



# **MEDIA INVITATION**

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## **Pearson College UWC Hosts Citizenship Ceremony**

80 Candidates for Citizenship to be sworn in on Canada's most international campus

**Metchosin** – Members of the media are invited to cover a Community Citizenship Ceremony this week on the campus of Pearson College UWC in Metchosin.

Up to 80 people are scheduled to take their oaths of Canadian citizenship this Friday at noon in the Max Bell Hall before friends and family. Hosted by the <u>Institute for Canadian Citizenship</u> (ICC) with funding support from Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada, community citizenship ceremonies take place in iconic locations like Pearson across Canada.

#### Media Please Note:

- New citizens sworn in on campus this week are not Pearson College UWC students. Students will meet and engage with candidates for citizenship throughout the day.
- Contact Immigration, Refugees & Citizenship Canada directly to register for "round table" events at 10:45 am Advisory to come from IRCC.

Who: 80 people will take their citizenship oaths What: ICC community citizenship ceremony

Where: Max Bell Hall, Pearson College UWC, 650 Pearson College Dr., Victoria

When: 12:00 p.m. Friday, Oct. 20

**Why:** ICC community citizenship ceremonies are a celebration of Canada's newest citizens and offer unique opportunities to reflect on what it means to be active, engaged citizens.

### **About Pearson College UWC**

Pearson College UWC (www.pearsoncollege.ca) is Canada's most globally-minded school and one of 17 United World Colleges around the globe. With an enrolment of up to 200 students, the College draws accomplished young leaders and change makers, ages 16-19, from up to than 150 countries and every province and territory of Canada. Pearson's two-year, pre-university curriculum is based on the International





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Baccalaureate (IB) program and features a strong emphasis on experiential education at the residential campus on Pedder Bay near the southern tip of Vancouver Island. The College opened in 1974 and was named as a living legacy for former prime minister and Nobel Peace Prize recipient Lester B. Pearson. The College purposely recruits a deliberately diverse student body, including young people from regions of conflict and challenging socioeconomic circumstances, to encourage young people to learn and live together to bring about meaningful changes in their communities and across the globe.

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