

PRE-SOCIAL WORK DIPLOMA PATHWAY

Whitefish Lake First Nation

NWP's Pre-Social Work Diploma Pathway

- Northwestern Polytechnic (NWP) in collaboration with Whitefish Lake First Nation will be offering a Pre-Social Work Diploma Pathway to interested applicants and members of Whitefish Lake First Nation.
- In just three or four months, depending on applicants' placements, they will have the opportunity to earn the necessary pre-requisites for entry into NWP's Social Work Diploma program starting as early as Fall or September of 2026!
- Classes will be offered in a synchronous online format, so students will be guided and supported by an instructor each step of the way. Students can sign into classes from the comfort of home or a Whitefish Lake First Nation training location.

The Application Process

- **Step 1:** Applications for NWP's Pre-Social Work Diploma Pathway will be open from February 2nd- February 18th, 2026.
- **Step 2:** Applicants will complete the application forms provided and email them to Darcy Jagodzinsky by February 18th, 2026.
- **Step 3:** Placement testing for applicants will occur the following days and locations:
 - February 24th, 2026: Grande Prairie (1-4 pm)
 - February 25th, 2026: Atikameg (1-4 pm)
 - February 26th, 2026: Edmonton (1-4 pm)
- **Step 4:** Classes begin! Applicants who place at an English 10-1 high school equivalency level, will begin the pathway on March 2nd, 2026. Remaining applicants, who place above the English 10-1 high school equivalency level, will begin the pathway on April 1st, 2026.



What The Pre-Social Work Diploma Pathway Includes

- Standard Admission Requirements for NWP's Social Work Diploma program include English language proficiency and a minimum grade of 60% in the following Alberta Education courses or their equivalents:
 - English 30-1
 - Another select 30-level subject.
- To meet these requirements, NWP's Pre-Social Work Diploma Pathway includes:
 - English 10-1 high school equivalency course, EN0110, will be offered March 2nd-31st 2026.
 - English and Social Studies 20-1 high school equivalency courses will be offered from April 1st- May 9th.
 - English and Social Studies 30-1 high school equivalency courses will be offered from May 11th-June 27th, 2026.
 - With successful completion of English and Social Studies 30-1, students have the potential to earn the entry requirements for NWP's Social Work Diploma Program starting in Fall or September of 2026!

Registration

To register, email completed application forms to Darcy at Darcy.Jagodzinsky@atikamegcfs.ca

Register by February 18th, 2026!

You won't want to miss this opportunity to start your educational and career journey in the field of social work.

APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION PRE-SOCIAL WORK DIPLOMA PATHWAY: March-June 2026

Applications for the Pre-Social Work Diploma Pathway will be open from February 2nd- 18th 2026 with students' placement testing to occur on February 24th in Grande Prairie from 1-4 pm; February 25th in Atikameg from 1-4 pm; and February 26th in Edmonton from 1-4 pm. Interested applicants should complete this application form & NWP's standard admissions application form. Then, applicants will email completed application forms to Darcy at Darcy.Jagodzensky@atikamegcfs.ca

PERSONAL INFORMATION

NAME

LEGAL LAST NAME .	LEGAL FIRST NAME .
LEGAL MIDDLE NAME OR INITIAL .	NWP STUDENT ID (If applicable) .
LIST ANY FORMER NAMES .	DATE OF BIRTH: M/D/Y .

PERMANENT ADDRESS

STREET, AVENUE, PO BOX NUMBER .	
CITY OR TOWN .	PROVINCE .
POSTAL CODE .	COUNTRY .
EMAIL ADDRESS .	
HOME TELEPHONE .	BUSINESS TELEPHONE .

SELECT PLANNED PLACEMENT TESTING LOCATION FROM DATES AND LOCATIONS BELOW

- ☐ February 24th in Grande Prairie from 1-4 pm
- ☐ February 25th in Atikameg from 1-4 pm
- ☐ February 26th in Edmonton from 1-4 pm.

DECLARATION OF APPLICANT

The personal information on this form is collected under the authority of the Post-secondary Learning Act of Alberta, the Access to Information Act (ATIA), the Statistics Act of Canada and the Income Tax Act of Canada. The information will be protected in compliance with FOIP used by NWP and Whitefish Lake First Nations to determine your eligibility for admission and registration in programs; and to maintain student records. The personal information may be disclosed to academic and administrative units for planning and research activities; federal and provincial agencies for reporting requirements; contracted or public health care providers, including collaborative educational, funding, and workplace agencies as required. The information will be retained in accordance with approved Information Management guidelines. If you have any questions about the collection and use of this personal information, please contact NWP's Vice-President Academic and Research (VPAR).

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT _____ DATE OF APPLICATION _____

STATEMENT OF INTEREST IN THE PRE-SOCIAL WORK DIPLOMA PATHWAY

Northwestern Polytechnic (NWP) in collaboration with Whitefish Lake First Nation aim to offer a Pre-Social Work Diploma Pathway to help interested Whitefish Lake First Nation members gain the necessary prerequisites to enter NWP's Social Work Diploma program starting in Fall of 2026. The Pre-Social Work Diploma Pathway would run from March or April, depending on students' placements, to June 2026.

For your statement of interest, please write one well-developed paragraph (150-250 words) that addresses your interest in the Pre-Social Work Diploma Pathway and social work in general. Your paragraph should be honest, thoughtful, and reflective of your genuine interest in the social work profession.

In your paragraph, please address the following:

- **Tell us why you want to pursue social work, particularly this Pre-Social Work Diploma Pathway, and what you hope to achieve.** Consider including what sparked your interest in social work, any relevant experiences that have prepared you for this field, what populations or issues you're most interested in working with, the personal qualities you bring, and what you hope to accomplish after completing this Pre-Social Work Pathway and/or Social Work Diploma.

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APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION OR READMISSION

PERSONAL INFORMATION (PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)

Have you previously applied for admission at Northwestern Polytechnic (formerly GPRC)?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Year	ID Number
Have you ever been suspended, expelled, or required to withdraw from a faculty, program, or post-secondary institution?				<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No If yes, when?
Date of Birth (DD-MM-YYYY)	Alberta Learning Student Number (ASN)			Click here for Alberta Learner Registry	
Legal Last Name	First Name			Middle Name	
Former Name (s)	Preferred Name			First Language Spoken	
Gender:		<input type="checkbox"/> Male	<input type="checkbox"/> Female	<input type="checkbox"/> Other	
Citizenship Status:	<input type="checkbox"/> Canadian Citizen	<input type="checkbox"/> Permanent Resident/ Landed Immigrant		<input type="checkbox"/> Student Visa	<input type="checkbox"/> Work Visa
If not a Canadian Citizen, indicate your Country of Citizenship:				Date of Entry into Canada:	
Have you ever moved from another country to study in Canada?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	If yes, country name:	Country of birth:

PERMANENT MAILING ADDRESS

Street/PO Box	City/Town	Province	Postal Code
Email	Primary Phone	Other Phone	

INDIGENOUS APPLICANTS

If you wish to declare you are an Aboriginal person, please specify:	<input type="checkbox"/> Status Indian/First Nations	<input type="checkbox"/> Non-Status Indian/First Nations	<input type="checkbox"/> Metis	<input type="checkbox"/> Inuit
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OTHER INFORMATION

For Accessibility Services, [click here](#) For Housing inquiries, [click here](#) For Daycare inquiries, please [click here](#)

PREVIOUS ACTIVITIES

What were you doing last year?	<input type="checkbox"/> Student	<input type="checkbox"/> Employed or Seeking Employment	<input type="checkbox"/> Other Activity
Location:	<input type="checkbox"/> Alberta	<input type="checkbox"/> Other Province	<input type="checkbox"/> Outside Canada

PREVIOUS EDUCATION (RETURNING APPLICANTS: ONLY LIST ANY NEW EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION SINCE YOUR LAST APPLICATION)							
Last High School attended or Currently Attending:		High School Name		City		Province	
Are you currently attending high school?		Yes, I am in Grade:		No, last grade completed was:		Last month and year of high school attended:	
Will you or do you have a high school diploma?						<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Grade 12 courses completed OR enrolled in (Provide mark if available OR check (✓) if no mark is available).							
Subject	Mark	Subject	Mark	Subject	Mark	Subject	Mark
English 30-1		Biology 30		Social Studies 30-1		Physical Education 30	
English 30-2		Chemistry 30		French 30		Other (please specify)	
Math 30-1		Physics 30		Art 30		Other (please specify)	
Math 30-2		Math 31		Drama 30		Other (please specify)	
Math 30-3		Science 30		Music 30		Other (please specify)	
POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION							
Name of Institution		City		Province	Start Date	End Date	Certification
Apply Alberta Transcript Authorization I hereby authorize Northwestern Polytechnic to obtain high school transcripts from Alberta Education or transcripts from participating <i>Apply Alberta</i> institutions on my behalf, where required, and available, and further, I authorize the College to obtain or verify my Alberta Student Number, where necessary.						Applicant Signature _____	
REQUESTED PROGRAM OF STUDY							
1 st Program Choice			Year of Program		2 nd Program of Choice		Year of Program
Semester:		Fall – September 20		Winter – January 20		Spring – May 20	
Type of attendance:			Campus:				
<input type="checkbox"/> Full-time		<input type="checkbox"/> Part-time		<input type="checkbox"/> Grande Prairie		<input type="checkbox"/> Fairview <input type="checkbox"/> Distance	
For University Transfer students, specify the University you intend to transfer to:							
DECLARATION OF APPLICANT							
I certify that the particulars provided on this application are true and complete in all respects and that no relevant information has been withheld. I agree, if admitted to Northwestern Polytechnic, to comply with the regulations of the Institution. If admitted to a collaborative program, I will abide by the rules and regulations of the collaborating institutions. I also authorize Northwestern Polytechnic to exchange my records with collaborating institutions. Northwestern Polytechnic reserves the right to refuse admission or cancel any admission ruling.							
Applicant Signature						Date	
<i>The personal information collected on this form and any other personal information collected and maintained as part of a student's record will be used for the purposes of admission, registration, issuing income tax receipts, scholarships and awards, convocating, sending educational information and for college research and planning. Certain personal information will also be disclosed to Statistics Canada as required by the Statistics Act (Canada), Alberta Learning to meet reporting requirements, and by agreement, to the Students' Association and Alumni. This information is collected pursuant to the Colleges Act and Statistics Act (Canada). The information provided will be protected under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act of Alberta.</i>							
For Office use only		Receipt Date		Receipt #		Initials	
						NWP ID	

Jan 2026

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FEB 2026

Mar 2026

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	--Applications open for NWP's Pre-Social Work Diploma Pathway	-Applications open for NWP's Pre-Social Work Diploma Pathway	-Applications open for NWP's Pre-Social Work Diploma Pathway.	-Applications emailed to RO & NWP's Registrar's Office processes applications.	-NWP's Registrar's Office processes applications.	
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
	-NWP's Registrar's Office processes applications.	-Placement Testing held in Atikameg.	-Placement Testing held in Grande Prairie.	-Placement Testing held in Edmonton.	-Placement Test Evaluations	

NWP Pre-Social Work Diploma Pathway Scheduling for synchronous remote (online) instruction.



Feb 2026

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Apr 2026

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MAR 2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 -EN0110 Course Offering -EN0110 Cohort Begins.	2 -EN0110 Class will be held online 9-11am.	3 -EN0110 Class will be held online 9-11am.	4 -EN0110 Class will be held online 9-11am.	5 -EN0110 Class will be held online 9-11am.	6 -EN0110 Class will be held online 9-11am.	7
8	9 -EN0110 Class will be held online 9-11am.	10 -EN0110 Class will be held online 9-11am.	11 -EN0110 Class will be held online 9-11am.	12 -EN0110 Class will be held online 9-11am.	13 -EN0110 Class will be held online 9-11am.	14
15	16 -EN0110 Class will be held online 9-11am.	17 -EN0110 Class will be held online 9-11am.	18 -EN0110 Class will be held online 9-11am.	19 -EN0110 Class will be held online 9-11am.	20 -EN0110 Class will be held online 9-11am.	21
22	23 -EN0110 Class will be held online 9-11am.	24 -EN0110 Class will be held online 9-11am.	25 -EN0110 Class will be held online 9-11am.	26 -EN0110 Class will be held online 9-11am.	27 -EN0110 Class will be held online 9-11am.	28
29	30 -EN0110 Class will be held online 9-11am.	31 -EN0110 Class will be held online 9-11am. EN0110 final exam.	1 -EN0120 and SLO120 course offerings begin -Remaining Cohort begins -EN0120 Class will be held online 9-11am; SLO120 Class will be held 11-12:30 pm.	2 -EN0120 and SLO120 course offerings begin -Remaining Cohort begins -EN0120 Class will be held online 9-11am; SLO120 Class will be held 11-12:30 pm.	-Good Friday	4

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May 2026

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APR 2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
29 -EN0120 and SLO120 course offerings begin on April 1st, 2026. -Remaining Cohort begins	30 -EN0110 Class will be held online 9-11am.	31 -EN0110 Class will be held online 9-11am. -EN0110 FINAL EXAM.	1 -EN0120 Class will be held online 9-11am; SLO120 Class will be held 11-12:30 pm.	2 -EN0120 Class will be held online 9-11am; SLO120 Class will be held 11-12:30 pm.	3 Good Friday	4
5 Easter Sunday	6 -EN0120 Class will be held online 9-11am; SLO120 Class will be held 11-12:30 pm.	7 -EN0120 Class will be held online 9-11am; SLO120 Class will be held 11-12:30 pm.	8 -EN0120 Class will be held online 9-11am; SLO120 Class will be held 11-12:30 pm.	9 -EN0120 Class will be held online 9-11am; SLO120 Class will be held 11-12:30 pm.	10 -EN0120 Class will be held online 9-11am; SLO120 Class will be held 11-12:30 pm.	11
12	13 -EN0120 Class will be held online 9-11am; SLO120 Class will be held 11-1 pm.	14 -EN0120 Class will be held online 9-11am; SLO120 Class will be held 11-1 pm.	15 -EN0120 Class will be held online 9-11am; SLO120 Class will be held 11-1 pm.	16 -EN0120 Class will be held online 9-11am; SLO120 Class will be held 11-1 pm.	17 -EN0120 Class will be held online 9-11am; SLO120 Class will be held 11-1 pm.	18
19	20 -EN0120 Class will be held online 9-11am; SLO120 Class will be held 11-1 pm.	21 -EN0120 Class will be held online 9-11am; SLO120 Class will be held 11-1 pm.	22 -EN0120 Class will be held online 9-11am; SLO120 Class will be held 11-1 pm.	23 -EN0120 Class will be held online 9-11am; SLO120 Class will be held 11-1 pm.	24 -EN0120 Class will be held online 9-11am; SLO120 Class will be held 11-1 pm.	25

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-EN0120 Class will be held online 9-11am; SLO120 Class will be held 11-1 pm.	-EN0120 Class will be held online 9-11am; SLO120 Class will be held 11-1 pm.	-EN0120 Class will be held online 9-11am; SLO120 Class will be held 11-1 pm.	-EN0120 Class will be held online 9-11am; SLO120 Class will be held 11-1 pm.	-EN0120 Class will be held online 9-11am; SLO120 Class will be held 11-1 pm.	-EN0120 Class will be held online 9-11am; SLO120 Class will be held 11-1 pm.	

Apr 2026

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MAY 2026

Jun 2026

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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10	11	12	13	14	15	16
-EN0130 and SLO130 course offerings begin on May 11 th , 2026.	-EN0130 Class will be held online 9-11am; SLO130 Class will be held 11-1 pm.	-EN0130 Class will be held online 9-11am; SLO130 Class will be held 11-1 pm.	-EN0130 Class will be held online 9-11am; SLO130 Class will be held 11-1 pm.	-EN0130 Class will be held online 9-11am; SLO130 Class will be held 11-1 pm.	-EN0130 Class will be held online 9-11am; SLO130 Class will be held 11-1 pm.	

Jul 2026

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
31	1	2	3	4	5	6
	-EN0130 Class will be held online 9-11am; SLO130 Class will be held 11-1 pm.	-EN0130 Class will be held online 9-11am; SLO130 Class will be held 11-1 pm.	-EN0130 Class will be held online 9-11am; SLO130 Class will be held 11-1 pm.	-EN0130 Class will be held online 9-11am; SLO130 Class will be held 11-1 pm.	-EN0130 Class will be held online 9-11am; SLO130 Class will be held 11-1 pm.	

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-EN0130 Class will be held online 9-11am; SLO130 Class will be held 11-1 pm.	-EN0130 Class will be held online 9-11am; SLO130 Class will be held 11-1 pm.	-EN0130 Class will be held online 9-11am; SLO130 Class will be held 11-1 pm.	-EN0130 Class will be held online 9-11am; SLO130 Class will be held 11-1 pm.	-EN0130 Class will be held online 9-11am; SLO130 Class will be held 11-1 pm.	-EN0130 Class will be held online 9-11am; SLO130 Class will be held 11-1 pm.	
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28	29	30	1	2	3	4