

Part and Full Time 2025 - 2026

PROGRAM LENGTH: 30 weeks (Fall & Winter 15-week terms plus intersession)

BRIEF DESCRIPTION: The University Studies program at NLC allows you to take your first 2 years at Northern Lakes College instead of going to a major center for university. Our university transfer courses are accessible, affordable, and convenient. Class sizes are small, and instructors are helpful and caring. You will earn university credits towards a Northern Lakes College certificate or diploma and be eligible to transfer to another program at another university or a diploma program at NLC. You can also transfer the university credits to another institution, into programs such as Aboriginal Studies, Arts, Education, General Studies or Social Work. To start planning your university education, please meet with our Program Coordinator. You can contact them at uscoordinator@northernlakescollege.ca. For more details about the University Studies (US) courses and their description, access the US Student Handbook by selecting below: Programs Requirements, Fees, and Additional Information and Program Resources.

PROGRAM OF STUDY: Students select courses toward completion of a degree program. Please note all courses are worth 3 credits.

Terms	Course Code	Course Name	Prerequisites
1	BIOL1000	Introduction to Biology Note*: From high school.	Bio 30 or Science 30*
1	BIOL3100	Plant Biology	BIOL1000
2	BIOL3200	Human Biology	BIOL1000
0, 1, 2, 3	COMM1000	Interpersonal Communications for the Helping Profession	None
2	COMP2100	Introduction to Educational Computer Applications	None
1	DRAM1020	Exploration in Drama and Theatre	None
0, 1, 2, 3	ENGL1000	Introduction to English Language and Literature	None
2	ENGL1011	Critical Reading and Writing: Prose Forms	None
2	ENGL1012	Critical Reading and Writing: Poetry, Drama, and Novel	None
2	ENGL2010	Spy Fiction and the Cold War Note: Students transferring to UCalgary will not receive credit in both ENGL2010 and ENGL2050.	ENGL1XXX
2	ENGL2030	Women in Literature Note*: Complete one of the listed required courses and permission of the instructor.	ENGL1011 & ENGL1012 or * (see note)
3	ENGL2040	Shakespeare and Performance	Same as ENGL2030's
1	ENGL2050	Pathology of the Best Seller Note: See note for ENGL2010.	Same as ENGL2030's
1	ENGL2070	Survey of Indigenous-Canadian Literature	Same as ENGL2030's
1, 3	ENGL2080	Survey of Literature for Younger Children	Same as ENGL2030's
3	ENGL2090	Short Fiction	Same as ENGL2030's
1	ENGL3000	Literature before 1700 (6 credit units \cong 2 courses)	ENGL1XXX (2) or greater ENGL
2	ENVS2000	Introduction to Environmental Science	BIOL1000
1	ETHI1000	Ethics in Helping Professions	None
2	GEOG2000	Human Geography	None
1	GEOL2000	Physical Geology	None
2	GEOL3000	Introduction to Dinosaurs Note*: GEOL2000 Physical Geology, or BIOL1000, or an approved equivalent.	GEOL2000* or BIOL1000*
0, 1, 2, 3	HEED1010	Health Education: Personal Health and Wellness	None
1	HIST1100	The Pre-Modern World	None
2	HIST1110	The Early Modern World	None
1	INDG1000	Introductory Cree Language	None
2	INDG1100	Introductory Cree Language II Note*: Or an equivalent course.	INDG1000*

1, 2	INDG2100	Introduction to Indigenous Issues	None
3	INDG2500	Deconstructing Images of Indigenous People in Canada Note*: Introductory Social Science recommended.	None*
2	INDG3000	Representation of Indigenous Women in Canada	INDG2100
1	LDER0180	Leadership in Helping Professions	None
2	PHIL1010	Introduction to Philosophy	None
3	PHIL2500	Ethics	PHIL1010
1	POLS1010	Canadian Politics: Institutions and Issues	None
0, 1, 2, 3	PSYC1060	Psychology for the Health Care Professional Note: Credit for PSYC 201 and 205 will not be allowed.	None
2	PSYC2010	Developmental Psychology: Life Span Note*: Or an equivalent course with permission of the instructor.	Introductory PSYC *
2	PSYC2330	Personality Note*: Or an equivalent course with permission of the instructor.	PSYC1060*
3	PSYC2410	Social Psychology	PSYC1060
1, 2	PSYC3100	Psychology of Learning Note*: Or an equivalent course.	PSYC1060*
2	RELS2000	Religion and the Good Life	None
1	RELS2100	Jews, Christians, Muslims	None
2	RESE1000	Introduction to Research	None
1, 2, 3	SOCI1000	An Introduction to the Study of Society	None
2	SOCI2240	Sociology of Deviance and Conformity Note*: An introductory course is recommended.	None*
0, 1, 2	SOCI2750	Aging in Society Note*: An introductory sociology course is recommended.	None*
1	SOCI3000	Sociology Research Methods	SOCI1000
2	SOCI3010	Introduction to Criminal Justice	SOCI1000
1, 3	STAT1410	Introduction to Statistics Note*: Or ACCUPLACER – Arithmetic 60; Elementary Algebra 55. Students transferring to UCalgary will receive credit for only one Statistics (STAT) 205, 211, or 213.	Math 20-2*

Terms: 0-Summer-2025, 1-Fall-2025, 2-Winter-2026, 3-Spring-2026,

TRANSFERABILITY: University credits are transferable to a number of post-secondary institutions in Alberta. Refer to the Alberta Council on Admissions and Transfer (ACAT) on-line at <http://www.acat.gov.ab.ca/>

PROGRAM DELIVERY: The program is offered to all campuses using a mix of distance and blended delivery at all campuses using these strategies: • Internet-based programs, such as Collaborate and Brightspace • Instructor-led face-to-face classes • Online tutorial support • Some on-site tutorial support. Note: Classes are usually scheduled in 3-hour blocks once per week. Some spring term classes are offered in 3-week blocks of study.

To learn more about Collaborate and to experience using it, check out this guide:

<https://www.northernlakescollege.ca/Documents/Collaborate-Guide-for-Students-at-NLC.pdf>

To learn more about D2L/Brightspace, check out this guide:

<https://www.northernlakescollege.ca/public/download/files/101449>

Note: Classes are usually scheduled in 3-hour blocks once per week. Some classes are scheduled for evening delivery and some spring term classes are offered in 3-week blocks of study.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS: Fluency in English is required: English 30-1 (60%) or English 30-2 (70%) or ENGL0190 (60%) or an English equivalency (ACCUPLACER assessment). If academic requirements are not met, you may complete an ACCUPLACER assessment. Contact accuplacer_exam_scheduling@northernlakescollege.ca to book your ACCUPLACER test or admissions@northernlakescollege.ca for other Accuplacer inquiries.

If English is your second language, refer to the International Student Information.

You will also need to submit all post-secondary transcripts with your application.

If you want to transfer into a diploma or degree program, the program may have other admission requirements, including high school math and science prerequisites. You can discuss the requirements with the University Studies Program Coordinator (uscoordinator@northernlakescollege.ca) when you select courses.

*Any particular transfer opportunity into a diploma or degree program may have other admission and pre-requisite requirements, including High School math and science requirements. These requirements will be discussed with a University Studies Advisor when meeting with program advisor to choose courses.

COST ESTIMATES: **Note:** All fees are subject to change.

	Tuition	Student Association \$13.50/credit	Technology \$12.00/credit	est. TOTAL
Term 1 or 2 (9 credits)	\$1,332.00	\$121.50	\$108.00	\$1,561.50
Term 3 or Summer (6 credits)	\$888.00	\$81.00	\$72.00	\$1,041.00

Textbooks are not payable to Northern Lakes College. Please view our website for a list of applicable textbooks that must be purchased for the program.

PROGRAM OFFERINGS: ANY LOCATION with High Speed Internet

Program Offering Dates:

Term 1: September 2 – December 18, 2025

Term 2: January 2 – April 22, 2026

Term 3: May 1 – June 25, 2026

Term 4: July 2 – August 22, 2025

APPLICATION DEADLINE: Applications should be submitted at least **four weeks prior to term start date.**

APPLICATION PROCESS:

- **APPLICATION:** Complete and submit the Northern Lakes College application form (available at all Northern Lakes College locations and on the College website at www.northernlakescollege.ca)
- **TRANSCRIPTS:** Provide an official high school and/or post-secondary transcript. This must be forwarded directly to Northern Lakes College, Admissions Services, from the granting institution (there may be a charge for this). When transcripts are received at NLC, they are reviewed to determine if the academic requirements for admission to the program are met.
- **SKILLS APPRAISAL ASSESSMENT:** If transcripts are not available or do not show the academic requirements, applicants may complete a skills appraisal test. The College uses ACCUPLACER for the English entrance requirement. If English testing is required, the applicant will be informed. Arrangements for writing the ACCUPLACER test can be set up at any Northern Lakes College location at a time most convenient for the applicant. English Equivalency Assessment is comprised of a vocabulary test and an essay to be submitted if academic requirements are not met. Practice information for ACCUPLACER can be found at: <https://accuplacerpractice.collegeboard.org/login>
- **INTERVIEWS:** An interview will need to be scheduled with the Program Tutor or Program Advisor to choose courses.
- **ACCEPTANCE:** Applicants who meet the academic requirements will be accepted and offered a space in the next available offering of the program. In some cases, the spaces at a specific location may be full and accepted applicants will be placed on

a waitlist. These applicants will be accepted in the order of first qualified, first served. It may also be possible to transfer to another location if there is space. Applicants will receive a letter informing them of their acceptance status.

- **REGISTRATION & COMMITMENT FEE:** Accepted applicants in all career programs will be required to complete enrollment forms (to follow at a later date). This registration includes a \$100.00 (domestic student) or \$300 (international student) Commitment fee deposit. This fee is **non-refundable & non-deferrable** and will be applied to your tuition once the term begins. Payment in full will be required a minimum of 2 weeks prior to the program start date.
- **FUNDING:** Applicants are encouraged to check on funding options early (*minimum of 2 months prior to program start date*) and are responsible for forwarding any sponsorship letters to Admissions as soon as possible.
- **REGISTRATION/ORIENTATION:** Before the start date of the program, accepted applicants will receive information about orientation/registration, dates, times, locations and other information to assist them.

CONTACT INFORMATION:

For any assistance, questions or concerns, the following college staff are available:

Program Coordinator:

Dr. Lili Jardine 1-780-843-8367

email: jardinel@northernlakescollege.ca

Questions about program content, career paths, employment opportunities for the program.

Other Inquiries:

Admissions Services 1-866-652-3456

email: admissions@northernlakescollege.ca

Student housing, library, facilities and general program information