

National Home Inspector Certification Council

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ACCREDITATION & TRAINING

The following home inspector education courses and programs are accepted for accreditation by NHICC under the provisions of the NHICC - National Certification Program.

Alpha ordered listing

Course Provider	Accredited Hours	Conditions
Academy of Learning* Richmond Hill, ON	420 Academic Hours	NOS Compliance Legal not accredited Exams must be proctored
Ashton College Vancouver, BC	326 Academic Hours 52 Practical hours	NOS Compliance Legal not accredited Exams must be proctored
British Columbia Institute of Technology (BCIT) Burnaby, BC	110 Academic Hours 24 Practical hours	NOS Compliance Legal not accredited Exams must be proctored
Canadian Residential Inspection Services Ltd. Dartmouth, NS	250 Academic Hours 60 Practical hours	NOS Compliance Legal not accredited Exams must be proctored
Carson Dunlop, & Associates Ltd.* Toronto, ON	420 Academic Hours	NOS Compliance Legal not accredited Exams must be proctored
Conestoga College Institute of Technology and Advanced Learning* Kitchener, ON	420 Academic Hours	NOS Compliance Legal not accredited Exams must be proctored
Durham College Oshawa, ON	420 Academic Hours	NOS Compliance Legal not accredited Exams must be proctored
Georgian College Barrie, ON	250 Academic Hours	NOS Compliance Legal not accredited Exams must be proctored
Global Property Inspections (National Property Inspections Inc.) Omaha, Nebraska	54 Academic Hours 40 Practical Hours	NOS Compliance Legal not accredited Exams must be proctored
College Andre Grasset / Institut Grasset Montreal, QC	390 Academic Hours 45 Practical Hours	NOS Compliance Legal not accredited Exams must be proctored
The Home Inspectors Institute Ottawa, ON	45 Academic Hours 25 Practical Hours	NOS Compliance Legal not accredited Exams must be proctored
Loyalist College of Applied Arts and Technology* Belleville, ON	420 Academic Hours	NOS Compliance Legal not accredited Exams must be proctored
Pillar to Post Mississauga, ON	82 Academic Hours (In house) 120 Academic Hours (Distance learning) 12 Practical hours (In house)	NOS Compliance Legal not accredited Exams must be proctored
Professional Home Inspection Institute – Madison Madison, SD	184.5 Academic Hours	NOS Compliance Legal not accredited Exams must be proctored

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Seneca College* Toronto, ON	420 Academic Hours	NOS Compliance Legal not accredited Exams must be proctored
(Cegep) Vanier College Saint-Laurent, QC	271 Academic Hours 24 Practical Hours	NOS Compliance Legal not accredited Exams must be proctored

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NOTES:

1. Accreditation of a course or program for the National Certification Program can be difficult to oversee, and may possibly present a potential conflict of interest. To assure open independence, the responsibility of reviewing and recommending accreditation, the NHICC delegates the review of all accreditation applications to an External Accreditation Consultant with expertise in accreditation.

2. Accreditation is the process a certification body uses to determine whether the courses or programs offered by a training provider meet some or all of the skill and knowledge requirements of a (NOS) National Occupational Standards. It also involves an assessment of a provider's ability to provide a consistent standard of training. For home and property inspectors seeking to gain NHI™ (National Home Inspector) status, accreditation will be the responsibility of a NHICC Certification Council.

The steps in the accreditation process review

1. Establishing the bona fides of the training provider - at a minimum, training providers must demonstrate that they are legitimate training body, can demonstrate adequate processes for maintaining instructional standards and maintain adequate processes for verifying the competence of trainees.
2. Gathering information regarding specific courses or programs provided by the training provider.
3. Mapping course or program topics to the requirements of the (NOS) National Occupational Standards. A copy of the National Occupational Standards may be downloaded from the NHICC Web - Home Page.
4. Determining skill and/or knowledge levels (learning outcomes) delivered by a course or program.
5. Determining the degree of compliance with the elements of the NOS. (This step is for information purpose only.)
6. Acknowledging the right for auditing training courses or programs. (This step is for NHICC administrative information purpose only.)

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7. Reviewing program participants for satisfaction and competency. (This step is for accreditation administrative information purpose only. It will be used as reference documentation for courses/program that undergoes an accreditation audit.)

Training Quality & Consistency

Any training course/program put forward for accreditation must comply with the national standards for the occupation. The NHICC provides a reference link to the (NOS) National Occupational Standards for Home and Property Inspectors. The NOS provides the training framework guidelines for course/program developers. This document provides a template and clear guidelines on the required learning outcomes and content for recognition of an accredited course/program.

The training providers is tasked with mapping the course/program content and learning outcomes with a comparative analysis with the NOS, prior to submitting their course/courses for review.

The submission is reviewed independently by a qualified NHICC Accreditation Consultant, and a recommendation report is submitted by the consultant to the NHICC Certification Council for a final decision on granting accredited training status.

The NHICC accreditation review process ensures that all course/program materials first and foremost meet the nationally endorsed National Occupational Standards (NOS) for Home and Property Inspectors learning outcome based skills guidelines for academic quality and professionalism. In addition, our accreditation standards prevent conflicts of interest during the accreditation process, by having accreditation reviewed independently.

Further information may be obtained on the following [webpage](#).