



D – Executive Limitations

Partnerships and Collaborative Initiatives

Background

Northern College endeavours to partner and collaborate with other institutions of learning, the community, industry and other organizations that would help the College achieve its vision and mission.

Partnership and collaboration strengthens our educational programming, encourages innovation and entrepreneurial spirit, creates opportunities for learning, and leverages our resources such that the College and its community partners can enjoy the benefits.

Policy

The President shall pursue partnerships and collaborative initiatives that advance the vision, mission and strategic directions of the College, without placing the College at risk.

Procedure

The following will be considered when developing partnerships and collaborations:

1. Partnerships and collaborations may be proposed and/or facilitated by any member of the College community.
2. Prior to formal commitment to any collaborative ventures, the proposal requires the approval of the appropriate Vice President and/or the President; however, in all cases the proposed venture must be brought to the attention of the President.
3. All proposed partnerships and collaborations must be:
 - a. assessed with respect to the College's vision and mission;
 - b. in compliance with polices and regulations governing the development and delivery of programs;
 - c. referred to affected service areas for consultation;
 - d. consistent with the strategic and business plans of the College;
 - e. assessed to ensure that the College will not be placed at risk;
 - f. sustainable and mutually beneficial to all partners.

4. Partnerships and collaborative initiatives may include but are not limited to:
- a. credit or non-credit program delivery;
 - b. curriculum development efforts;
 - c. delivery of services;
 - d. applied research initiatives;
 - e. ancillary operations;
 - f. opportunities with industry; and
 - g. other opportunities as they arise.

Monitoring

New partnership and collaborative initiative activity and substantive changes to existing agreements will be shared with the Board annually, at the June Board meeting.