

**NORTHERN LIGHTS COLLEGE  
REGISTRAR'S OFFICE  
PROGRAM INFORMATION AND COMPLETION GUIDE**

**Program Name:** University Arts and Sciences  
**Credential/Certification:** General Arts and Sciences Certificate  
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**Program Description:** The University Arts and Sciences (UNAS) program at Northern Lights College (NLC) serves individuals and communities by providing university-level learning opportunities that reflect the intellectual and creative modes of inquiry practiced in the arts and sciences. A wide variety of first and second-year courses enable learners to pursue numerous credential and career options, and to engage in personal enrichment.

A University Arts and Sciences Certificate is awarded to students who complete 30 credits of UNAS courses. The certificate is intended to allow students to explore the Arts and Sciences, and to potentially prepare students for continued university-level studies leading to a Bachelor's Degree.

**Admission Requirements:**

A. Domestic students and students from counties that practice Standard Written English ([see Appendix A](#)) must have official transcripts demonstrating that they have met the English Requirements: One of the following with a 'C' grade or higher: English 12 or English Literature 12 or English First Peoples 12, ENGL 050, or ENGL 099.

Alternatively, any university-level English course with a 'C' grade or higher. Students who do not meet one of the above English Requirements must complete the NLC Writing Assessment for appropriate course placement.

B. International students who do not meet the requirement A above, and domestic students who received their secondary education in French or another language, must show that they have met the NLC English requirement: [see Appendix A \(General Academic English Language Proficiency Requirements\)](#).

Note that some course options have specific prerequisites. Meeting the program entrance requirements does not ensure course prerequisites have been met for all available courses.

**Length of Program:** (weeks and total hours) The UNAS Certificate involves 450 hours of class time and may be completed on a part-time or full-time basis. Where learners are attending full time, the credential may be completed in 30 weeks.

**Program Intake:** (start/finish dates)

Start: September, January, May

Finish: December, April, June

**Available Seats:** 35 per course

**Application Deadline:** Last day for late registration as indicated in the NLC Calendar. International students should contact the International Department for deadlines specific to their situation.

**Career Prospects:** By taking a planned combination of Northern Lights College courses, students may complete a full year of university-level courses and then transfer to a number of university degree programs.

**Affiliations/Partnerships:** Northern Lights College courses transfer individually to other colleges, universities, and institutes in British Columbia. Students will receive transfer credit for courses as noted in the BC Transfer Guide (see <http://www.bctransferguide.ca>).

**Location:** Chetwynd, Dawson Creek, Fort Nelson, Fort St. John and Tumbler Ridge campuses (NOTE: all courses are not available at each campus). Satellite campuses in Dease Lake and Atlin can also receive some courses by distance delivery.

**Additional Requirements/Supplies:** (fees, supplies, materials)  
As per course outlines for selected courses.

**Eligibility for Canada Student Loans:** (Yes or No)  
Yes, for domestic students. No, for international students.

**Required Minimum Grade:** (overall and/or minimum within a course)

C (60%) cumulative GPA; D (50%) minimum in a course.

**Residency Requirement:** (percentage of courses which must be taken at NLC)

25%; note that a minimum 60% or 'C' grade (60%) is required for courses to be considered for transfer into this program. The age of the course will also be considered in course transfer.

**Required Courses:** (list courses required to complete credential)

A minimum of 30 credits (normally 10 courses) of college-level, arts and science courses.

Note: A minimum of 50% of the course work applicable to subsequent credentials must be from courses that were not used to satisfy the requirements for the initial credential.