



Dear International Colleague,

Re: Invitation letter to attend BC International Education Week

On behalf of the British Columbia Council for International Education (BCCIE), it is my pleasure to invite you to attend BC International Education Week (BCIEW) from June 22 - 25, 2025, at the Fairmont Château in Whistler, British Columbia.

The conference will feature a series of concurrent sessions, thought leader dialogues, and workshops covering a broad array of topics and issues that we are facing in our sector today. Althia Raj, a prominent Ottawa-based political journalist and regular weekly panelist on CBC's *At Issue* panel, will deliver the keynote address.

With over 500 participants, including practitioners, leaders, academics, and government representatives from across BC, Canada, and the world, BCIEW fosters a vibrant environment for networking and collaboration. Attendees represent a broad spectrum of the education sector, including leaders from CBIE, CIGan, CAPS-I, Universities Canada, and senior officials in K-12 and higher education.

The conference will offer an engaging program of workshops and activities with timely, relevant topics presented in concurrent sessions, B2B meetings, as well as networking opportunities at an opening reception and the annual International Education Awards. If you are part of a delegation traveling with a Canadian Trade Commissioner, we would be happy to provide you and your group with a designated concurrent session. Additionally, all international delegates that are part of a formal delegation are invited to a special 'meet and mingle' event on Monday night and invited to participate in our two dedicated timeslots for formal B2B meetings with conference attendees during the week.

As a valued partner, I'm happy to extend a delegation rate registration for you to attend this year's BCIEW at \$750 +taxes. Registration details can be found [here](#) and accommodation and travel information [here](#).

We sincerely hope you can join us at the 2025 BC International Education Week and look forward to seeing you in person in Whistler, BC. Should you have any questions, please email conference@bccie.bc.ca.

Randall Martin, PhD
Executive Director

BC International Education Week

Vancouver, BC. June 23–26, 2024
bccieevents.ca/bciew24

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- 3) ค่าลงทะเบียนเข้าร่วม 2 วัน
วันที่ 24 - 25 มิ.ย. 68 ท่านละ CA\$650
- 4) ค่าลงทะเบียนทุกรายการ
วันที่ 22 – 25 มิ.ย. 68 ท่านละ CA\$1,025

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Phatcharaporn Prasit

Subject: FW: Invitation to BC International Education Week (BCIEW) 2025
Attachments: Invitation BCIEW 2025 - delegation attendee.pdf

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----- Original message -----

From: Nitchawan.Sriviboone@international.gc.ca
Date: Thu, Apr 24, 2025, 8:59 AM
To: usapadgate@gmail.com
Subject: Invitation to BC International Education Week (BCIEW) 2025

Dear ajarn Usa,

It was very nice to have a phone conversation with you this morning. I am pleased to inform you that I will be attending the BC International Education Week (BCIEW) 2025. I would like to extend a warm invitation to the management and faculty of Naresuan University to join this valuable event in Whistler, Canada.

It would be a great opportunity to explore potential collaborations and strengthen ties between your institution and Canadian partners.

Event Details:

Date: June 22-25, 2025

Venue: Fairmont Château, Whistler, Canada

BCIEW is a premier gathering of 500+ global education leaders, practitioners, and government representatives, offering opportunities to discuss key issues, exchange insights, and explore collaborations. The program features:

- Keynote address by Althia Raj, a renowned political journalist.
- Workshops, B2B meetings, and networking with top Canadian institutions (CBIE, CICan, Universities Canada, CAPS-I, and more).

- Exclusive opportunities for Thai delegates, including a special meet-and-mingle event and dedicated B2B timeslots.

Special Delegation Rate: \$750 + taxes.

In addition to attending the conference, I can arrange **institution visits in British Columbia** to further leverage your presence in Canada. These visits typically take place after the event and provide a great opportunity to explore potential collaborations with Canadian institutions.

Having attended BCIEW with Thai delegations over the past two years, I have seen first-hand how the event facilitates meaningful partnerships with Canadian institutions. I would be happy to share more details and discuss how your team can benefit from attending.

Looking forward to your thoughts!

Best regards,

Nitchawan Sriviboone (Pan)

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**Sunday, June 22,
2025**

Monday, June 23,
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Tuesday, June 24,
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Wednesday, June
25, 2025

5:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Opening Reception

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8:00 AM - 8:45
AM Breakfast

8:45 AM - 9:30
AM Opening Remarks and
Indigenous Welcome

9:30 AM -
10:30 AM Opening Speaker - Althia Raj

10:30 AM -
11:00 AM Refreshment Break

Government Update

12:00 PM - Lunch

1:00 PM

1:00 PM - 1:30 PM
Exhibit Hall

1:30 PM - 3:00 PM
Student-Centered Success:
Belonging as a Recruitment
and Retention Strategy
Theresa Lundy -
University of
Victoria
Jeannine Boutin
Flegel - University
of Victoria
Antonio
Rivadeneira -
Camosun College

1:30 PM - 3:00 PM
AI for Empathy: Leveraging
GenAI to Enhance
Intercultural Understanding
Brian Leacock -
University of
Victoria

1:30 PM - 3:00 PM
Empirical
Internationalization:
Leveraging Data in Service
to Equity, Diversity, and
Intercultural Learning
Kyra Garson -
Thompson Rivers
University
Dr. Amie McLean
- Thompson
Rivers University
Alana Hoare -
Thompson Rivers
University
Yujie Jiang, MEd -
Thompson Rivers
University
Mara Nanaman,

1:30 PM - 3:00 PM	Navigating Spousal Open Work Permit Refusals: Trends, Insights and Strategies (CPD Approved)	Sonam Dema - University of Victoria Juan Sun - Douglas College
1:30 PM - 3:00 PM	Senior International Officer Challenges and Opportunities in a Changing International Education Environment	Carolyn Russell - Vancouver Island University Cynthia Murphy - Vancouver Island University
3:00 PM - 3:30 PM	Refreshment Break	
3:30 PM - 4:30 PM	International Delegation Programming	
3:30 PM - 4:30 PM	Insulating International Students from Exploitation	Larissa Strong - College of the Rockies
3:30 PM - 4:30 PM	Using the Latest International Student Data to Build Best Practices	Nelson Tome - IDP Robin Garcha - IDP Gareth Jones - Douglas College Ziping Feng - Thompson Rivers University



3:30 PM - 4:30

Supporting Higher Education
Institutions through
language assessment reform

Dahlia Younan -
British Council
IELTS

3:30 PM - 4:30
PM

Global Minds: Integrating
Mental Health Support in
Learning Abroad

Jesse Poulin -
keep.meSAFE by
guard.me
Steven Cameron -
keep.meSAFE by
guard.me

4:30 PM - 5:30
PM

Delegation Reception

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Week: June 22–25, 2025
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Whistler, BC, Canada
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9:00 AM - 10:00 AM Thought Leader
Dialogue #1 - Education
and the Indo Pacific
Strategy

Thought Leader
Dialogue #2 - State of
Affairs in Study Abroad

10:00 AM - Refreshment Break
10:30 AM

10:30 AM - International Delegation
11:30 AM Programming

10:30 AM - Empowering Graduates
11:30 AM for a Successful
Transition into the
Workforce
Natalia Bussard -
Simon Fraser
University
Isabella Silvestre -
Simon Fraser
University

10:30 AM - UMAP Partnerships
11:30 AM Session
Chelsey Laird -
University Mobility In
Asia And The Pacific
(umap)
Michelle Johnson -
University Mobility in
Asia and the Pacific
(UMAP) International
Secretariat/VCC

10:30 AM - Decolonizing
11:30 AM International Student
Recruitment: Moving
Beyond 'Markets'
Sakura Hirata -
Okanagan College
Kristianne Viher - IDP

10:30 AM - Best Practices for
11:30 AM Authenticating
International Academic
Documents
Aliyyah Nazeem -
World Education
Services (WES)
Franklyn De La Rosa -
World Education

11:30 AM - IE Awards Lunch
1:30 PM

1:30 PM - 2:00 PM Exhibit Hall

2:00 PM - 3:00 PM Making the Case for What Your Team Needs – Essential skills Philip Cernik - Ecctis (UK ENIC service)

2:00 PM - 3:00 PM Beyond Graduation: Understanding International Graduates' Transition to Work and Life in Canada Melissa Payne - Canadian Bureau for International Education (CBIE)

2:00 PM - 3:00 PM International Delegation Programming

2:00 PM - 3:00 PM Enabling Access and Participation in International Mobility Programs Mai Khanh Nguyen Thi - Tra Vinh University
Thu Do - SEAMEO RETRAC

2:00 PM - 3:00 PM Implementing BC's EQA Code of Practice: Lessons Learned in Marketing, Recruitment, and Agent Management Yalda Ahmadi - University of the Fraser Valley
Gareth Jones - Douglas College
Angela Liang - Vancouver Community College

3:00 PM - 3:30 Refreshment Break

3:30 PM - 4:30 PM Insights That Matter: Better Decisions for Students, Agents, and Institutions Elyse Pipitone - Edified Sharyn Martin - Edified

3:30 PM - 4:30 PM It takes a village: How a peer mentorship program fosters belonging Teresa Brooks - Langara College Masashi Yoshida - Langara College Lucas Hames Shiguehara - Langara College

3:30 PM - 4:30 PM Data-Informed Decisions, from Effective Recruitment to Strategic Enrolment Management Jay Baik - VCC Angela Liang - Vancouver Community College Alison Rudko - VCC

3:30 PM - 4:30 PM Dedicated B2B Meeting Time

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9:00 AM - 10:00 AM AI and Labour Market Trends You Need to Know

Denis Gravelle -
Devant
Justin Kohlman -
Thompson Rivers
University

Inclusion Strategies for
Faculty-led International
Programs

Mathew Lyle - Go
Global, University of
British Columbia
Denise Gabriel -
Integrated
Science/University of
British Columbia

9:00 AM -
10:00 AM

Optimizing recruitment
and yield: How Canadian
institutions can attract
the right students in a
restricted landscape

Peggy Kelleher -
Studyportals
Daria Dons - Douglas
College
Gareth Jones -
Douglas College
Yalda Ahmadi -
University of the
Fraser Valley

9:00 AM -
10:00 AM

Pathways to Global
Talent Development:
Internationalizing
Education to Meet
Workforce Needs

Claudia Bogner - Bow
Valley College
Suhayl Patel - Bow
Valley College

9:00 AM -
10:00 AM

Dedicated B2B Meeting
Time

10:00 AM -
10:30 AM

Refreshment Break

10:30 AM -
11:30 AM

Dedicated B2B Meeting
Time

10:30 AM -
11:30 AM

COIL From the Trenches:
Faculty Perspectives—Is
It Worth It?

Janice Sestan -
Douglas College

10:30 AM -
BC BRUSH
COLUMBIA
IE INTERNATIONAL
EDUCATION
WEEK

When Access Meets
Opportunity: Supporting
Refugee and Globally
Vulnerable Students

Alyson Murray -
Duolingo English Test
Emma Mcleavey-
Weeder - Duolingo
English Test

10:30 AM -
11:30 AM

Using Data to Effectively
Respond to Shifting
Perceptions of Canada

Kristianne Viher - IDP
Luna Das - IDP
Brooke Klassen -
Royal Roads
University
Eric Simard -
Fanshawe College

1:00 PM - 4:00
PM

Post-Conference
Workshop - Unlocking
the LATAM Education
Landscape: Insights for
Universities (\$149)

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- 1 BEGIN REGISTRATION
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- 5 ADDITIONAL DELEGATES
- 6 PAYMENT
- 7 CONFIRMATION

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You can add a post-conference workshop and extra tickets in the next steps of your registration.



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Includes the Opening Reception, the Delegation Reception and the IE Awards Lunch.

☐ **MONDAY ONLY one day registration - CA\$550.00**

Includes the Delegation Reception.

☐ **TUESDAY ONLY one day registration - CA\$550.00**

Includes the IE Awards Lunch.

☐ **TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY registration - CA\$650.00**

Includes the IE Awards Lunch on Tuesday, as well as programming and B2B meetings on Tuesday and Wednesday, but does not include the post-conference workshops.

☐ **Workshops and additional tickets only**

Select this registration type if you are not attending BCIEW and are only attending a post-conference workshop, the Opening Reception, or the IE Awards Lunch.

If you are attending BCIEW, please select a FULL or DAY registration above and you will be able to add these items on during your registration.

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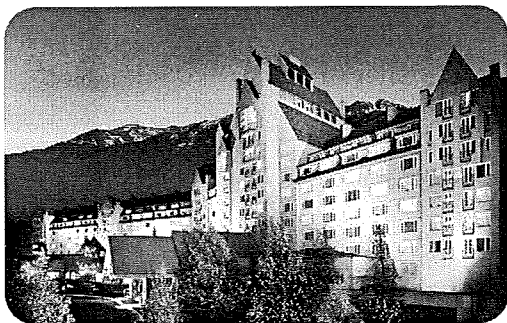
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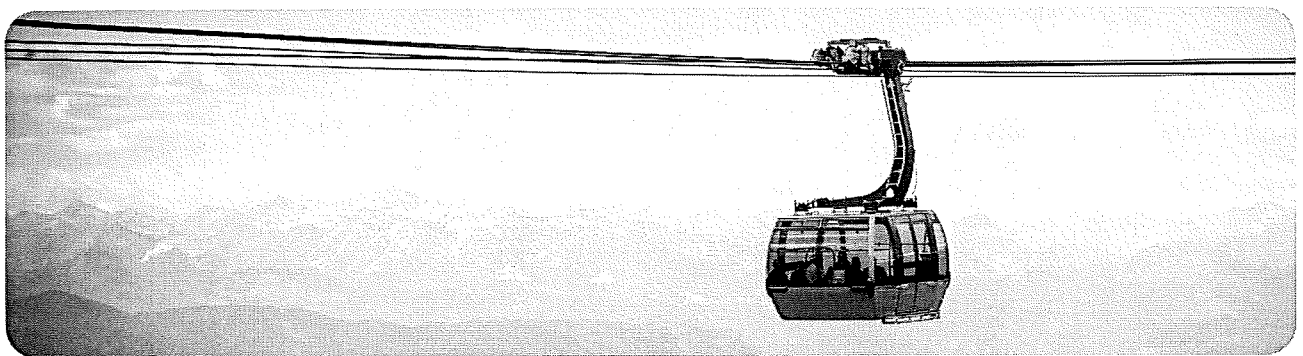
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[Book Your Hotel Room](#)

BCCIE has secured special BCIEW rates for your stay at the Fairmont, ensuring you make the most of your BCIEW experience. Rooms are

Book above by **May 22, 2025**, or call the Global Reservations Centre at 1-800-441-1414. Callers should identify themselves as being part of the BC Council for International Education group, or mention code 0625BCCIE in order to receive the group rates. We will be doing a room audit on May 5, 2025. Those who are holding a room but haven't yet registered for the conference may have their room reservation revoked.

How to Get There



In alignment with our commitment to environmental sustainability at our conference, we encourage you to consider your chosen method of transportation to Whistler, and how it impacts your carbon footprint. Where possible, avoid air-travel and instead opt to carpool, walk-on the ferry, and take public transportation. Our conference venue is centrally located; when you're exploring Whistler, consider walking or cycling rather than using a car.

Bus Travel Directions

Several bus services run from Vancouver to Whistler, departing from downtown

Air Travel Directions

The drive from Vancouver International Airport (YVR) to Fairmont Château Whistler

- Whistler Shuttle
- Epic Rides
- YVR Skylynx

stunning views of the coast, mountains, and forests. Rental cars and rideshare services are available at the airport.

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peoples on whose unceded
traditional territories BCCIE
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