

nscC International PASSPORTS

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Over 100 NSCC students and employees get ready to go abroad at this year's Pre-Departure conference held at the IT Campus in March.

READY, SET, GO!

The international learning pre-departure conference was held at the IT Campus in March, bringing together over 90 students and 12 employees from 10 campuses participating in 13 projects/programs in 11 countries including the Netherlands, Scotland, Austria, Italy, Belize, Grenada, the United States, Cuba, Ecuador, Peru and Tanzania.

"International learning is an amazing investment that all of you are making in your future careers and in the future of our province. Congratulations on all the hard work and fundraising you have been doing in preparation for your international program, and I look forward to hearing about your adventures and learning through your blog while you are overseas," said Catherine MacLean, Vice President of Learner and College Development who addressed the group at the conference.

Several schools and departments at the college were extremely supportive in making these programs a success this year, including the Schools of Business, Applied Arts, Health and Human Services, Trades and Technology, the NSCC Foundation, NSCC Human Resources Department, NSCC Facilities Department, NSCC Libraries, NSCC Student Services, NSCC Waterfront and Marconi Campus Student Associations, and the Y.E.S. Program.



NSCC student from the Marconi Campus, Kelly Krawchuk, preparing to go to Tanzania with the 2015 Mikumi Solar Project.

THE BEST CONFERENCE EVER.

In March, over 40 international and immigrant students attended the BEST (Branding/Employment/Skills/Training) Conference in Halifax for a full day of networking, workshops and learning more about available resources. Specific sessions focused on issues such as working and living in Canada, and on how to deliver an elevator pitch.

The conference was facilitated through a partnership between NSCC International, the Mount Saint Vincent University Centre for International Education, and the Greater Halifax partnership.



NSCC student, Ashaia Sullivan during the elevator pitch competition at the BEST conference held at Mount Saint Vincent University.

UPCOMING CBIE REGIONAL CONFERENCE.

Register now for the upcoming Canadian Bureau for International Education (CBIE) Atlantic conference being held Monday, June 15 at Mount Saint Vincent University. This year's theme is the Value of Global Experience. To register and see the agenda visit <https://mp.cbie.ca/mpower/event/loadevent.action?e=87#home>

A CELEBRATION OF CULTURES.

In March, NSCC International, the waterfront campus and the student association held its first ever Multicultural Festival. The event, which included live musical performances, multicultural displays and activities, prizes, and food from around the world, was created to celebrate the diverse culture and ethnic backgrounds of NSCC students and faculty.



A live performance from NSCC student band "GroovEra" kicked off the 2015 Multicultural Festival at the Waterfront Campus.

"This festival aims at establishing a 'colourful map of music and arts' by connecting students from around the corner with students from around the world," said festival organizers.

The Multicultural Festival was awarded "Event of the Year" at the 2015 Student Appreciation Awards.



As part of the day's activities, henna tattoos were available for all participants.

NEW PROJECTS IN SOUTH AMERICA, EAST AFRICA AND THE CARIBBEAN.

In an effort to provide international learning opportunities for students and employees, NSCC International is engaged with several externally funded technical assistance and capacity building projects.

These include a project in partnership with Niagara College on viticulture and oenology (wine production) in Peru, and two new projects in Tanzania including a tourism project in Arusha and a teacher training project in Morogoro in partnership with Bow Valley College.



Representatives from NSCC and VHTTI in Arusha during the recent inception mission in Tanzania.

NSCC is also a part of a consortium, along with College of the Rockies and Bow Valley College, which was awarded a pre-technology project in St Vincent and the Grenadines and Dominica. All of the above initiatives are funded by the Government of Canada

NSCC International creates international learning opportunities for students and employees as part of NSCC's Unique Learning Experience.

our international projects are an important part of how we connect our employees and students with the world.

as part of the Education for Employment Program that is managed by Colleges and Institutes Canada.

Finally, NSCC and the Marine Institute at Memorial University are collaborating on an operational strategic planning project in Anguilla with funding from the Caribbean Development Bank.

A big thank you goes to the many NSCC departments and champions that make the development and implementation of these exciting projects possible.



The group from Canada and Peru during the project's inception mission in January.



Diora Asatkhojaeva, Intern, Summer School programs at Hanze University of Applied Sciences, Groningen, the Netherlands.

Diora “Dee” Asatkhojaeva is an intern with the Summer School program at Hanze University of Applied Sciences in Groningen, The Netherlands.

Originally from Uzbekistan and now calling Halifax home, she studied, Business Administration with a concentration in Management at NSCC.

Her favourite activity in the Netherlands is exploring new places and learning about the local culture. Her new favourite foods are fries (patat) and syrup waffles (stroopwafel).

“The thing I find most different from being back home in Nova Scotia is all the biking,” says Asatkhojaeva. “It’s amazing how there’s rush hour traffic in the bike lanes in the mornings...something I’m not used to for sure!”



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