



The BC Centre of Training Excellence in Oil and Gas is a coordination and facilitation body created to ensure that oil and gas employers in the province have the trained workforce they need to compete.

A solution born from concerted, deliberate collaboration and cooperation.

Industry, Northern Lights College, community, Indigenous, and government partners have worked together since 2003 to systematically remove competitiveness barriers and transition northeast BC companies into service providers of choice.

Partners identified the need for a Centre of Training Excellence for BC's oil and gas industry early on, provided funding and support for its creation, and continue to work diligently to ensure the Centre operates in line with industry needs.



Situated at Northern Lights College, the Centre leverages the College's well established relationships with major petroleum producers, oil and gas field contractors, and other suppliers to the industry; and its accumulated expertise, systems infrastructure, and networks.

The Centre acts as a central clearing house of information, contacts, and resources for all training institutions in BC interested in designing, developing, and delivering education and training programs related to the oil and gas industry.

Facilitates delivery of training by training providers in locations across the province.

Focuses on career preparation and professional development programs for field and regional positions.

- Indigenous and community relations
- Environmental protection and sustainability
- Health and safety
- Land acquisition, permitting, and administration
- Remote accommodation and food services
- Well site preparation, extraction, processing, pipelines



Key Areas of Activity

Working with leading oil and natural gas industry firms and organizations to identify skills and knowledge gaps in the workforce of today and the future.

Acting as an advocate and catalyst for solutions to training needs of employers and employees (new and existing).

Readying education and training programs in the province to meet the demand for workers from the emerging Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) sector.

- Training in the right place at the right time
- Alleviating shortages of workers, particularly skilled workers
- Encouraging people to work and live in northern BC

Providing a collaborative and supportive environment for BC based education and training providers to work together to meet industry requirements and standards for training programs.

Staying abreast of rapidly changing labour market conditions and balancing forecast labour demand from employers.

Monitoring and advising on industry requirements for training spaces.

Assisting industry to encourage new entrants to the oil and gas workforce.

Oversight and Management Framework

Leadership and governance of the Centre is provided by a select industry-only advisory board — decision-makers that include petroleum producers, oil and gas field contractors, and other suppliers to the oil and gas industry.

Management of the Centre is professional and credible with industry and key stakeholders.

Secretariat support is provided by Northern Lights College and the Government of British Columbia.

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