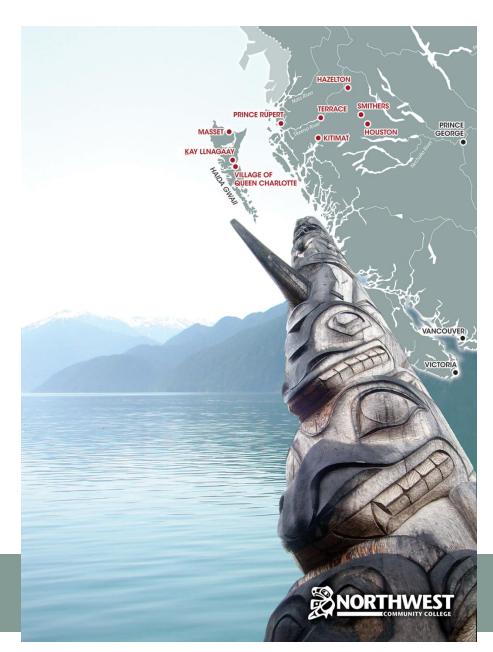
## **NS/BC** Workforce Dialogue

Shipbuilding and Ship Repair Industry Victoria, BC November 26-27, 2013



### **NWCC** at a Glance

- Established in 1975
- Serving 7 First Nations and 34 communities across Northwest BC
- Operating 9 campuses, including a successful community Learning Centre in Houston
- Focusing on community-based distributed learning and on collaboration through partnerships
- Growing programming that capitalizes on local culture, geography and economic need



# School of Marine & Coastal Studies

Imagine a college that uses the Pacific Ocean, the coastal waterways and adjacent lands of northwestern BC as its classroom, with students:

- Engaging in active project- and place-based learning
- Contributing to and shaping the communities and ecosystems in which they live
- Engaging in a variety of applied research and field-based projects



Aerial view of Prince Rupert Harbour (photo credit: Shutter Shack, Prince Rupert, BC)

#### Business Plan in progress

- 5-year phased-in implementation
- Based in Prince Rupert
- Focused on community-based delivery



## **Programming**

#### **Existing programming:**

- TRADES ACE/IT, Millwright, Electrical, Heavy Equipment Operator
- MARINE CERTIFICATIONS -Various
- UNIVERSITY CREDIT Dual Credit, Pathways to Learning, Transfers/Articulation
- MARINE SCIENCES Applied Coastal Ecology, Field Schools

#### Possible new programming:

- TRADES Unrestricted
   Occupational SCUBA, Underwater
   Welding, Shipyard Labourer, Ship
   Repair, Maritime Heritage
   Construction
- MARINE CERTIFICATIONS Expanded offerings, simulator supported
- MARINE SCIENCES Applied Research, Collaborations with UNBC, Expanded Field Schools



## **Partnerships**

#### **Existing partnerships/collaborations:**

- Coastal Pathways Partnership
- Prince Rupert Port Authority
- Green Marine
- Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education
- UNBC
- NSCC, Camosun College, Seneca College
- Local Communities & First Nations

#### Potential new partnerships:

- Vancouver Aquarium
- Haida Gwaii Higher Education Society
- IMTARC
- North Pacific Cannery and Cassiar Cannery
- Bamfield Marine Sciences Centre
- Diver Certification Board of Canada
- International Marine Contractors Association



#### **Vision**

NWCC builds successful futures through educational leadership in the economic, social, cultural and community development of our region.

#### **Mission**

Northwest Community College provides quality learning experiences that help prepare our students for successful, positive futures. We celebrate the diversity of our northern and First Nations populations and reflect this diversity in our programs, services and our workforce. We approach every interaction with respect and integrity and collaborate with our partners to meet the unique educational needs of our communities.

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