

NB Career Surf e-Newsletter May 5, 2010

The Career Surf e-newsletter is established to provide information and resources for students, parents, guidance counsellors and those interested in staying up-to-date on news and events on career planning, career resources, NB labour market, scholarships, success stories, etc. Please feel free to forward to others and encourage them to subscribe!

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Trades and technology competition for students

Top anglophone and francophone students from across the province will put their trades and technology skills to the test at the annual Trades Recognition and Skills Canada NB provincial competitions on Saturday, April 24, in Fredericton and Oromocto.

Winners will join a team of 31 New Brunswick students at the Canadian Skills Competition, May 20-23 in Waterloo, Ont.

Students will compete at Oromocto High School in: carpentry, auto service, welding, cabinetmaking, workplace safety, electrical installations, TV / video production and architectural technology and design. Students in cooking and fashion technology will compete at Fredericton High School.

"It is important that our young people get the chance to see the opportunities of making a living in the trades and technological fields and that they realize that these are available to them right here in the province," said Luc Morin, executive director of Skills Canada NB. "The more exposure they get to these possibilities at a young age, the more informed and equipped they will be to make decisions when the time comes to continue into their post-secondary education."

News Release: <http://www.gnb.ca/cnb/news/edu/2010e0592ed.htm>

EVENTS, NOTICES, RESOURCES

- **JobsTVnews.com** – Feature Video – [Crane Operator \(1 min 16 sec\)](#)
- **Virtual Career Fair - April 28 - May 12** - www.careerbeacon.com/NB
- **“SKILLS WORK!® FOR WOMEN” Networking Dinner for Young Women** (Grades 9-12),

MONCTON – May 12, 2010 (5:30 pm - 9:00 pm), NBCC Moncton. FREE. Register with your guidance counselor. For more information, contact Mélanie Gallagher (506) 440-6684, Melanie.Gallagher@gnb.ca.

- [Enhancing Access to Post-Secondary Education in Canada: An Exploration of Early Intervention Initiatives in Selected Countries \(PDF\)](#)
- **Student Financial Services** - 1-800-667-5626 - <https://www.studentaid.gnb.ca/>
- **Wage Gap Action Plan Scholarships** - Deadline is May 31!
- You may be eligible for \$20,000 cash back on your tuition costs! Visit [New Brunswick tuition rebate](#) to learn more.
- [Student Employment Experience Development \(SEED\)](#)
- Are you looking to develop a great idea, take action, and involve other young people? Learn more about the Youth Engagement Funding Program, visit www.gnb.ca/population
- [The Working in Canada Tool](#) - This tool will help you identify your occupation in Canada and provide you with a detailed labour market information report (containing job duties, skill requirements, wage rates, etc.) for a chosen location in Canada.
- Looking for career opportunities in New Brunswick? Visit www.nbjobs.ca today!
- [NB Career Surf website](#) – Explore **all** of your career options - plan for your career!

Career Profile: Architects (NOC 2151)

Architects conceptualize, plan and develop designs for the construction and renovation of commercial, institutional and residential buildings. They are employed by architectural firms, private corporations and governments, or they may be self-employed.

Example Titles: architect; architectural standards specialist; chief architect; consulting architect; industrial and commercial buildings architect; residential architect.

Main duties

Architects perform some or all of the following duties:

- Consult with clients to determine type, style and purpose of renovations or new building construction being considered
- Conceptualize and design buildings and develop plans describing design specifications, building materials, costs and construction schedules
- Prepare sketches and models for clients
- Prepare or supervise the preparation of drawings, specifications and other construction documents for use by contractors and tradespersons
- Prepare bidding documents, participate in contract negotiations and award construction contracts
- Monitor activities on construction sites to ensure compliance with specifications
- Conduct feasibility studies and financial analyses of building projects.
- Architects may specialize in a particular type of construction such as residential, commercial, industrial or institutional.

Employment requirements

- A bachelor's degree from an accredited school of architecture **or** Completion of the syllabus of studies from the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada (RAIC) is required.
- A master's degree in architecture may be required.

- Completion of a three-year internship under the supervision of a registered architect is required.
- Completion of the architect registration examination is required.
- Registration with the provincial association of architects in the province of work is required.

According to Job Futures the hourly wages for *Architects, Urban Planners and Land Surveyors* is \$25.62. (Source: [Job Futures](#))

Explore more occupations online at the [National Occupational Classification!](#)

Source: National Occupational Classification

Counsellors help clients to help themselves

Excerpt from The Daily Gleaner, By ALEXANDRA DAVIS, Published Saturday April 17th, 2010. (D1)

From a young age, Shannon Browne knew she wanted to help others.

"I remember struggling as a teen," she said. "I always wished I had someone to talk to, who could relate to me."

Browne's desire to provide people with someone who could relate to their problems was a major reason she was drawn to the field of counselling.

She said counselling isn't about providing a quick fix, but rather about showing her clients tools and mechanisms that will allow them to help themselves.

"My job is not to give advice, it's to help them learn healthy expressions of feelings and to learn about their own strengths," Browne said. "Self esteem is a big part of that, no matter what their age."

Browne said there are many aspects of her job that she enjoys.

"I love the connection with people, especially with kids and teens," she said. "I love seeing clients getting comfortable, and feeling like they have a place to unload. They're like puzzles in a way, and my job is putting the pieces together."

Read more: <http://nbbusinessjournal.canadaeast.com/gleaner/article/1020543> (English Only)

Youth Entrepreneurship Camp

Youth Entrepreneurship Camp is a 5-day camp that teaches youth about starting their own business by helping them open, operate and close their own company for a day.

Campers learn how to develop an idea, plan and organize their thoughts into a business plan, how to make their product and then have the opportunity to sell their products to the public in a marketplace at the end of the week.

Youth Entrepreneurship Camp gives all campers a start up loan (maximum \$20 per company) to purchase the materials and supplies they need to make their product. At the end of the marketplace, students will pay back the loan anything beyond that is pure profit for the camper!

<http://www.enterprisefredericton.ca/content/ourservices/215413>

Multiple Intelligence Quiz

Research shows that people have eight different types of intelligence, usually with strength in three or four. Use this quiz to find out about your unique style of thinking and understanding.

[Take this Quiz](#)

Work Values Quiz

What values are important to you in your work environment?

Your values are important clues to what kind of work and work conditions you would like. The Work Values Quiz can help you determine your work motivations, your preferred work setting, how you like to interact with others, and your work style.

[Take this Quiz!](#)

Summer camps for francophone students

More than 442 students from francophone schools, in grades six to 11, will be able to benefit from week-long provincial camps set up by the Université de Moncton, the Collège communautaire du Nouveau-Brunswick, and community and private organizations as part of the Department of Education's Education Plus program.

"The summer camps make it possible to offer learning experiences related to career opportunities in New Brunswick and to interest young people in various sectors, some of which are experiencing a labour shortage," said Education Minister Roland Haché. "It is wonderful to see that the camps are just as popular from one year to the next. It shows that they are plugged in to the students' interests."

Themes this year will include the arts, languages, science, environmental science, immigration, geology, law, health, leadership, sports coaching and technology.

The camps will be held from June 27 to Aug. 13. For further information on the summer camps, call 1-888-882-8883 or visit the website <http://www.gnb.ca/0000/campete.htm> (Français seulement).

News Release: <http://www.gnb.ca/cnb/news/edu/2010e0526ed.htm>

Bursaries help local police forces recruit new officers

Ten new recruits have become the first recipients of the Police Cadet Graduate Bursary program from the Department of Public Safety.

"The provincial government committed this funding in October 2009 to help local police forces in their recruitment efforts by offering support to candidates to offset their cadet training costs," said Public Safety Minister and Solicitor General John Foran. "We wish all the best to these recipients as they begin their careers and work with us to help New Brunswickers be safe."

A \$3,000 bursary is awarded to each of the successful candidates chosen by the police forces that recruit them upon graduation from the Atlantic Police Academy or L'École nationale de police du Québec.

News Release: <http://www.gnb.ca/cnb/news/ps/2010e0517ps.htm>

DID YOU KNOW?

Over one-half (57%) of the graduating class of 2005 had student loans, up from 49% 10 years earlier. Average student debt on graduation rose from \$15,200 to \$18,800 during the same decade. Also, the proportion of borrowers who graduated with debt loads of at least \$25,000 increased to 27% in 2005 from 17% in 1995.

Source: [Statistics Canada](#)

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