



**NipNews**  
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**YEAR 3 AND 4 STUDENTS ARE INVITED**

School College Work Initiative, Grand River Region

NIPISSING UNIVERSITY—BRANTFORD CAMPUS, YEAR 3 & 4

**CAREER PATHWAYS SYMPOSIUM—FEBRUARY 12, 2010**

The Ministry of Education and Training outlines through the Choices Into Action document the responsibilities of all classroom teachers in preparing their students for the 21st century job market.

<http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/document/curricul/secondary/choices/choicee.pdf>

**Come and Learn:**

- As a classroom teacher within the Province of Ontario your responsibility in regard to career planning for students
- What a Career Pathway is
- How to help students achieve their career goals

**ATTENDANCE IS OPTIONAL BUT HIGHLY RECOMMENDED**

Toolkit will include:  
USB stick, DVD, curriculum materials, and more!

**\*\*REGISTRATION REQUIRED\*\***

<http://iteach.brantford.nu/workshops/>

Registration is now open and closes on Thursday, February 11th at noon. Register today!



Note: all participants must attend Keynote  
\*Select and register for THREE (3) of the following workshops:

- What is an Apprenticeship? Room 301
- How does ECE and B.Ed. Connect? Room 002  
**\*Note: this session will only be offered in Workshop 1 and Workshop 2**
- College Pathways:  
-please select one from the following:
  - Police Foundations 2nd Floor Lounge / 207
  - Design Technology Room 001
- Workplace Pathway Room 302

**Agenda – February 12, 2010**

9:00–10:00	Keynote Address—Theatre
10:15–11:00	Workshop 1
11:15–12:00	Workshop 2
12:00–12:45	<b>FREE LUNCH—</b> lower level
1:00–1:45	Workshop 3
2:00–2:30	“Toolkit” pickup

*\*Symposium will take place at the 50 Wellington Street Building*

**NOTES FROM THE DIRECTOR**

This is the final week of classes for our graduating Concurrent education students. We are very proud of their accomplishments and wish them much success in their practicum placements and future endeavours. Please note that the students going to Kenya will be also leaving shortly. The group going to Italy will leave on April 12, 2010.

Thank you for all your support of fundraising initiatives. There will be a gelato sale on February 11 over the noon hour at 67 Darling St. Proceeds will be for learning materials of the Italy practicum.

See posters for more information.

Thank you

**Alternative Placements for Year Four:**

The Alternative Placements Presentations and Handbook distribution will be on March 15, 2010 as indicated at the January 4 presentation. After consultation with PAC, SAC, the Dean and WLU, the criteria of the placements are drafted as follows:

The practicum can take place from May 1, 2010 until May 20, 2011 subject to an approved application.

The practicum will include a community service/component and will develop the skills and understandings of teacher candidates

The practicum can be in any setting in Ontario that is not a publicly funded school system

The practicum can be a Nipissing sponsored International practicum

The practicum must be voluntary experience

Concurrent education students are asked not to contact potential placements until an official letter and clear direction are provided in March.

## iTeach Workshops

Day	Date	Time	Room	Topic
Monday	February 8th	2:30PM - 3:30PM	BCEC-001	Juicy Geography - Using Google Maps in the Classroom
Monday	February 8th	3:45PM - 4:45PM	BCEC-001	Juicy Geography - Using Google Maps in the Classroom

To Register Visit: <http://iteach.brantford.nu/workshops/>

### Juicy Geography - Using Google Maps in the Classroom

Students will have the opportunity to work with QuikMaps and discover how to create and customize their own Google Maps.

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## GRADUATES- PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES

In preparation for graduation, graduating Teacher Candidates have a number of responsibilities ahead. A "Professional Responsibilities" document has been created, which outlines information about applying to graduate, requesting transcripts, as well as applying for membership to OCT and QECO.

This document can now be found on our web-site: <http://nipissingu.ca/brantford/downloads/ProfessionalResponsibilities.pdf>

### CONVOCATION COMMITTEE

Any Year 4 Teacher Candidate who is interested in working with Deanne on planning Convocation please contact her at [deanneo@nipissingu.ca](mailto:deanneo@nipissingu.ca)

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

CONVOCATION will take place on June 23, 2010!

### Art Show 4 Haiti

**When: February 10<sup>th</sup>**

**Where: Student Centre, Darling Street**

Year 4 J/I Art classes will be hosting an Art Show to support the rebuilding of schools in Haiti. Mark this event on your calendars! There will be live music and food.

More details to come...

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### YEARBOOK SALES

It's that time of year again! The Yearbook Committee will be selling yearbooks in the front lobby of the Darling Street Building on the following days:

Monday-Wednesday: 8:10-8:30 a.m., and 10:00-10:30 a.m.. \*An afternoon shift may be added as well... watch for the Yearbook table!

Week of January 25th and the Week of February 1st and 8th

Purchase your Yearbook today! It is a great keepsake that captures memories of the graduating class, and it is also a showcase of the professional program that has prepared you for a career in Education!

Cost: \$35.00 Cash or Cheque are accepted. Please make cheques payable to "Nipissing University".

### DEGREE FRAME SALES

**Attention: Graduating Teacher Candidates!** Showcase your hard work and achievements in a Nipissing University Degree Frame.

Degree Frames are now available for order. Order forms can be picked up in Kelly's office at the 67 Darling Street building. Sample frames are also available for viewing. Please refer to the attached poster for pricing information.

**\*Pre-Order Special\*** Order your frame before May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2010 and you will receive \$5 off your order!

**PLACE YOUR ORDER TODAY!**

## YEAR 4 WORKSHOPS

A variety of workshops have been planned specifically for graduating Teacher Candidates. Please mark the following date on your calendar.

- Friday, February 12th – Year 3 and 4 “Career Pathways” Workshop \*See details below!

-Dairy Farmers of Canada Workshops (10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. AND 12:00-2:00 p.m.) \*Registration required.

\*Note: The “Alternative Careers” workshop offered by the Career Centre has been cancelled.

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### TRIBES TRAINING

**An additional Tribes Training Session has been added!** “Tribes” is a community building process – a culture and active learning pedagogy best learned by experiencing it. The cost of the course is **\$194.25/ person** – and this includes the book.

This Tribes workshop is being offered at the Nipissing Brantford Faculty of Education on different dates to meet your suitability. To register for Tribes, email Tracey Andrus at [andrus.home@sympatico.ca](mailto:andrus.home@sympatico.ca). When you email please include your name, contact information, and state that you are from Nipissing University/Brantford campus. I will get back to you a.s.a.p.

**Session Four: March 25th-28th**

**March 25th and 26th: 3:00-9:30 p.m.**

**March 27th: 9:00-2:30 p.m.**

**March 28th: 9:00-12:30 p.m.**

### CONVOCATION AWARDS

It's that time of year! Convocation and Valedictorian Award Applications are now available. All graduating Teacher Candidates are encouraged to apply for Convocation Awards.

One Valedictorian will be selected to represent both the Primary/Junior and Junior/Intermediate programs. The candidate who receives the greatest quantity and quality of peer support will be selected as the Valedictorian by the Awards Committee and Faculty.

A complete list of the 2009-2010 Convocation Awards as well as the Convocation and Valedictorian Award Applications are now available on our website: [http://nipissingu.ca/brantford/GCES\\_awards.asp](http://nipissingu.ca/brantford/GCES_awards.asp)

Note: The Valedictorian Address will be given at the Convocation Dinner on June 23, which will take place at the Best Western following the Convocation Ceremony. The successful Valedictorian must be in attendance. Convocation Award winners will also be acknowledged at this time.



**CIRCLE K**

**STUDENT CLUBS**

**Student Advisory Committee**



Circle K and SAC thanks everyone who has generously donated to the Hug's for Haiti initiative. We have raised way over \$300 for people in Haiti. It is going so well! We still have a bunch of hugs left, so if you'd like to purchase them you can find them in either Nipissing building!

Circle K is so excited about our upcoming Bowling tournament to raise money for Big Brothers and Big Sisters. We are looking for people who would be interested in playing on a team. No skill required - just people who are interested in making a difference in a young person's life. More information to follow.

Are you looking for a way to get involved on campus and make a difference? Circle K is always open to new members and we'd love your help. Our next meeting is February 24th at 4:00 in the Darling Street Building. If you have any questions or would like to get involved please contact Victoria at [circlek@nipissingu.ca](mailto:circlek@nipissingu.ca).

The **Think Recycle Student Incentive** is going very well! Keep bringing in your old ink cartridges and cell phones to Kelly in the Darling St. Building and pick up a ballot to be entered in the **EPIC \$50 draw** on March 25th! We have now extended Think Recycle to Mohawk as well. Who will bring in more items? You Decide!

Thank you to everyone who participated and volunteered in the Special Education Workshop with Brenda and Allison. It was a wonderful learning experience for all with highly effective strategies and tips for the classroom. Certificates will be emailed to participants later in the week. SAC would like to thank everyone who donated to the Hugs for Haiti fundraiser. It was very successful and all of the money is going to a great cause.

SAC wants to hear from you! We are currently looking for new members and executive positions within the committee are now available. Come join us at our next meeting on **Tues. February 9th, 2010 in Darling St. Rm. 104 from 8:30am-9:50am.**

Questions? Concerns? Comments? Email: [sac@nipissingu.ca](mailto:sac@nipissingu.ca)

## FIVE OAKS DAY CAMP SUMMER EMPLOYMENT

Are you searching for summer employment?

**Five Oaks Day Camp** in Paris, ON, is seeking applications for 16 positions: Lifeguards, Counsellors, Administrative and Program Staff. Please view the full job posting on the 'Job Board' in the 67 Darling Street building. Interested applicants can pick up an application form from Kelly in the Darling St. building.

Deadlines for applications: March 8 (Head Counsellor, Day Camp Administrator & Program Staff) and April 5 (Counsellors and Lifeguards)

Check out the Five Oaks website: [www.fiveoaks.on.ca](http://www.fiveoaks.on.ca)

## 'Hugs for Haiti' Earthquake Relief Fundraiser – Circle K Social Committee / Student Advisory Committee

Bundles of **Hershey's Hugs** candies will be sold by Circle K and SAC Volunteers prior to all NU classes in both the Darling St and the Wellington St buildings, beginning January 25<sup>th</sup> 2010. Each bundle of 'hugs' will be sold for **\$1.00**. Any donation regardless of size will be accepted by the volunteers. If you are unable to purchase bundles, and would like to purchase one or make a donation, donations will be accepted in the Academic Advisor's Office located in the Darling St Building. All proceeds raised from this fundraiser will go directly to the **Canadian Red Cross**.



## Believing in Dreams and Mentoring

2010 is shaping up to be a BIG year here at Big Brothers Big Sisters serving Brant, Brantford, Haldimand & Norfolk. This year marks our second year of providing service as well as hosting our second **Bowl for Kids Sake Campaign** in Brant County & Brantford. We're looking forward to bringing our "Do You Believe" theme to **Brantford Lanes on March 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>** and can't wait to see our many supporters out on the lanes and having a good....no, a GREAT time!!

Of course, you can't bring in the New Year without thinking about the year past....and what a year it was!! In 2009 we began providing our mentoring programs in Brant County & Brantford and served 96 children through our Traditional, In School Mentoring, Go Girls & Go Guys programs. Our Bowl for Kids Sake Campaign raised over \$72,000, with a special thanks to Wendy's, our corporate sponsor, and our Golf for Littles Tournament raised \$7,000, with a special thank you to the tournament sponsor, Scotiabank.

Our goal for 2010 is to serve 125 children/youth in Brant County & Brantford and if you want to be someone who makes a difference in the life of a child talk to Nipissing Professor Rick Denton at [rickd@nipissingu.ca](mailto:rickd@nipissingu.ca) or In School Mentor Coordinator Diane Corbett at [diane@bbbshn.ca](mailto:diane@bbbshn.ca), for more information.

## TEACHERS CREDIT UNION INFORMATION

Do you know a great teacher? Help them WIN \$1000 towards any school initiative! Nominate a teacher for the Beryl Roberto Teacher of the Year Award.

We are looking for a teacher that empowers everyone around them to be the best that they can be. Help us get to know your teacher and how they have made a difference in your life, in the classroom, the school and the community.

Check out [www.teacherscu.on.ca](http://www.teacherscu.on.ca) for details and nomination form. The deadline for nominations is March 1st 2010. The Teacher of the Year will be announced at our Annual General Meeting on April 6th.

Associate Teachers and Faculty from Nipissing could be nominated for this award.

Surf, call or visit us today! [www.teacherscu.on.ca](http://www.teacherscu.on.ca) 905.525.8131 or toll free 1.800.598.2891



# Nipissing University Brantford Campus

## Master's of Education

### Information Meetings

**Thursday, February 11**

**Thursday, February 18**

**Thursday, February 25**

**50 Wellington St., Brantford**

**Room 202**

**Time: 4:00pm–5:00pm**

**Sessions will include information about  
Full and Part Time Programs**

<http://www.nipissingu.ca/masterofed>

### Areas of Focus:

- **Adult Education**
- **Language and Literacy**
- **Leadership**
- **Special Education**
- **Teaching and Pedagogy**

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