



INTERNATIONAL STUDIES MA PROGRAM

2019-2020 Graduate Handbook

MA INTERNATIONAL STUDIES HANDBOOK 2019-2020

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ORIENTATION

Welcome Message from the Co-Chairs of the MA International Studies Program

Our globalizing world presents magnificent opportunities and mighty challenges. The MA International Studies program is dedicated to helping you seize the opportunities and meet the challenges. Here is how we can help you, and why we are different than other Master's programs.

We are a small, friendly program at a small, friendly university. UNBC and the MA INTS program provides you with a welcoming atmosphere and an easy-going place to work and study. You will find it is easy to chat with us, about school or about the wider workings of the world.

Our program is run jointly by two departments, the Department of Global and International Studies and the Department of Economics. In addition to having access to the faculty of both departments, we also draw supervisors from other programs on campus such as History, Political Science, Anthropology and Ecosystem Science and Management.

We are dedicated to interdisciplinary. Today's international and global problems demand broad training, in multiple disciplines and in multiple perspectives. This is reflected in our focus on Global Development and Environment. Your course work will incorporate this breadth.

As Co-Chairs of the MA International Studies program, we invite you to explore what we have to offer. If you have any questions, by all means, feel free to contact us.

Paul Bowles
Acting Chair, Department of Global and
International Studies

Fiona MacPhail
Chair, Department of Economics

Program. Faculty. Location. The MA in International Studies at UNBC.

The MA program is focused on **Global Development and Environment**. It was revised in 2018 to reflect changing global issues and how they are analysed. Building on our 20 plus years of experience, the new program brings both sharper focus to the program as well as offering students more choice. Designed for students with broadly defined social science backgrounds, the program is structured so that students are introduced to key concepts, theoretical analysis and practice in Global Development and in Global Environment as well as taking a course in Research Methods for Global Studies. Students may choose from a wide range of electives and the program draws on courses from 11 different departments; an interdisciplinarian's dream. Many courses offer critical perspectives.

Analyzing Global Development as processes, the program allows students to choose from courses focusing on the Global South, on the High North, on Indigenous issues, and on global-local dynamics. The connections between development and environment are explored and addressed. The vibrant Global Fridays Speakers Series brings global issues and speakers regularly to your classroom.

Students are all admitted into a coursework-based program allowing them to complete the program in two years. It is anticipated that most students will complete the coursework-based program. Depending on coursework performance and research topic, students can also apply during their studies to follow a traditional thesis based program in which they have the opportunity to work in depth on a topic under the supervision of a faculty member. Or they may apply for the innovative major research paper-based program where students work with a faculty supervisor on a shorter piece.

Whichever option you take you will be provided with the flexibility to pursue a program you are passionate about while also providing you with the rigorous theoretical and methodological training required to be successful during your course of study and in your future workplace. International Studies is one of the most sought after graduate degrees for individuals with professional interests in international and public policy, diplomacy, social science research, and non-governmental organizations. Our students have gone on to careers in the Canadian Foreign Service, federal and provincial governments, child rights advocacy, international business

relations, international environmental NGOs, climate change research institutes, academic institutions, and community development, to name a few.

The MA program is coordinated jointly by the Department of Global and International Studies and the Department of Economics and also includes faculty from a number of other departments. This core *faculty*, available as potential supervisors, have research interests spanning Latin America, Africa, Asia and the Arctic and have conducted research in each of them as well as locally. They have research interests in areas such as globalization, critical/alternative development, health, environment, gender, feminism, extractivism, civil society, rural development, natural resources, human rights, Indigenous issues, business practices and forms of security. They have experience working for international organizations (such as the Asian Development Bank, the International Labour Organisation and the World Bank) and for NGOs (including founding one supporting rural development in Uganda). They include teaching award winners (including national 3M level) and research award winners (including national level awards). They have been successful in obtaining grants from bodies such as the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada and the International Development Research Centre which have included funding for graduate students.

As for *location* UNBC is not like most Canadian universities. According to Statistics Canada “in 2016, two out of three people (66%) lived within 100 kilometres of the southern Canada–United States border, an area that represents about 4% of Canada's territory” (The Daily, Feb 8, 2017) and that’s where most of Canada’s universities are also found. UNBC is not; it is found in a part of the 96%. Located in Prince George, British Columbia, it is a hilltop campus situated on the Traditional Territory of the Lheidli T'enneh with a spectacular view of mountains far off to the east. Here you will discover a region that is beyond the experience of many Canadians. A region where Indigenous cultures are strong, where pristine wilderness confronts industrial resource development, where global influences and trade from rising Asia are re-shaping the economy, and where the impacts of climate change can be readily understood. A unique and compelling location from which, and in which, to study **Global Development and Environment**. Don’t settle for the ordinary; go the extra kilometre to UNBC.

WHAT DO I NEED TO DO IN MY FIRST TWO WEEKS AS A GRADUATE STUDENT IN INTERNATIONAL STUDIES AT UNBC?

1. Select courses to be taken in the first year in consultation with Dr. Nathan Andrews, Graduate Advisor (see pages 16, & 17 to see the courses available). Dr. Andrew's office hours are on Mondays from 12:00pm – 2:00pm or by appointment.
 - a. Complete Course Registration Form which is available at:
http://www.unbc.ca/assets/graduateprograms/current/process_forms/registration_form_august_2010.pdf
 - b. Complete Graduate Program Approval Form which is available at:
<https://www.unbc.ca/sites/default/files/sections/graduate-programs/maintlprogramapprovalapril2019.pdf>
- c. Submit Course Registration Form at the Registrar's Office (located at 7-750) and receive your Student Identification Card at the Cashier (located in the Agora – next to the Registrar's Office). Payment of Fees will be required at this point!
- d. Read carefully through the 2019/2020 Graduate Academic Calendar. The Graduate Calendar contains important information about graduate studies at UNBC, including all relevant policies and regulations. A hard copy of the Graduate Calendar can be obtained from Student Recruitment and Advising (located in the Agora). An electronic copy can be downloaded at: <http://www.unbc.ca/sites/default/files/sections/calendar/2017-2018graduate.pdf>
- e. Obtain an email account from the Computer Help Desk (located in the Lab Building, 8-265, Phone: (250) 960-5321, Email: support@unbc.ca). You require an official UNBC email account for all communications and for accessing e-learning technology in your courses.
- f. Please find enclosed on page 22 of the Handbook, information from the Graduate Student Society (GSS) on the location of the Graduate Lounge and other information they can provide you.
- g. ***Attend chosen classes!***
- h. Plan to attend the Annual Dinner welcoming incoming and continuing graduate students in the MA International Studies and MA Development Economics programs. Check your email for the invitation.
- i. Mark down the Global Friday Speaker Series dates in your calendar. Attending the Global Friday Speaker Series regularly is invaluable to your graduate student experience at UNBC and provides an opportunity to hear and meet leading scholars and practitioners in the field. The first seminar is on Friday, September 20th. For more information see: <http://www.unbc.ca/international-studies/global-friday>. It is also required for your program and you register for it as INTS 702-0.5.
- j. Check out Canadian Association for the Study of International Development (<http://www.casid-acedi.ca/membership>). If you are a first year graduate student in the MA International Studies, the department will pay for your membership in this Association for the first year. If you would like to become a member of the Association, please complete the membership form (Pages 35 & 36 of the Handbook) and return it to Selina Ross.

WORDS OF WISDOM

Faculty and graduate students have offered some words of advice to help new students through some of the difficulties often experienced during graduate studies. We hope this 20/20 hindsight will help you avoid some of the common pitfalls experienced by grad students and sail through your studies here at UNBC.

- Get to know your fellow graduate students since they will be your most important resources during your course studies at UNBC and time in Prince George. This includes students who are ahead of you in the program – they are likely to be happy to answer your questions from everything about how to find an apartment and to navigate the academic resources on campus.
- Pay a visit to the university Library and ask a librarian to show you around and learn about the resources available to you. We have some of the most knowledgeable and nicest librarians in the business – go meet them!
- The Academic Success Centre <http://www.unbc.ca/academic-success-centre> has several handouts <http://www.unbc.ca/academic-success-centre/proposal-and-thesis-writing-tools> and resources for thesis writing and research. It is in your best interest to peruse these materials as they contain important information that will help you through many academic challenges.
- Take the time to explore the fantastic natural areas around Prince George such as Forest for the World (on campus!) or the Ancient Forest a short drive nearby. There is a multitude of hiking trails to enjoy all summer long. Also, world famous tourist destination Jasper National Park is only 4 hours away by car for more hiking and camping. A good place to find out about all this is to check out the student-run Outdoors Club or the community-based Caledonia Ramblers.
- If you are not accustomed to the long Canadian winter, the best way to enjoy it and avoid ‘cabin fever’ is to learn to play in the snow. For instance, try snow-shoeing around the university hill, learn to cross-country ski at Otway Nordic Ski center, down-hill ski or snowboard at Tabor Mountain or Powder King, ice skate at the Ice Oval by the bottom of the university hill, take up curling or even fish on a frozen lake. This is the best way to get sunshine, exercise and fresh air help to clear your mind and offer an exciting escape from your reading and papers! It is also a great way to meet people in the community.

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MA INTS Program Requirements

UNBC's innovative and interdisciplinary Master's degree in International Studies focuses on two of the most pressing and interlinked issues of our time: Global Development and Environment. The program draws on courses from 11 different graduate programs and is managed jointly by the Departments of Global and International Studies and Economics.

Global development, broadly understood as processes that affect people(s), regions and/or countries in the Global South and northern areas including the Arctic, is examined from multiple perspectives. These perspectives include those of international agencies and civil society organizations as well as from both mainstream and critical approaches to development studies. The challenges facing the global environment and potential solutions are analysed. Interactions between global development and the environment and between local and global scales are examined.

Requirements

All students are normally admitted into a course-based program. Students wishing to transfer to a thesis- or a research paper-based program may apply to do so after completing 12 credit hours and in accordance with program rules.

Students are required to take courses which satisfy requirements in (i) global development; (ii) research methods; (iii) global environment; and (v) two elective courses. Courses may be taken in any order.

Required Courses:

Global Development: Theory and Institutions

One of:

[ECON 601-3](#) Global Economy and Development

[ECON 604-3](#) Poverty, Inequality and Development

[INTS 620-3](#) International Regimes

[POLS 615-3](#) Comparative Northern Development

Research Methods

[INTS 700-3](#) Research Methods in Global Studies

Global Environment: Policies and Practices

One of:

[ANTH 613-3](#) Environmental Anthropology

[ECON 625-3](#) Trade and the Environment

[HIST 704-3](#) Themes in Environmental History

[INTS 621-3](#) Political Economy of Natural Resource Extraction

[INTS 670-3](#) International Environmental Policy

[NRES 703-3](#) Integrated Resource Management

Electives

Two of:

[ANTH 601-3](#) Anthropological Perspectives on Inequality

[ANTH 604-3](#) Comparative Study of Indigenous Peoples of the World

[ECON 610-3](#) Health Economics

[ECON 611-3](#) Cost-Benefit Analysis

[ENVS 602-3](#) Environmental and Natural Resources Issues and Ethics

[FNST 606-3](#) Indigenous Issues in International Perspective

[FNST 607-3](#) Indigenous Perspectives on Race, Class, Gender and Power

[FNST 613-3](#) Themes in Aboriginal Women's Studies

[GEOG 603-3](#) First Nations and Indigenous Geographies

[GEOG 626-3](#) Geographies of Culture, Rights and Power

[GNDR 611-3](#) Contemporary Feminist Theories

[GNDR 613-3](#) Themes in Aboriginal Women's Studies

[HIST 702-3](#) Themes in Indigenous History

[ORTM 603-3](#) International Dimensions of Recreation and Tourism

[POLS 613-3](#) Democracy and Diversity

Additional courses from the Global Development and Global Environment options can also be selected as electives.

In addition, students are required to pass

[INTS 702-0.5](#) Graduate Colloquia*

*All students must complete Graduate Colloquia INTS 702-0.5 twice during their program of study.

Students then complete one of the following:

- i) a course-based program by completing 9 credit hours of further graduate coursework. Students in the course-based program must complete at least 6 credit hours of coursework from the Global Development options, 6 credit hours from the Global Environment options, and have courses from at least three different subject areas;
- ii) a research paper-based program by completing 6 credit hours of further graduate coursework from all courses listed above (at least 3 credit hours of which must be from the Global Development or Global Environment options) and a 3 credit hour Research Paper;
- iii) a thesis-based program requiring a 12 credit hour thesis ([INTS 799-12](#)).

All course selections (and course substitutions) require Chair approval.

INTS 702 – 0.5: Graduate Colloquia

University of Northern British Columbia

Administration

Instructor: Dr. Paul Bowles
Office: Charles McCaffray Hall 3032
Phone: 250-960-6648
Email: paul@unbc.ca
Office hours: please send an email to arrange an appointment time.

Objective

The objective of INTS 702 is to increase students' awareness and understanding of different research questions and methodologies, as well as knowledge about contemporary research issues.

Students are required to pass ECON702-0.5: Graduate Colloquia two times as part of the MA International Studies program.

Requirements

This course involves attending the Global Friday Seminar series and submitting a report on the seminars at the end of the semester. The seminars are normally held on Fridays, noon-1:30 pm in Room 5-175 and a webcast made available on the Global Fridays website. See <https://www.unbc.ca/international-studies/unbc-global-friday-speakers-series>. The schedule for speakers will be available by email and on the website. The first seminar for the Fall 2018 semester is on Friday, September 28th.

The report should be comprised of a description and your analysis of each seminar.

- The description should include the basic information about the seminar (such as title, name of the presenter, and date of the seminar), the key question, significance of the topic, context, main results, and implications.
- In the analysis of the seminar, you should reflect upon key points in the seminar taking account of themes, ideas, arguments, and/or evidence covered in your courses. You do not need to do additional research for the analysis. The main point is to express how you think the seminar relates to your courses and understanding of international studies issues more generally.
- For each seminar, aim to achieve an equitable balance between the description and your analysis i.e. 50 % of the words should be allocated to the analysis.

These points are provided for guidance and it may not be possible to address each of these points for every seminar.

The report must consist of a review of a minimum of five Global Friday seminars during the Fall 2018 semester.

Practical matters

1. The review of each seminar should be a maximum of 500 words; please include the total word count at the end of each review.
2. References must be formatted following the *Chicago Manual of Style*, 17th edition, author-year style, which is available online in the UNBC Library.
3. If you are uncertain about these expectations, you are welcome to give me a draft copy of your report on one seminar for feedback.
4. The written reports must be submitted to me by December 3, 2018.
5. The course is graded PASS/FAIL

The **Winter** semester INTS 702-0.5 course is the same EXCEPT that:

UNBC requires all graduate students to complete six semesters of continuous registration. To this end, students registering in INTS 702-0.5 in the Winter semester are given an IN PROGRESS grade at the end of the semester with a DUE DATE for the reports of August 31st. This then allows students to maintain registration over the summer and meet the university's continuous registration requirement.

This leaves students free to decide how to spend the summer months. Some students prefer to work, volunteer or travel. Other options are to take courses which might be offered during the summer. There is a restricted course schedule during the summer but this is also when field schools are typically offered in which you may enroll with the Chair's permission. Students who have been admitted into the thesis or research paper options may pursue work towards these during the summer.

FALL 2019 CLASS SCHEDULE

INSTRUCTOR	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Nathan Andrews		INTS 621 CRN 50426 <i>The Political Economy of Resource Extraction</i> 2:30pm – 5:20pm T&L 10-4560			
Paul Bowles		ECON 698 CRN 50209 <i>Advanced Applying Economics in the Community</i> 1:00pm – 2:20pm T&L 10-4044	ECON 601/INTS 698 CRN 50207/50428 <i>Global Economy & Development</i> 6:00pm – 8:50pm T&L 10-4588	ECON 698 CRN 50209 <i>Advanced Applying Economics in the Community</i> 1:00pm – 2:20pm T&L 10-4044	
Fiona MacPhail	ECON 604 CRN 50208 <i>Poverty, Inequality & Development</i> 11:30am – 12:50pm LIB 5-158		ECON 604 CRN 50208 <i>Poverty, Inequality & Development</i> 11:30am – 12:50pm LIB 5-158		ECON 700/ INTS 702 CRN 50211/51030 <i>Graduate Colloquia</i> 12:00pm – 1:30pm LIB 5-157
Jason Lacharite		INTS 650 CRN 50427 <i>Pacific Affairs</i> 10:00am – 11:20am LAB 8-160		INTS 650 CRN 50427 <i>Pacific Affairs</i> 10:00am – 11:20am LAB 8-160	
Shamaila Nawaz		ECON 698 CRN 50210 <i>Urban & Regional Economics</i> 2:30pm – 3:50pm LAB 8-160		ECON 698 CRN 50210 <i>Urban & Regional Economics</i> 2:30pm – 3:50pm LAB 8-160	
Alex Oehler			ANTH 604 CRN 50014 <i>Comparative Study of Indigenous Peoples of the World</i> 8:30am – 11:20am LIB 5-159		
John Shultis		ORTM 603 CRN 50503 <i>International Dimensions of Recreation and Tourism</i> 4:00pm – 5:20pm LIB 5-405		ORTM 603 CRN 50503 <i>International Dimensions of Recreation and Tourism</i> 4:00pm – 5:20pm LIB 5-405	
Angèle Smith	ANTH 601 CRN 50013 <i>Anthropological Perspectives on Inequality</i> 11:30am – 2:20pm LIB 5-168				

WINTER 2020 CLASS SCHEDULE					
INSTRUCTOR	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Nathan Andrews		INTS 700 CRN 10418 <i>Research Methods in Global Studies</i> 2:30pm – 5:20pm LIB 5-122			
Annie Booth		ENVS 602 CRN 10315 <i>Environmental and Natural Resources Issues and Ethics</i> 2:30pm – 3:50pm LIB 5-157		ENVS 602 CRN 10315 <i>Environmental and Natural Resources Issues and Ethics</i> 2:30pm – 3:50pm LIB 5-157	
Alex Oehler				ANTH 613 CRN 10010 <i>Environmental Anthropology</i> 11:30am – 2:20pm LIB 5-159	
Tristan Pearce		INTS 698 CRN * <i>Sustainability Problem Solving</i> DAY TIME AND ROOM TBA			
Jalil Safaei			ECON 610 CRN 10211 <i>Health Economics</i> 6:00pm – 8:50pm LIB 5-159		
Anita Shaw		GNDR 611 CRN 10354 <i>Contemporary Feminist Theories</i> 11:30am – 2:20pm LIB 5-122			
TBA					ECON 700/ INTS 702 CRN 10215/10419 <i>Graduate Colloquia</i> 12:00 – 1:30pm LIB 5-175

** Course descriptions can be found in the online Graduate Calendar*

<https://www.unbc.ca/sites/default/files/sections/calendar/2018-2019graduateacademiccalendar-forweb.pdf>

** Please see the UNBC online Course Schedule*

*https://ssb.unbc.ca/ssb/bwckschd.p_disp_dyn_sched for graduate courses offered by other departments**

MA INTERNATIONAL STUDIES PROGRAM RULES*

* Note: This document does not to supersede the rules and regulations set out in the official UNBC Graduate Calendar.

The Calendar states that:

“All students are normally admitted into a course-based program. Students wishing to transfer to a thesis- or a research paper-based program may apply to do so after completing 12 credit hours and in accordance with program rules.”

The Program Rules for Transfer apply to the thesis and research-paper options.

All students applying for a Transfer must have a minimum average grade of A- in their first 12 credits of coursework.

In addition, students applying for the thesis option must include:

- i) A letter of support from a supervisor (faculty eligible to serve as supervisors in the program are listed below);
- ii) A thesis proposal of at least 10 pages in length and a bibliography of at least 3 pages.

Students applying for the major research paper option must include:

- i) A letter of support from a supervisor (faculty eligible to serve as supervisors in the program are listed below);
- ii) A description of the type of research output expected (e.g. policy note, encyclopedia entry, newspaper article) together with potential targeted publication(s);
- iii) A paper proposal of at least 3 pages in length and a bibliography of at least 1 page.

Applications are made to the Chair and can be made at any time after the completion of 12 credit hours of coursework.

Eligible supervisors:

Nathan Andrews, Assistant Professor, Global and International Studies
Paul Bowles, Professor, Economics and Global and International Studies
Karima Fredj, Associate Professor, Economics
Leandro Freylejer, Assistant Professor, Economics
Jacqueline Holler, Associate Professor, History
Fiona MacPhail, Professor, Economics
Chris Opio, Professor, Ecosystem Science and Management
Tristan Pearce, Associate Professor, Global & International Studies
Jalil Safaei Boroojeny, Professor, Economics

Angèle Smith, Associate Professor, Anthropology
Heather Smith, Professor, Global and International Studies
Baotai Wang, Professor, Economics
Gary Wilson, Professor, Political Science

Students admitted into the thesis option will be directed by a Supervisory Committee, will make a public presentation of their proposal once it has been approved by the Committee, and have an oral defence of the thesis in accordance with Office of Graduate Programs regulations.

UNBC RESOURCES

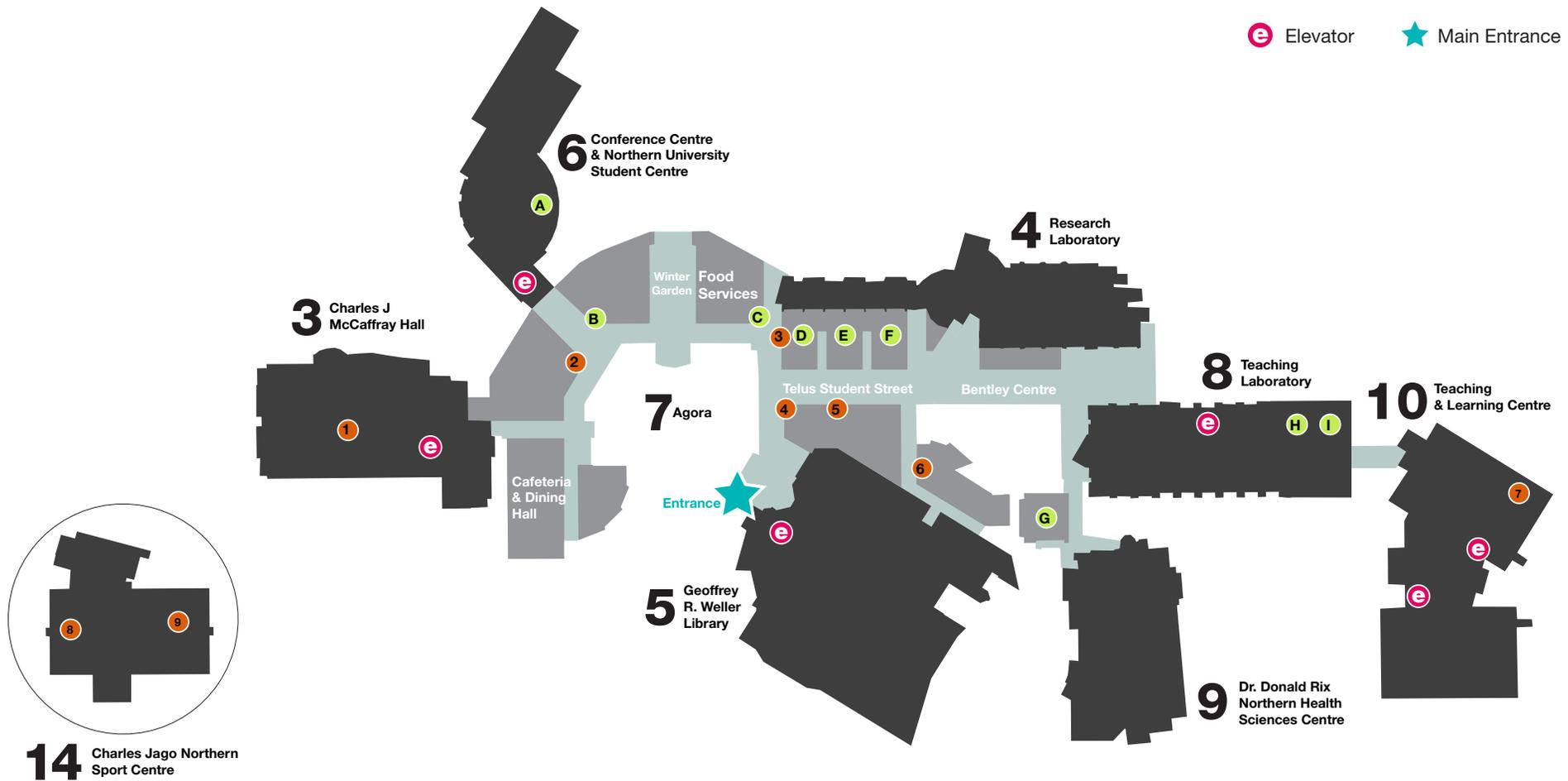
Prince George Campus Building Directory

Room numbers include building code prefixes. For example, room 5-152 is located in the Geoffrey R. Weller Library (Building 5), and room 8-322 is located in the Teaching Laboratory (Building 8).

The first number after the building code prefix indicates the floor level on which the room is located. For example, room 10-4520 is located on the fourth floor in the Teaching and Learning Centre (Building 10).

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|---|-------------------------|---|------------------------|
| 1 | Human Resources | A | Canfor Theatre |
| 2 | UNBC Bookstore | B | Weldwood Theatre 7-238 |
| 3 | Security | C | Lecture Theatre 7-212 |
| 4 | Recruitment & Advising | D | Lecture Theatre 7-150 |
| 5 | Office of the Registrar | E | Lecture Theatre 7-152 |
| 6 | First Nations Centre | F | Lecture Theatre 7-158 |
| 7 | Continuing Studies | G | Lecture Theatre 7-200 |
| 8 | Gymnasium | H | Lecture Theatre 7-164 |
| 9 | Field House | I | Lecture Theatre 7-166 |

 Elevator  Main Entrance



SERVICES FOR GRADUATE STUDENTS FROM THE NORTHERN BRITISH COLUMBIA GRADUATE STUDENT'S SOCIETY (NBCGSS)

Download the NBCGSS Mobile app here:

[NBCGSS Mobile App on Google Play](#)

[NBCGSS Mobile App on iTunes](#)

Health & Dental Plan

www.studentcare.ca

Desk Space

Desk space is extremely limited at UNBC. Graduate students are advised to first contact their graduate program to obtain desk space in offices booked by various program departments.

The NBCGSS books desk space for graduate students for several rooms in buildings 4 and 10 at the Prince George campus. Because NBCGSS desk space is extremely limited as well, NBCGSS desk space allocation is based on a first-come, first serve basis, and for graduate students who will use the desk space on a regular basis.

NBCGSS desk space is allocated on the following priorities:

- Full-time, thesis based students
- Other full-time students
- Part-time students

If the graduate students do not already have office space somewhere in the University, they can indicate that they would like desk space by visiting the NBCGSS Office during regular office hours to fill out the paperwork, including the UNBC key request form that takes the UNBC Facilities Department at least two to three weeks to process.

Please be advised there is a waitlist for desk space in offices booked by the NBCGSS.

Graduate Lounge

The NBCGSS maintains a restricted-access lounge for members located in the west wing of the Teaching and Learning Building in room 10-3016 at the Prince George campus. The lounge contains a number of amenities, including a fridge, microwave, sink, coffee maker, toaster, large screen TV, UNBC Wi-Fi connection, and a phone for local calling.

Rules for the lounge:

- Clean up after yourself
- The lounge is open to all NBCGSS members 24 hours per day
- Do not post unrelated material in the lounge

The lounge is accessed by swiping an activated student ID card. To have your student ID card activated, please present your student ID card at the NBCGSS Office (7-168) during regular office hours to fill out a form. The form will be forwarded to the UNBC Facilities Department, which completes the process of the student ID card activation that can take up to two weeks. Once the UNBC Facilities Department grants approval, you will receive an e-mail from the UNBC Facilities Department stating you have access to 10–3016. **Graduate Computer Lab**

There is graduate student computer lab with restricted access located in room T&L 10 - 3032. This room is accessed using your student card. To get your card activated, go to the NBCGSS Office and ask the office coordinator to activate access privileges. Each semester you receive 250 free copies after which you can buy more print copies through NBCGSS.

The NBCGSS operates 1 list-serv that may be of interest to graduate students. This list-serv is a great way to get in touch with other graduate students, and stay on top of issues that affect you! Please contact the NBCGSS office to be placed on this list-serv.

Graduate Computer Lab

The graduate student computer lab has restricted access located in the west wing of the Teaching and Learning Building (Building 10) in room 10 – 3032. To have your student ID card activated, please present your student ID card at the NBCGSS Office (7-168) during regular office hours to fill out a form. The form will be forwarded to the UNBC Facilities Department, which completes the process of the student ID card activation that can take up to two weeks. Once the UNBC Facilities Department grants approval, you will receive an e-mail from the UNBC Facilities Department stating you have access to 10–3032.

Each semester, you are eligible to receive 250 pages of free black and white printing that is only accessible in the graduate computer lab. To obtain access to the free printing for the first time, please visit the NBCGSS Office to present your student ID card that denotes a computerized

“Grad” word. A printing code for the graduate student lab will be created for you at the NBCGSS Office during regular office hours.

To renew your printing account in subsequent semesters, please e-mail gsoffice@unbc.ca or visit the NBCGSS Office during regular office hours to request your printing code for the graduate student computer lab be renewed.

Mailing Lists

NBCGSS Graduate Student List (<mailto:nbcgss-list@unbc.ca>)

This list-serve is the place to hear of upcoming NBCGSS events and news. Only NBCGSS information is e-mailed.

This list is SPAM-free and you will be able to unsubscribe.

U-Pass

U-PASS: UNLIMITED PRINCE GEORGE POOL AND TRANSIT BUS ACCESS

The U-Pass fee was approved by UNBC graduate students via referendum. The U-Pass allows students to unlimited access to the City of Prince George bus system, as well as the Four Seasons Leisure Pool and the Prince George Aquatic Centre. Once all fees have been paid to UNBC, a validation sticker can be collected from the UNBC Cashier’s Office each semester to be affixed to the student ID card. This sticker is nontransferable and the student must show their card to the bus driver/pool reception to receive services free of charge.

U-Pass Opt-Out

UNBC classifies regional graduate students based on their programs, not on where regional graduate students live. If you are charged the U-Pass, UNBC classifies your program or a course you enrolled in as Prince George campus based. The U-Pass does have an opt-out process which the NBCGSS oversees. The City of Prince George only has certain criteria for graduate students to opt-out of the U-Pass.

Below are the categories of students who can be exempt from the mandatory U-Pass fee:

- a) any graduate student who has not taken courses at a Prince George UNBC campus for two consecutive years providing they have a letter of proof signed by their supervisor
- b) any student attending the Prince George campus who is not required to pay NBCGSS fees;
- c) or any graduate student who has been living outside of Prince George for the minimum of two years, providing they have a letter of proof signed by their supervisor.

If a graduate student is eligible to opt-out of the U-Pass fee, the graduate student must submit the U-Pass Special Circumstance Form by the end of the first month of the semester that the graduate student would like to opt-out of the U-Pass fee to the NBCGSS Office. **A graduate cannot submit a U-Pass Special Circumstance Opt-Out Form for multiple semesters. If the NBCGSS Office does not receive the U-Pass Special Circumstance Form by the end of the first month of the semester that the graduate student would like to opt-out of the U-Pass fee, the NBCGSS and the City of Prince George cannot approve the U-Pass opt-out for that semester.**

The U-Pass Special Circumstance Form to opt-out is located at the link below.

[U-Pass Opt-Out Form](#)

U-Pass Opt-In

UNBC classifies regional graduate students based on their programs, not on where regional graduate students live. If you are not charged the U-Pass, UNBC classifies your program or a course you enrolled in as regional campus based, online, or field study. Under these circumstances a student may be eligible to opt-in to the U-Pass. Each circumstance is treated individually and will be reviewed and decided by the City of Prince George and the NBCGSS.

The U-Pass Special Circumstance Form to opt-in is located at the link below.

[U-Pass Opt-In Form](#)

Emergency Bursary Fund

NBCGSS funds the NBCGSS Emergency Bursary Fund for members that are administered by the UNBC Awards and Financial Aid Unit of the Office of the Registrar. Emergency aid can be awarded to qualified graduate student members to a maximum of \$250 per student per academic year, depending on the amount remaining in the NBCGSS Emergency Bursary Fund.

The NBCGSS Emergency Bursary Fund is available to members who demonstrate considerable need in meeting the necessities of life, and have exhausted all other avenues of funding within UNBC, including the UNBC Emergency Student Loan program available through the UNBC Awards and Financial Aid Unit. Prior to applying for an emergency bursary, you must have applied for and been denied a UNBC Emergency Student Loan. For more information or to obtain the forms, please contact the UNBC Awards and Financial Aid Unit at awards@unbc.ca.

Legacy Scholarships

The NBCGSS Legacy Scholarships were established by the NBCGSS to support members who excel at UNBC. The goal of the \$500 scholarships, which is available to two full-time graduate students – one graduate student from College of Arts, Social and Health Sciences, and the other from College of Science and Management, is to recognize and support academic excellence. In addition to academic excellence, contributions to the graduate student culture and graduate program in which the applicant is enrolled will also be evaluated.

For more information or to view the application deadline, please visit [UNBC Awards and Financial Aid Unit](#)

Helpful Links

UNBC Student Services

[Access Resource Centre](#)

[Academic Success Centre](#)

[Alumni](#)

[Career Centre](#)

[Centre for Teaching, Learning and Technology \(CTLT\)](#)

Childcare Centre

First Nation Centre

Northern Women's Centre

Office of Graduate Programs

Wellness Centre

NORTHERN UNIVERSITY STUDENT CENTRE

Degrees Coffee Company

Thirsty Moose Pub

CFUR Radio Station

Northern Pride Centre

Northern Undergraduate Student Society (NUGSS)

Over The Edge Newspaper

Prince George Public Interest Research Group (PGPIRG)

STUDENT COMPUTER LABS

Student Computer Lab Locations:

- 7-105 General Purpose - First Nation's Centre
- 8-127 Teaching Only
- 8-129 Teaching Only
- 8-362 General Purpose and Teaching **** (open 24 hrs 7 days a week)****
- 8-364 General Purpose and Teaching
- 8-365 General Purpose and Teaching
- 10-2522 General Purpose and Teaching
- 10-3034 General Purpose and Teaching

Lab Hours: Monday - Friday 8:00 am to 9:00 pm **

For more information on Student Lab configurations please choose a lab

If you have inquires, comments, or concerns please visit the [IT Service Desk](#)

COMPUTER HELPDESK

The Computer Helpdesk is here to assist faculty, staff and students with all of their computing needs. If you have any questions, comments, or concerns, we are always happy to assist in any way we can.

[IT Services for Students](#)

Location:

Second floor of the Teaching Lab, room (8-265).

Service Desk Hours:

Spring & Summer

Monday - Friday 8:00 am to 4:00 pm

*****Closed Saturday & Sunday*****

Fall & Winter

Monday - Friday 8:00 am to 4:00 pm

Monday - Friday 4:00 pm to 9:00 pm

*****Student Assistance only*****

Weekends 11:00 am to 4:00 pm

*****Student Assistance only*****

Contact:

Telephone: 250-960-5321

Toll Free: 866-960-5321

Email: support@unbc.ca

**ALL GRADUATE
FORMS CAN BE
FOUND AT:**

**[http://www.unbc.ca/
graduatestudies](http://www.unbc.ca/graduatestudies)**

**please refer to this
site for ALL graduate
information**

OTHER RESOURCES AND INFORMATION

FINANCIAL AWARDS AND ASSISTANCE

Funding your graduate education can be a challenge. Make sure you invest time in finding out what funding opportunities are available to you from UNBC and other external sources. Below is a list of some places to start. Do not leave this for the last minute and make note of upcoming deadlines (many are in the fall and spring). Apply early and often!

If you have questions about applying for UNBC Awards and Financial Aid contact awards@unbc.ca or 250-960-6318.

If you have questions about tips for applying for external scholarships ask your thesis advisor and/or make an appointment to speak with Dr. Nathan Andrews, Graduate Advisor.

UNBC Teaching Assistantships

There are a small number of UNBC TAships available in International Studies. Information about these is made available by the co-chairs at the beginning of the Fall and Winter semesters.

Research Assistantships

Research Assistantships become available when INTS MA faculty members secure external research grants. Students are normally approached by faculty holding grants to work as research assistants.

UNBC Awards and Financial Aid

Check out the Office of Graduate Programs webpage (<http://www.unbc.ca/financial-aid>) for information about potential university and outside funding for your studies. Don't forget to also check out the Office of Graduate Programs' on-line Scholarship, Bursary and Award Guide that is a valuable resource travelling to a conference if you are presenting a paper.

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council Scholarships

The Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) of Canada offers graduate scholarships for Canadian students.

Visit: <http://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/> and click on "Search for Funding".

Funding for International Students

If you are an international student the Government of Canada has a limited number of scholarships available for non-Canadian students. <http://www.scholarships-bourses.gc.ca/scholarships-bourses/index.aspx?lang=eng>

Funding related to Global Environmental Policy

If you are considering a topic related to climate change, visit the fellowships section of the Pacific Institute for Climate Solutions (PICS). INTS MA student have been awarded one of these highly competitive fellowships in recent years.

Visit: <http://pics.uvic.ca/fellowships/graduate>

Funding related to International Development

The International Development Research Centre (IDRC) has several scholarships for Masters students to support field research.

Visit: <https://www.idrc.ca/en/funding/graduate-student-awards>

Funding related to Regional Studies

The Regional Studies Association (RSA) offers conference travel awards for students.

Visit: <https://www.regionalstudies.org/>

INTERNSHIPS

Internships (paid or unpaid) are a great way to put your research into practice during or after your MA studies. It is ever more common for internships to be a platform for launching a future career. Below are some Canadian and international programs relevant for students with an International Studies background.

United Nations (UN) Internship Programme

The UN provides opportunities for students enrolled in a graduate programme to undertake an internship at its Headquarters in New York, Geneva, Vienna, Nairobi, Addis Ababa, Bangkok, Beirut and Santiago.

Visit: <http://www.un.org/>

World Bank Internship Program

This paid internship seeks candidates in economics, finance, human development (public health, education, nutrition, and population), social science (anthropology, sociology), agriculture, environment, private sector development, as well as other related fields. Fluency in English is required.

Visit: <http://web.worldbank.org/WBSITE/EXTERNAL/EXTJOBSNEW/0,,contentMDK:23124040~menuPK:8453544~pagePK:8453902~piPK:8453359~theSitePK:8453353~isCURL:Y,00.htm>
[1](#)

Asian Development Bank (ADB) Internship Program

The Internship Program is a project-oriented learning opportunity for graduate students to gain experience through research assignments based on ADB's current operational needs. ADB advertises internship assignments three times per year and welcomes motivated, open-minded, and self-directed individuals to apply.

Visit: <https://www.adb.org/site/careers/internship-program>

Oxfam Internships and Volunteering

Oxfam is one of the largest international non-governmental organizations in the world with offices in dozens of countries.

Visit: <http://oxf.am/Jiv>

Human Rights Watch (HRW) Internships

Human Rights Watch offers internship opportunities in many of their global offices. Internship descriptions vary but may include desk research, drafting documents, assisting with event planning, helping researchers prepare for missions, monitoring human rights developments in various countries, data analysis, liaising with current and prospective donors, and engaging in advocacy efforts aimed at curtailing human rights violations.

Visit: <http://www.hrw.org/about/volunteering>

EMPLOYMENT

Below are some websites that are helpful for employment in the public and non-profit sectors once you have completed your studies.

International Development Jobs and Consulting Opportunities

Charity Village is the top Canadian source for Canada non-profit news, non-profit jobs, non-profit funding, non-profit training and more.

Visit: <http://charityvillage.com/>

DevNetJobs - This website contains hundreds of international development jobs around the world.

Visit: <http://www.devnetjobs.org/>

Development/Environment Jobs - This is a development and environmental policy jobs listings site run by the Guardian newspaper in the UK.

Visit: <http://www.devnetjobs.org/>

Policy Jobs in Canada/Abroad

Canadian Foreign/Diplomatic Service:

Careers in Global Affairs Canada are global in scale, offering you a wealth of international perspectives that increase your professional skills and expand your cultural perceptions.

Visit: <http://www.international.gc.ca/development-developpement/jobs-emplois/index.aspx?lang=eng>

Federal Government Jobs- Website with links to jobs in the Canadian government and working in Canada.

Visit: <http://www.jobbank.gc.ca/>

United Nations

Career opportunities with the *United Nations* and related links.

Visit: <https://careers.un.org/lbw/Home.aspx>

CONSIDERING FURTHER GRADUATE STUDIES?

Many of our graduates have gone onto further graduate studies. If you are seriously considering pursuing further graduate studies speak to your advisor and/or Dr. Paul Bowles, Acting Chair, Department of Global and International Studies about applying to other masters and doctoral programs in Canada and abroad.

CANADIAN ASSOCIATION FOR THE STUDY OF INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

The Canadian Association for the Study of International Development (CASID) is the main national association relating to international development. CASID's mandate is to promote new knowledge in the field of international development. CASID promotes networking among students, academics, researchers, policy-makers and practitioners, and the dissemination of knowledge. In addition to its annual conference, CASID sponsors workshops across the country. Last year, UNBC's International Development Society obtained funding from CASID and held a

workshop on the Millennium Development Goals. CASID runs a list serve which includes discussion of development issues as well as job announcements CASID membership also includes subscription to the Canadian Journal of Development Studies.

If you would like to become a member of CASID, the Economics Program will pay for your membership for the first year. Please download the form from www.casid-acedi.ca, complete it, and give it to Dr. Fiona MacPhail.



Personal Information

Name: _____

Disciplinary Area: _____

Primary Research Subject(s): _____

Secondary Research Subject(s): _____

Phone (work): _____

Phone (home): _____

Fax (work): _____

Fax (home): _____

Email (work): _____

Email (personal): _____

Address

Home Address: _____

City: _____

Province/State: _____

Postal / Zip Code: _____

Country: _____

Mailing Address Same as Home? Yes No (If no, please fill out a mailing address below)

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____

Province / State: _____

Postal / Zip Code: _____

Country: _____

Membership Type

Membership period: January 1 to December 31st

All members will be placed automatically on the CASID listserv

All prices in US dollars (Canadian members pay in Canadian dollars)

Northern countries are the first 38 countries of the most recent Human Development Report, Southern countries are all others

Student rate, from global South _____ \$10

Student rate, from global North _____ \$20

Regular rate, from global South _____ \$30

Regular rate, from global North (based on income)

Unemployed / retired _____ \$30

< \$60,000 / year _____ \$45

\$60,000 - \$79,000 / year _____ \$65

\$80,000 - \$99,999 / year _____ \$75

> \$100,000 / year _____ \$95



Payment

Credit Card: Visa

MasterCard

American Express

Cash (in person only):

Card Holder Name: _____

Card Number: _____

Expiry Date: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____