

# Indigenous Digital Skills Advancement

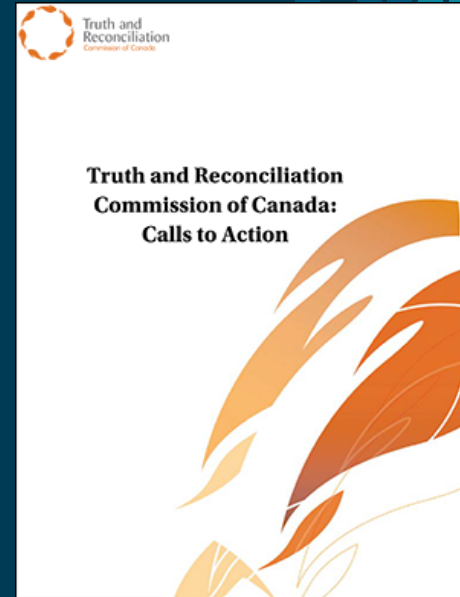
through **Cross Jurisdictional  
Collaboration**

WITH THE **FIRST NATIONS TECHNOLOGY COUNCIL**

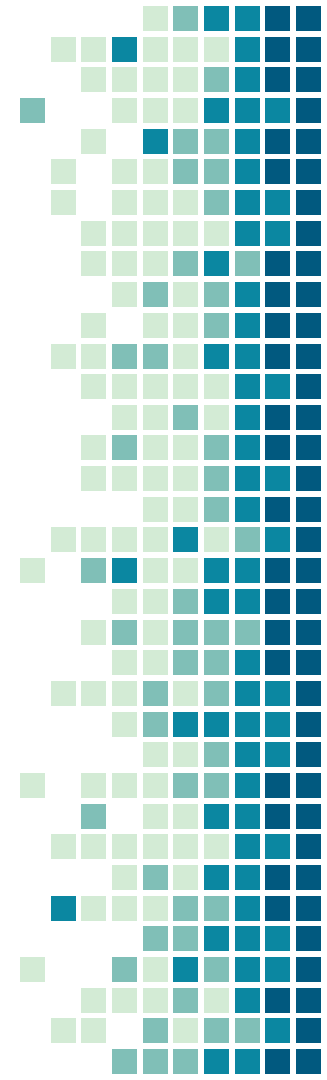
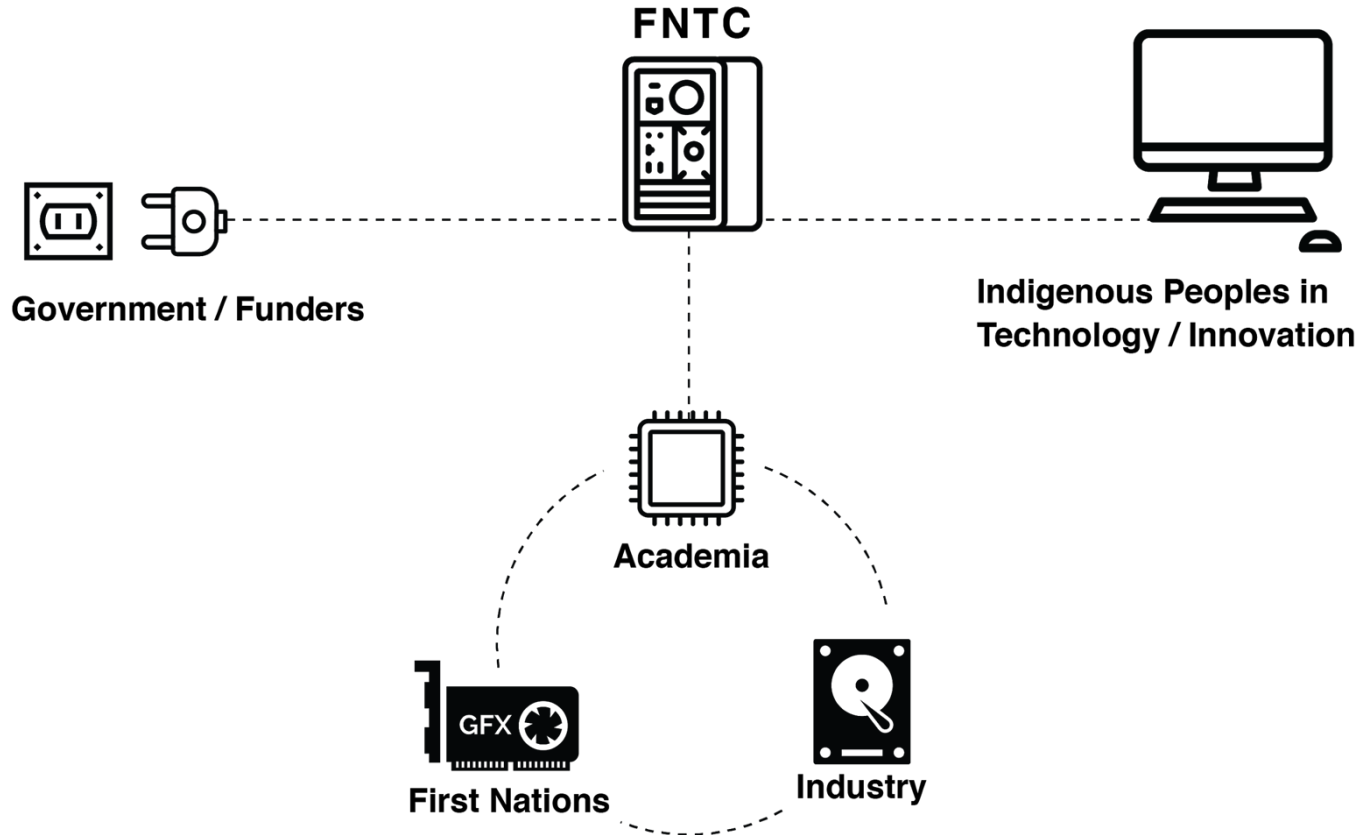
# This Moment in Time: The Confluence of Reconciliation & Innovation



DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY  
SUPERCLUSTER



# Powering Indigenous Innovators



# Foundations and Futures in Innovation and Technology



<b>FOUNDATIONS</b>	An introductory program to 6 digital skill areas	12 weeks Launch: Fall 2018 In person & online	Accredited by NVIT
<b>FUTURES</b>	Advanced, career-oriented training programs offered in partnership with industry leaders	2 - 8 months Ongoing intake	Partners include: Lighthouse Labs, RED Academy, Thompson River Mapping, Vancouver Community College, Seabird



Web Development



Communications & Digital Marketing



GIS/GPS Digital Mapping



Network Technician



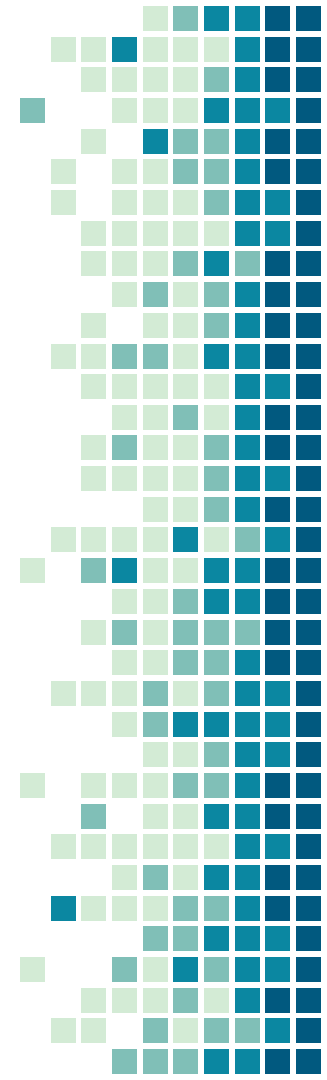
Software Testing



Administrative Professional

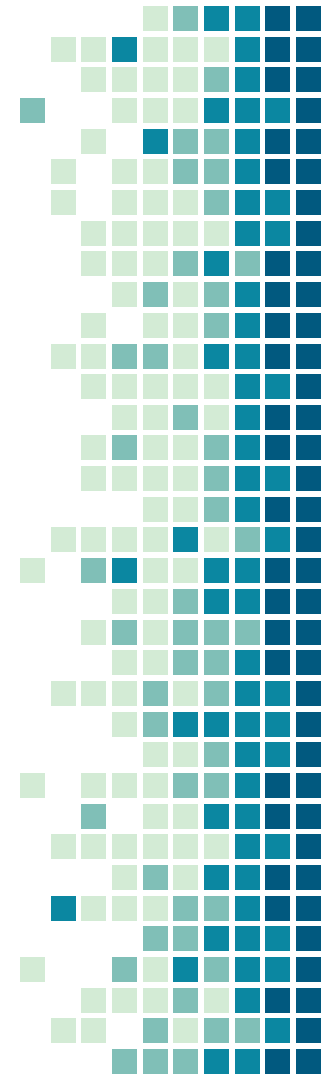
# Total Partners

- Academic- 7
- Industry - 17
- Indigenous Organizations/ Businesses - 8
- Government Ministries - 3
- Other Funders - 3



# Program Successes to Date

- 117 participants during 2018/19
- 279 students since 2016
- 46% of students have been Indigenous women
- Largest student demographic is 18-25



# B.C.'s Tech Talent Shortage

196,000

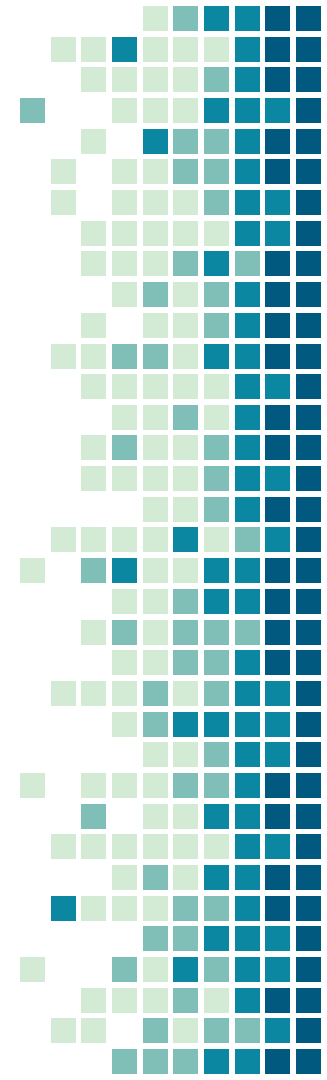
Projected number of jobs in the tech sector by 2021.

30,500

Number of jobs projected to remain vacant due to talent shortage.

30%

Percentage of jobs that will need to be filled by underrepresented groups, including Indigenous peoples, women and people with disabilities.



# B.C. Tech Sector's Diversity Challenge

100,000

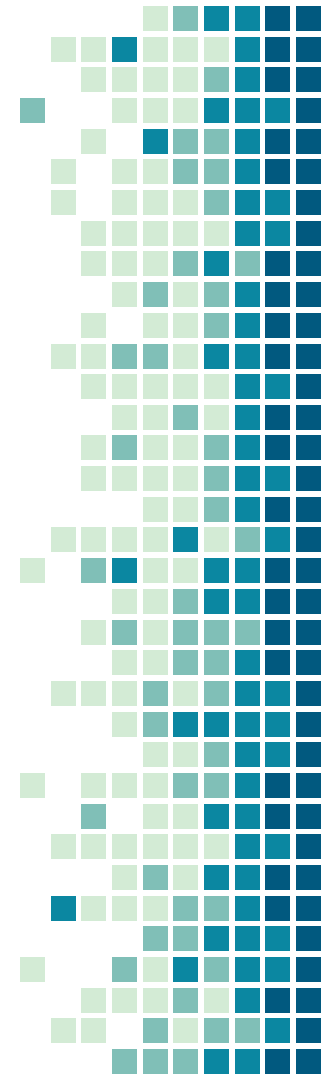
Number of people currently employed in the BC Tech Sector.

20%

Percentage of BC Tech Sector employees who are women.

<1%

Percentage of BC Tech Sector employees who identify as Indigenous.





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