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Professional Learning Program (PLP)

2019 Education Career Fair

60 organizations and 100 professionals in attendance:

33 Provincial 11 National 15 International

And our NU Alumni
Association!



55%

OF STUDENTS
WERE
OFFERED
EMPLOYMENT
(MAINLY
OCCASIONAL
TEACHING)

Student Feedback from 2019 Education Career Fair:

"It was a great experience to talk with fellow classmates/future teachers, engage with school boards, as well as gain experience. Not only did I get an interview with my choice board, I was offered a position as an occasional teacher as soon as I graduate. I would not have had this opportunity if the career fair didn't happen, so THANK YOU for investing your time in our future. Just another reason why I love Nipissing University and I'm happy I invested 5 years of my education at this amazing school" - Year 5 Concurrent Education Teacher Candidate

"I loved the Career Fair! I got to interview for 2 boards on the spot, and got 3 interview offers for a later date. There are so many opportunities for all students and I was very pleased! Thank you so much!" - J/I FSL Teacher Candidate

"The Education Career Fair was a great opportunity to meet school boards and learn about job opportunities. Unfortunately, one of my school boards of interest was not at the Career Fair. Nevertheless, I'm glad I attended, and thought that the event was very well planned" - Year 5 J/I Concurrent Education Teacher Candidate

Recruiter Feedback from 2019 Education Career Fair:

"One of the best of all universities, students are polite, prepared with resumés, and willing to listen. Excellent teachers from Nipissing for 8 years!" - Maple Leaf Educational Systems

"I found the facilities, format, and communication excellent. Also, the caliber of students and the high interest in my organisation was unparalleled so far. Looking forward to hiring some fantastic teachers from the event and returning next year!" - Unknown recruiter

"Nipissing teachers have been amazing and so presentable and prepared!" - Aurelia Education

68%

OF
RECRUITERS
WERE
SEEKING
FRENCH
QUALIFIED
CANDIDATES

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Professional Learning Opportunities

"I loved the way this was structured. I would have enjoyed a full day exploring these ideas!"

Graduating student feedback about Getting to Know your Students as Mathematicians Workshop (November 2018)



Sarah Irwin (Year 2 PLA) conducting a workshop about the online, interactive lesson planning tool *Nearpod*. Students can use a variety of devices to engage and collaborate in tech-centred workshops.

Photo Credit: Amanda Reynolds (Year 1 PLA)

Over 60 Professional Learning opportunities have been offered this year!

These were learning sessions hosted by Professional Learning Assistants, SSoE faculty, external professionals, colleagues in other departments, and professional federations.

FALL

40+ Workshops, Sessions, and Presentations

WINTER/SPRING

20 Sessions andPresentations2+ Pending

PRESENTATION TOPICS INCLUDED:

- Nearpod
- WebQuest
- Google Classroom/Suite
- Edsby Learning & Analytics
- SMART Notebook & Lab
- Coding with Scratch
- iCan/Clickers
- Parent Communication Apps
- Welcome to Ozobots!
- Indigenous Land Based Education

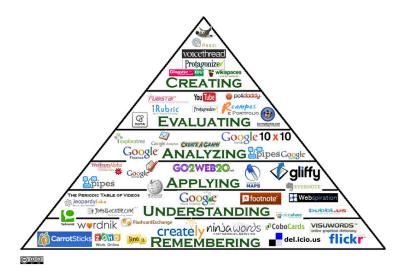
- What School Boards are Looking For in a Teacher
- Education for Innovation
- Assistive Technology
- Compassion Fatigue
- Moving EDGEucation
- Learn Cloud: The Rumie Initiative
- Parent Communication Apps
- And many more...



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Resources & Website

Self-directed learning is always encouraged by the Professional Learning Team. The *Resources* tab on our Professional Learning Website provides teacher candidates with a variety of online tools and resources to explore and integrate into their teaching practice. Handouts and DIY files from PLA-led workshops are also available on the website. Visit www.nipissingu.ca/pl for more information!





2019 Elijah Tupling Memorial Award

This year's recipient will be announced at the convocation ceremony in June! For more details and a list of past participants click <u>here</u>.

JOIN THE PROFESSIONAL LEARNING TEAM IN 2019–2020! STAY TUNED FOR PROFESSIONAL LEARNING ASSISTANT POSITIONS OPENING THIS SUMMER!

"As a Professional Learning Assistant, the Professional Learning Program has provided me the opportunity to network with education students and Schulich School of Education staff in order to provide hands-on learning experiences that highlight some of the most engaging and applicable educational resources for use in grade K-12 classrooms. I believe that having a professional learning program that directly supports student educational needs and concerns contributes greatly to the welcoming and education-focused environment that is the Schulich School of Education at Nipissing University!" - Claudia de Jong, Year 2 PLA

"The Professional Learning Program is a key reason why I chose to attend Nipissing University for my Bachelor of Education." - Amanda Reynolds, Year 1 PLA



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