



Nova Scotia Canada's East Coast Arm of Academic Excellence

Anchored in academic innovation since 1838, Nova Scotia is a destination of choice for global learners and world-class researchers.

Strategically located on Canada's eastern seaboard, Nova Scotia is home to 11 critically acclaimed universities, hosting 64 Canada Research Chairs in the fields of Health Sciences, Natural Sciences and Education, Social Sciences, the Humanities and the Visual Arts.

Nova Scotia has earned global attention for initiatives such as Dalhousie University's internationally collaborative Brain Repair Centre and Acadia University's technology-rich teaching and learning environment, where students and faculty are issued the same laptop computer.

Nova Scotia's universities are also consistently ranked by MacLean's magazine as among the best institutions in the country.

Complementing these university initiatives is an award-winning network of 13 community college campuses specializing in dynamic, industry-driven trade and technology programs. In addition, a number of private training institutions also help keep Nova Scotia up-to-speed with industry.

With a progressive environment that brings together industry, government and education for collaborative efforts, Nova Scotia is committed to taking a leading role in ensuring its place in the global economy.

Fast Facts

- » Nova Scotia has the highest number of Canada Research Chairs in the Atlantic Provinces, including the first and only chair holder at a university dedicated exclusively to the Visual Arts.
- » Nova Scotia universities and colleges have exported their services to over 100 countries around the world.
- » Acadia University's international students, which account for 20% of the entire student body, will benefit from a new Learning Commons in the fall of 2006 that will include an Institute for Civic Engagement, a Centre for Teaching, Learning & Curriculum, and a Centre for Internationalization.
- » The Nova Scotia education system, public and private, enrolled over 4000 international students from over 140 countries in 2005-06.
- » Nova Scotia education and training institutions have successfully completed nearly 200 international projects involving consulting, training and the transfer of expertise.
- » Dalhousie University's Faculty of Computer Science is developing several interdisciplinary electronic and informatics programs with the Faculties of Management, Law and Medicine.
- » Nova Scotia's specialty niches include NSCAD University, Atlantic Canada's only university specializing solely in Visual Arts education and research, and the Nova Scotia Agricultural College, which enjoys a special relationship with the Nova Scotia Department of Agriculture, and was recently ranked as the #1 Research University of the Year by RESEARCH Infosource Inc. for undergraduate programs.
- » The Université Sainte-Anne offers students an opportunity to earn a degree in French at one of their five campuses across the province.



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