

New Brunswick Indigenous Career College

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New Brunswick Indigenous Career College Mature Student Entrance Policy

Introduction:

New Brunswick Indigenous Career College (NBICC) is committed to providing educational opportunities to individuals of all backgrounds and experiences. We recognize the value of life experiences and community recommendations in assessing the potential of mature students. This policy outlines the criteria and process for admitting mature students, taking into account their individual past experiences and education, while involving the board of directors and community recommendations.

1. Eligibility Criteria:

- a) Mature Student Status: To be considered a mature student, an applicant must be at least 25 years old.
- b) Past Experience: Applicants must demonstrate relevant life experiences, work experiences, or volunteer experiences that highlight their motivation and preparedness for higher education.
- c) Educational Background: Applicants should possess a high school diploma or equivalent, but exceptions may be made on a case-by-case basis.
- d) Community Recommendation: Applicants should seek a recommendation from a recognized Indigenous community or organization, emphasizing their commitment to community values and goals.

2. Application Process:

- a) Initial Application: Mature student applicants must complete the standard NBICC application form and indicate their mature student status.
- b) Submission of Documentation: Applicants should provide transcripts, resumes, letters of recommendation, and a community recommendation letter.

3. Review Process:

- a) Academic Review: The NBICC Admissions Committee will review the applicant's academic qualifications and past experiences.
- b) Community Recommendation: The community recommendation letter will be reviewed by the Admissions Committee, emphasizing the applicant's alignment with Indigenous community values and objectives.
- c) Board of Directors Review: The final decision will be subject to review and approval by the NBICC Board of Directors. They will evaluate the overall fit of the applicant with NBICC's

mission and values.

4. Conditional Acceptance:

Conditional acceptance may be offered to mature students who meet most but not all eligibility criteria. These students may be required to complete additional preparatory coursework or assessments before full admission.

5. Appeals Process:

Applicants not granted admission have the right to appeal the decision, providing additional documentation or evidence of their qualifications and preparedness.

6. Confidentiality:

All application materials, recommendations, and decisions related to mature student applications will be kept confidential, in accordance with applicable privacy laws and NBICC policies.

NBICC is dedicated to promoting educational equity and fostering a community that values the contributions of mature students. This policy ensures that each applicant's past experiences, education, and community support are considered when making admission decisions.