



An aerial view of UNBC's Prince George campus.

“This expansion will allow UNBC to continue to grow and its students to be successful.”

Ida Chong
Advanced Education Minister

“The project will touch every student and program at UNBC and enable us to expand in areas that are key to our mandate of being a university that is responsive to the North.”

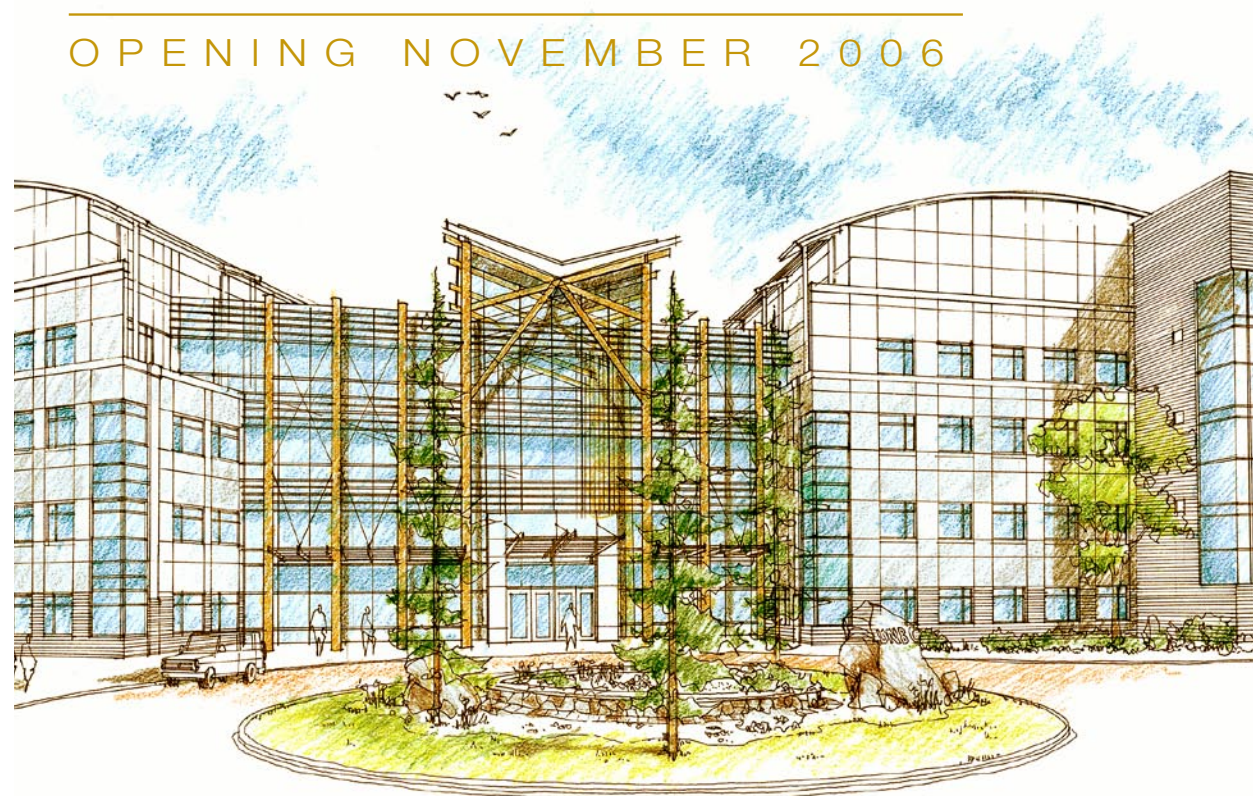
Charles Jago
President, UNBC

For more information about UNBC's new Teaching & Learning Centre, and to see additional architectural drawings, visit UNBC's Campus Tour website at:

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UNBC's New Teaching & Learning Centre

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This spring, the north side of UNBC's Prince George campus will witness the construction of a new building that will allow the University to expand its teaching and research capacity.

The Teaching & Learning Centre will feature a four-storey atrium with soaring wood beams, dozens of offices and classrooms, and glass walls that look out over the city of Prince George and the mountains beyond. At 8550 square metres (about 92,000 square feet), the new facility will be one of the largest buildings on the Prince George campus.

In addition to the new building, the Government is also funding some renovations to the Geoffrey R. Weller Library that will provide more space for the growing library collection and enhance the Library's links – via the Internet – to research sources around the world. Many of the classrooms, research space, and offices currently located on



These students were part of the first-ever class to complete UNBC's Bachelor of Education program in 2004.

the first and fourth floors of the Library will be re-located to the Teaching & Learning Centre. In their place, the ground floor will accommodate the circulation and reference areas of the Library, as well as an "information commons" which will nearly double the number of computers in the Library for searching library resources. The top floor of the Library, meanwhile, will house technical services, distance education, and some administrative offices.

Currently, the Library has only 66% of the space it needs, but it isn't the only part of the campus experiencing physical restrictions. In fact, as a whole, UNBC is experiencing a space shortfall of about 25%. The new Teaching & Learning Centre is vital to the University's continued growth.

The Government of British Columbia is providing \$31.8 million for the entire project.



President's Scholar Alexander Schare and UNBC Scholar Amy Ayers in the Geoffrey R. Weller Library.



Classes for UNBC's Master of Business Administration program will take place in the new Teaching & Learning Centre.

UNBC Departments and Programs that will be located in the Teaching and Learning Centre:

- Continuing Studies
- Aleza Lake Research Forest
- Electron microscopy labs
- Graduate student spaces
- Centre for Teaching and Learning
- Disability Student Services
- Learning Skills Centre
- Centre of Excellence for Children and Adolescents with Special Needs

Degree Programs:

- Education
- Business Administration
- Psychology
- Nursing
- Environmental Planning
- Social Work
- Mathematics
- Physics
- Computer Science
- Disability Management



The Teaching & Learning Centre will help accommodate additional student seats, which were announced in June, 2004.

This past summer, Premier Campbell announced that the Provincial Government would be adding 600 student spaces to UNBC. Much of that growth is expected to come in the programs that will be located in the new Teaching & Learning Centre.

Construction Timelines:

The renovations to the Library will begin by the end of February, 2005. Site preparation for the Teaching & Learning Centre is expected to begin by June, with construction complete by the end of 2006.



Sherry Beaumont will be one of the Psychology professors to have an office in the new Teaching & Learning Centre.