

**Policy: 1110 Academic Excellence****Key Process:** Program Delivery**Effective Date:** September 1, 2011

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**POLICY**

NBCC supports and recognizes student achievement in academic excellence through the awarding of various academic distinctions.

NBCC, through the granting of Honours Status, as well as the Academic Excellence Award, recognizes academic achievement upon graduation from a Diploma or Certificate program.

**Honours**

Honours designation recognizes a student's overall academic achievement upon successful completion of a certificate/diploma.

Students must have successfully completed all requirements of the certificate or diploma (including all term courses and work practicum), and be eligible for graduation.

The grade point average of 3.5 will be recognized as honors.

**Academic Excellence Award**

The Academic Excellence Award recognizes the top student in each program delivery who has successfully completed the program, and achieved the highest academic standing.

Students must have successfully completed all requirements of the certificate or diploma (including all term courses and work practicum) and be eligible for graduation.

**APPLICATION**

To be determined

**DEFINITIONS**

Not applicable

**SUGGESTION BOX**

Your suggestions for improvement to this document and/or its content will be forwarded to the policy owner.

## **1.0 PURPOSE and SCOPE**

The purpose and scope of this policy is to describe the process and criteria whereby student academic excellence is recognized by NBCC. This begins at the end of term, during the Academic Assessment of student grades by the Department Head and ends with the Principal's Award, Outstanding Achievement, as well as, Honour's designation for the Fall, Winter, and Spring terms.

## **2.0 WORKFLOW**

**2.1** The campus Registrar's Office verifies that the student meets all requirements for the awarding of academic excellence awards.

**2.2** For the granting of Honours and Academic Excellence Awards in certificates/diplomas, during the transition Academic year 2011/12, the grade point average of 3.30 will be recognized as honors. However in subsequent years a grade point average of 3.5 will be required.

**2.3** The campus Registrar's Office ensures that the student transcript indicates the official designation as awarded and is responsible for the retention of student records.