



Nicola Valley Institute of Technology

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Mitchell W. Shuter Entrance Award

Recipient Selection: August 15th of each year

NVIT Alumni, Mitchell W. Shuter, is pleased to offer two Entrance Awards per year valued at \$2,500.00 each. As a life-long resident of the Nicola Valley and member of the Lower Nicola Indian Band, Mr. Shuter graduated from NVIT in 2013 with an Associate of Arts Degree. As an active philanthropist in the Nicola Valley, Mitchell is an advocate for life-long learning and healthy lifestyles. He is a sports enthusiast at heart with a passion for hockey, baseball and basketball.

Through the Entrance Awards, Mr. Shuter wishes to acknowledge those who share his commitment to personal advancement and growth. Recognizing that occasionally there are speed-bumps along the way, Mr. Shuter offers an Entrance Award for those choosing to return to school and to those who have demonstrated a balanced life-style during their secondary school experience.

There will be two Entrance Awards granted per year to recipients of First Nations descent. One to a mature recipient (an individual that is at least 35 years of age and has been out of formal education for a minimum of five years), and one to a Nicola Valley secondary school graduate. Successful recipients must be able to demonstrate consistent commitment to an active lifestyle and community leadership before and during their time at NVIT.

The Entrance Award is \$2,500 and will be released in two disbursements (\$1,250 in September and \$1,250 in January, dependant upon achieving a minimum 2.33 GPA in the Fall semester).

Requirements for Mature (minimum 35 years of age) award recipients:

- minimum 80% course load at NVIT
- enrolment in a certificate or diploma program
- of First Nations descent
- course work at NVIT's Eagle's Perch campus (Merritt)
- Once contacted by NVIT and identified as a prospective recipient, must be able to provide tangible evidence of continuous dedication to an active life-style
- Once contacted by NVIT and identified as a prospective recipient, must be able to provide tangible evidence of continuous dedication to community (local or global) citizenship

Requirements for Nicola Valley Secondary School graduate award:

- minimum 80% course load at NVIT
- enrolment in a certificate or diploma program
- of First Nations descent
- first-time post-secondary student (excluding ACE-IT)
- high school grades of at least 70% average in the last year of study
- course work at NVIT's Eagles Perch campus (Merritt)
- Once contacted by NVIT and identified as a prospective recipient, must be able to provide tangible evidence of continuous dedication to an active life-style

- Once contacted by NVIT and identified as a prospective recipient, must be able to provide tangible evidence of continuous dedication to community (local or global) citizenship
- Once contacted by NVIT and identified as a prospective recipient, must be able to provide a reference from a teacher or secondary school support worker or administrator.

* Withdrawal from NVIT will result in the cancellation of the Award and tuition will not be refunded

Mitchell W. Shuter Entrance Award – Recipient Declaration

Instructions

- Completed declarations must be received by the Nicola Valley Institute of Technology, Academic and Financial Planners, at 4155 Belshaw St., Merritt, BC, V1K 1R1, no later than 4:30 pm, August 31th. Late or incomplete declarations will not be accepted.
- You must notify NVIT in writing of any changes to the information you provide on this declaration.

Recipient Information

Name (full name) _____

Mailing Address _____

Date of Birth(yyyy/mm/dd)_____ Place of Birth _____

Phone # _____

Email Address _____

Social Insurance # _____

NVIT Student # (if available) _____

First Nation affiliation _____ **Education**

Information

Name of School/College/University currently attending or last attended: _____

School Phone # _____ Fax # _____

Anticipated graduation date from secondary school: _____

Date of last attendance at Secondary School/College/University: _____

What area of study do you intend to pursue? _____

Have you applied for admission to NVIT? _____

Declaration:

I hereby declare that the information on this declaration is, to the best of my knowledge, complete and accurate. I acknowledge that the information will be used to confirm my eligibility for awards administered by NVIT and that NVIT reserves the right to verify information on my declaration. If any of the information provided in this declaration should change, I understand that it is my responsibly to advise the Financial Aid Office, in writing, of any such changes. I authorize the release of all secondary school interim and final grades and/or college/university grades to NVIT. As an award recipient , I agree that my name may be released to award donors, my secondary school or college, and may appear in a published list of award winners.

Signature _____ **Date** _____