



Presentation September 2024

NORTHERN BC GRADUATE STUDENT SOCIETY (NBCGSS)

Brought to you by:
2024-2025 NBCGSS Board of Directors





About NBCGSS (Northern BC Graduate Student Society):

NBCGSS represents more than 600 full-time and part-time graduate students.

The purpose of NBCGSS is to:

- **Advocate** for graduate students at UNBC;
- **Facilitate communication** between UNBC faculty, staff, administration, and graduate students;
- **Offer services, support, and activities** to graduate students and enhance their student life experience at UNBC.

Since March 2016, the NBCGSS has been part of the **British Columbia Federation of Students (BCFS)**. The BCFS support our union and provides a venue for students to effectively communicate, collaborate, organize, and mobilize to advocate collective interests locally, provincially, and nationally.

What We do

The overall objectives and goals of NBCGSS.

Academic Support:

NBCGSS provides students with academic resources available in various forms such as workshops on research skills, thesis writing support, and seminars on academic publishing.

Social Activities:

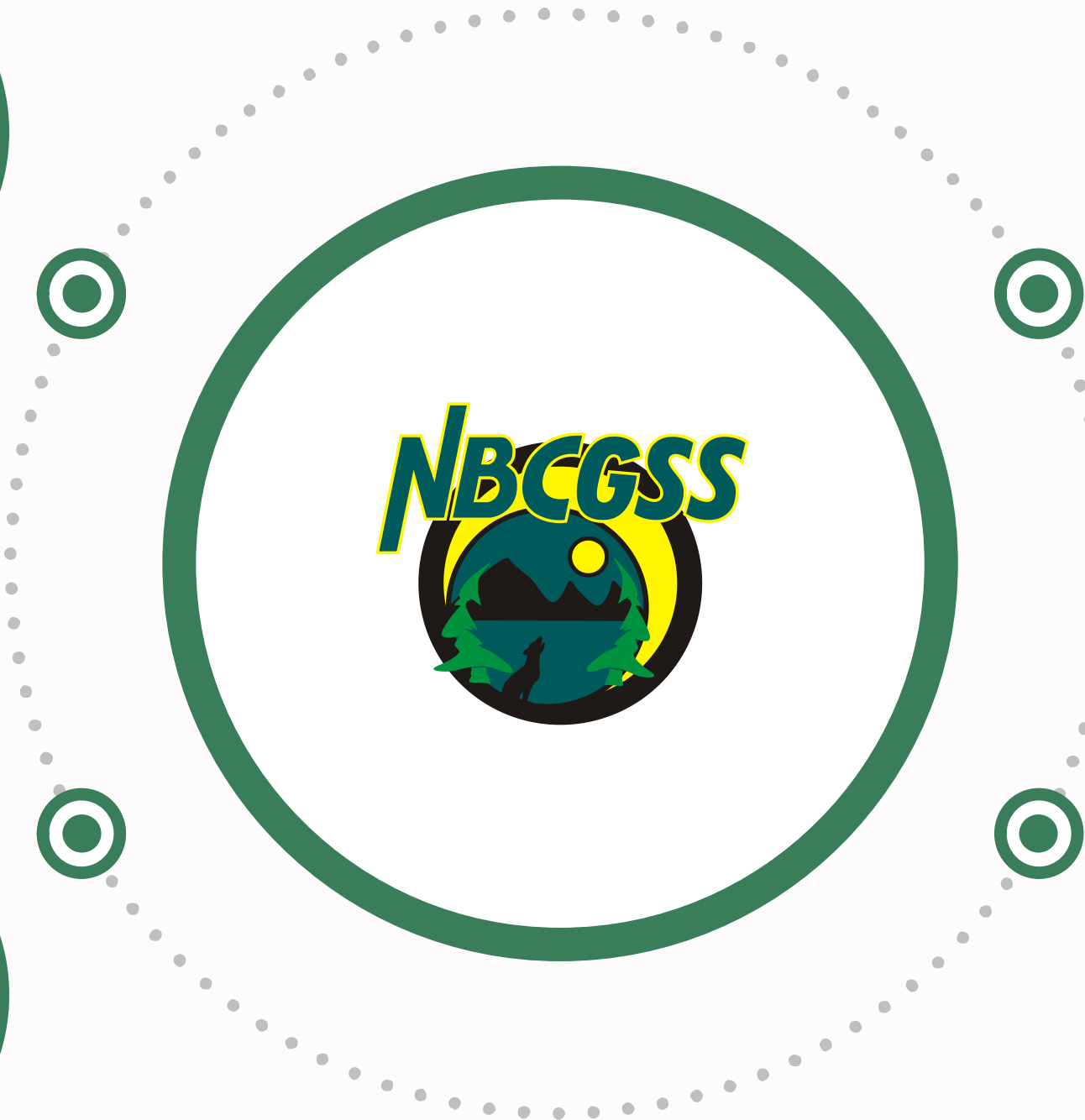
We have interesting social events organized by NBCGSS, such as mixers, cultural events, and sports activities that help build a sense of community among graduate students.

Advocacy:

NBCGSS helps in advocating for student rights, addressing grievances, and ensuring that the university administration hears student concerns.

Professional Development:

Career development, including networking events, career counseling, and skill-building workshops tailored to graduate students' needs.



NBCGSS Structure

*We are a working board
which means the society
is run by students for
students. and supported
by 1-2 paying staff
members*

Chairperson of the Board

Leads and Oversees the Board

Directors

Each Director Specializes and Handles Keys Areas:
External Relations,
Internal Relations,
Student Welfare,
Student Communications,
Community Development,
Regional Students' Representative,
Indigenous Students' Affairs,
Director of Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion, Director
at large

Staff Person

Assists in administrative and
operational tasks

Our Team (1): NBCGSS Board of Directors 2024-2025



**George
Amoako**

Director of Regional
Student's
Representative



Briana Greer

Director of
Indigenous Student
Affairs



Bruce Danesh

Chairperson



**Ariadna Lopez
Ortega**

Director Community
Development



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Director of Internal
Relations

Our Team (2): NBCGSS Board of Directors 2024-2025



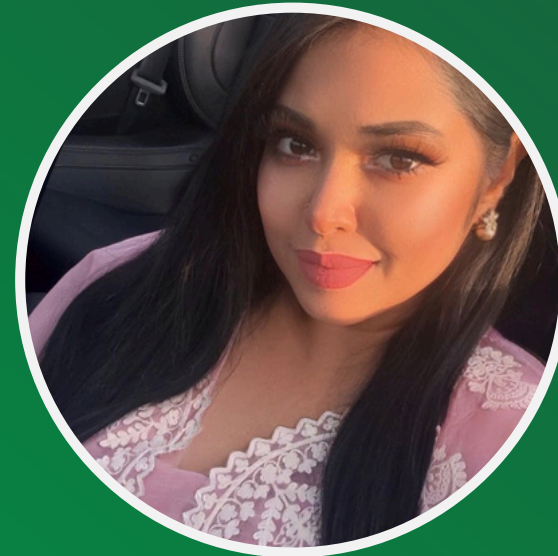
Alireza Noory

Director at Large



**Sophia
Robinson**

Director of Student
Welfare



**Humaira
Mahmud**

Director of Equity
Diversity & Inclusion



**Shahryar
Rahpeyma**

Director of Communication
& Student Engagement



**Shahzeb
Memon**

Director of External
Relations

Our Team (3): NBCGSS Staff 2024-2025 Executive Director (ED)



Rozanna
Rosarydasan

ED 2024-2025

The NBCGSS Executive Director (ED) as the only paid staff member of the society, supports the board of Directors in shaping the strategic direction for the organization and oversees daily operations and management and much more!



**SERVICES
OFFERED BY
NBCGSS**

NBCGSS Services (1)

Health and Dental Plan

NBCGSS partners with Studentcare to provide UNBC graduate students with coverage that supplements provincial health care, filling essential gaps.

Coverage: NBCGSS members (Fall semester, fees paid)

- Full-time, part-time, internet-based, eligible international students
- Regional campus students may enroll

What's Covered:

- Prescription Drugs: Up to 80% coverage
- Health Practitioners: Up to \$4,000 (psychologists, massage therapists, etc.)
- Vision Care: Up to \$350 (eye exams, glasses, contacts, laser surgery)
- Dental Care: Up to \$750 (checkups, cleanings, fillings, etc.)
- Travel Health: Up to \$5M, 120 days per trip

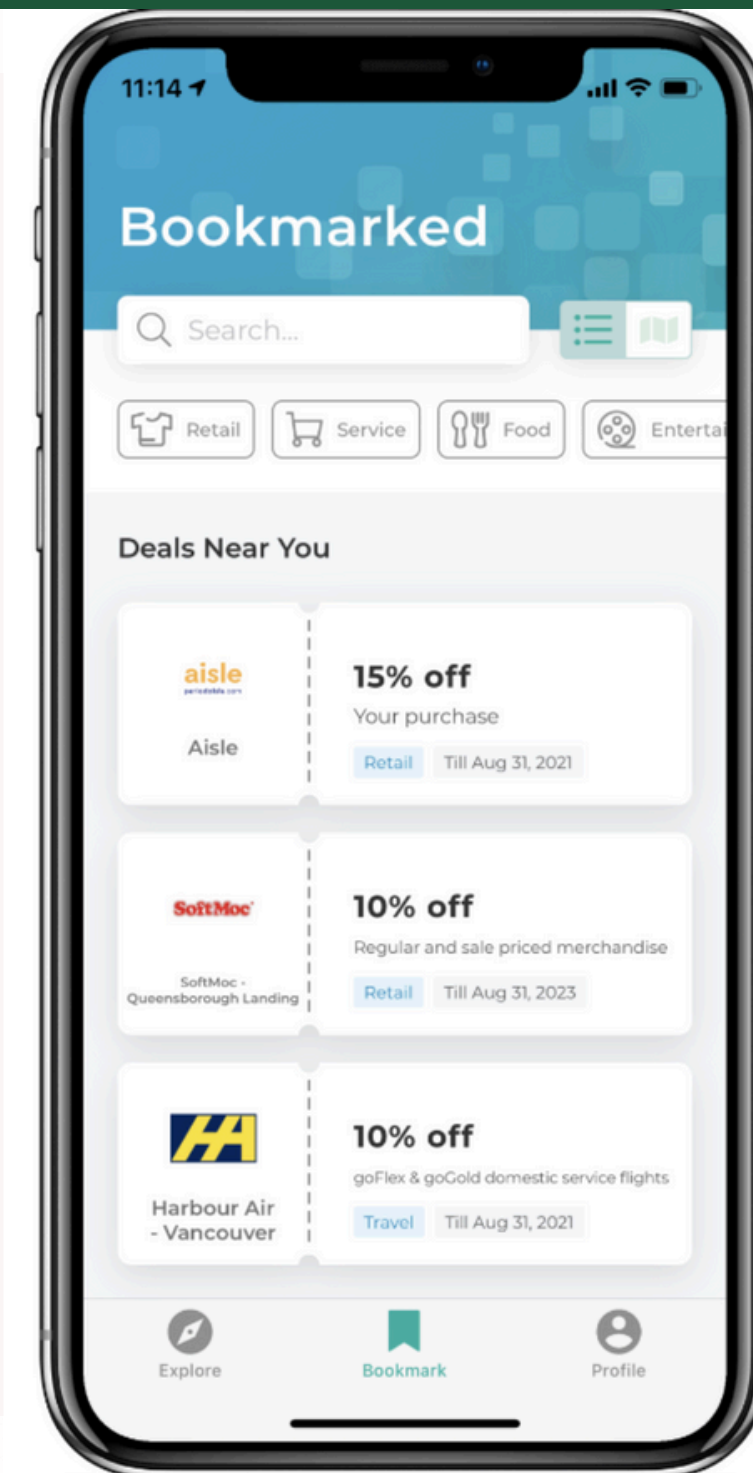
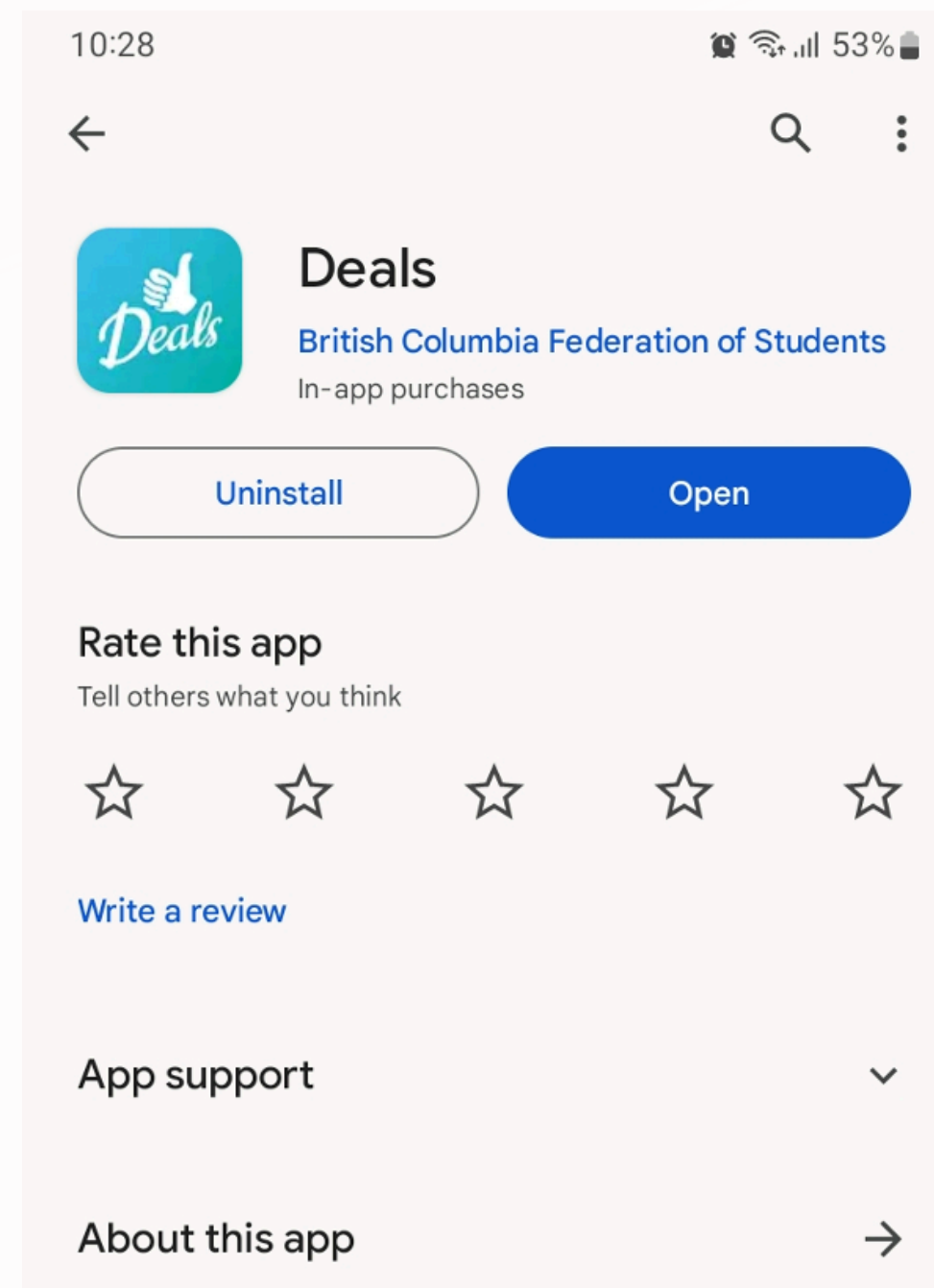
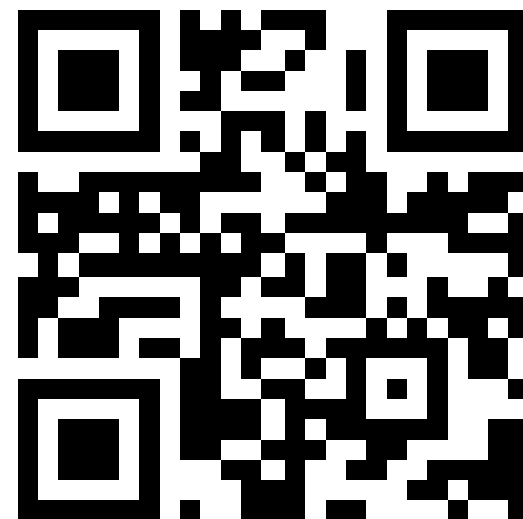
NBCGSS Services (2)

The Deals App: Student Discounts

You have access to many provincial and local **student discounts** through the Deals mobile application. Download the FREE Deals App and start saving money today.

More information:
<https://www.wearebcstudents.ca/deals>

Download the app NOW



NBCGSS Services (3)

NBCGSS Emergency Bursary Fund

Support for Graduate Students in Need

Administered by:

- UNBC Awards and Financial Aid Unit

Eligibility:

- Graduate student members
- Demonstrated significant need for basic living expenses
- Exhausted all other UNBC funding options

Award Details:

- Up to \$250 per student
- Available once per academic year

Application:

- Contact UNBC Awards and Financial Aid Unit | Email: awards@unbc.ca for information and forms

NBCGSS Services (4) The Graduate Lounge

- A 24hrs accessible cozy space for Graduate students
- Located in the west wing of the Teaching and Learning Building in room 10-3016.
- The lounge is accessed by swiping an activated student ID card.
 - **You can hang out there with friends**
 - **Play games**
 - **Use the fridge and use the kitchen supplies**
 - **Make some coffee for yourself**
 - **A PS5 coming soon?**

Come to NBCGSS office to fill out the form if you haven't already.



NBCGSS Services (5) Graduate Computer Lab

A dedicated space for graduate students to focus on research and academic work. The Graduate Student Computer Lab has restricted access located in the west wing of the Teaching and Learning Building (Building 10) in room 10-3032.

How to Access:

Submit your Name, Student Number, UNBC Email, Phone Number, and Proof of Graduate Student Status (screenshot/photo) to the NBCGSS Office either in-person or by mail (gssoffice@unbc.ca).

NBCGSS Services (6)

NBCGSS Food Bank (soon to be UNBC Food bank)

If you are a graduate student in need, NBCGSS offers confidential 1-on-1 food hamper services provided by our dedicated Food Bank Volunteer, Afton Zral.

How to Access:

Contact Afton: Email Afton at gssfoodbank@unbc.ca to set up a meeting time.

Stay Informed: Watch your UNBC emails closely for announcements from Afton about the availability of food hampers.

As Grads, you also have access to the **NUGSS foodbank** located at the NUGSS office (6-370) during regular office hours.

NBCGSS is collaborating with NUGSS and other UNBC entities to unite all food resources and form a united UNBC foodbank, so stay tuned!

NBCGSS Services (7)

U-Pass

Unlimited access to Prince George buses, pools, and aquatic centers with a validation sticker on your student ID and/or UMO Mobility App after fees are paid.

Benefits:

- Unlimited access to Prince George bus system
- Free entry to Four Seasons Leisure Pool & Prince George Aquatic Centre

Activation & Usage:

- Scan the QR code for all the information you need:



NBCGSS Services (8) Student Legal Assistance

Free 24/7 telephone legal advice on most major types of law, identity theft assistance, review of simple legal documents and referral to local lawyers at a discounted rate.

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WHAT IS STUDENT LEGAL ASSISTANCE?

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NBCGSS Services (9) Free Premium Grammarly Service



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Members

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User roles have been updated to better reflect the capabilities and access permissions associated with each role. Account owners are now called admins, and contributors are now account managers. [Learn more](#)

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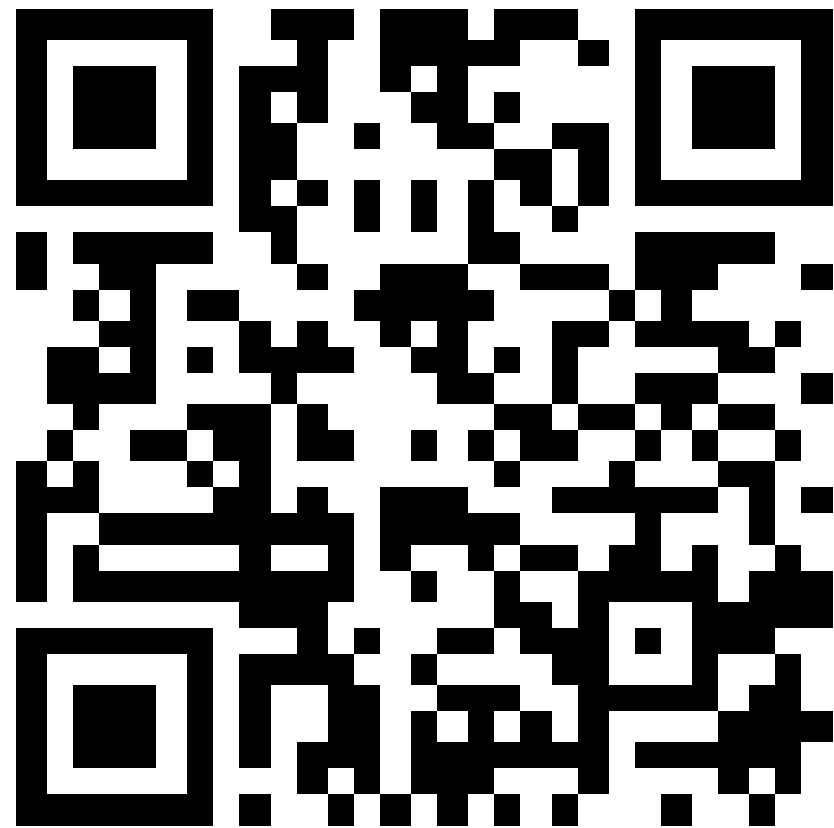
Free printing for \$5 every semester.

The screenshot shows the PaperCut MF web interface. The browser address bar displays <https://print.unbc.ca/app?service=page/UserReleaseJobs>. The left sidebar contains the following navigation items: Summary, Transaction History, Recent Print Jobs, Jobs Pending Release (highlighted), Web Print, Add Credit, UNBC Home Page, Service Desk for Students, and Copy and Print Services. The main content area is titled "Jobs Pending Release" and displays the message "No jobs pending release." with a green checkmark and the text "Auto". Below this, it shows "Your balance:\$5.00" and two buttons: "Release All" (green) and "Cancel All" (grey). At the bottom, a table header is visible with columns: SUBMIT TIME ↓, PRINTER, DOCUMENT, CLIENT, PAGES, and COST.

A mobile notification window titled "Balance..." is shown. It features the UNBC logo on the left, a large "\$5.00" in the center, and a "UNBC" logo with a refresh icon on the right. Below the balance, there is a "Details ..." link.

Get to Know More About NBCGSS and its Services

All available on our website:





NBCGSS Activities Highlights





Advocacy!



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Prince George Civic Centre



nbcgss ❤️ @nbcgss supported the @pgtbtn march on the 15th of September 2023 together with @unbc_nwc and other like minded organizations and societies.

❤️ A march to honor the memory of women who haven't survived violence; to celebrate who have; and to demand an end to all forms of violence against women.

👏 We witnessed many children and women including our women grads of @unbc echoing together

🎤 We also spoke at the open mic session held @thirstymoosepub thereafter.

About Take Back The Night Foundation:
<https://takebackthenight.org/about-us/>

Photo Credits: Steven Dubas and @nbcgss grads.

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@maedeh_sakii



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Workshops!



Northern BC Graduate Students' Society

NBCGSS WORKSHOP

2:45PM - 3:15PM

September 6, 2022

Room 7-152



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Fun Activities!



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Mount Robson, British Columbia



nbcgss Here is how it went!
Team 2 on Row the Oars 2023.

NBCGSS is happy that we were able to sponsor this event for our grads this year too.

We had a nice staff team including Terry who guided us throughout the rafting and definitely an energetic team of grads who cooperated with us in every way. Thanks to the pictures from [@mountrobsonwhitewater](#)

We believe the Grads had an awesome time same as the board which participated rafting with the teams.

Comment and let us know how your experience was with NBCGSS and [@mountrobsonwhitewater](#).

Thanks [@rozannarosarydasan](#) and [@Khan](#) for leading Team 2 and bringing all of them safe to Prince George.

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Fun Activities!



LET'S GO HIKING!

Weekly Hikes with Roger!

🕒 1:00 pm

📅 Thursdays



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nbcgss Explore the extensive trails around campus and enjoy the winter with your peers!

Meet in the T & L building (#10) by 1 pm.

Faculties and staff are welcome to join!

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Treasure hunt Challenge!

Complete this challenge, and by doing this, you will explore and get to know the services that are important to you, **and you will be entered to win a bundle of prizes, each worth around 100\$!**

You have until September 27th participate!

Do you have questions?

Come to our office and ask!

COYOTE'S Treasure Hunt!!!

September 3rd - 26th

1. Collect your Treasure Maze from Student Life Ambassadors

2. Follow the instructions

3. Visit the NBCGSS Office once you're done

4. Pick your favorite sustainable bottle/mug

5. Stay updated for the draw of nine \$100 prizes

\$100

Draw on September 27th

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Stay tuned with (@nbcgss) to know if you are a winner!

BECOME PART OF NBCGSS!

JOIN OUR VOLUNTEER GROUP CHAT! 

WE SHARE OPPORTUNITIES AND MORE! 

WHY VOLUNTEER WITH US?


 STAY CONNECTED WITH YOUR COMMUNITY

 LEARN MORE ABOUT NBCGSS AND THE RESOURCES WE OFFER

 REQUEST A REFERENCE LETTER FOR FUTURE ENDEAVORS

 BE THE FIRST TO KNOW ABOUT EXCITING PAID OPPORTUNITIES!

READY TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE? JOIN NOW!

➡  SCAN THE QR CODE TO JOIN! 







FOLLOW US ON [[@NBCGSS](#)] FOR MORE UPDATES! ➡  



THANK YOU

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