

### Natural Resources and Environmental Studies - Forestry

Erin Colleen Hall, Smithers, BC

### Natural Resources and Environmental Studies - Geography

Adrian Christopher Smith, Prince George, BC

Sergio Carlos Vazquez Tagle Gallegos,

Mineral de la Reforma, Mexico

### Physics

Sean Lebens Blackmore, Nanaimo, BC

Lovepreet Kaur, Khara, Punjab, India

## The Degree of Bachelor of Applied Science

### Civil Engineering

Kyle Boshier, Prince George, BC

Jacob Mathew Chris Burke, Prince George, BC

Henry Garlock Flynn

Joshua Donn Giesbrecht, Prince George, BC  
Jackson Girard, Prince George, BC  
Matthew Thomas Warren Grilz,  
Prince George, BC

Wayne Douglas McKay, Terrace, BC  
Brock Gregory Quist, Prince George, BC  
Christopher Philip Ross, North Vancouver, BC  
Pavai Singh Sian

### **Environmental Engineering**

Bailey Patrick Steven Edwards, Langley, BC  
Ethan Thomas McLellan, Smithers, BC  
Avery Brynn Nystedt, North Saanich, BC  
Jenna Elisabeth Stevens, Prince George, BC  
Hirdesh Bajwa, Surrey, BC  
Marlon Troy David Barlow, Port Coquitlam, BC  
Ehsan Sayed Behpour, North Vancouver, BC  
Sophia Louise Brutschy, San Francisco,  
California

Minzhen Chen, Beijing, China  
Tomas Danco, North Vancouver, BC  
Jeevan Kaur Dhaliwal, Abbotsford, BC  
Fiona Lynn Poppe Dobson, Ottawa, ON  
Justine Dave Espino Dumandan, Surrey, BC  
James Harris Eckstein, Kitimat, BC  
Lesya Michalina Hendricks, Quesnel, BC  
Joey Chung Yan Ho, Prince George, BC  
Robert Dean Hodge, Coquitlam, BC  
Angus James Jackson, Nakusp, BC  
Harleen Kaur Julka, Chandigarh, India  
Amy Elizabeth Knapp, Dryden, ON  
Geng Li, Vancouver, BC  
Chang Liu, Vancouver, BC  
Cailan Patrick Cannon McQuair, Nakusp, BC  
Sage Marie Meyers, Cochrane, AB  
Carlos Americo Pellegrini Barbosa de Oliveira,  
Vancouver, BC

Matthew Cecil Frederick Pike,  
New Westminster, BC  
Burl Dean Piper, Dawson Creek, BC  
Danielle Alexandria Piper, Dawson Creek, BC  
Anna Lynn Rice, Vernon, BC  
Diego Sanchez, Jackson, Wyoming  
Micah Soleil St-Denis, Squamish, BC  
Brooklyn Lisa Sutherland, North Vancouver, BC  
Rohan Swaminathan, Calgary, AB  
Zeyu Wang, Hefei, China  
Tara Chrystal Yole, Surrey, BC

## The Degree of Bachelor of Arts

### **Environmental Studies**

Samantha Karen Laharty West, Kelowna, BC

### **Environmental and Sustainability Studies**

Madison McCann, Terrace, BC  
Jack Norton Moseley, Queen Charlotte City, BC

### **Joint Major in Geography and Political Science**

William Patrick Nolin Hanlon, Prince George, BC  
Parneet Kaur Minhas, Houston, BC  
Tyler Augustine Slaney, Prince George, BC

### **Geography**

Cyan Kennedy Lemoal, Castlegar, BC  
Mackenzie Laurene Ostberg, Prince George, BC  
August Isako Reed, Prince George, BC  
Gregor Cameron Smith, Kelowna, BC

### **Nature-Based Tourism Management**

Kei Laam Yiu, Hong Kong

### **Public Administration and Community Development**

Kinmin Jagdev, New Delhi, India  
Jasleen Kaur Parmar, Prince George, BC  
Mitchell Lea Redpath, Prince George, BC

## The Degree of Bachelor of Commerce

### **Accounting and Finance**

Cameron Dwayne Edwards, Prince George, BC

### **Accounting**

Hsiao-Ling Chiu, Taipei, Taiwan  
Ashley Robin Bicklmeier, Prince George, BC  
Amanda Rae Gould, Prince George, BC  
Hayden Roy Holmes, Prince George, BC  
Haashysara Mohana  
Lindsay Beth Riber Sabourin, Prince George, BC

### **Finance and Management Information Systems**

Gurman Singh Chadha, New Delhi, India  
James Kenneth White, Prince George, BC

### **Finance**

Jovhan Singh Janjua, Prince George, BC  
Daphine Komukyeya, Kampala, Uganda  
Alanna Merle Lewis, Prince George, BC  
Chengze Li, Tai Yuan, China  
Matthew Aiden Marotta, Prince George, BC  
Michael Morgan, Prince George, BC  
Kailong Yan, Wuhan, China  
SuLiYaKa Kininla Nkwah Yaya

### **General Business**

Brandon Alexander Edmund Arndt,  
Prince George, BC  
Supavit Boonyunyongsakul, Bangkok, Thailand  
Nhan Phuoc Dang, Da Nang, Vietnam  
Eric Wesley Phillips, Quesnel, BC

### **Human Resources Management and Marketing**

Sarah Ann Armstrong, Quesnel, BC  
Jared Joseph Nome, Prince George, BC

### **Human Resources Management**

Amber Rushton, Prince George, BC  
Alyssa Marie Yu, Prince George, BC

### **International Business and Management Information Systems**

Cherry Garg

### **International Business**

Catherine Elizabeth Kemp, Prince George, BC

### **Management Information Systems and Marketing**

Abdullah Al Nahhas, Daraa, Syria

### **Management Information Systems**

Deep Patel, Edmonton, AB  
Alexander Philip Roy, Prince George, BC  
Emily Claire Smith, Prince George, BC  
Daniel James Stambulic Zadavec, Victoria, BC

### **Marketing**

Kristi Dorene Boon, Prince George, BC  
Brett Douglas Friesen  
Nadia Mansour, Prince George, BC  
Valeria Palacio Vargas, Bogota, Colombia  
Aleisha Lynn Margaret Ramsay,  
Prince George, BC  
Archit Sachdeva, Chandigarh, India  
Andrew Edward Steele, Prince George, BC

## The Degree of Bachelor of Planning

### **Natural Resources Planning**

Mikhaila Danielle Carr, Prince George, BC  
Alikhan Noah Jetha, Burnaby, BC

## The Degree of Bachelor of Science - Honours

### **Biochemistry and Molecular Biology**

Kenzie Elizabeth Chilcott, Fort St. John, BC  
Shayden Wayne Hiebert, Cecil Lake, BC  
Rebecca Susan Landry, Prince George, BC  
Aspen Salvina Vassallo, Prince George, BC

### **Biology**

Laurel Dawn Houlden Berg-Khoo, Dunster, BC  
Tatiana Irene Hill, Williams Lake, BC  
Sydney Morgan Reimer, Prince George, BC  
Allison Elizabeth Tew, Williams Lake, BC

### **Forest Ecology and Management**

Ezra RB Culberson, Burns Lake, BC  
Amity Madeleine Dixon-Traer, Quesnel, BC  
Finn William Scott-Neff, Arcata, California

### **Mathematics and Computer Science**

Shen-Yuan Tsao, Delta, BC

### **Physics**

Lucas Edward Bergen, Valemount, BC  
Sean Anthony Bressette, Prince George, BC  
Adam Michael Galante, Kitimat, BC  
Thomas Andrew Peterson, Quesnel, BC

### **Wildlife and Fisheries**

Rachelle Mary Barbara Foubert, Mackenzie, BC  
Joel Andrew En Khoo, Singapore



# The Degree of Bachelor of Science

## Biochemistry and Molecular Biology

Julian Daduica, Prince George, BC  
Callie Michelle Fast, Prince George, BC  
Kyle Stephen Graham, Prince George, BC  
Lexy Ann Green, Surrey, BC  
Ainsley Elizabeth Horton, Kelowna, BC  
Shaheer Amin Lakhani, Prince George, BC  
Shamikh Amin Lakhani, Prince George, BC  
Joshua Christopher Leboe  
Austin Allan Lewis  
Brianna Lopez, Prince George, BC  
Joel Evan Molcak, Prince George, BC  
Anureet Sainbhi, Abbotsford, BC  
Rufaro Sharon Sowa, Prince George, BC  
Jason Donald Van der Wilk, Valemount, BC

## Biology

Carter Manuel Barbosa, Quesnel, BC  
Ajadeep Singh Bassi, Prince George, BC  
Tristan Joel Berry, Prince George, BC  
Sydney Leeann Botham, Prince George, BC  
Spencer Alexander Champion, Terrace, BC  
Zhenyue Mike Gan, Wuhan, China  
Olivia Ellen Gulliman, 100 Mile House, BC  
Marlee Grace Hoffman, Terrace, BC  
Oluwaseyi Opeyemi Ibidapo, Prince George, BC  
Oshini Aishwarya Vidyamani Perera Kottagodage,  
Prince George, BC  
Nigel Lax  
Nolan Dale Myers, Prince George, BC  
Jennifer Nikolova, Prince George, BC  
George Benjamin Prince, Southampton, England  
Allaina Kaylene Procter, Prince George, BC  
Aalia Kaur Suran, Prince George, BC  
Cale David Joseph Toth, Vanderhoof, BC  
Emily Anne Ulrich, Prince George, BC

## Chemistry

Christian Martin Wels-Lopez,  
North Vancouver, BC  
Sarah Elizabeth Wood, Prince George, BC

## Computer Science

Josiah James Binnema, Prince George, BC  
Nicholas Taylor Hirt, Prince George, BC  
Julia Ann Myatovic, Prince George, BC  
Noah Glenn Stobbe  
Daniel James Strickland, Prince George, BC  
Kai Gabriel Toyata, Prince George, BC  
Jacob Coulter VanVolkenburg, Fort St. John, BC

## Conservation Science and Practice - Landscape Conservation & Management

Justin Wade, Cranbrook, BC

## Conservation Science and Practice - Wildland Conservation & Recreation

James Matthew Douglas, Sechelt, BC  
Logan Thomas Hutchinson, Williams Lake, BC  
Chantel Denice Wickson, Smithers, BC

## Environmental Science

Joel Thomas Caryk, Spirit River, AB  
Chun Sing Leung, Coquitlam, BC  
Jessica Lynn McKenna, Athabasca, AB  
Madison Diana Poole, Peachland, BC  
Yufei Zhang

## Forest Ecology and Management

Ryan Gary Allen, Moncton, NB  
Isabel Bodnar, North Saanich, BC  
Nolan Sandor Buchi, Williams Lake, BC  
Naomi Claire Daburger, Prince George, BC  
Bailee Marie Fenton, Cowichan Bay, BC  
Julie Adair Forrest, Prince George, BC  
Caitlyn Grace Hall, Williams Lake, BC  
Ryan Stephen Hansen, Kitimat, BC  
Minna Ilse Jones, Fort St. James, BC  
Victoria Kumpula, Quesnel, BC  
Manuel Steven Lerch-Oberauer,  
Prince George, BC  
Simon John Lewis-Schneider, Cobble Hill, BC  
Maximilian Moore, Arnprior, ON  
Hanna Jordan Murray, North Cowichan, BC  
Kyra Pearce, Parksville, BC  
Skyler Penninga, Smithers, BC  
Carly Amber Jeannie Poborsa-Cox,  
Cumberland, BC  
Andrew Ian Schien, Prince George, BC  
Wilhelmina Georgina Schulting,  
Prince George, BC  
Elaina Rae Shandro, North Vancouver, BC  
Raven Wolf, Prince George, BC

## Geography

McKenna Paige Christianson, Charlie Lake, BC  
Megan Nicole Howe, Kimberley, BC  
Mariah Sophie Lola Kashmark,  
Prince George, BC  
Cassandra Margaret Strickland,  
Prince George, BC

## Integrated Science

Sareena Khatrao, Prince George, BC  
Akash Rohit Patel, Kitimat, BC

## Mathematics

Nadia Sara Jasmin Gifford, Terrace, BC

## Wildlife and Fisheries

Noah James Branigan, Prince George, BC  
Brittney Ashley Marie Carpenter,  
Prince George, BC  
Sophie Morgan Clark, Yellowknife, NT  
Taylor Daneluk, Prince George, BC  
Kallie Brynn Edwards, Terrace, BC  
Kaitlin Alexis Julie Green, Williams Lake, BC  
James Akira Griffin, Gitwinksihlkw, BC  
Jacob Robert Johnson, 150 Mile House, BC  
Rebecca Rose Lahti, Surrey, BC  
Georgia Elizabeth Rose Legault,  
Prince George, BC  
Connor Lynn, Lethbridge, AB  
Melody Mah, Maple Ridge, BC  
Jocelyn Ann Mailloux, Chatham, ON  
Cory R.E Porter, Conception Bay South, NL  
Kevin John Rossi, Calgary, AB  
Everett Sacrey, St. Philips, NL  
Jordan Suwon Seo, Surrey, BC  
Faith Tatiana Lynn Tallas, Edmonton, AB  
Ethan Barrett Wagner-Roach, Fergus, ON  
Kayla Camille Zaretski, Nelson, BC

# Graduate Celebrations

## Northwest Campus

**June 3, 2024**

1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.  
R.E.M. Lee Theatre (4920 Straume Avenue)

## Wilp Wilxo'oskwhl Nisga'a Institute

**June 4, 2024**

1:00pm  
Ts'oohl Ts'ap Memorial Centre (Gwinaha Ave., Gitwinksihlkw, B.C.)

## South-Central Campus

**June 6, 2024**

1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.  
UNBC South-Central campus (100 Campus Way)  
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## Northeast Campus

**June 7, 2024**

5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.  
Pomeroy Hotel & Conference Centre (11308 Alaska Rd)

# Ceremonial Items

## Talking Stick

The talking stick includes 14 traditional crests, which represent all of the First Nations clans of Northern British Columbia. They are, from top to bottom, Wolf, Black Bear, Beaver, Wolverine, Caribou, Mountain Goose, Frog, Thunderbird, Raven, Fireweed, Killer Whale, Grouse, Owl, and Eagle. The human face situated in the center represents all peoples. The talking stick rests in a base of red cedar, carved in the form of a salmon.



## Ceremonial Banner

Measuring seventeen feet long by eight feet wide, and depicting a wolf, this unique design was specially created for the University of Northern British Columbia by Lee Edenshaw, Jr. and his family. The Edenshaw family comes from the Village of Skedans in Haida Gwaii (Queen Charlotte Islands).

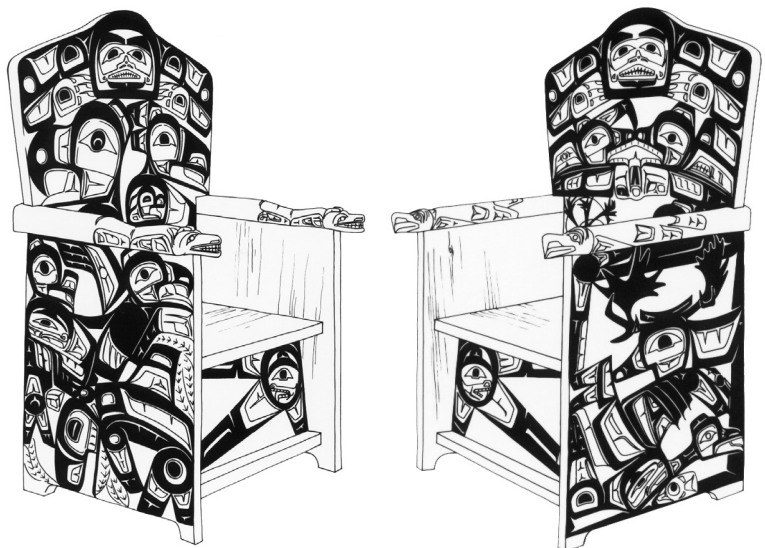
## Ceremonial Chairs

The chairs include, at top and bottom, a human mask and sun, representing mankind, in particular, students and counsellors. The other symbols again represent the various First Nation peoples in the University's region.

The Chancellor's chair (left) includes representations of the thunderbird, frog, beaver, grouse, fireweed, owl, eagle, and killer whale, with armrests carved in the shape of a wolf.

The President's chair (right) includes representations of the grizzly bear, wolf, caribou, black bear, crow, frog, moose, and mountain goose, with armrests carved in the shape of a raven.

The ceremonial chairs, talking stick, and base stand were carved in 1992 by Ron Sebastian.



## The Coat Of Arms

The University's Coat of Arms is comprised of several elements. The shield, which is divided into UNBC's colours of green and gold, contains three elements. The open book, which is a traditional symbol of learning, is flanked by two ravens, which are hardy, resident birds of the North and of open spaces. Ravens are symbols of wisdom in some First Nations traditions, and are recognized as among the most intelligent birds by ornithologists. Below these elements is a young coniferous tree with roots that symbolizes growth, and represents both the dominant flora of the North and the backbone of the northern economy.

The crest is created from a wreath surmounted by the maple leaf, symbolizing Canada; dogwood flowers, symbolizing British Columbia; and snowflake crystals, symbolizing the North. The crest is a salmon, which is the symbol on the base of the University's mace/talking stick, and is used there as an indication of all the people of the region. The salmon was created by Ron Sebastian of New Hazelton specially for the Coat of Arms.

To the left of the shield is a Kermode bear, a rare subspecies of the black bear found only in the northwest region of British Columbia. To the right of the shield is the woodland caribou, a distinctive mammal of the central interior and northeast region. Each carries a wreath comprised of conifer branches with cones, again indicating a definitive element of much of northern British Columbia.

The compartment is the base on which the supporters stand. The Kermode stands among mountains and trees, which are distinctive of much of the region. To the right is a wheat field, distinctive of the Peace River region. Beneath the mountains and wheat field is a depiction of the ocean and orca, indicative of the Haida Gwaii (Queen Charlotte Islands) and coastal regions. The orca was also created by Ron Sebastian.

The motto, 'En cha huná (pronounced "enn cha huhNAH"), is a saying of the Dalkelh elders, with an interpretation of the direct translation that is *he/she also lives*. The saying would be used by an Elder when reminding someone who is critical of another that the individual is also a living being, with a voice and a viewpoint. The motto encapsulates much of the spirit of academic freedom, respect for others, and the willingness to recognize different perspectives.

## Academic Costume and Regalia

Distinctive academic costume has been worn in universities since their inception some 1,000 years ago. Until recently, such costume was worn as part of the everyday life of the University. Indeed, members of the faculty recollect firm instructions in their student days to wear gowns to tutorials, examinations and formal dinners. The gown, hood and mortarboard are the basic items of academic regalia and originally had practical functions. The hood was specifically created to be pulled over the head to provide protection from inclement weather. Along with the rest of the costume, it now has more of a symbolic function, and indicates through its colours, trim and lining the degree and the university giving the award. Gold and green, being the University of Northern British Columbia colours, feature widely on the academic costumes.

### PhD green & gold

<b>MA white</b>	<b>MScN apricot</b>	<b>BHSc silver</b>
<b>MASc orange</b>	<b>MSW citron</b>	<b>BPI gold</b>
<b>MBA blue</b>	<b>BA white</b>	<b>BSc gold</b>
<b>MEd light blue</b>	<b>BComm blue</b>	<b>BScN apricot</b>
<b>MEng orange</b>	<b>BASc orange</b>	<b>BSW citron</b>
<b>MNRES lavender</b>	<b>BASc (joint) scarlet</b>	
<b>MSc gold</b>	<b>BEd light blue</b>	

Chief amongst the elements of University regalia is the Mace. In the European tradition, the Mace is the most important symbol of authority. In early medieval times, a mace was a formidable weapon – a rod with a spiked ball at the end – used to defend a king, baron, or bishop. Over the years, the martial requirements gradually declined, and the Mace evolved into a symbol. In universities, it now symbolizes the authority of the Chancellor to award degrees; only in its presence can degrees be conferred. You will also note that at the beginning of the recession (exit procession), the Mace, as tradition decrees, is "brandished," and precedes the Chancellor out of the hall. The University of Northern British Columbia Mace is unique in combining the ancient European tradition with the First Nations' tradition of the Talking Stick, which is used both as a symbol of authority and the right to speak. It was carved, as were the Ceremonial Chairs, by Ron Sebastian.



*The list of graduates in this program was complete at the time of publication.*

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