

University of Northern B.C. Factsheet – August 2009

Annual grants

- Operating grants in 2008/09 were \$42.8 million, rising to \$46.1 million for 2009/10, for an increase of \$3.3 million.
- Operating funding to UNBC has increased by \$16.3 million, from \$29.8 million in 2001-02 to \$46.1 million for 2009-10 - a 54.7 per cent increase.

Student spaces

- The B.C. government funded a total of 3,396 student spaces for 2009/10, including 36 new graduate spaces, up from 3,354 the previous year.
- Completed doubling of first year medical spaces in the University of B.C.'s faculty of medicine to 256 first-year students – including 32 first-year spaces at UNBC, for a total of 112 medical student spaces at UNBC in 2008/09, rising to 120 in 2009/10.
- Since 2001, 271 new spaces in nursing programs (BSN, MSN, Masters in Nurse Practitioner).

2008/09 Utilization:

Funded Seats	Actual	Utilization Rate
3,354	3,054	91.1%

- Funded spaces to the University of Northern B.C. has increased by 585, from 2,811 in 2003/04 to 3,396 in 2009/10 – a 20.8 per cent increase.

Capital projects: Over \$92M since 2001, including:

- \$14.8 million (includes a \$6.2M federal contribution) to build a wastewood gasification plant.
- \$5.9 million (includes a \$3.4M federal contribution) to upgrade heating, cooling and ventilation equipment and machinery.
- \$29 million for the Teaching and Learning Centre. The new facility includes teaching and research labs, faculty offices and student support space.
- \$2.8 million for the Geoffrey Weller Library renovation. The project reclaims some of the spaces in the Library in areas that were occupied by non-Library functions.
- \$12 million for the Northern Health Sciences Centre: The new facility houses the northern medical program.
- \$1.5 million for the Terrace acquisition and renovation of existing building to accommodate expansion of key programs.
- \$0.7 million for the Prince George acquisition and renovation of existing building to accommodate downtown campus.

- \$20.5 million from the Ministry of Economic Development toward the Northern Sport Centre, including a multi-court gymnasium seating 2,000, a field house with an indoor track and outdoor sports field and connections to cross-country trails.

New degree programs since 2001

- Master of arts, disability management
- Master of arts in English
- Master of science degree in interdisciplinary studies
- Master of science in nursing
- Master of business administration
- Master of arts in development economics
- Bachelor of fine arts (fine arts and creative writing)