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Report to the Board of Governors

# It takes more than luck to forge a good horse shoe

Saddle-up, the Cloverdale rodeo is in town and that means lots of horses, lots of horse shoes, and lots of trips to see Aaron Maida, KPU's apprentice farrier.

Maida studied farriery at Kwantlen Polytechnic University (KPU) and now works as a program assistant in the university's farrier program.

Working a traditional forge, Maida's hammer clangs on red-hot iron amidst the occasional whuff and whinny from the horses overlooking the process while waiting to be re-shod in the barn located on KPU's Cloverdale campus.

"Few people realize that horses still need shoes that have to be made by hand," said Maida. "There are no machines that can do this job. It's still requires a human touch and effort."

He would know. Maida's mom is a horse trainer and he grew up around horses on the family farm in Kelowna. The Cloverdale Rodeo brings back childhood memories of watching calf roping and barrel racing as a child growing up in the Okanagan. Horses have been a part of his life for a long time. Maida decided to pursue farriery as a career and came to KPU to study the theory and to master a range of skills necessary to be successful in the trade.

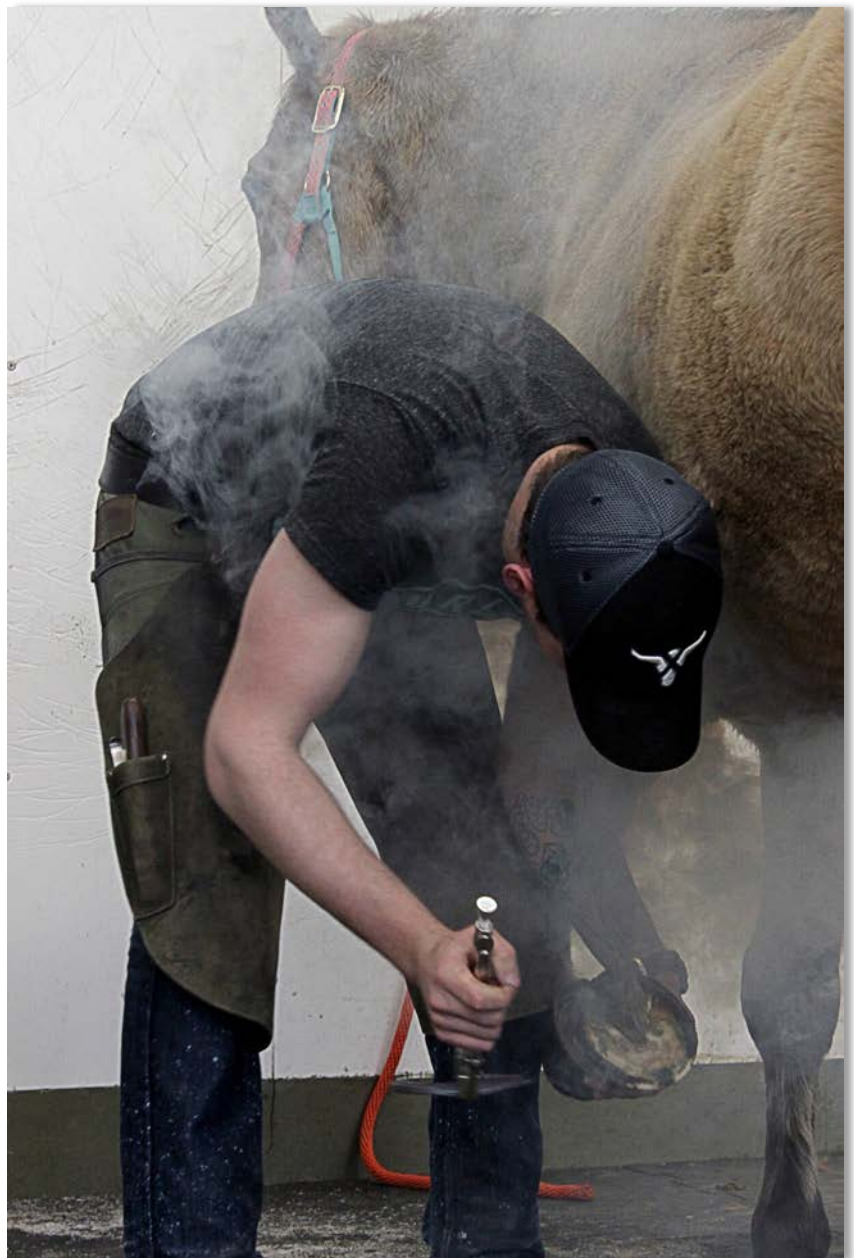
Students learn about the anatomy and biology of horses in order to understand how shoes will affect the internal structures and tissues of the horse and their overall health and performance. The work is physically intense and requires focus and concentration. To prepare for the rigors of working with animals that weigh over 1,000 pounds, students take part in fitness training twice a week. Farriers also need patience and confidence in working with animals. Trust must be built between the animal handler and the horse so that the job can be completed quickly and efficiently with no injury and minimal discomfort to either party.

Local ranchers and riders bring their horses to KPU's farrier barn on a six-week rotation for regular care and maintenance of their horses' hooves. The students each have their own forge right in the barn and work on the horses under the watchful eye of Maida and award-winning lead instructor and farrier Gerard Laverty.

Maida recalls the first time he placed a shoe on a horse that he forged himself. "That was the greatest feeling, to see all of my hard work and long hours spent practicing come together and watch that horse trot off happily."

Farrier training is offered through the Faculty of Trades & Technology at KPU's Cloverdale campus. It is a nine-month program offered in three blocks of three-month terms. For more information, visit [kpu.ca/trades/farrier-training](http://kpu.ca/trades/farrier-training).

*By Tatiana Tomljanovic, KPU*



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*Spring 2017 graduates of the School of Business*

## Indigenous storyteller and educator awarded honorary degree

Widely recognized scholar of Indigenous education in Canada and internationally, Dr. Jo-ann Archibald is receiving an honorary degree from Kwantlen Polytechnic University (KPU) on June 2.

Archibald is First Nations of Stó:lō and Xaxli'p ancestry.

A professor of educational studies at the University of British Columbia (UBC), where she also served as associate dean for Indigenous education and director of the Faculty of Education's Indigenous teacher education program, NITEP, Archibald's work has shaped Indigenous education through curriculum, program development, policy, teaching and research.

"Jo-ann is a great example of pushing the boundaries of education," said Dr. Alan Davis, president and vice-chancellor of KPU. "She changes the conventional expectations of a classroom setting in a way that allows for a better environment in which Indigenous and non-Indigenous youth can learn."

Archibald is the author of *Indigenous Storywork: Educating the Heart, Mind, Body, and Spirit* published by the UBC Press in 2008. She believes in education through storytelling, a powerful tool to learn and connect.

She told *Universities Canada* in 2016: "... my roles within the university of course include much more, but the storytelling is a really important part of my identity as an Indigenous person, educator and researcher." Archibald has worked with many Indigenous communities and educational groups to advance Indigenous education through Indigenous knowledge for which stories are a core part.

Nationally, she co-led the Accord on Indigenous Education for the Canadian Association of Deans of Education in 2010 to improve Indigenous education in Canada. This Accord has been used extensively across Canada by many organizations. She also initiated a national annual Indigenous teacher education symposium in 2012/13 that provides opportunities for all Faculties of Education in Canada to share their successes and challenges.

Internationally, she has established a formal connection between UBC and the University of Auckland in New Zealand and Newcastle University in Australia to create research and educational networks and initiatives.

Archibald has served for many years as the theme editor of the highly regarded *Canadian Journal of Native Education*. Her academic expertise has contributed to the journal's credibility and authority on all levels of Indigenous education

Indigenous knowledge, language revitalization, community engagement, policy, and teaching and research methods.

As an educator, Archibald has literally changed classroom dynamics by engaging with students in such a physical, emotional, and spiritual way that offers them an opportunity to excel in their coursework and research.

*By Corry Anderson-Fennell*



# President's Report

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On June 27<sup>th</sup> I facilitated a planning retreat of the members of the Collaboration for Higher Education Research in Toronto. The next day I was part of a panel representation on the role of blended and online learning on higher education reform as part of the Canadian Society for the Study of Higher Education's annual conference.

KPU's Spring convocation was held from May 30<sup>th</sup> to June 2<sup>nd</sup> which was the largest (and arguably the best) ever.

On June 2<sup>nd</sup>, I was pleased to meet with a large delegation of university presidents from China, who came from smaller, regional institutions. They were in BC to meet with a number of institutions in order to develop partnerships and to learn about our operations.

On June 7<sup>th</sup> the Post-Secondary Employers Association Board held its regular meeting. On June 10<sup>th</sup> I was pleased to attend the second Gumboot Gala which supports the Langley Community Farmers' Market Society, of which KPU is a key member.

Representatives of the University of Northern British Columbia visited KPU on June 13<sup>th</sup> to discuss international education opportunities, and on the same day KPU organized its Canada 150 Photograph in the Surrey courtyard.

The BC Association of Institutes and Universities presidents met on June 14<sup>th</sup>, and I was pleased to introduce Severn Cullis-Suzuki as the keynote speaker at [Inclusion BC](#) on June 15<sup>th</sup>. On the same day I met with MLA Linda Reid (Richmond East), and later attended the "Evening to Remember" with graduates of the Access Program for People with Disabilities.

The BCNET Board met on June 22<sup>nd</sup> and our Governance Retreat, featuring conversations on the changes in the K-12 system which may impact KPU occurred on June 26<sup>th</sup>.

On June 28<sup>th</sup> I held meetings with MPs Ken Hardie (Fleetwood-Port Kells) and Dan Ruimy (Pitt Meadows/Maple Ridge).

Submitted by,  
*Alan Davis, PhD,*  
*President and Vice Chancellor*



## Daniel and Henrik Sedin awarded honorary degrees from KPU

For all the work they do making a difference in their communities, Daniel and Henrik Sedin really are from Sweden with love.

The two veteran Vancouver Canucks will be awarded honorary degrees from KPU June 1 for the citizenship, sportsmanship, civility, respect, and care they demonstrate both on and off the ice in their adopted province of B.C.

"I'm a Canucks fan, and it goes without saying the Sedins are exceptionally skilled players whose leadership, talent and hard work give the Canucks an edge that is unparalleled," said KPU president and vice-chancellor Dr. Alan Davis. "But what people may not know about the Sedins is that they demonstrate the same integrity and selflessness off the ice through their service to their communities, and in particular to children in those communities."

Former teammate Trevor Linden, now president of hockey operations for the Vancouver Canucks, says the brothers epitomize the culture of the Vancouver Canuck organization.

"I have known Daniel and Henrik for over 16 years and have always considered them great examples of what it means to be true stewards of the game," said Linden. "As servant leaders both on and off the ice, Daniel and Henrik have helped cultivate a culture of winning and giving back to the community that resonates now and will continue to positively impact the next generation of players and leaders."

Originally from Örnsköldsvik, Sweden, the Sedins were drafted by the Vancouver Canucks in the 1999 NHL Entry Draft. Today, Henrik Sedin leads the Canucks all-time in a number of statistical categories including games played, assists and points. Likewise, Daniel Sedin leads the club in franchise goals, power-play goals, overtime goals, and game-winning goals.

The Sedins' leadership skills and professionalism have been recognized around the NHL for a number of years. In 2016, Henrik Sedin was awarded the King Clancy Trophy given annually to the

NHL player who best exemplifies leadership qualities on and off the ice and who has made a significant humanitarian contribution to the community. That same sea-son, Daniel Sedin, while named an NHL All-Star for the third time in his career, graciously spent a portion of All-Star week-end helping to open 30,000 sq ft of space at a newly renovated Nashville Inner City Ministry as part of the 2016 NHL All-Star Legacy Initiative.

The Sedins support a brigade of more than 50 charities, most notably the Canucks For Kids Fund, the Canucks Family Education Centre, Canuck Place Children's Hospice, the YWCA, and BC Children's Hospital, where they made a \$1.5 million donation in 2010.

The Sedins also created their own charity—Sedin Family Foundation—which was established by Henrik and his wife Johanna, and Daniel and his wife Marinette Sedin to celebrate people, recognize achievement and address the needs of families and children. The foundation works with schools, community groups and social service agencies to identify needs and find creative and unique ways to make a difference for children and families. It makes annual gifts to programs that support children's health and education with a focus on family wellness.

The Sedin Family Foundation supports Clubhouse 36, in partnership with the Surrey School District and the YMCA of Greater Vancouver. Launched in 2015, Clubhouse 36 was made possible in part by the financial support and connections of the Sedin Family Foundation. It provides consistent, connected and professionally operated programming for at-risk and vulnerable Surrey students. The program runs for four days a week at three inner-city elementary schools with full-day programming during spring and summer breaks.

One of the objectives of Clubhouse 36 is to allow students to try a wide variety of new activities, develop new passions and interests, and to consider new goals for their future. Participants gain life skills, confidence, leadership abilities, and academic learning, enhancing the possibility for these students to pursue post-secondary education—something many would not have considered possible before entering the program.

In January, the Sedins were the subject of a case study on "servant leadership" in the academic journal *Interchange*. The study, which included interviews with Vancouver sports media and Canuck leaders, concluded the brothers are "well-prepared athletes whose civility and respect define them," and "cultural carriers for the Vancouver Canucks and its legacy for good."

"We are proud to present these degrees to Daniel and Henrik Sedin, and now count them among our alumni as they are examples of everything that is good in people," added Dr. Davis in their coursework and research.

By Corry Anderson-Fennell



# Finance & Administration

## FINANCIAL SERVICES

### Accounting Operations & Financial Reporting:

- **Financial Reporting and Systems Projects** - Financial Statements for the year ended March 31, 2017 were approved by the Board of Governors on May 24, 2017. The KPU Foundation draft financial statements have been prepared and the related audit is in progress. Following the completion of the 2016/17 Financial Statements, the Financial Reporting and Systems team has released a comprehensive listing of expenditure account descriptions. The resource is intended to assist divisional users with coding and improve the consistency and accuracy in reporting across the University. In addition, the team updated FAST Training materials and will be working on testing and rolling out an updated version of FAST over the summer.
- **Accounting Operations** - A Financial Services/OREG working group has been established to address the recommendations from the Tuition Audit Report. Accounts Receivable has been working closely with staff from the Office of the Registrar to transition the responsibility for data entry of tuition fees into the system.

### Budget, Planning & Payroll:

- **2017/18 and 2018/19 Budgets** - Divisional Operating Budgets were uploaded and supporting materials were circulated to divisions early May. The Budget and Planning team has been working on preparing the FAST - Budget and Forecasting platform to collect 2018/19 Budget requests. Throughout April and May, the team has been testing and meeting with various stakeholders to assess the functionality of the tool and plan to roll the module along with more details about the 2018/19 process and timeline later in June.
- **Payroll Services** - Augusta Odoom is the successful candidate for the Payroll Benefits Analyst search and started in her new role on June 18. Prior to this new role, Augusta was a Payroll Officer in the department; there is now a search underway for this vacated position. The Web Time Entry project is ongoing and additional areas are joining the pilot. A survey was distributed to current participants to obtain feedback regarding training and user experience with the system. Survey results will be reviewed and evaluated by the implementation team. Suggestions for improvements will be considered and implemented if feasible.

### Purchasing Services

- Thomas Kwadzovia was the successful candidate for the position of Director of Procurement. Thomas will be joining the KPU team on June 19<sup>th</sup>.
- **Competitive Procurement Processes – Information Sessions** - Purchasing Services continues to deliver on its commitment to provide procurement information and transparency of processes to the University's various departments. The next round of sessions will review the Competitive Procurement Process and are being scheduled for the fall; relevant stakeholders and any other interested parties will be invited to attend.
- **Evaluation Committee – Information Sessions** - Purchasing Services has started a new information session in reference to the Evaluation Committees that are required as part of the Competitive Procurement Process. The first session is to be held with the Facilities Services Team and members of the Faculty of Design on June 19, 2017. Further sessions are scheduled for the fall; relevant stakeholders and any other interested parties will be invited to attend.
- **WebReq Training Sessions** - WebReq training sessions are to be held at each campus the week of September 11th. Notice and sign up information has been provided on Today@KPU. A follow-up reminder will be distributed via Today@KPU closer to the date.
- **Bonfire** - Purchasing Services has started using Bonfire, the new Procurement Software, to address the issue of competitions. The first scheduled competition using this software is to procure a new contract for a strategic waste and recycling program that will improve on the University's existing program. Purchasing Services expects the posting of this opportunity to occur in August.



## INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

### GOAL #1: Core Teaching & Learning technologies to All Divisions

- **Digital Ready Classrooms** - Plans are being finalized to upgrade an additional 49 classrooms to the basic digital ready standard during the summer term; details of how to efficiently implement Wi-Fi access to projectors are currently being finalized; significant progress is expected to be achieved by the end of the summer.
- **Video Platform Pilot** - Pilot is in progress for the Video Platform System, Kaltura; follow up will be conducted to assess early feedback and explore any additional support that may be required.

### GOAL #2: Modern and Optimized IT Infrastructure

- **KPU's New Navigation Portal** - Approximately 80 tasks from teams across the university have been incorporated into the navigation portal for the initial launch; technical training has been completed; single sign on design has been completed and implementation for the first application into the new OneLogin framework is planned for late June. Communication regarding the initial OneLogin application will be forwarded to the university community prior to the implementation; integration of tasks with the OneLogin applications will follow. A soft launch to enable extensive testing will be conducted with teams that have submitted tasks; the soft launch will follow the launch of OneLogin (single sign on initiative); once the system has been thoroughly tested via the soft launch, it will be promoted broadly to the university community; broad promotion is expected late in the summer term.
- **Digital Signage** - Installation and setup of the new digital signage system has been completed; the new system was successfully used to stream convocation ceremonies across the main campuses. We look forward to exploring the many new features and exciting potential uses that the new system offers, such as creating a large impressive image out of a number of separate monitors.
- **Construction Projects (3CP, School of Design & Spruce)** - Work continues to ensure network, cabling and AV infrastructure requirements are met for major construction projects; focus is on ensuring Spruce timeline is met, and all is in place to ensure smooth procurement and installation for the CSWSOD; staffing requirements are currently being assessed.
- **Wi-Fi** - Work is in progress to address weak or congested areas identified in the recent Wi-Fi coverage review; the independent survey to validate the enhancements will be scheduled shortly, and is expected to be completed in late summer.

- **Infrastructure Upgrade** - A major upgrade of KPU's network storage was completed at the beginning of June; this was a very significant task that involved a large number of IT team members working many hours over two weekends. The upgrade was completed successfully with no negative impact on operations.

### GOAL #3: Transformed Customer Service and User Experience

- **IT Organization Restructure** - Work is in progress with HR to document IT leadership positions; the process for selecting and confirming a leader of each area is expected to take place in late June; collaboration is underway with HR in partnership with industry experts to update job descriptions; more detailed communication with staff will follow; focus is expected to shift to developing and rolling out a new IT governance model at the beginning of the fall term.
- **Surveys** - Analysis of IT Surveys of Students and Faculty continues; a summary of results will be communicated when available.

### GOAL #4: Responsible Management of Risk & Information Security

- **Project Management and Information Security** - The new Project and Portfolio Manager is now in place and is coming up to speed; the search for an Information Security Manager was not successful - an alternate approach to meeting this requirement is being explored by the search committee - a recommendation will be brought forward in late June.





# Finance & Administration *cont'd*

## INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY *cont'd*

- **Deloitte penetration test completed** - The full plan to address the high and medium vulnerabilities is nearing completion; the IT leadership team will meet to determine resource allocations; developing and implementing an ongoing program to address vulnerabilities is under discussion and will be incorporated into the recommended approach for addressing the Information Security Manager requirements.

### GOAL #5: Modernized Software Applications

- **ERP modernization** - The ERP (Enterprise Resource Planning) modernization team met in May and agreed on two key elements of the go forward strategy; one, the Student Information System requirements will best be met in the foreseeable future with an upgrade to the the current system and two, the HR, Payroll, and Finance requirements need further analysis; as such, the team

agreed that upgrading Banner student from version 8 to 9 is a top priority and a project will be formally put in place immediately; the team has been introduced to alternate models for HR, Payroll and Finance, and is actively exploring these options.

- **Student Information System improvements** - The Degree Works project continues on track; exploration with respect to the scheduling system is underway.
- **HR system improvements** - A survey of pilot participants for time reporting automation has been conducted and results are expected soon; exploration regarding how best to provide system support to meet pressing needs around talent management are being explored in the context of the modernization efforts that are underway.

## HUMAN RESOURCES

### Human Resources:

- **People First Culture** - HR will partner with the Student Services group and host a Leading for the Future workshop on June 16. This will be a pilot workshop with the goal of expanding the offering to other leaders across KPU.
- **Talent Acquisition/Senior Searches** - Searches completed: Director of Procurement, Manager, Organizational Development, Manager, Emergency Planning, Associate Dean, Trades and Technology, HR Business Partner
- **Healthy University Initiative** - Mental Health Week - In order to raise awareness about mental health, information about the resources and supports available through Human Resource Services was promoted during Mental Health Week, May 1 to 6. A Building Resilience session was offered to employees.
- **Diversity and Inclusion** - Canadian Centre for Diversity and Inclusion - With the goal of enhancing KPU's diversity and equity initiatives, KPU has entered into a one-year partnership agreement as an employer partner with the Canadian Centre for Diversity and Inclusion. Through this partnership, KPU will have access to research information, Community of Practice events, training programs and webinars. HR will be establishing a Respect in the Workplace Framework in collaboration with the KFA and BCGEU.
- **Performance Management** - Presented a phased approach to the Polytechnic University Executive on June 13th. The PSEC compensation mandate offers an immediate opportunity for improvement to create a clear correla-

tion between performance and compensation. An updated approach will focus on setting goals which align with KPU's 2023 strategy. Performance reviews will shift to an annual basis. The two phased approach will be: Phase 1: Update/revise existing Administrative Performance and Development Form; Phase 2: New technology platform



# Finance & Administration *cont'd*

## FACILITIES SERVICES

Capital Development (including planning, design, renovations and new construction)

### Surrey Campus

- **Spruce Building Renovation** - Demolition is complete and further work to seismically upgrade the existing structure is underway. Courtyard staircase has been removed. Physics prep lab and 3D studios has been removed.



- **Kwantlen Student Association (KSA) Renovation at Birch Building**—The renovation requires conversion of existing dining area into KSA Office which comprises offices, meeting rooms, and multi-purpose rooms. The work has been completed and the Occupancy Permit was issued on May 15, 2017.

### 3 Civic Plaza

- Tender package is pushed back to incorporate final details of construction. Anticipate close of tender end of June to six pre-qualified general contractors.



*KSA Renovation, Birch Building*

### Richmond Campus

- **Chip and Shannon Wilson School of Design**—Work is continuing both on the exterior and interior of the building with the curtain wall installation underway. Radiant concrete slabs are poured and interior steel stud work continues.
- **Sustainable Agriculture Renovation at Richmond Campus** - Sustainable Agriculture was granted funding through CFI to renovate the space; expand and create new spaces in support of the program and in preparation to receive new equipment on site. Tender process was completed and has been awarded to the General Contractor. The renovation work has commenced on May 24, 2017.
- **Building Envelope at Richmond Campus** - The work comprises replacement of existing waterproof membrane at the plaza and roof; and insulated glazing unit. Specifications and tender package is in progress and the budget is anticipated to be approved in July 2017.

### Facilities Operations/General

- **Surrey Campus Grounds Maintenance** Surrey Campus summer landscaping, parking lot curb repair, and some pressure washing were completed early this year, in preparation for the May convocation ceremonies.
- **Power Outage** - A power outage at Surrey cancelled classes and closed the campus in the evening of May 1st. A vehicle struck a power pole on 72nd Ave. Facilities crews were on site until power was restored around midnight and checked on all major equipment to ensure everything would be resolved for classes and convocation ceremonies the following morning.
- **Richmond Library Painting** - The Facilities team at Richmond painted and added protective chair rail to all study rooms in the Richmond Library.

# Finance & Administration *cont'd*

- **Events** - KPU Facilities provided space, logistical and set-up support for the following events:

#### Noteworthy Internal Events:

- \* C2U Expo Reception (KPU Hosted)
- \* Open Doors Open Minds
- \* Convocation
- \* Teaching and Learning Symposium
- \* Canada 150 Celebration
- \* International Bhangra Celebration

#### Noteworthy External Events:

- \* Truth and Reconciliation Commission
- \* Global Village Vancouver : IELTS Test

#### External Partnership Events:

- \* Kiwanis Fraser Valley Music Festival
- \* Langley Community
- \* Canadian Blood Services: Donor Clinic
- \* Canadian Blood Services: Recruitment

- Highlight: in the previous report we mentioned support for the Science Rendezvous event held in Langley. The

event was extremely successful and ended up having over 2000 people from all areas of Kwantlen's catchment area participate. The Faculty of Science and Horticulture, with assistance from many other areas within KPU, presented an organized, exciting event. It was wonderful to see so many parents and kids excited about science and KPU.

#### Environmental Activities

- **KPU 2016 Carbon Neutral Action Report completed** - In support of the Provincial Bill 44 targets to reduce Green House Gas Emissions KPU has achieved an 18.19% reduction in GHG emissions from 2009 to 2016, meeting the provincial 18% reduction target set for 2016. This was done despite the colder than average winter months in 2016 which caused increased consumption of natural gas and electricity for heating, and resulted in GHG emissions being increased by 3.48% over the 2015 GHG emission level. From 1994 to 2016 KPU has increased in space by 36.43% while decreasing our natural gas consumption by 11.8% and electricity consumption by 13.27% in the same time period. Please visit KPU's webpage on [Sustainability and Energy](#) for further details including archived records of KPU's previous Carbon Neutral Action reports (CNAR) and other valuable resources.

## CAMPUS SAFETY AND SECURITY

### Security

- **Science Rendezvous** - Security assisted in providing coverage for the 2017 Science Rendezvous; over 2,000 guests attended without a single incident. Overall, it was a very successful event.
- **AED** - Automatic External Defibrillators; Security partnered with OH&S to develop a Site Order to ensure the AED's are in good working order and are situated where they should be each morning and night.

### Occupational Health and Safety

- **Fire Safety** - The Occupational Health and Safety Office is responsible for coordinating fire drills at each campus. Fire drills were completed successfully at the Langley, KPU Tech and Cloverdale campuses. The drills involved complete evacuation of the buildings and involved participation of both employees and students.
- **First Aid** - Equipped all four campus fitness rooms with Automatic External Defibrillators or AEDs. AEDs are simple to use portable devices used to treat individuals experiencing a sudden cardiac arrest.

- **Safety Inspections** - In collaboration with the Faculty of Science and Horticulture, OH&S developed a Laboratory Safety Inspection program. Science laboratories will be inspected on a regular basis by Joint Occupational Health and Safety Committee members and Science department representatives.

### Emergency Planning

- **Active Threat** - Protocols for active threat were approved by PUE and added to the KPU Safe App as well as the KPU website. Training initiatives are currently under development.
- **Emergency Management Committee** - The first committee meeting is scheduled for June 19<sup>th</sup> to discuss current emergency planning trajectory involving stakeholders from across the organization. The committee mandate and related policies are currently under review and will be updated accordingly.
- **Emergency Operations Centre (EOC)** - EOC training is scheduled through the JIBC for July 18-19<sup>th</sup>. Candidates are being identified for this training which will allow for an exercise program to progress through late summer/fall.

## Phoenix Society's Wilsons awarded honorary degrees from KPU

Where others see human failure, Michael and Ann Wilson see human capability and potential.

The Wilsons are the heart of Surrey's Phoenix Society, which assists vulnerable citizens battling addiction, homelessness, and other complex challenges to ultimately overcome these barriers and participate fully in their communities.

The Wilsons' tireless efforts to help others have earned them honorary degrees from Kwantlen Polytechnic University (KPU) to be presented on May 31.

"At KPU, we see firsthand the difference the Wilsons are making in our community," notes KPU president and vice-chancellor Dr. Alan Davis. "Their approach is sound, their success is real, and most of all, they change people's lives, which is why we are so proud to present them with honorary degrees."

Scholar-practitioners in action, both have pursued scholarly work to demonstrate research-informed social innovation that improves the lives of the citizens they serve and enhances community well-being. Michael completed a doctoral degree in the Human and Organizational Development program at Fielding Graduate University and Ann completed a doctoral degree in Transformational Change in the Faculty of Education at Simon Fraser University.

Staying close to the lived experience of the citizens they served and the goal of contributing to building an inclusive city as the key to social innovation led to applied design and prototyping work. The Phoenix Centre was their first design prototype of a collaborative cross-sector community social and economic development response to the complex, interconnected issues of homelessness, addiction, crime and unemployment in the community.

An integrated service approach combining addiction treatment with access to educational opportunities, employment assistance and long term post-treatment transitional housing has consistently produced successful treatment outcomes of 80 per cent, and employment outcomes of 70 to 80 per cent, which are more than double the outcomes generally achieved across B.C.

Two partnerships with KPU are creative collaborations that contribute to these results. In the Humanities 101 program, KPU faculty donate their time to present to avid students with the result that adult learners uncover their passion and capability for learning. Students are connected to the Phoenix-Kwantlen learning Centre, which offers literacy, numeracy and educational upgrading to improve employability and transition students seamlessly to KPU or other educational settings. Students flourish in the safe, inclusive, and accessible learning space, and are empowered to realize their capability.

Their most recent design prototype, Rising Sun

Villas, is a further demonstration that creative cross sector collaboration can respond effectively to complex community problems. The shared equity home ownership model created through Phoenix's collaboration with the City of Surrey and VanCity demonstrates that within two years, citizens experiencing addiction, homelessness, and other poverty-related issues can recover, stabilize, and own their own homes, building assets for their future.

Ann Wilson has been the Phoenix Society's director of program development since 1992, responsible for program design, fund development, community and public relations, project management and human resources. Specializing in creating a diverse portfolio of program development activities that lead their constituents to full participation in the social, economic and cultural life of the community has involved combining adult education, asset development approaches, the sustainable livelihoods framework, behavioural health, community based justice re-integration programs and workforce development strategies.

Michael Wilson is founding and executive director of the Phoenix Society. Recognized for his vision and leadership in many task forces and committees on health, affordable housing and social innovation, Michael was named Surrey's Citizen of the Year in 2015.

Together, the Wilsons have built a multi-service organization with four facilities actively engaged in countering the complex problems of homelessness, addiction, crime, unemployment, and poverty.

"The Wilsons are directly responsible for outstanding and sustained achievements in social innovation that have enhanced individual and community well-being," notes Davis. "They are visionaries as well as doers, and that is a priceless combination that has literally saved lives.

*"By Corry Anderson-Fennell*



## Noemi Gal-Or, Ph.D., LL.B., Professor Emerita

From 1991 until January 2017 Dr. Noemi Gal-Or has been a KPU Faculty Member in the department of Political Science. From 2000 to 2002 she was the Chair for the Study Group on Trans-Border Politics, Business, Society and Law, and from 2002 to 2013 Dr. Gal-Or was the Director for the Institute for Transborder Studies.

Dr. Gal-Or has been an exemplary “Builder” at KPU. She developed its first research institute (the Institute for Trans-Border Studies), spearheaded the development of its first full BA degree in Political Science, and was indispensable in nurturing Political Science from a fledgling program to an integral part of the Faculty of Arts. Every student who has taken a degree in Political Science has benefitted, either indirectly, or more often, directly, from her endeavours.

Dr. Gal-Or’s scholarship is one of the most dedicated and productive in the history of our university, building a truly impressive body of work on international law, terrorism, and global justice. She has published three well-reviewed books on terrorism, and co-edited three important collections on questions of international justice, security, and conflict resolution, along with a special issue of *Peace Review*. Her output as an author of book chapters, articles, and research reports is remarkable. Since 2008 she has published in many journals such as the *International Criminal Law Review*, *Journal of Parliamentary and Political Law*, *Journal of International Organization Studies*, *Journal of Human Security*, *The Journal of Conflict Studies*, *Canadian Political Science Review*, and *Religion & Human Rights*. She has also contributed several reports for the Non State Actor Committee of the International Law Association. Her prolific output extends back to 1988: a record of dedicated scholarship spanning almost 30 years.



## Cory Pederson, Distinguished Service Award

Since 2014, Dr. Cory Pederson has served as chair for the KPU Psychology Department providing her colleagues leadership and inspiration for their combined efforts. Her service to KPU and students has been exemplary and expansive including innovative and creative course development and delivery, the facilitation of applied learning through the organization of a high-caliber student-led research conference, knowledge generation and a specific focus on diversity issues through her research lab, her role in the department’s honours program, editing the departmental newsletter “Synapse”, facilitation of student learning through APA seminars, attendance at all student-faculty events organized by the Kwantlen Psychology Society Student group and chairing the Psychology department and active involvement on countless departmental and university-wide committees.

Her dedication to KPU, its mandate, mission and values has been tireless, consistent and effective which makes her a commendable candidate for this award.



# Office of the Provost

## Aboriginal Initiatives

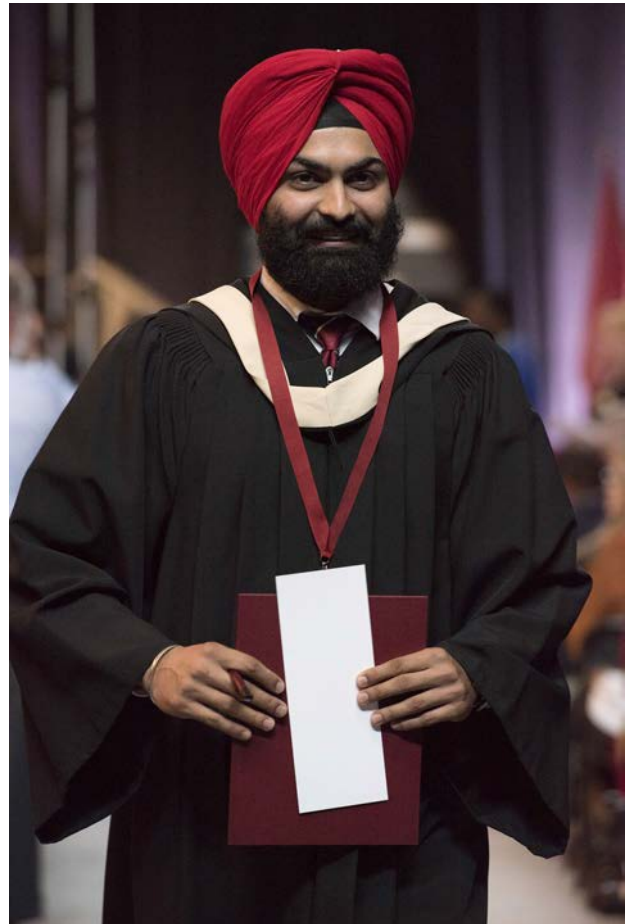
On May 15<sup>th</sup>, KPU successfully launched the *Open Doors: Open Minds* Indigenous STEM forum at KPU Surrey. Made possible by the KPU Foundation Board, this forum brought together Aboriginal students from Surrey School District 36 with Aboriginal leaders and advocates from the Surrey School District, BCIT, the Squamish Trades Centre, Science World and the math-support program, Eagles of Tomorrow. Our special guest was retired NASA Astronaut and first Native American to travel to space, Dr. John Herrington who delivered an inspiring message and shared compelling stories about achievement and perseverance. Open Doors: Open Minds was established to introduce Aboriginal students to a wide range of STEM career opportunities. Students participated in a Maker Lab organized and animated by the Computer Aided Drafting and Design, Physics, Sustainable Agriculture, and Biology departments as well as the Faculty of Trades and Technology. Students and local school district participants expressed their support and encouragement for the next two yearly events scheduled as part of the generous KPU Foundation allocation.

Last year, the Provincial government's Skills Development Employment Branch provided a grant to KPU to commission a report on the needs of Aboriginal learners in our region. The university engaged Brock Edean, from Red Pier Consulting, to deliver the recently completed "Recommendations and Strategies to Support Indigenous Learners at Kwantlen Polytechnic University" This document will begin to circulate amongst administrative units this Fall to help guide present and future enrolment and participation initiatives regarding indigenous learners at KPU.

Continuing and Professional Studies (CPS) has been involved in a large-scale partnership agreement with the Squamish Trade Centre (STC) in North Vancouver to deliver trades and trades-entry programs to Indigenous learners across the Metro region. Funding has been provided over the past two years by the Ministry of Advanced Education (AVED), the Ministry of Jobs, Tourism and Skills Training (JTST), and the Ministry of Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation (MARR). This past month CPS played a key role in the STC's new application for funding from AVED with a wider scope to encompass a broader range of educational areas including design, education assistant, and health sciences in addition to complement the existing trades training areas.

## Graduate Studies

The Provost has convened members of the Academic Council to begin the process of establishing graduate programming at KPU. This advisory group has embarked upon the comprehensive process of writing a preliminary proposal on establishing an administrative unit to coordinate graduate activities as well as determine a framework for the development of academic programming. As per Policy GV 9, Establishment of Faculties and Departments, the preliminary



proposal will be brought to the Polytechnic University Executive in mid-Fall 2017 for eventual consultation with the KPU community and the appropriate governance bodies. There has been, over the past few years, a considerable amount of interest by faculty and selected administrators to have KPU offer graduate degrees in selected areas of expertise and innovation. These programs will further bolster KPU's profile and enhance our differentiation amongst the post-secondary institutions in the sector.

## Academic Planning

The Provost has now launched a comprehensive series of consultations that will take place over the next six months to develop the new KPU Academic Plan to coincide with Vision 2023. These consultations will reach all academic departments as well as selected special-topic groups across all four campuses. Consultations will include internal and external open dialogue sessions, focus groups, an on-line forum for feedback and regular updates to the Senate Standing Committee on Academic Planning and the community in general.

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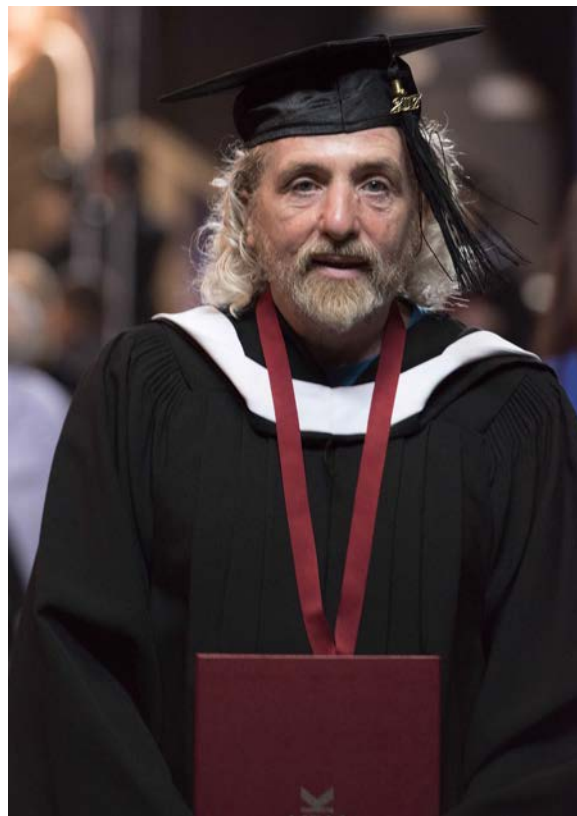
## Polytechnics Canada

The Provost and the Executive Director Institutional Analysis and Planning attended the recent Polytechnics Canada conference hosted by the Northern Alberta Institute of Technology (NAIT) in Edmonton last month. Keynote speakers included the influential educational leader, Jamie Merisotis from the Lumina Foundation and Iain Stewart, President of the National Research Council of Canada. Sessions focused on identifying effective means for polytechnic institutions to more effectively advocate for a greater role in the Federal “Skills for Innovation” and youth employment agendas. The Provost participated in a panel discussion on developing innovation capabilities for students to more successfully transition into the workplace. Discussions amongst fellow Vice Presidents addressed the continuing need to seriously examine flexible learning strategies, micro-credentials and just-in-time training.

## Provost Activity

Recent notable meetings, conferences and events attend by the Provost:

- Chaired the Senior Administrator Re-appointment Advisory Committees for Dean, School of Business and Dean, Faculty of Science and Horticulture
- Attended regular meetings of the BC Senior Academic Administrators Forum on May 12 and May 15
- Hosted *Open Doors: Open Minds* Indigenous STEM forum at KPU Surrey on May 15



- Attended the KPU International Retreat at Fort Langley on May 19
- Attend Polytechnics Canada AGM and sector working group meetings in Edmonton, AB from May 31 - June 2
- Introduction and welcome remarks at KPU Inaugural Teaching, Learning, Scholarship and Research Symposium on June 7.
- On June 15th, participated in post-secondary panel discussion at Ministry of Education led by Assistant Deputy Minister, Jill Kot and Superintendent of Graduation and Student Transitions, Jan Unwin. The discussion focussed on “transforming education in British Columbia” and included Dr. Wendy Carr, Associate Dean of Teacher Education at UBC-Vancouver and Steve Eccles, Dean of the School of Computing and Academic Studies, BCIT.
- Attended the Regional Prosperity Initiative Forum hosted by Metro Vancouver on June 22.
- Facilitated sessions at the 2017 CICan Leadership Institute for Deans, Directors and Campus Principals in Nova Scotia from June 24 – 29.

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## FACULTY & ACADEMIC UNITS

### FACULTY OF ACADEMIC AND CAREER ADVANCEMENT (ACA)

#### Academic & Career Advancement (ACA)

- **Partners in Adult Basic Education** - The ACA Dean and Associate Dean along with the ACP English Co-Chair met recently with senior managers at the *Pacific Community Resources Society (PCRS)* in Whalley to discuss new partnership possibilities including the delivery of Adult Basic Education classes in English and Math at one of their sites in Surrey. ACA is also in consultation with the Phoenix Centre (Phoenix Drug & Alcohol Recovery & Education Society) about a collaborative proposal for Ministry level funding for a skill training program for some 70 -90 at-risk youth.
- **ACA Program Advisory Committees** - The Faculty of Academic & Career Advancement has recently concluded the latest round of meetings with the three separate Program Advisory Committees (PACs) that support our teaching, recruitment, program planning, and outreach initiatives in Academic Upgrading, English Language Studies, and Access Programs for People with Disabilities. Members represent diverse agencies, programs and populations in our catchment area and provide invaluable feedback and insight to program Chairs and the ACA Dean's Office.
- **BC Deans and Directors of Developmental Education (DDDE)** - On May 25<sup>th</sup> Dean Patrick Donahoe attended the day-long semi-annual meeting of BC's Deans and Directors of Developmental Education (DDDE) at the Coquitlam Campus of Douglas College. In addition to Ministry of Advanced Education updates, the agenda included a comprehensive presentation from the Ministry of Education on the impending changes to the grades 10-12 curriculum. In the coming years such changes will potentially have a particularly complex effect on students returning to learning (upgrading) without having experienced the new curriculum, delivery, and assessment modes currently being introduced.
- **Can-Achieve Group Agents for China** - On June 6<sup>th</sup> Dean Donahoe and representatives from several other KPU Faculties met with thirty Can-Achieve Group Agents for China to welcome them to the Richmond Campus. Dr. Donahoe met the delegates in the Language Lab and provided an interactive overview of the changing pedagogy and delivery mode in English Language Studies at KPU.
- **Collaboration with the Registrar's Office** - The ACA Leadership team met with the Registrar and Associate Registrars on May 23<sup>rd</sup> in an effort to enhance communication between the two areas and improve our service to students. This was the initial meeting in what we hope will be ongoing regular meetings between our two areas.

#### Academic & Career Preparation (ACA)

- **PD Activities** - ACP Team: The ACP team (Thomas Carey (resource liaison), Ian Stanwood, Gillian Sudlow, Janet Webster, Tanya Boboriken, Mark Diotte) met to explore the possibility of a pilot project focused on an existing course outcome, Critical Thinking, which would offer students an alternative credential (digital badge) which could be linked to some of the emerging outcomes related to 'Improving Work Practices'. KPU has most of the structure in place for one of the emerging credentials. Meg Goodine has expressed her personal interest and the support of her AVP, Stephanie Chu. This ACP Project would be integrated with the 'Innovation Capability' project led by Dr. Farhad Dastur and others. Further recent PD opportunities included a presentation given by Danny Wrench and Sue Lee on "teaching for transfer" and "threshold concepts." The subsequent group discussion mapped out ways in which ACP writing courses could more explicitly connect writing tasks to other KPU faculties as well as to similar vocational tasks in the workplace.
- **Teaching and Learning Symposium** - ACP faculty member Rachelle Hollaway presented "The Bleeding Edge of Assessment Technology" at the KPU Teaching and Learning Symposium. Following is the introduction to Rachelle's presentation.

*Educators have been hearing for years that computerized grading of open-ended text (essays, long answer exams) will save time and money while reducing stress and physical strain. These claims have failed to materialize. Lectica, a non-profit developmental testing organization, recently created a computerized assessment system (CLAS) based on the human analysis of tens of thousands of texts. CLAS measures growth along a well-validated developmental scale called the Lectical Scale. In this presentation, I will share my experiences using CLAS in one of my courses and discuss the implications of adopting CLAS across KPU. Participants will also learn about developmental maieutics, the VCoL+7 learning model, the Goldilocks zone of learning, the complexity gap, and the general state of student learning in the US and Canada.*

#### Access Programs for People with Disabilities (APPD)

- **Disability Resource network for Post-Secondary Education** - APPD faculty member Teresa Morishita and the KPU Sociology Chair, Fiona Whittington-Walsh, presented "Adult Special Education and Innovative Pedagogy at KPU: The Including All Citizens Project (IABP)" at the annual Disability Resource Network for Post-Secondary Education in May. (Teresa had received a research grant from the DRNBC).



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- **Elections** - APPD elected a new Chair, Jeff Prasad. Jeff will take over the duties of Chair in the absence of Nicola Soles who is on an Educational Leave in the 2017-18 academic year.
- **Graduation/Partnerships** - APPD will host a graduation celebration on the evening of June 15 in the Grassroots Café on the Surrey campus. This annual event is attended by students and their guests; partnered employers; APPD staff and faculty; and members of the APPD Advisory Committee. The department will present three “Employer of the Year” awards to honour the commitment of outstanding employers in each of our campus communities.

## Career Choices and Life Success (CCLS)

- **Marketing** - CCLS has ramped up its marketing efforts to include a changing demographic that embraces a wide age range of experienced and inexperienced workers. The program is eligible for the Adult Upgrading Grant; that in itself helps serve a broader population.
- **Teaching & Learning Symposium** - Elly Morgan presented her recent research on CCLS alumni at the KPU Teaching and Learning Symposium.

## English Language Studies (ELS)

- **Marketing** - We continue to work on new materials, consistent messaging across those materials, the web site (work in progress), and an increased community presence

at a range of events within and outside KPU. We have recently made visits to external programs in Surrey and Langley and hosted visitors on campus.

- **Student numbers** - Our enrollment numbers are growing. In summer 2016, we delivered 60 sections. This summer term, we are delivering 81 sections. Overall, enrolment numbers had an increase of 48%. Projections into fall are looking positive with even more growth.
- **Program review** - We continue to work on our program review. We have conducted surveys for our stakeholders (students, faculty, alumni, internal and external departments and agencies that our students go to after our program). We had two very successful writing workshops in May with the participation of many faculty members. Small groups chose a chapter of the self-study and were responsible for the content and a rough draft. The next step is for the smaller Program Review team to collate and compile the information and drafts into the final version of the Self Study Report.
- **KPU Teaching & Learning Symposium – June 7-9** - ELS instructors and students both presented at and participated in the symposium. We hosted a student group discussion panel, students participated in the ePortfolio showcase; faculty presented on Identifying Humour in Academic Reading and Error Tolerance in Academic Writing, and participated in a roundtable discussion on Creative, Critical



*Left to right—Patrick Donahoe, Dean, Academic and Career Advancement, Parvin Kaler, Faculty of Academic and Career Advancement Dean’s Medal, Dr. Alan Davis, President and Vice Chancellor*

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## FACULTY OF ARTS

### Spotlight:

#### Voices of Muslim Women Digital LENS Film Festival

Supported by the Visual Media Workshop at KPU by Katie Warfield (JRNL & COMM) and organized by Aisha Amijee, the Voices of Muslim Women digital storytelling program and film screening festival was sold out. The evening had 180 attendees for a night of celebration for the Muslim and KPU community, demonstrating the power of digital literacy, community education, and empowerment.

#### Including All Citizens Project (IACP)

In May and June, Fiona Whittington-Walsh (SOC1), presented a one-hour session on the Including All Citizens Project (IACP) at the Annual Conference for the Disability Resource Network of BC (May 23). "Diversity and Inclusion on University Campuses: What are We as Educators Doing and is it Making a Difference?" at the Congress of the Humanities and Social Sciences, Canadian Sociological Association, occurred the following week. As well, pilot students and current KPU Sociology students involved with IACP attended the Inclusion BC Conference in Richmond for a workshop presentation (June)

### Students:

- Devon Birkhiem (HIST): Invited History Alumnus to guest present with an historical perspective for ARTS 1100 – Food: "A Political Beef" alongside Tracey Kinney (June 21)
- Counselling Psychology students accepted into grad school:
  - \* Jagdeep Chahal Master of Social Work at Wilfred Laurier University
  - \* Jordan Gruenhagen Master of Arts in Counselling Psychology at SFU
  - \* Lauren Jefferies Master of Social Work at UBC Okanagan
  - \* Sabatina Morelli Master of Social Work at UBC
  - \* Ally Parsons completed her Master of Arts in Counselling Psychology and accepted to complete her Ph.D. at SFU in Gender, Sexuality and Human Development.
- Daniel Derksen and Michelle Hunsche (PSYCH Honours): successfully graduated June 2017. Daniel is starting his M.A. in Forensic Psychology at SFU; Michelle is working on research at KPU.
- Amy Duval (FINA): Accepted in the Harbourfront Centre's year-long artist in residence program, Toronto (May)
- Anya Goldin (EDUC): Presented on undergraduate education research and community engagement at the Canadian Society for the Study of Education, at the 2017 Congress of the Social Sciences and Humanities (May).
- Alex Iddins (Mand 2201) and Aaron Throness (Mand 3311) won the 'Chinese Government Scholarships' from the Education Office of the Chinese Consulate in Vancouver for studying in Shanghai for 3 weeks (May 11–June 3).
- Music: 5 KPU piano majors attended BCPAF Provincial Competitions with successful outcomes, Kamloops (May 31 – June 1):
  - \* Chris Knopp won Seniors Solo Piano
  - \* Andrea Pedro won Nationals Solo Piano Canadian Composers
  - \* Two chamber trios were runners-up in Senior Chamber Music
- Curtis Russell (HIST): With Kyle Jackson, presented "Japanese Canadians in Historical Pitt Meadows and Maple Ridge: A Virtual Walking Tour" at the KPU Teaching, Learning, Scholarship, and Research Symposium. This was a pilot project in digital history, based on Russell's original archival research. The project is being completed in support of KPU's forthcoming, FAEAF-funded course in digital history, "History GO!"
- Yura Said (PSYC): Featured in *The Province* as part of the article 'First-generation BC grads forge a new path of family achievement'. (May)
- Nida Valiani and Russell Liu (POLI): With Ellen Pond attended the C2UExpo, including running a workshop at the Surrey Jam with the City of Surrey and SFU partners. Russell Liu volunteered at the full conference as a Community Ambassador, on a cross-Canada student team. (May)

### New Programs, Policies and Initiatives:

- Greg Chan (ENGL): Coordinated an ENGL 4401 student project for the KPU community: Alzheimer's awareness event, film screening & panel discussion, with keynote speaker, Dianne Crisp (PSYC) and Panel discussion with Sharon Leitch (Health), KPU Surrey (June 12).
- Creative Writing: 4 Creative Writing faculty attended a luncheon and reading at the Langley Fine Arts School (LFA). Hosted by the LFA Creative Writing students who have been involved in the KPU/LFA Creative Writing mentoring program initiated by LFA and supported by the KPU Faculty of Arts.
  - \* 3 LFA students have indicated that they will be attending KPU CRWR in the fall as a result of their involvement in this program (May 25).
- Political Science: 2016-17 edition of the *Kwantlen Journal of Political Science (KJPS)*, edited by POLI students published for distribution. The KJPS was KPU's first undergraduate academic journal (June 8).
- Psychology & Faculty of Arts: Organized a book launch for Psychology Alumna, Amrita Lit for her book 'Chasing Kismet', KPU Surrey (June 19)

### Community Engagement:

- Faculty of Arts supported the City of Bhangra Festival 2017 with KPU as co-sponsors for Bhangra: We, KPU Surrey (June 15)

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- Faith Auton-Cuff (Assoc. Dean): Attended the community town hall meeting in support of the Flamingo Square Arts and Culture Connection Project, Whalley Legion (May 29)
    - \* Participant at the CICan Leadership Institutes for Managers, Kelowna (June 23 – 29)
  - Shelley Boyd (ENGL): Submitted two entries on [Canadian Literary Fare](#) as part of the Culinary Historians of Canada “Canada 150 Food Blog Challenge”
    - \* “Asha Jain’s Aloo Gobi” (May)
    - \* Granville Island Market (June)
  - Patrick Findler and Colin Ruloff (PHIL): Organized and hosted a philosophy conference, *2017 PHILOsurfer Convergence*, Tofino, BC (June 16-18). The conference gathered together academic philosophers who are surfers and featured keynote speakers Distinguished Professor Jeffrey King (Rutgers) and Professor Aaron James (UC Irvine). Participants came from across Canada and the US to present their research in philosophy.
    - \* Organized a public talk by Professor Aaron James (UC Irvine), author of New York Times Bestseller “Assholes: A Theory.” Tofino (June 18)
  - Nicola Harwood (CRWR): Writer, director & performer in “Aliens with Benefits”, a fundraising Cabaret for the artist-run Oxygen Art Centre, Nelson, BC (June 22 & 23)
  - Jane Hayes (MUSI): Participated in the Main Fund-raiser – with Rebecca Wenham, cello (June 13)
    - \* Duo Piano Concert for Sofia (BG) International Music Days; featuring music in celebration of Canada 150 (June 25)
    - \* Duo Piano Concert for Varna (BG) International Summer MusicFestival; featuring music in celebration of Canada 150 (June 28)
  - Kyle Jackson (HIST): HIST 2300: Introduction to World Civilizations class toured the Surrey Jamea Masjid (with Sheikh Abu Abdis Salaam) and the Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church (with Pastor Gerhard Wilch) (June 8)
  - Tracey Kinney (HIST): Attended the History Articulation, VIU (May)
  - Maria Anna Parolin (FINA): Provided a silkscreen and indigo workshop to a grade 2 and 4 class, Sperling Elementary School (June)
  - Larissa Petrillo (ANTH): Interviewed with representatives from Cwenengitel and FRAFCA (Friendschip Centres) regarding key priorities for First Peoples in Surrey (May)
    - \* (Teaching Fellow, Experiential Learning): Attended the Better Together co-op conference (May 28-31)
    - \* (NGO and Nonprofit Studies): Welcomed 3 new members to Program Advisory Board—Neelam Sahota (Chief Executive Officer, DIVERSEcity Community Resources Society), Andrea Seale (Deputy CEO, David Suzuki Foundation), and Angie Vickaryous (HR Manager, Tides Canada)
  - Ellen Pond (POLI): Attended the Renewable Cities Conference showcasing consulting work on community energy planning and electric vehicles at the Opening Showcase, Vancouver (May 17-19)
  - Diane Purvey (Dean): Attended the British Columbia Council for International Education (BCCIE) Summer Conference on behalf of KPU, Kelowna (June 18-20)
    - \* Participated in the British Columbia Prior Learning Action Network (BC PLAN) CPD event “Leveraging Learning” to effectively use PLAR, and the BC Plan Annual General Meeting, TRU Richmond (June 23)
- Recognition:**
- Awards and Appointments:**
- Daniel Bernstein (PSYC): With Arts Research and Scholarship Committee awarded Faculty of Arts Excellence and Advancement Funds of \$3,500 for “Enhancing the KPU Arts Speakers Series.” (May)
  - Gira Bhatt (PSYC): Received the Canadian Psychological Association (CPA) 2017 Award for Distinguished Contributions to Public or Community Service, for her support of the South Asian community in Surrey, B.C., and her work to help curb youth gang involvement, Toronto (June 8)
    - \* 2-year Appointment to the 15-member “Cross-cultural Roundtable on Security” (CCRS) Federal Ministry of Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness, Ottawa (June)
  - Nicola Harwood (CRWR): Appointed Secretary /Treasurer of the Playwrights’ Theatre Centre Society (June 4)
  - Jack Hayes (HIST/ASIA): Participated in Language Training, sponsored by ACUP Program, Shanghai, China (May 28 – June 4)
  - Rajiv Jhangiani (PSYC): Appointed as Open Education Advisor for BCcampus (May)
  - Yanfeng Qu (LANC): Awarded the Chinese Government Scholarship for studying and completing a 2-week program on Traditional Chinese Medicine at Shanghai University of Traditional Chinese Medicine (May 22-June 2)
- Publications:**
- Daniel Bernstein (PSYC): Aßfalg, A., Currie, D., & Bernstein, D.M. (2017). The revelation effect depends on task difficulty and placement. *Memory & Cognition*, 45, 664-676. doi:10.3758/s13421-016-0685-9
  - Aaron Goodman (JRNL and COMM): “Photo Essay: The faces behind Vancouver’s overdose crisis” photos and text from The Outcasts Project [www.outcastsproject.com](http://www.outcastsproject.com), a Katalyst-funded study, published in *This Magazine*. (May 31)
  - Päivi Koskinen (LANC): Kohtaamisia Tove Janssoning kanssa/ Encounters with Tove Jansson. Article (in Finnish

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and in English) in *Länsirannikon Uutiset/West Coast News* June 2017 issue.

- Puqun Li (PHIL): "The tension between the length of mourning and the nature of mourning: a critical analysis of the Analects 17:21", *International Communication of Chinese Culture*, published online (May 16)
- Michael Ma (CRIM): "Why was the Overdose Epidemic not an Election Issue?" Part of *BC Election Post-Mortem: Sixteen Perspectives on the Campaign and its Aftermaths in Canadian Dimension* (June 2)
- Sam Migliore (ANTH): Ethnographer, editor, and analyst with Evo DiPierro for "Italian Lives, Cape Breton Memories" re-released with media coverage in Nova Scotia (May). A book launch at Cape Breton University coincided with International Archives Day 2017 with Italian-Cape Breton displays and tours (June 9)
- Brian Pegg (ANTH): With KPU students and Alumni co-authors, Justin Hanna, Elpiniki McKave, Jonathan Munro, Tanis Place. "Archaeology at the river's edge: 2015 KPU investigations within the Fraser Canyon." *Midden* 47(1): 9-20.
  - \* "Cultures in conflict: Archaeology of colonialism in the Fraser Canyon. In *Archaeology of the Lower Fraser River Region*" edited by Mike Rousseau and Roy Carlson. Archaeology Press, Simon Fraser University, Burnaby, BC
- Liz Toohey-Wiese (FINA): Public Artist Talk – Elissa Cristall Gallery, Part of the 6th Annual South Granville Art Walk (June 17)
- Katie Warfield (JRNL and COMM): with Courtney Demone, published a book chapter in Zizi Papachiarissi's edited collection: *Human Augmentics*. "Writing the body of the paper: three new materialist methods for examining the socially mediated body" (May)

## Public Presentations:

- Daniel Bernstein (PSYC): Invited Keynote Address, Northwest Cognition and Memory (NOWCAM), Burnaby (May). Papers and posters presented at Northwest Cognition and Memory, Burnaby (May) with student co-authors and faculty:
  - \* Derksen, D.G., Coburn, P.I., Afalg, A., & Bernstein, D.M. "Avoidance-based scenarios inflate theory-of-mind errors in the sandbox."
  - \* Giesbrecht, A., Huebert, A., Afalg, A., & Bernstein, D.M. "Theory of mind psychometrics."
  - \* Hunsche, M.C., Giroux, M.E., Katz, B., Janzen, K., & Bernstein, D.M. "Social cognition in Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders (FASD)."
  - \* Hunsche, M.C., Procyk, J., Kumar, R., & Bernstein, D.M. "I felt it all along": Hindsight bias for emotion. =.
  - \* Kristoffersson, K.J., Coburn, P.I., Woiwod, D.M., Connolly, D.A., Bernstein, D.M., & Alder, A.G.

"The effect of cross-examination on reports provided by children who have experienced a single or repeated-event."

- \* Mah, E.Y., Undorf, M., McDonald, D-L., Huebert, A., & Bernstein, D.M. "Cheating and self-deception."
- \* McDonald, D-L., Bernstein, D.M., & Jhangiani, R. "Test item order difficulty doesn't affect students' retrospective evaluations of performance."
- \* Sawatzky, M.M., Mah, E.Y., Derksen, D.G., & Bernstein, D.M. "In for a penny, in for a pound: The Sunk-Cost Fallacy from 3 to 90 years of age."
- Shelley Boyd (ENGL): Presentations at Ryerson University (May 27& 28):
  - \* "What Came First, Chicken or Egg? The Possibilities of Food in Margaret Atwood's *The Heart Goes Last*" Association of Canadian College and University Teachers of English (ACCUTE) Conference
  - \* "Recipes for Reading Drama: Culinary Memories and Paratexts in *A Brimful of Asha*" Association of Canadian and Quebecois Literature (ACQL) Conference
- Greg Chan (ENGL): Presented a session at the Teaching Professor Conference 2017, "Web Visibility Matters: A Social Media Primer for Academics," St Louis (June 3)
- Aaron Goodman (Journalism and Communication Studies): Co-directed a documentary film titled "Duterte's Hell" about extrajudicial killings and the war on drug users in the Philippines, published online by Field of Vision ([www.fieldofvision.org](http://www.fieldofvision.org)), the visual film unit of The Intercept (May)
- Colin Green (HIST): "Translating the Japanese Occupation of China" SSHRC Funded Workshop, Institute for Asian Research UBC (May 25-26)
- Nicola Harwood (CRWR): Directed and designed an Artist Presentation at Surrey Art Gallery as part of exhibition of *High Muck a Muck: Playing Chinese*, a collaborative project currently on exhibition at SAG (June 10)
- Kyle Jackson (HIST): "Battle Stories from the Archives." Presentation for the Kwantlen History Student Society's PODtalk series, KPU (June 22)
- Rajiv Jhangiani (PSYC): Multiple presentations at different events:
  - \* Open Textbook Summit, Vancouver (May 24)
    - ⇒ Surita Jhangiani (JIBC and UBC), "Factors that influence the selection of open (and commercial) educational resources."
    - ⇒ Diane Purvey (Dean), Todd Mundle (University Librarian), Farhad Dastur (Psychology), and Brenda Thompson (TRU), "Going Global with OERu: TRU and KPU experiences."

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- ⇒ Jennifer Barker, Ken Jeffery, and George Veletsianos, "Research on open education efficacy"
  - \* Keynote address: "Serving Social Justice & Pedagogical Innovation Through Open Educational Practices"
    - ⇒ *The Flipped School*, EdTech Showcase, Vancouver Community College (May 29)
    - ⇒ *Campus Open*, 2017 Academic Technology Institute Conference, University System of New Hampshire (May 31)
    - ⇒ Roger Williams University, Bristol, RI (June 2)
    - ⇒ *Showcase 2017*, Southern Alberta Institute of Technology, Calgary, AB (June 6)
  - \* Keynote address, "Championing OER from the Library" at the Ontario OER Librarians event, Centennial College, Toronto, ON (June 8)
  - \* Featured talk, "Open Educational Practices in Psychology" at the annual Convention of the Canadian Psychological Association, Toronto, ON (June 8)
  - Päivi Koskinen (LANC): With Solveiga Armoskaite, University of Rochester, and Liisa Duncan, York University, "Refining sound interpretation in Finnish ideophones" poster presented at the Annual Conference of the Canadian Linguistic Association, Ryerson University (May 28)
  - Eryk Martin (HIST): Scholarly paper presentation: "Feminism, Pornography, and the Political Utility of Emotion." for the Second Wave Feminism and the History of Emotions Workshop, Toronto (June 1)
  - Keiron McConnell (CRIM): Presented on research "American Society of Evidence based Policing" on BC Gang Homicides, Phoenix, Arizona (May 22-26)
  - Maria Anna Parolin (FINA): Organized and was part of the Venice Biennale 2017, one of the most recognized contemporary art events in the World where artists from over 86 countries exhibited creative work throughout the city of Venice:
    - \* Organized a printmaking workshop in collaboration with Master Printer Roberto Mazzetto, in Venice. (May 17-27)
    - \* Exhibited work in Gallery Tintoretto, Venice, Italy (May 27 – June 3)
  - Fred Ribkoff (ENGL): With former student John Rowell, delivered their performance based paper on *The Merchant of Venice* at the British Shakespeare Association Conference, a paper that came from a Studies in Shakespeare class at KPU (May)
  - Daniel Tones (MUSI): Performed with his ensemble, Fringe Percussion, at the *Hands On! Global Soundscapes Festival* in Vancouver (June 11) and at the *Vancouver Island Chamber Music Festival* in Nanaimo (June 24)
- Reviews:**
- Daniel Bernstein (PSYC): Journal Manuscript Reviews for *Acta Psychologica* and *European Journal of Social Psychology* (May – June)
- Employee Engagement:**
- Faculty of Arts at the KPU Teaching and Learning Research Symposium (June 7-9):
    - \* Farhad Dastur (PSYC), Lee Beavington (BIOL), Lucie Gagne, Lisa King, and Connell Green "Nature as Teacher: Re-flections of the Amazon"
    - \* Kyle Jackson (HIST): "History Goes Digital."
    - \* Larissa Petrillo (ANTH): Co-presenter with Shirley Calla (FMRK) and Denise Dale (Library Liaison) "Interdisciplinarity in experiential projects: ethnographic inquiry in fashion design & Technology and Anthropology Curricula"
    - \* Larissa Petrillo (NGO & Nonprofit Studies): Co-presenter with Andrew Frank (ENVI) Constanza Rojas-Primus (LANC), Betty Cunnin (HORT) "What ties these together: co-create meaning from different experiential corners of the campus"
    - \* Jodi Proznick and Don Hlus (MUSI): "Transformative Music Education & Holistic Learning in the KPU Music Program"
    - \* Diane Purvey (Dean): with Lori McElroy and Alan Davis, panel discussion for "KPU and the Mature Learner"
    - \* Katie Warfield (JRNL and COMM): "Digital Storytelling" with Aisha Amijee
  - History faculty members were guest presenters for:
    - \* HIST 1100 - Reel History: History through Film:
      - ⇒ Tracey Kinney: "Heaven & Earth: Oliver Stone's Vietnam Idyll" (May 31)
      - ⇒ Bob Fuhr: "Nixon" (June 14)
    - \* ARTS 1100 – Food
      - ⇒ Tracey Kinney: "We are all Corn People" (June 21)
  - Language and Cultures department: hosted a cultural event for the community, the Filipino Harana, KPU Richmond (June 24)
- University Wide Initiatives:**
- New Bachelor of Arts, Minor in Indigenous Community Justice created by Lisa Monchalin (CRIM) was approved by the Ministry and will be offered in the Fall (May)
  - Ellen Pond (POLI) continues to work with faculty across several departments to develop innovative course offerings for the new Innovation space at Three Civic Plaza. To date, faculty and/or Chairs in History, Geography, Anthropology, Criminology, Inter-Disciplinary Arts, Policy Studies, Urban Ecosystems and Environmental Technology have participated in meetings and continued dialogue to put in place city and sustainability-related courses starting Jan 2018.

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## FACULTY OF HEALTH

### Students and Alumni:

- The President's Diversity and Equity Committee (PDEC) awarded a \$550 sponsorship to Faculty of Health (FoH) student Jaroslav Welz for his initiative "*Blanket Workshop*". The Blanket experiential Exercise was designed to teach the history of colonialism in Canada from first contact until today. The May 29<sup>th</sup> event was facilitated by Cecelia Reekie, a member of the Haisla Nation and Cultural Programmer for the Langley School District. Kwantlen Elder and KPU's Elder-In-Residence Lekeyten opened the event. Information on the Blanket Exercise can be found at [here](#). Cecelia Reekie's TEDx talk is also featured on [YouTube](#).
- Students in the English Department hosted an Alzheimer's Awareness Event on Monday, June 12 in the Conference Centre. Dr. Diane Crisp from the Faculty of Arts Psychology Department was the keynote, followed by a commercial movie adaptation of an Alice Munro novel and a panel including FoH Faculty member Sharon Leitch. Sharon completed a Post Graduate Certificate in Dementia Studies in 2015 and a Dementia Research Project in Scotland in 2014.
- Donna Cato, BSN Semester 6 faculty, was invited by the Fraser Health Manager in Public & Population Health for North Surrey and Guildford Public Health Units to initiate two "service learning" projects. Students in the course, Larissa Simpson, and Lydia Soda are working on a joint project between Fraser Health and Options Family Services, aimed at transitioning a Public Health Program 'Baby-Time' to community partners.
- Another project, co-partnered with Ellendale Cradle a residential care facility for pregnant and parenting women in recovery, and their children is underway. This facility is relatively isolated from the Public Health Units and Maxxine Wright's specialized services. The aim for the students is to do a thorough, systematic and comprehensive assessment of Ellendale Cradle residents' patterns of accessing primary healthcare. The goal is to identify barriers, gaps, inequities and redundancies in health care delivery to this vulnerable population. The students in this Community Development project are Harkirat Bains, Misuk Choi, and Yujin Gao.
- Further to our May BoG report, Semester 6 BSN students Zeena Al-Khafaji, Mandi Coleman, Kiana De Vera, Amandeep Matharu, and Skyla Urquhart-Pilling and

faculty member Donna Cato are continuing their work at Kwantlen Park Secondary School. This is now a three-pronged approach, adding Sexual Health for Grade 8's in addition to continuing Mindfulness Workshops and adding Fentanyl Awareness classes for Grade 12s.

### Community & Industry Engagement:

- KPU's First Teaching, Learning, Scholarship & Research Symposium was held Wednesday, June 7 to Friday, June 9, 2017. FoH faculty presentations included:
  1. *Collaborating with Community Partners in the BSN Nursing Program at KPU*: Donna Cato
  2. *Holistic Personal Development for Meaningful Engagement*: June Kaminski
  3. *Community Champion Training - Addressing Relationship Violence Toolkit* : Dr. Balbir Gurm
  4. *Supporting Learning Transition to Online Learning in the BSN-PB Program - A SoTL Inquiry*: Laurel Tien and Semester 6 BSN-PB student Nour Abdalla
  5. *Incorporating Aboriginal Wisdom to Promote Ecoliteracy*: June Kaminski
  6. *Role of Scholarship of Teaching & Learning (SoTL) at KPU*: Laurel Tien and Dr. Balbir Gurm
  7. *The Art and Science of Reflective Learning*: June Kaminski and School of Business faculty member Lesley McCannell
  8. *Facilitating Online Learning - Moving from the Classroom to a Digital World*: Leeann Waddington
- Faculty member Sharon Leitch showcased Dementia-friendly Communities and "*Living Well with Dementia*"



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OER @Healthy Active Aging Conference City of Surrey on June 3<sup>rd</sup>.

- Faculty member Laurel Tien will present at the Society for Consciousness Studies at Yale University in June.
- FoH participated in the KPU Science Rendez-Vous on May 13<sup>th</sup>, hosted by our very own Science and Horticulture Faculty. The event was a huge success despite inclement weather, with over 2,000 people in attendance. FoH featured interactive activities including our ever popular blood pressure clinic and simulation mannequins for CPR, Heart and Lungs, Five Elements theory game, Pet therapy, interactive video game, coloring stations and pin the body part.
- Fall Applicant night, a KPU registration conversion event, saw over 300 attendees according to the Future Students' office. The FoH booth was buzzing with prospective students interested in detailed information on the new 32 credit Health Foundations Certificate program, which allows students to explore healthcare roles and aspects of the healthcare system. Faculty members Radhika Kumar, Coordinator for the Health Unit Coordinator Program and Donna Malyon, Admissions Chair and Faculty member for the BSN Program, presented a full-house information session and Q&A on all programs offered by the Faculty of Health.
- The Acupuncture program participated in the Vancouver Veg Expo at the Vancouver Convention Centre on May 28<sup>th</sup> to raise community awareness of the TCM-AD program.

### Managing Risk

- The Acupuncture program has secured summer placement sites for all of our students. These agreements are still in discussion regarding Fall clinical placements.

### Employee Engagement:

- Laurel Tien has finished her first year of the Transformative Studies PhD at the California Institute of Integral Studies, focusing on Transformative Learning and Consciousness Studies.
- Faculty member Leeann Waddington has begun her Doctoral studies in Distance Education at Athabasca University.

### International Engagement:

- Bachelor of Science in Nursing Advanced Entry (BSN-AE) has five students doing international practice over the summer semester. One is travelling to Guatemala and four are travelling to Bali as part of the BSN-AE Global Health course.



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## FACULTY OF SCIENCE AND HORTICULTURE

### Noteworthy Items:

- Science Rendezvous—FSH hosted its 5<sup>th</sup> Annual KPU Science Rendezvous attracting over 2000 visitors (double from 2016) from more than 17 communities to KPU Langley campus. We even had a line-up of over 300 people before doors opened. The event involved over 145 faculty, staff and student volunteers who offered 40 hands-on activities from all FSH Departments plus most other Faculties and the Library. Future Students Office hosted the Welcome Tent, KSA Peer Support student volunteers greeted visitors with event maps and bags. Some of the new activities this year:
  - ⇒ A horseshoe forging demonstration by the Farrier program
  - ⇒ The Natural Sciences and Engineering (NSERC) Innovation Showcase featuring work by Dr. Deborah Henderson;
  - ⇒ Do-it-yourself DNA bead bracelets and Biohazard nametags in the Biology lab
  - ⇒ Meet and play with a therapy dog at the Faculty of Health station
- We also had a Science Partner Zone including TELUS Science World, Science Fair Foundation BC, and Destination Imagination BC; as well as our Science Marketplace vendors Science & Nature Co. Mansonville Plastics, Sylvan Robotics, Mad Science, and Mathnasium.
- From March 1<sup>st</sup> to May 25<sup>th</sup>, KPU Science Rendezvous received 12,200 impressions on Twitter; 24,507 on Facebook; and 3200 page views to the event web page ([kpu.ca/sr](http://kpu.ca/sr)). FSH Dean's office staff who organized the event were: DeAnn Bremner, Triona King, and Stuart Busch. [Photos](#)
- KPU Brewing and Brewery Operations (BBO) Diploma students won gold and silver medals in the 2017 U.S. Open College Beer Championship against 13 other post-secondary institutions from across the US and Canada, and placed second overall. Brewing students Derek Kindret and Ryan Jurgens won gold in the Belgian category for their Witbier. Jurgens also took home silver in the Bavarian category for the Helles Lager he brewed with fellow Brewing student Adam Chittick. The winning recipes were developed by Brewing instructors Dominic Bernard and Alek Egi, who submitted five KPU Brewing entries.

## KPU places second in top three brewing schools in North America

KPU students are brewing liquid gold with their award-winning beers.

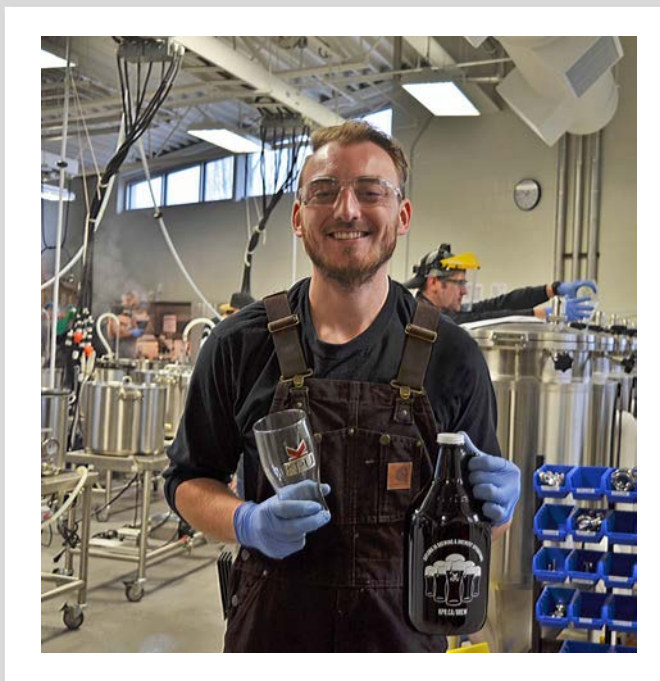
Brewing and brewery operations students at Kwantlen Polytechnic University (KPU) won gold and silver medals in the 2017 U.S. Open College Beer Championship earlier this month, and placed second overall in the top three brewing schools in North America.

The U.S. Open College Beer Championship is the only brewery competition for beers exclusively from colleges and universities that have brewing programs to determine the best future brewers in North America.

Competing against 13 other post-secondary institutions from across the U.S. and Canada, this was the first time KPU brewed beer was entered for consideration. First-year students Derek Kindret and Ryan Jurgens won gold in the Belgian category for their Witbier. Jurgens also took home silver in the Bavarian category for the Helles Lager he brewed with fellow first-year student Adam Chittick. The beers were submitted by brewing program coordinator and instructor Alek Egi.

"It feels great to have our students win gold and silver medals," said Egi. "This experience is invaluable for our students; building their confidence as they launch their professional brewing careers and earning them international recognition, and is an indicator of the strong talent coming out of the KPU brewing diploma program."

By DeAnn Bremner



*Derek Kindret at the US Open College Beer Championship*



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- KPU Brewing participated in the inaugural Fort Langley Beer & Food Festival with partial proceeds from ticket sales going to the Trading Post Brewing/John Mitchell scholarship for a KPU Brewing student. KPU was prominently featured throughout the festival on the website; social media pages; pre-event media; event program; and on-site with a large logo and banners across the main stage. More than 25 BC craft breweries participated and over 1800 people attended the event held at the Fort Langley National Historic Site/Parks Canada. Also in attendance, were Jack Froese, mayor, Township of Langley; and craft beer legend, John Mitchell. Dean Betty Worobec was front and center at the ribbon cutting and helped host the KPU Brewing booth along with Alek Egi (Brewing); and Brewing students Brice Jung and Ruben Berta. DeAnn Bremner (Communications, events and CPS coordinator), worked with the festival organizers and Trading Post Brewing in the event preparations, as well as at the KPU Brewing booth.

## Students:

- Spring 2017 KPU Convocation was very exciting with two FSH students receiving the highest honours given to graduating KPU students. Leanne Ejack (B. Ap. Sc. Sustainable Agriculture) received the Dean's Medal and Governor General's Silver Academic Medal (highest GPA for degree student). Micah Lundine (Horticulture Technology Diploma) received the Governor General's Collegiate Bronze Academic Medal (highest GPA in a diploma program).
- Naomi Robert and Kent Mullinix (ISFS) gave a presentation on the research opportunities with ISFS to the ENVI 2405 Environmental Legislation students.
- Fergal Callaghan (PHYS), Michael Adams (CHEM) and Triona King (Communications & Event Specialist) helped host a KPU Richmond campus tour and presentations for agents from Can-Achieve, one of the largest study abroad agencies in Canada. [Photos](#)
- FSH participated in Fall Applicant Night at KPU Surrey. Dean Betty Worobec gave a presentation on FSH programs, Monica De Boer (BIOL), Jane Hobson (Health Science), Andrea Fello (Degree Advisor) and Triona King helped at our booth.
- Lee Beavington (BIOL) has recently returned from KPU Amazon Field School in Colombia, where he was one of the lead instructors. Lee and fellow instructor Farhad Dastur (PSYCH) will be giving a public lecture at the KPU Science world Speaker Series in July.
- Fergal Callaghan (PHYS) met with Creation Technologies to discuss possible future Physics for Modern Technology degree student projects and work experience.
- Fergal Callaghan, James Hoyland and Michael Poon (PHYS), with Deborah Henderson (ISH), met with Brian Kahnert (CRO) and Saber Miresmaili (CEO) of Ecoation

Innovative Solutions to discuss possible student projects and student work experience opportunities.

## New programs, policies and initiatives:

- FSH faculty and staff were contributors to the first Open Doors, Open Minds STEM (science, technology, engineering & math) Forum for aboriginal high school students, organized by Provost Sal Ferreras and funded by the KPU Foundation. Joanne and Daryl Massey (CADD), Don Mathewson, John Carri, Michael Coombes and Tak Sato (PHYS) and Caroline Chui (ISFS and Tsawwassen Farm School) ran hands-on activities. John Carri awed the group with his Dancing Flames presentation and Caroline Chui talked to the group about the Farm School.
- Alek Egi and Nancy More (Brewing) took part in the activation of the Masters Brewers Association of the Americas (MBAA) British Columbia Chapter. The first General Meeting was hosted by Molson Breweries, on June 1.
- DeAnn Bremner and Triona King represented KPU at a preliminary 'Community Engagement Toolkit' brainstorming session at TELUS Science World as part of a BC Science Charter (BCSC) initiative to help establish a framework for a collaborative STEAM Ecosystem project. The discussions included how to make STEAM learning accessible across Canada.
- DeAnn Bremner represented KPU in the BC Science Charter (BCSC) meeting on the new STEAM Ecosystem initiative, *Symbiosis*, a first-of-its-kind collaborative learning ecosystem for Canada which was recently selected to become part of the US-based STEM Learning Ecosystem. BCSC members reviewed existing cross-sector STEAM Ecosystem collaborations in San Diego, Tulsa and Pittsburgh to help define next steps for *Symbiosis*.
- Tyron Tsui (PHYS) will be piloting the BC Campus Open Textbook, "Astronomy" by Fraknoi et al., with his ASTR 1100 course this summer.

## Community Engagement :

- CADD hosted their Program Advisory Committee (PAC) on May 25. This is the first PAC gathering upon the CADD Department joining the FSH.
- The Physics Department, along with faculty from the School of Design, hosted a booth at the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual [Vancouver Mini Maker Faire](#) at the PNE on June 10-11. The booth included demos of the dancing fire display (Ruben's tube) and included booth staff John Carri (PHYS), Fergal Callaghan (PHYS), Takashi Sato (PHYS), Victor Martinez (Product Design) and Kulpreet Sasan (Trades).
- The Physics Department continues to be involved with the APEGBC (Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of BC) Richmond-Delta Branch. Michael

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Poon is a member-at-large with the Richmond-Delta Branch and attended the May executive meeting.

- DeAnn Bremner hosted a brewery tour and tasting for a group of Semiahmoo Secondary counselors on May 5<sup>th</sup>. The visit was organized by Betty Cunnin (HORT) and included tours by Gary Jones (HORT), Paul Richard (EPT) and Marc Guay (Faculty of Health).
- Alek Egi (Brewing) represented KPU at the Fort Langley Beer & Food Festival (FLBFF) media event held at the Fort Langley National Historic Site where organizers talked about the upcoming festival, the KPU Brewing scholarship, and announced a new collaborative beer to mark Canada's 150<sup>th</sup> as part of the Festival.
- DeAnn Bremner hosted a brewery tour and tasting for a KPU Human Resources candidate and HR Business Partner, Navneet Sidhu on May 26<sup>th</sup>. Later that afternoon, DeAnn also hosted a public tour and tasting as part of a KPU Brewing Groupon promotion.
- KPU Brewing & Brewery Operations hosted a pouring booth at the 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Vancouver Craft Beer Week (VCBW) Festival at the PNE in Vancouver, the largest craft beer festival in Western Canada, with over 100 craft breweries and cideries from across Canada and the US. 10,000 craft beer lovers attended the festival, allowing our team to promote the program to a highly targeted audience and feature some of our recent award-winning beer.
  - ⇒ Those at the booth included: Dean Betty Worobec, Alek Egi (Brewing), Michelle Molnar (Administrative Coordinator), Stuart Busch (Student Assistant), DeAnn Bremner, Bassam Nyaeme (Health Sciences), Kulpreet Sasan (Trades), Ann Moniz (Faculty of Health), Melissa Pomerleau (FSO), Diane Walsh (ACA) and Brewing students Brice Jung, Jacquie Loehndorf, Derek Kindret, Ruben Berta.
- Gary Jones (HORT) hosted the full day follow up workshop on "Langley Food Projects" where representatives from a dozen Langley City and Township food/agriculture projects for the met to co-ordinate and develop these initiatives.

**Recognition:** *(Note: Awards, recognition, publications, public presentations, reviews, media spots, general bragging)*

## Recognition and Awards:

- Tak Sato (PHYS) was elected as President of the BC Association of Physics Teachers.
- Alek Egi (Brewing) and First Year Brewing student, Ryan Jurgens spoke about the KPU Brewing program and recent US Open College Beer Competition awards on CKNW Radio Steele and Drex Show.

- The KPU Brewing and Brewery Operations Diploma program was acknowledged by Global TV's Mark Madryga who showed off his KPU growler gift during his regular weather update the morning after the KPU Foundation's annual golf tournament. [YouTube video](#)

## Presentations:

- Mike Bomford (Sustainable Agriculture) presented an encore performance of 'Cool Eats: City Slicker's Diet for a Warming Planet' for the KPU-Science World Speaker Series on May 30 at TELUS Science World. Drawing on current research in sustainable agriculture and food systems, Mike presented practical personal choices and government policy changes to help promote a just, resilient, ecologically-integrated food. Triona King (FSH Communications and Events Specialist) and Simon Chiu (FoA Communications and Events Coordinator) helped organize the event.
- Janis Matson (Horticulture) gave seminars on 'Ferns and Friends' to Van Dusen Garden guides, 'Pathways' to the Abbotsford Garden Club, and 'Plant with pizzazz and interest in the garden' for a Van Dusen Gardens Adult Education group.
- Wallapak Polaasub (ISFS) presented the paper, 'Economic Impacts of Regionalized Food System Scenarios in the Southwest British Columbia.' at The 11<sup>th</sup> National Conference of Economists in Bangkok, Thailand.
- Lee Beavington (Biology) gave an outdoor workshop on, 'Ecopsychology and education' at Earl Marriott Secondary.
- Karen Davison (Biology) gave the invited presentation on, 'Bridging the Divide: Exploring Research in Nutrition, Mental Health and Food Security' at Mental Health Symposium 2017 hosted by Virtual Ability Inc.
- Karen Davison and Nick Inglis (Biology) co-presented at The Open Text Summit hosted by BCCampus.
- Stan Kazymierchuk (Horticulture) gave presentations on 'First Green & FASD projects' at the BC Golf Superintendent Association Lower Mainland and Okanagan Meetings.

## Employee Engagement:

- Dean Betty Worobec was the Team Leader for the KPU Big Bikers at the Langley Heart and Stroke Big Bike fund and fun-raising event. The team of 28 KPU employees (faculty, staff and senior administrators) raised \$5000 for Heart and Stroke, achieving VIP Status. [Photos](#)
- Langley Campus Principal Dean Betty Worobec hosted the Welcome to Spring! Langley Campus Employee Coffee Party on May 19. Sue Marshall (FSH) and Maryam Garrecht (Finance) organized this very popular employee recognition event.

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- Many FSH faculty, staff and students presented and participated in the first KPU Teaching, Learning, Scholarship and Research Symposium, making this event a true success.
- Dean Betty Worobec and Associate Dean Joel Murray represented the FSH at the inaugural KPU Co-op Employer Appreciation Award event at KPU Richmond.
- Asiyeh Sanaei, Judy Bicep, and Allyson Rozell (MATH) attended the Changing the Culture, a mathematics education conference sponsored by the Pacific Institute of Mathematics.
- Judy Bicep and Allyson Rozell (MATH) attended several online sessions of the Teaching and Learning Conference at Vancouver Island University.
- Michael Nyenhuis (MATH) represented the FSH at the Math articulation meeting, as part of the British Columbia Committee on the Undergraduate Curriculum in Mathematics and Statistics (BCCUPMS).
- Astrid Opsetmoen (CHEM) participated in the Open Badge Forum Follow-up.
- Michelle Nakano (HORT) participated in two PD workshops: Open Education: Using Pressbooks and CADD Curriculum Development.
- Janis Matsen, Laura Bryce (HORT) and Dominic Bernard (Brewing) attend the PD workshop on group work with international students.
- Bassam Nyaeme (BIOL) attended the conference 'Acute Care for the Athletic Population'.
- Korri Thorlacius (Biology) attended the BC Bio conference held at SFU.
- Naomi Robert (ISFS) attended 'Flood or Drought: Water Resources in a Changing Climate', B.C. Institute of Agriologists Annual Convention and AGM at Abbotsford.
- Triona King attended ongoing meetings with the KPU Healthy University Initiative Employee Working Group, ongoing meetings with the KPU Orientation Planning Committee, and attended the first meeting of the KPU Website Refresh Committee where they discussed the strategy and timeline for launching the newly designed KPU.ca. She also attended the [Creating Connections 5.0 Conference](#) hosted by Westcoast Women in Engineering, Science & Technology (WWEST). Creating Connections 5.0 aimed to engage industry, the community and students in BC and the Yukon to increase awareness and participation of women and other underrepresented groups in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM). FSH also sponsored the conference.
- KPU entered a team of 25 in the [Microsemi Science Fair 5k Fun Run](#) in Vancouver on May 28. Faculty and staff from across all KPU Campuses, senior admin – Jane Fee (Vice Provost, Students), Todd Mundle (University Librarian), Diane Purvey (Dean, Faculty of Arts) and Team Captain Betty Worobec (Dean, Faculty of Science and Horticulture) and several family members joined in the fun. Temperatures got into the high 20's this day but it didn't stop Team KPU from finishing with enthusiasm! Money raised from the Fun Run goes to Science Fair Foundation BC to provide support for local, regional, Canada-wide and international science fairs. Photos: [here](#).
- Michael Poon (PHYS) attended the BCCAT Engineering Articulation meeting on May 4<sup>th</sup> at the University of Victoria. Of particular interest to the Engineering Articulation group was the election promise to fund B.C. post-secondary engineering institutions to increase the number of B.C. engineering graduates by 1000, in recognition of the shortage of domestic engineering graduates.
- Takashi Sato and Michael Poon (PHYS) attended the BCCAT Physics Articulation meeting on May 5<sup>th</sup> at Camosun College. A number of institutions were very interested in the online Physics labs being piloted at KPU by Dr. Sato.
- Takashi Sato and Michael Poon (PHYS) attended the BC Association of Physics Teachers Spring Conference and Annual General Meeting.
- Don Mathewson (PHYS) represented KPU at the 2017 Canadian Association of Physicists Congress, at Queen's University (Kingston, ON).



*Science Rendezvous participant*

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## INTERNATIONAL

### KPU Field Schools

- **Interdisciplinary Field School - Amazon, Colombia** - Another successful Amazon field school was led this May by two KPU faculty members, Lee Beavington and Farhad Dastur, and was attended by fourteen students. This field school focuses on exploring the Colombian Amazon through an interdisciplinary lens that included Design, Arts and Science perspectives. Students and faculty had the chance to interact with local indigenous communities within the area. For more information and photos taken during the field school, please visit KPU student (and recipient of KPU's Social Media Exchange Scholarship) Morgan Ard 's field school updates: [Morgan Ard's travel blog](#).
- **Fine Arts Field School – Paris & Kassel** - Eighteen students and two Arts faculty members, Dorothy Barenscott and Elizabeth Barnes, are currently in Paris for KPU's Fine Arts Field School. This two-week field school focuses on the shared themes of urban visual culture, the Impressionists, and the emergence of modernism in art. This field school includes taking our students to Kassel, Germany where they will be participating in Documenta 14 - the world's most prestigious contemporary art exhibition, held once every five years. For more information and photos being taken during the field school, please visit [Dorothy Barenscott's Instagram account](#).
- **KPU-Partner University Field Schools/Summer Schools - KPU & University College of Northern Denmark (UCN)** - KPU International is collaborating with the School of Business and the Faculty of Health in creating a program that will welcome 20 students and 1 faculty member from our KPU partner, the University College of Northern Denmark (UCN), this September. Students from UCN and KPU will spend two weeks on a case study that explores the possibilities of keeping seniors with dementia in their own homes longer. The two-week program will include lectures from both UCN and KPU faculty members as well as industry visits and culture-focused day trips. All students will receive a joint (informal) certificate from UCN and KPU for participating in the program.
- **Other Partner University Field Schools/Summer Schools** - Next month, three KPU business students are participating in summer schools which are being offered at two partner institutions in Europe. These partner institutions are the Munich University of Applied Sciences, and the University of Applied Sciences and Arts Northwestern Switzerland (Basel). KPU International and the School of Business teamed up to offer each student CAD \$ 1,000 towards the experience.

### KPU Student Mobility

- **KPU & Metropolia University of Applied Sciences** - KPU International, together with our Finnish partner, Metropolia University of Applied Sciences (MUA), has recently secured another two additional years' worth of funding through the European Erasmus+ Program. Over CAD \$ 20,000 of funding will be used to encourage international mobility for staff, faculty and students from both institutions. KPU Business instructor, Shoaib Nasir, attended MUAS's International Project Week last month where he led a case study for the Finnish Red Cross. Shoaib was the first KPU faculty member to receive funding from MUAS as part of our original application to Erasmus+ back in 2016. KPU International Exchange Coordinator, Alex Leach, is currently at MUAS as part of their International Staff Week and KPU student Savis Irandoost will be using her EUR 5,070 scholarship to help fund her study abroad experience to MUAS this fall.
- **Global Buddy Program** - KPU International is about to launch its Global Buddy Program for new incoming international exchange students this fall. The program will involve the pairing up of current KPU students with incoming exchange students from KPU partner universities around the world.

### Internationalization at Home

- KPU International participated recently in KPU's first Teaching and Learning Symposium through a workshop and joint panel discussion called ***Hit the Road: The Everlasting Benefits of Study***. Global Engagement Manager, Zainab Al-Koubaisi, together with International Exchange Coordinator Velia Altamira, School of Business instructor Debbie Gorval, returned KPU study abroad student Matthew Wollin, and current incoming exchange student, Luise Middel, participated in this panel discussion. The goal of the workshop was to increase interest and promote the value of studying abroad, with a particular focus on the link between studying abroad and employability upon graduation. The event was well attended by KPU leadership, faculty, staff and students.

### Maple Leaf Education North America & KPU Partnership

- The lease and services agreement between KPU and Maple Leaf Education North America (MLENA) was approved by KPU's Board of Governors on May 24<sup>th</sup>. We are now awaiting final approval from the Ministry of Advanced Education. As soon as approval is obtained from the Ministry, KPU and MLENA will proceed with signing the lease agreement. KPU International is working closely with HR and other internal stakeholders to ensure the University community is kept updated in regards to this partnership and follow-up consultations are being planned for later this month.

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## International Applications—Update for Fall 2017

- We continue to experience significant interest from potential new students as reflected in the significant growth in our applications every academic year. The number of new international applications has doubled from 1,355 in Fall 2016 to 2,721 in Fall 2017, which represents a 101% increase year-on-year (yoy). The number of offer letters that we provided to qualified applicants (who have met KPU's admission standards and submitted all required documents) has also more than doubled from 652 in Fall 2016 to 1,438 in Fall 2017 (+121% yoy). As of Fall 2017, we have made offers of admissions to 53% of all international applicants.

## International Student Diversification

- KPU International regularly monitors the citizenship data of international students to better understand our demographics. Since Spring 2017, India has taken over China as the top sending country for international students. This is in line with the overall trend in international education with the strong growth in the Indian market and the slowing down of the market in China.
- To diversify our student profile, we are actively developing robust partnerships such as 2+2 articulation programs and K-12 cooperation with universities, schools and related organizations in emerging markets. With two Global Development Managers who have just recently been hired, we expect to reinforce this approach and receive more students through the partnership development.
- Below is a breakdown of KPU International students for the last three semesters by country of origin

## International Student Marketing and Recruitment Efforts

- We are currently in the planning stages for the recruitment events for second half of 2017. Upcoming recruitment trips are planned for India, China, Africa, Latin

America and the Middle East. Further information will be provided as we complete each of these marketing events over the next few months.

## Emerging Markets Update

KPU International continues to enhance our diversification efforts through new market development. Some of our new markets and related efforts are as follows:

- Philippines** - In consultation with Colleges and Institutes Canada (CICan), the immigration section of the Embassy of Canada in the Philippines has agreed to implement a fast track program to streamline the study permit application process for post-secondary students from the Philippines. This program is similar to other study visa fast track programs in Vietnam, China and India that KPU participates in. The benefit to KPU participating in programs such as this is that the student must be well prepared financially and academically to meet the criteria of the program. As a result of this announcement KPU participated in a recruitment event in the Philippines immediately after the announcement of the program. We will continue to focus on marketing and recruitment efforts in the Philippines to capture the growing interest this market has to study in Canada.
- Vietnam** - We continue to focus our efforts to build our market presence in Vietnam. We recently attended a number of recruitment fairs and agent recruitment events in the region. KPU staff hosted an event in Ho Chi Minh City for our new agents in Vietnam. During this half day event we introduced them to KPU staff and provided training on KPU programs and admission requirements.
- Middle East** - KPU International has recently hired a new Recruitment and Admissions Coordinator for the Middle East who is originally from Iraq and is fluent in Arabic. Events are being planned to work with our growing network of agents from Lebanon, Jordan, Saudi Arabia and the Gulf region.

## Top 10 Sending Countries by Number of International Students

Fall 2016			Spring 2017			Summer 2017		
China	775	40%	India	1,112	49%	India	1,101	56%
India	759	39%	China	752	33%	China	555	28%
Saudi Arabia	99	5%	Saudi Arabia	102	5%	Saudi Arabia	69	4%
Hong Kong	50	3%	Hong Kong	44	2%	Hong Kong	40	2%
Taiwan	37	2%	Taiwan	36	2%	Taiwan	20	1%
Viet Nam	24	1%	Viet Nam	22	1%	Viet Nam	17	1%
Korea, South	18	1%	Pakistan	19	1%	Pakistan	16	1%
Pakistan	17	1%	Korea, South	17	1%	Nigeria	12	1%
Brazil	14	1%	Philippines	13	1%	Japan	7	0%
United States	14	1%	Japan	13	1%	South Korea	6	0%
Total	1,947		Total	2,265		Total	1,960	

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## SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

### VISION 2018 Strategic Plan

- Course registration for Fall 2017 begins in early July and we anticipate the continued strong growth in international admission. Given the major renovation and construction projects classroom and lab space is at a premium for fall term. This will be a constraint on our ability to respond to escalating demand. As international students cannot use online courses to meet their student visa requirements, we are implementing a pilot project for “blended” courses. In so doing we are able to double the use of some classrooms and respond to the increasing demand. Faculty participating in this pilot project will be part of a peer based action learning support group for which we hope to be able to support with 25% time release for a faculty champion.
- Lesley McCannell, has been a faculty champion for curricular and support services for all students and faculty. Through her work the faculty and students recognize that KPU builds upon the strengths that all parties bring to a vibrant global business education environment. Since the beginning of the Summer 2017 term we have had a faculty peer support task force emerge with nine very active members, research on how to better meet the needs of international students for orientation and support is underway, and four faculty members attended the BCIE conference to meet with colleagues from other institutions to identify best practices.
- The faculty champions and the respective faculty peer groups will work closely with Dr. Stephanie Chu, Vice Provost Teaching and Learning, to ensure that faculty experience is captured and disseminated to other faculty.

### Education Quality:

- Six different programs are in various stages of program review, Faculty are developing the Program Learning Outcomes and the related metrics and rubrics for each credential. These feed into the work of the School of Business Standing Committee on Education Quality and to all the preparatory work for our upcoming accreditation assessment year.
- The May 15<sup>th</sup> workshop “Internationalization and Managing the intercultural classroom” organized by Dr. Stephanie Chu was heavily attend by the School of Business Faculty.

### Students:

- Coop students, Associate Deans Stephanie Howes, and Dr. Luis Villalba and Dean Wayne Tebb joined the Coop faculty and many coop employers for the Employer Appreciation Awards night at the Melville Centre,

Richmond campus in mid-May. The following comment from one of the coop students illustrates the value of the experiential learning opportunity that Coop provides:

*I was able to work on a large project that took several weeks to complete, and involved a great deal of analysis. The final project was reviewed by the entire upper management team, and they asked me several follow-up questions that I need to answer in a professional manner. I was interviewed by the President and the Vice- President of the company. The project ended up providing the support that was needed in order for the company to receive a large rebate from a supplier. The rebate was over \$40,000 in savings for the company.*

- Deborah Carmichael, former Business Manager of the School of Business, now in her new position as a Team Lead in Human Resources with the Provincial Health Services Authority sent us the following email which highlights both the coop program and KPU coop students:

*I just had the most wonderful 1:1 with the Executive Director of PHSA's Psych Health & Safety. He couldn't say enough about Leanne MacKenzie and the co-op students at KPU. He said after interviewing a number of candidates, KPU business students - -especially those in the HRMT program - - stood far and above all other candidates!*

### New Initiatives:

The School of Business hosted the 3<sup>rd</sup> Bi-Annual Symposium on Cyber Security and Digital Forensics on May 26th in the Melville Centre, Richmond Campus. Over 80 students and industry professionals attended. Dr. Mandeep Pannu organized an impressive line-up of speakers including:

- Alex Loffler, Principal Security Architect, TELUS
- Ben Hitchcock, "E" Division Integrated Technological Crime Unit, RCMP
- David Izzard, Architecture and Cyber Security Manager, City of Surrey
- Dr. Barry Cartwright, Faculty, School of Criminology, SFU
- Les Wray, Detective, Organized Crime Section, Criminal Intelligence Unit, VPD
- Amiran Alavidze, Senior Manager, IT Security, Sierra Wireless
- Megan Griffith, NSERC-Pacific Natural Science and Engineering Research Council of Canada
- Raul Alvarez, Senior Security Researcher, Fortinet
- Robert Ball, Manager, Network Operations, KPU
- Roberto Salgado, Chief Technical Officer, Websec
- Dan Harris, Faculty, Department of Computer Information Systems, UFV

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## Community Engagement:

- May 21<sup>ST</sup>, 2017, Dean Wayne Tebb was a panelist at “The Belt and Road North America Forum”. The forum featured keynote speeches by Consul General Fei Liu, Consulate-General of PRC, Dr. Yves Tiberghien, director of the Institute of Asian Research, UBC and Peng Wu, Research Fellow of the China Center for International Economic Exchange. The focus of the panel discussion was “Does China’s Belt and Road initiative provide opportunities, or pose a threat to the Canadian Economy?”
- On June 7<sup>th</sup> the Dean attended a dinner hosted by Consul General of Pakistan, Dr. Muhammad Tariq, in honour of Ms Asma Jehangir, Human Rights Activist and former President of the Supreme Court of Pakistan Bar Association.
- June 15<sup>th</sup> the Dean participated in the Manufacturing Subcommittee of the Surrey Board of Trade discussions regarding the upcoming fall awards for Innovator of the Year.
- The Advisory Committees for Accounting, May 23<sup>rd</sup> and Business Management and Entrepreneurial Leadership, June 12<sup>th</sup> met.

## Recognition:

- We are pleased to confirm that Stephanie Howes has been appointed as Associate Dean in the School of Business. Stephanie came to the School of Business as Interim Business Manager in January.
- Congratulations to Deborah Carmichael, upon her career enhancing appointment to senior HR position with the Provincial Health Services Authority. Deborah made incredible contributions to KPU as a Labour Relations specialist within HR and as Business Manager of the School of Business. She will be missed.



- The School of Business is also very pleased to announce that Travis Higo has been hired as the Divisional Business Manager. Travis graduated in 2007 with a BBA in Entrepreneurial Leadership. He subsequently completed his MBA and has worked for several years with Purdy’s Chocolates and Best Buy. In November he joined the School of Business as Project Manager to launch the new post baccalaureate and graduate diplomas.
- We are also pleased to welcome to new staff to the School of Business Office: Andre Lafreniere, Assistant to the Associate Deans and Heidi Rahnumah, Project Manager for the new grad diplomas.
- Ron Messer had two recent articles published:
  - \* Messer, Ron, “Budgets and Other Lies: Evidence of Bias in Financial Planning”, *Business Horizons*, Summer 2017, Vol. 60, No 4, pp. 447-453.
  - \* Messer, Ron. "Risky Business: Using Enterprise Risk Management at an Airport." *Journal of Airport Management*, Spring 2017, Vol. 11, No 2, pp. 202 - 213.
- John Shepherd recently completed a case study “The Leaning Tower of Pizza: A Business Start-up” which he expects to be published in the near future.
- Chamkaur Cheema was awarded the Spirit of Destination Imagination Award at their annual conference in Knoxville, TN for his work supporting Destination Imagination and its initiatives in Canada.

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## STUDENT SERVICES

### Students:

#### Record-breaking New Student Orientation makes Engagement More Likely

The 2017 Summer New Student Orientation was hosted in early May by KPU Orientation & Transitions with assistance from KPU International. Over 46% of students newly admitted this term attended. With a record-breaking crowd of 350 students, the Orientation team ramped up the programming beyond the scope of previous, smaller summer events, adding an information fair for students to interact with KPU departments, representatives of the KSA programs, and student clubs.

All students stated in their survey responses that they:

- Will recommend Orientation to other students
- Understand what KPU resources are available to them and will seek help if needed
- Will get involved in campus activities
- Feel welcomed and comfortable at KPU

#### First Faculty Engagement Sessions to be offered at Fall 2017 Orientation

An Orientation Planning Committee was created in April of this year, consisting of representatives from Faculties, the Orientation & Transitions department, KPU International, and other stakeholders involved in student transitions at KPU. The Committee has been tasked with creating a cohesive Orientation Day to inform and support new students and, for the first time, provide the opportunity to connect with faculty and instructors before the start of classes. These student engagement efforts are intended to enhance campus life and culture, building stronger campus community connections earlier in the semester to facilitate an easier transition during the critical first four to six weeks of their KPU experience.

#### Fall 2017 Major Entrance Scholarships Awarded

- 17 new students have been awarded major entrance scholarships
- 12 students are receiving Merit or Aboriginal Entrance Scholarships, valued at \$5,000 each
- 4 students are receiving President's Scholarships, valued at \$20,000 each

#### Spring Convocation

May 30–June 2 saw KPU celebrate our students' successes during the Spring 2017 Convocation. KPU Surrey hosted seven ceremonies, with over 1,000 graduates in attendance—KPU's largest convocation turnout to date. Convocation is a true example of collaboration, with over 120 employees from academic and service units representing staff, faculty, and administration working together to ensure a memorable week for our graduates and their families. Planning for KPU's next

convocation is already underway with ceremonies scheduled from October 4–6. Details are available at [kpu.ca/convocation](http://kpu.ca/convocation)

#### Largest Co-op Growth in all of BC

KPU Co-operative Education saw more than 135 placements for the summer semester, complementing the largest percentage increase in co-op placements year-over-year (2015/16 vs. 2016/17 - summer, fall, spring) compared to all post-secondary institutions in B.C. This growth is thanks in part to some new employers recently welcomed into the KPU co-op program, including:

- Abbotsford International Airport
- Surrey Honda
- Landmark Cinemas
- Langley Concrete Group

#### Getting Students Job-ready

Career Services has been keeping busy with in-class workshops, delivery of resumé, cover letter, and interview workshops in the Access Programs for People with Disabilities (APPD) and Health Unit Coordinator (HUC) programs, and training human resources students to prepare them to host peer-to-peer drop-in sessions.

The *Career Connection* online job posting system continues to grow, with 8,113 registered employers (an increase of 155 employers over the last three months) and 12,132 students (an increase of 1,200 students in the same time frame).

#### Supporting Student Needs

In providing ongoing confidential support for students, through May and June, Counselling Services responded to 14 early alert referrals, and identified five common reasons students sought counselling:

- Anxiety
- Depression
- Family problems
- Relationship issues
- Loneliness

Tea and Treats is an ongoing interactive gathering hosted by Counselling Services to help international students develop strategies to thrive at KPU. Held at both KPU Richmond and KPU Surrey, attendance and interest have seen recent increases.

Counselling Services also facilitated a recent workshop for twelve international students on the subject of cultural shock.

The most prevalent issues addressed by the Office of Student Risk and Judicial Affairs through the Student Conduct (non-academic) policy in May and June include:

- Fraud
- Bullying
- Harassment
- Public urination



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- Disruptions to the learning environment
- Misuse of technology

The number of cases referred to the Behavioural Intervention Team (BIT) rose again this period, as did the severity of each case. The most prevalent issues addressed in May and June were all related to students' mental health and well-being.

The KPU Multi-faith Centre is actively engaged in recruiting new chaplains to the group that better represent the diversity of our student body.

## New Programs, Policies and Initiatives:

### Personal Training to Improve Mental Health

Wellness in Action is an exciting new initiative underway between the departments of Counselling Services and Sport and Recreation. Students referred by their counsellor are offered physical and mental health strategies, delivered in a one-on-one personalized training program by KPU fitness instructors, to help decrease symptoms of depression and anxiety.

### Recruiting Student Volunteers – Working for KPU

In May, Career and Volunteer Services hosted a mini hiring and recruiting fair for on-campus positions. Both Academic Advising and the Future Students Office hired new student employees, while Orientation & Transitions, KPU International, and Career and Volunteer Services recruited new volunteers for key initiatives.

Career and Volunteer Services is recruiting students for a new team: Career and Volunteer Ambassadors. These students will be trained to host career and volunteer workshops on campus for their peers as well as represent the department at campus and community events.

For the first time ever, the student Work Study program was extended into the summer semester, with seven on-campus employers taking advantage of this opportunity to employ students in KPU departments. Going forward, Work Study funding and positions will be available every semester.

### DegreeWorks Update

The DegreeWorks Implementation Team has moved into the testing phase of the project. All of the configuration and data coding that has occurred to date has been extensively tested throughout May and June. The next phase will include localization, which will involve customizing the product to KPU's latest brand standards. The project plan remains on track with the implementation team working towards an internal soft launch of the degree audit functionality this fall, followed by the rollout of the transfer equivalency and student education planner components in 2018.



## Community Engagement:

### Student Services-hosted Events

Co-operative Education hosted the first ever employer recognition and awards event to honour their many employer partnerships and present the inaugural Co-op Employer Appreciation Awards to the following organizations:

- Canada Boarder Services Agency
- Information Technology Department at KPU
- Options Community Services
- Ritchie Bros Auctioneers
- Sierra Wireless

Finally, the Co-op Employer of the Year Award was presented to Canada Revenue Agency for their outstanding support of KPU's co-op program.

In Counselling, faculty traveled to Denver, Colo. to present on dyadic attunement to peers at an international counselling conference.

### Student Services in the Community

Co-op or Career Services representatives attended the following employer or community events with the aim of developing co-op and employment opportunities for students:

Date	Employer	Event	Employer Engagement Activity
May 5	Surrey Board of Trade	Industry City Bus Tour	Networked with employers at KPU Tech campus
May 17	KPU Foundation	KPU Foundation Golf Tournament	Hosted a table near registration to engage potential employers
June 1	Surrey Board of Trade	Golf Tournament – 'Fun in the Sun Networking Golf Tournament'	KPU Co-op hosted hole #18 to engage potential employers
June 2	LMRI	2017 Labour Market Industry Conference	Networked with various employer representatives
June 7	Surrey Board of Trade	Business in the City - Networking	Breakfast networking with Board of Trade members & welcoming new members
June 8	KPU Alumni Association	Alumni Brew Night	Networking with alumni/employers
June 22	Richmond Chamber	Golf Tournament	KPU Co-op hosted one hole, attending to engage potential employers

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April–June have been active months for volunteering. Volunteers supported KPU initiatives such as Aboriginal Open House as tour guides and event support, and the Foundation’s Golf Tournament as decorators, registration, and on-course support. Off-campus volunteer activities included assisting at the Surrey Children’s Festival and conducting student interviews at Tamanawis, Semiahmoo, and L.A. Matheson high schools. These activities made for volunteer contributions in of 258 hours in April, 488 hours in May, and 11 hours in June to date, for a total of 757 hours of support.



### Recognition:

**Director of Services for Students with Disabilities, Ruth Fraser**

Attended AHEAD’s (Association of Higher Education and Disability, USA) first Master Class on System Change: Advanced Advocacy for Access and Inclusion, focusing on leading institutions in adopting a social justice view of disability.



### People Updates

- **Mr. Se-Youn Moon** was welcomed as the KPU Multi-faith Centre’s newest chaplain. Se-Youn is from the Tapestry Christian Reformed Church in Richmond and will be at KPU Richmond on Tuesdays.
- **Mollie McAllister** joined Services for Students with Disabilities as the new Disability Advisor at the KPU Richmond. Mollie has a bachelor of arts from UBC and worked in the Access and Diversity Office there. She has experience supporting accommodation planning for students experiencing barriers to access and participation, and is well-versed in accommodation processes, communications, and confidentiality. Mollie brings experience with improving the university experience for students on the Autism spectrum and has led projects that focus on helping hear the voices of those facing disability-related barriers. She is currently involved in research for the Accessibility Community of Practice of CACUSS.

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## TEACHING & LEARNING COMMONS AND OFFICE OF RESEARCH & SCHOLARSHIP COLLABORATIONS

### KPU's 1st Teaching, Learning, Scholarship & Research Symposium (June 7 to 9, Surrey & field trips)

Compared to Symposiums at other institutions, KPU's first with 200 registrants was impressive. From June 7 to 9, our expected numbers were 116, 155, and 110, respectively. Though the majority of attendees were KPU Community Members, we also shared our experiences and expertise with colleagues from Capilano, UBC, SFU, BCIT and Emily Carr.

The Symposium started with a warm welcome by KPU's Elder in Residence, Lekeyten, Dr. Ferreras (Provost & VP, Academic) and Dr. Chu (Vice Provost Teaching & Learning and Interim AVPR), followed by a thought-provoking and audience engaging plenary by Alex Usher on, "Polytechnic education & skills for the future."

A wide range of engaging sessions were offered from research/scholarship presentations, interactive workshops, hands-on workshops, panels, poster sessions, roundtables, human library, field trips, lightning round, silent presentation, campfire chat and fishbowl. KPU community members and external partners resulted in 102 facilitators/presenters from *across every Faculty and several service units*, and included faculty, staff, students, and administrators. Many were intra/inter-departmental/Faculty collaborations.

Special thanks to members of the Symposium Planning Committee which included faculty and staff representatives from across the University and the Office of Research & Scholarship (C. Parlee, Symposium Coordinator) and Teaching & Learning Commons.

- See the Program overview: <http://bit.ly/2q90x5x> for the wide range of sessions and KPU contributors.
- Detailed information including members of the Symposium Planning Committee: <https://www.kpu.ca/teaching-and-learning/tlr-symposium>
- Full program with welcomes, abstracts & bios: <http://bit.ly/2qoVGgE>

## TEACHING & LEARNING

### Past Events & Opportunities for KPU Community Members:

- **Kaltura Meets Moodle** (May 15-18, Surrey/Richmond/Langley/Tech, 22 participants across four campuses). Meg Goodine, Manager of Learning Technology, conducted information sessions at each of the four campuses focused on the May 8th launch of integrating Moodle and Kaltura, KPU's new video repository database. These sessions demonstrated the new Moodle/Kaltura features and how to manage the backup and restore process each semester.
- **Facilitating Group Work and Participation in Intercultural/Multicultural/Diverse Classrooms** (May 15, Surrey, Morning Session: 41 participants, Afternoon Session: 27 participants). Dr. Nanda Dimitrov and Aisha Haque from Western University's Teaching Support Centre offered two sessions focused on better supporting learning across cultures. The afternoon activities, in the session titled *Integrating Intercultural Learning Activities & Assessments into Your Course*, built on the information and discussion from the morning session, titled *Facilitating Group Work and Participation in Intercultural Classrooms*.
- **Learning with ePortfolios Workshop** (May 10 & 11, Surrey, 8 participants). Facilitator Lesley McCannell, faculty member from the School of Business, conducted this hands-on workshop which guides faculty through the development of their own eportfolios and through the process of introducing eportfolio learning to their students. Day one focused on the technology used for eportfolios while day two focused on student eportfolios.
- **Kaltura meets Moodle & ISWs** are also coming up this summer. For more upcoming opportunities see: <http://www.kpu.ca/teaching-and-learning/events>

### Vice-Provost, Teaching & Learning Activities

- **May 16:** Participated in a brainstorming session on Open Badges and how they can be incorporated at KPU.
- **May 16:** Met with D2L CEO, John Baker, for a one-on-one meeting alongside KPU's Chief Information Officer. Also attended an event hosted by John Baker with other education leaders focused on how technology can impact education in the region.
- **May 17:** Attended the *SFU 16th Annual Symposium on Teaching and Learning*.
- **May 29:** Attended the *Future of the Trades – Trades of the Future Summit* in Winnipeg. **May 30:** Attended Convocation ceremony for School of Business.
- **May 31 – June 2:** Attended BCTLC spring meeting & participated in the *Education by Design: ETUG Spring Jam 2017* hosted by BCcampus in Kelowna.
- **June 6:** Officially joined and attended the Senate Standing Committee on Tributes (SSCT).
- **June 7 – 9:** Hosted and attending KPU's 1st Teaching, Learning, Scholarship & Research Symposium.
- **June 13:** Participated in KPU's Canada 150 community photo.
- **Ongoing:** Internal KPU committees, EDC Executive, BCTLC Executive, Vice Provost Teaching & Learning Committee.
- **Current priorities:** Teaching & Learning Survey to KPU educators & review of IT Survey to students & faculty to

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inform the development of KPU's T&L Strategy and Plan; contributing to the Faculty Performance Evaluation guide; K-12 changes and KPU's next steps; planning orientation to T&L for new faculty; and hiring Educational Developers (general & for Trades).

## Learning Technology:

- **May 23** – KPU Media Kick-off meeting: Met with department and service areas interested in using the Kaltura public facing video portal. Interest was expressed from Library, Marketing, Music, ORS, and Open Education. We will work with these areas to develop procedures and best practices for organizing and managing video content on the portal.
- **Moodle Consultations:** Drop-in support for Moodle will continue through the summer semester. *Introduction to Moodle* workshops will be scheduled for late August

## Teaching Fellows:

**Learning Outcomes:** Dr. David Burns

- Consultation with Educational Studies faculty member regarding the setting of “challenge” outcomes beyond normal course outcomes.
- Creation of a map of all learning outcomes and eSkills in the BSc Major in Biology
- Creation and delivery of a professional development workshop on collaborative outcomes for Health Foundations (presented at Langley Campus).
- Consultation with CO-OP, regarding outcomes for co-curricular competencies.
- Consultation regarding program level outcomes for the BSC Framework.
- Creation of a learning outcomes map for the Health Science program.
- Creation of a learning outcomes map for the ENTR program.
- Created a video with Golden, Lewis, Oliver & Karjala for presentation, “Portfolios vs. Letter Grades” for the Symposium.

**Open Studies:** Dr. Rajiv Jhangiani

- Presented at the Faculty of Arts AGM about KPU's open education initiatives on May 4 (~50 attendees)
- Met with individual faculty members to provide support for OER adoption on May 8
- Assisted a faculty member with completing an OER grant application on May 8
- Participated in the Canada OER monthly meeting on May 10
- Distributed open textbook guides to 10 department

chairs on May 11

- Gave an invited talk to the Psychology Department at Ohio State University on May 15 (35 attendees)
- Gave a featured talk at the Innovate Conference at Ohio State University on May 16 (~900 attendees)
- Participated in the Canadian Roundtable for Academic Materials (CRAM) meeting in Ottawa on May 17 (~50 attendees)
- Analyzed KPU's OER adoption patterns within departments
- Mapped KPU's existing OER adopting courses onto our all of KPU's 1 and 2 year programs to determine possible Z-Cred (zero textbook cost degree) pathways (May 19-21)
- Drafted a grant application to BCcampus for funding to support the development of KPU's first Z-Cred (May 21-June 12)
- Gave two research presentations and one presentation about the KPU-OERu partnership at the 2017 Open Textbook Summit (May 24-25)
- Gave the keynote address at the Ed Tech Showcase at Vancouver Community College on May 29 (50 attendees)
- Gave the keynote address at the 2017 Academic Technology Institute Conference for the University System of New Hampshire in Plymouth, New Hampshire on May 31 (300 attendees)
- Gave the keynote address at an open education event at Roger Williams University in Bristol, Rhode Island on June 2 (60 attendees)
- Gave the keynote address at the Showcase 2017 event at the Southern Alberta Institute of Technology in Calgary on June 6 (300 attendees)
- Gave the keynote address at the Ontario OER Librarians event at Centennial College in Toronto on June 8 (100 attendees)
- Gave an invited talk at the annual convention of the Canadian Psychological Association in Toronto on June 8 (45 attendees)
- Met with co-chair of Accounting department to discuss OER adoption, adaptation, creation on June 12

**Experiential Learning:** Dr. Larissa Petrillo

- Full involvement with KPU's Teaching, Learning and Research Symposium, June 7-9<sup>th</sup> on organizing committee, co- presenter on a number of experiential learning sessions, as individual presenter on Experiential Learning Guidebook sessions, and as the tour lead for

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the Bus Tour to Cloverdale and Langley campuses.

- Facilitating dialogue and networking among KPU faculty interested in experiential learning to the degree that nearly half of the approximate 50 sessions at KPU's Teaching, Learning and Research Symposium focused on experiential learning.
- Circulation of next iteration of the KPU Experiential Learning website content to Deans for review.
- Attendance at the Better Together Conference, the inaugural joint conference of Association for Co-operative Education BC/Yukon (ACE), Canadian Association of Career Educators & Employers (CACEE), Canadian Association for Co-operative Education (CAFCE).
- Visit to Co-op's Department meeting to further promote collaboration among Work-Integrated Learning and Experiential Learning.
- Interim Report for Creative Capital Fund with continued coordination of Experiential Learning student assistant who attended the KPU Teaching, Learning and Research Symposium.
- Follow-up with Coro Strandberg regarding KPU's inclusion in the J. W. McConnell Family Foundation's RECODE Report, "Maximizing the Capacities of Advanced Education Institutions to Build Social Infrastructure for Canadian Communities," April, 2017
- Follow-up with Faculty of Trades and Technology, Horticulture Program and Brewing and Brewery Operations for their hosting of the tours to KPU's Cloverdale and Langley campuses.

### RESEARCH

- **ORS Restructuring:** The Provost is working on a definition of research to inform ORS' restructuring and related directions. Dr. Chu continues as Interim AVPR and to assist the Provost with restructuring ORS to better support KPU researchers and address issues raised in the recent audit. She has enlisted Ms. Jerri-Lynn Cameron to aid the restructuring. Ms. Cameron will be on site June 16 to June 30 to review ORS operations and administration, meet with key stakeholders and provide recommendations for improvements.

### Activities

- A CFI grant application was submitted on May 15th on behalf of Paul Adam's project titled, *Genomic and Metabolomic Approaches to Improve Farming and Human Health*. The total project amount is \$850,000 with 40% requested from CFI.
- REB Meeting with a full agenda took place on May 26th.
- Website improvements continue.
- Assistance is continually provided for communication requirements from grant funders.
- Olen Vanderleeden attended the research meeting at Polytechnics Canada in Edmonton in S. Chu's stead.

### Interim Associate Vice President, Research Activities

- Ongoing consultations with KPU researchers on their projects.
- Committee Participation on BCARIN Steering Committee, AWURD, Research Impact Canada (RIC) Governance Committee and Polytechnics Canada research group.
- Enlisted J-L Cameron's assistance.



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## TRADES AND TECHNOLOGY

### Student Recognition:

Collaboration between four programs, two high schools, and two post secondary's

Last week Dean Brian Haugen attended the celebration for our ACE-IT high school programs in Surrey. The students along with their teachers follow the KPU Carpentry curriculum and work with KPU CADD high school students to design and build small buildings for customers. Craig Tessier, career facilitator for the district says that 'employers are waiting to hire everyone in the class, we have more employers than students'. Jonathan Powell, from Frank Hurt Secondary, and Jerry Schouten from Guilford Park are the teachers. Schouten said that the students "appreciate the real life of working with multi-trades" he went on to say that "we also support and work well with Jonathan and the students from his school".

The district finds customers who want buildings, usually 100-300 square feet in size, and the customer meets with CADD students (this year it was a few students who take our program



in the evenings under a dual credit structure) who draw out what is wanted. In groups of four, the KPU high school students spend a semester to build a structure that can be moved by truck (or sometimes crane). Some of these students have no experience at all with the trade, so the teachers spend some time in the shop going over safety and the basics of tool use. Then it is out into the weather to build the projects.

This year the students spent a big part of the construction time working in snow and rain. This did not slow them down. One student said "it was great, like a real life experience. We would shovel snow off the project every day and get to work" he went on to say that "we were wishing the snow would stop, it did, and started to rain, and rain and rain....that is what rain gear is for..". Once the floor, walls and roof is in place the students head over to the KPU campus in Cloverdale to spend four weeks with our instructors learning other aspects of the curriculum. During this time the KPU ACE-IT high school



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plumbing class, led by Jeff Doolan comes in and installs the plumbing; this is also when the BCIT ACE-IT electrical students come in and wire the projects.

This program was highlighted at the 'best practices' sessions during the ITA Youth Day event in 2016.

The carpentry students return from their time at KPU and finish the projects. The students also select the top worker, the most helpful and skilled. All of which are recognized by prizes on the last day, along with tools supplied by industry, and most importantly jobs. In fact employers were interviewing on the celebration day and sending happy students home with the news of the start of a career in carpentry.

### Appliance Servicing

The 2016-17 Appliance Technology class has graduated; most of the students have jobs already, or great job prospects.



### Employee Engagement

Faculty from Automotive, Electrical, Plumbing and Welding attended provincial articulation meetings to discuss program curriculum updates, apprenticeship training, program standards/harmonization etc.

Faculty from Electrical, Millwright, Plumbing and Welding are involved in the revision and migration of course/program materials across all levels due to national harmonization.

A story about the KPU Farrier program was picked up by the [Surrey Now Leader](#). It featured Aaron Maida, Apprentice Farrier and KPU Program Assistant relating his experiences about being in the program and what it means to be a Farrier.

Local ranchers and riders bring their horses to KPU on a six-week rotation for regular hoof care and a new set of shoes.

KPU Tech participated in the inaugural Teaching, Learning, Scholarship & Research Symposium, sharing experiences with faculty and staff from across the institution. Demonstrating how "thought meets action" several hands-on experiences were made available with the support of our Farrier, Masonry and Appliance Servicing programs.



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## UNIVERSITY LIBRARY

Alignment with VISION 2018 Strategic Plan:

### Relevance

*Strategy: The impact of KPU's community engagement has doubled by 2018*

Three items aligned with this strategy:

- During the Langley campus Science Rendezvous event on May 13, the Library welcomed over 1,000 children and parents into the library to make bird feeders and learn about citizen science initiatives.
- Science and Horticulture Liaison Librarian Celia Brinkerhoff promoted the KPU Seed Library at two events in May; the Langley Environmental Partners Society Seedy Saturday at the Langley Demonstration Garden and at the KSA Gardens seasonal launch.
- A grade 12 History class from Princess Margaret Senior Secondary visited the Surrey campus Library for a research skills class and tour. The instructor was keen for his students to learn about the research expectations they will encounter when they move into a post-secondary educational environment. Half the students in the class indicated they are planning to attend KPU upon graduation.



*Strategy: KPU is a well-managed, integrated, and transparent organization that supports learning*

- **Faster and easier process to request a Library DVD** - Instead of filling out a detailed form to bring in a DVD from another campus, library users now only need provide their student/banner number, password and campus pickup - as with a hold for any item in the Library's general collection. DVDs have historically been high demand items and because requests for classroom use always receive priority, we did not offer this simplified hold option. However, with the growth in our streaming video collection, DVD demand for classroom use has eased, so we can now offer a more open booking procedure. This simpler hold process to bring DVDs in from other campus locations will increase ease of access to the collection for all library users. For Faculty still needing to book DVDs for classroom use, the more fulsome classroom use hold form is still available.
- **Participation in KPU's First Teaching, Learning, Scholarship and Research Symposium** - Several librarians attended KPU's first Symposium but there was greater involvement from a few showing the value of the library's participation in such events. They were: Celia Brinkerhoff sat on the Symposium Planning Committee; Design Liaison Librarian Denise Dale sat on a panel with two faculty members on the topic of "Interdisciplinarity in Experiential Projects: Ethnographic Inquiry in Fashion Design & Technology and Anthropology Curricula". Scholarly Communications Librarian Karen Meijer-Kline did a hands-on workshop entitled "What's the deal with "Open Access" publishing?"





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## WILSON SCHOOL OF DESIGN

### Students and Alumni:

- **Sam Stringer – Top 10 Vancouver Fashion Designers You Should Know:** 2016 graduate (and Program Assistant for Fashion Design), Sam Stringer was named in the Top 10 Vancouver Fashion Designers You Should Know. After her first solo show at Vancouver Fashion Week in fall 2016, she has received press from several international publications and has now been featured in this latest article by Culture Trip, along with other local emerging talent such as Alex S Yu and Sofia. Sam will be showcasing her latest collection at Vancouver Fashion Week this fall. [Click here](#) for the full Culture Trip article.



*“Sam Stringer is only 22 years old, but this emerging fashion designer has already been featured in Elle Mexico and Vogue.”*

- **Hetki / A moment by Kate Schreiner – Gray Magazine:** Another 2016 graduate (and Program Assistant for Fashion Marketing), Kate Schreiner has been featured in Gray Magazine for her slow fashion collection - [Hetki / a moment](#). Hetki is a Scandinavian inspired collection of seasonless women’s wear that focuses on timeless styles and slow and ethical fashion choices. Kate showcased her first Hetki collection at Vancouver Fashion Week last fall and has since received fantastic response, from multiple client orders to magazine features including her most recent in [Gray’s Design Awards](#) edition.



- Interior Design graduate, Divya Dias, and soon to graduate, Arfa Akhtar, were selected as two of the top 40 Interior Design Emerging Professionals from Interior Designers of Canada (IDC). They won an all expense paid trip to Toronto to attend IDC’s PROpel conference in Toronto from May 6-8, 2017. The conference titled “PROpel: What’s Your Impact?” gives emerging professional the opportunity to engage in discussions and connect with the interior design community at a national level. Divya Dias had this to say about her experience: *“Being one of the top 40 Interior Design Emerging Professionals this past weekend to win a trip to Toronto to discuss ways to improve the industry we love, was one of the most inspiring things I’ve ever had the chance to be a part of. Having a way to voice your opinion about things that matter most to you to people that can implement change is incredible. We got to tour the headquarters of Interior Designers of Canada, network with the next generation of the industry, get a tour of a community revitalization that was so important to an incredible city, and be inspired by Sen. Ratna Omidvar who spends her entire life helping society.”*
- KPU Interior Design alum, Santiago Arcila, and his good friend, Erin King, have embarked on a challenge for Canada’s 150th celebration that will support people struggling with mental illness. Their Canada150 challenge is to achieve the goal of raising \$5,000 for the Kettle Society. The society is a local organization dedicated to helping people who are struggling with mental health issues. In order to raise awareness and raise funds, Santiago and Erin will work their way across Canada where they will interview 150 people, share their stories, and perform various challenges. To find out more about the challenge you can go to their Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/150FacesCanada/> or find them on Instagram: @150FacesCanada.
- Since the end of the Spring Semester, we have also heard many exciting stories from our Fashion Marketing grads and alumni:
  - ⇒ Lisa Churko, who graduated on May 31st, started an Assistant Manager Internship at Nordstrom Vancouver.
  - ⇒ Alexis Hammer, also a graduate of this class, started as a ‘Manager in Training’ at the retail store, Free People, at Park Royal. Once training is complete, this role will turn into an Assistant Manager position.
  - ⇒ Additionally, past grad, Ali Sami, recently received a promotion from an Assistant Manager in the Accessories department to Human Resources Assistant Manager at Nordstrom Vancouver.
  - ⇒ Past graduate, Sei Campbell, has been working

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alongside Fashion Design & Technology grad, Negin, in her Vancouver-based studio. He recently launched his own fashion brand: 'START WITH THE BASIS'. His line is currently being sold on his own e-commerce site as well as in stores, including Cortex on W Pender, Brooklyn Clothing



in Yaletown, and Howard in White Rock.

- **Vancity Street Showcase:** Fashion Design third year student, Julian Botorin, and 2017 graduate, Maria Milario, were recently asked to showcase their collections of streetwear at Vancity Street on March 11<sup>th</sup> and May 25<sup>th</sup>, 2017. The event promoted a range of street/hiphop artists, dancers, designers, and stylists at a showcase at Gastown's MIA nightclub. Julian's collection of upcycled streetwear, JB Gear, was not only designed and produced by the at-the-time-2<sup>nd</sup> year student, but was also modelled by several of his fellow KPU Fashion Design students. Maria's background in hip hop dance inspired her to design a collection of streetwear with technical fabrics and elements, MUV MINT. Her models showcased the garments using hip hop dance and Maria even busted a move at the event. For full picture of the event <http://www.vancitystreet.com/>, for more information on JB

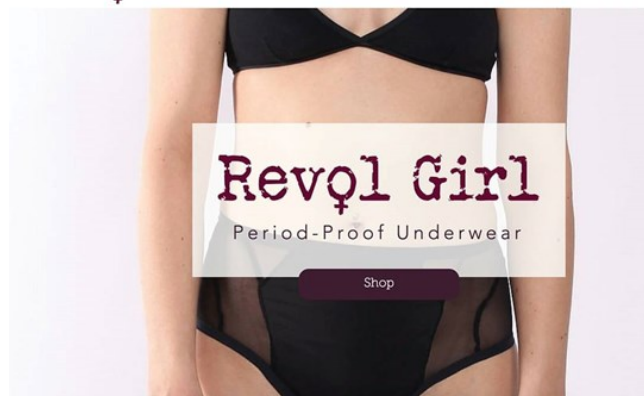


Gear, <http://jbgear.bigcartel.com/products>, and for MUV MINT <https://www.instagram.com/muvmint/>.

- **KPU Fashion & Technology Alumni Deanna Kadota and Michelle Leung launch Moonstruck:** 2015 graduates, Deanna Kadota and Michelle Leung, launched their apparel company "Moonstruck" on May 25<sup>th</sup>, 2017. The company boasts design collaborations that are "Japanese & Korean inspired streetwear for the North American moonstruck girl". The brand just launched its e-commerce site and both alumni are excited to enter the Vancouver market. Visit <http://www.moonstruckshop.com/> for full details.
- **KPU Alumni Sara Jonsdottir launches Revol Girl:** Our alumni are on a roll! 2016 graduate Sara Jonsdottir launched her collection of feminine hygiene friendly underwear on January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2017. Revol Girl, a line of period-proof underwear, uses absorbant fabric technology to make every woman feel comfortable on her period: "Revol Girl Period Proof underwear is made up of 3 carefully selected fabrics that work together to create the ultimate combination of comfort and security. Each pair of underwear can be paired with a menstrual cup or tampon on your heaviest days, then on your light to medium days you can wear the underwear on its own. After a day of

**Revol Girl**

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wearing your underwear, just toss them in the wash and reuse" <https://www.revolgirl.com/>.

- **2017 Graduates to show at Vancouver Fashion Week:** The success continues! Two of our 2017 graduates, Janine McAughren and Maya Grigoruk, and 2016 graduate and Program Assistant, Sam Stringer, will be showcasing their collections at Vancouver Fashion Week in September 2017. Janine's line of eco-sustainable hand dyed garments [Ghren](#)- aims to bring a focus to slow fashion and sustainable methods. Maya's collection of ethical and diverse travel wear [Meridian](#) designs for female travelers who wish to dress appropriately and comfortably for a variety of countries and cultures. Sam's line of custom evening gowns [Sam Stringer](#) uses luxurious details and

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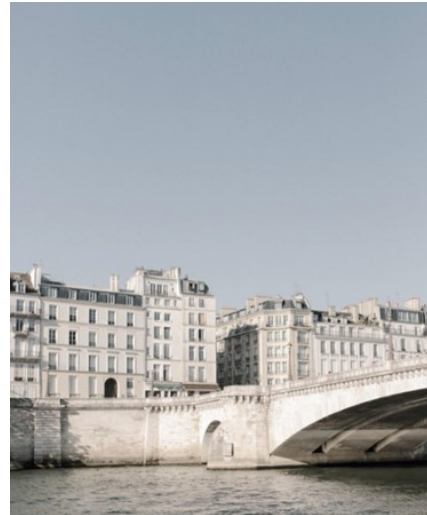


artistic elements to add value back into clothing. All 3 collections will grace the runway at Vancouver Fashion Week of September 18 to 24<sup>th</sup>, 2017; this will be Janine and Maya's first showcase and Sam's second solo show.

- **Zero Waste and Innovative Pattern Cutting Techniques:** As part of Fashion & Technology's new curriculum, fourth year students will now take Innovative Pattern Cutting, which explores contemporary and emergent sustainable apparel industry practices. In preparation for the course, faculty member, Lesley Pollard, has been working with 2017 graduate, Jasmine Estella Siu, on video tutorials regarding Zero Waste practices for the class. Jasmine's graduating collection [neu](#) focused on zero waste pattern drafting and cutting practices for a genderful market. Jasmine worked with Lesley and Program Assistant, Sam, on an informational video about the development of her collection and sustainable techniques to help further the education of the incoming FASN 4120 students.



- Past Fashion Marketing grad, Gillian Stevens, started her own editorial & lifestyle photography business. She is currently in Perche, France teaching a lifestyle photography workshop. Photos: Gillian Stevens (@Gillianstevens)



### Recognition

- Congratulations go to Dr. Victor Martinez, faculty in Product Design. His paper has been accepted for presentation at the World Design Summit being held in Montreal in October of 2017. Victor's presentation will address one of the topics at the Summit: Design for Earth - Holistic Design Solutions. His paper - How We Ended up Designing a System to Feed Cows Instead of a More Efficient Water Faucet - reflects "nine years of experience integrating complexity and systems theory" that focusses on sustainable solutions and disruptive business plans. Victor has an extensive list of presentations at highly regarded international conferences and this paper, based upon his PhD research, will most certainly resonate with the Design community.

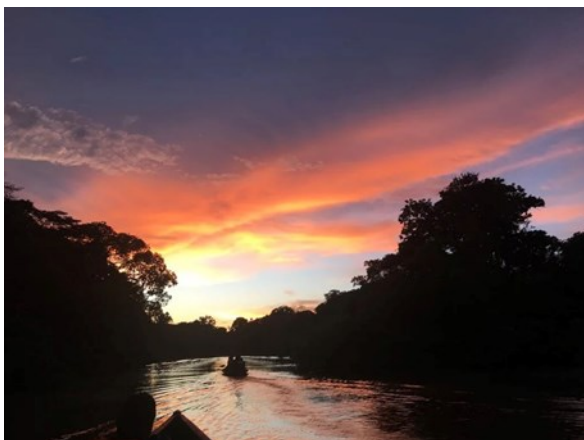
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- Erick Villagomez and Paola Gavilanez, Interior Design faculty members, have also been accepted to present at the upcoming World Design Summit & Expo in Montreal in October 2017. The first World Design Summit Meeting will be an “unprecedented moment of global unity in seeking design-driven solutions”. Erick Paola have been accepted to present a paper on “Urban Miniaturization: The Need for a Transdisciplinary Approach”. Their presentation “will describe the process of miniaturization as it relates to the built environment, contextualize it historically, and highlight relevant case studies”. This presentation arises from their winning proposal for the Edmonton Infill Design Competition, which “explored living within a 300 square foot dwelling that, ultimately, required a comprehensive transdisciplinary design approach”.

“Creating a world that is environmentally sustainable, economically viable, socially equitable and culturally diverse.”

- Marlis Joller, faculty in the Interior Design department, has been awarded a grant by the Illuminating Engineering Society to attend the 2017 IES Teachers of Lighting Workshop at The Lighting & Philips Lighting Application Center in Somerset, New Jersey from June 11th– 16<sup>th</sup>, 2017.
- Morgan Ard, first year interior design student, was awarded KPU International’s Social Media Exchange Scholarships for 2017. Morgan ventured to the Amazon through KPU’s Amazon Field School program to engage in interdisciplinary, cultural, and creative activities focused on sustainability, community development, and conservation. Morgan has documented her travel experiences in the Amazon on her social media accounts: <http://www.kpu.ca/studyabroad>



*Morgan’s paddle down the Amazon River*

### **Community and Industry Engagement:**

All design programs intersect with their external professional communities and industry on an ongoing basis. Over the past two months:

- Faculty members from the Product Design program and Applied Physics department participated in the Maker Fair Vancouver event on June 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>. They showcased students’ innovative projects and the wonderful opportunities to explore creative ideas when students study at KPU.
- Lunapads’ CEO, Madeleine Shaw, visited with the Product Design program on May 24<sup>th</sup> to discuss ways to collaborate with students and faculty. She has a special challenge for our students: to examine how they can avoid dumping their waste materials into the garbage, a challenge we all have to examine for a healthy future.
- The Technical Apparel Design program is working together with the Canadian Wheelchair Rugby Team to develop uniforms for the 2020 Paralympic Games in Tokyo. Students and faculty are currently in the early stages of the design process, but are working to have their garments ready for use before the final competitive approval date of February 2018.
- A group of second and third year Product Design students, under the supervision of Victor Martinez, are participating in the contest “Global Challenges”. Global Challenges calls for proposals for a new governing framework for a global organization to tackle humanity’s most imminent challenges.

### **Managing Risk:**

- Design’s leadership team has been working closely with Adam Jaffer on the Assessment Phase of the Enterprise Risk Management (ERM) program. Risks have been identified and ranked and the team will now work with Adam’s team on developing strategies that address these risks over the next three years.
- The Graphic Design for Marketing program hosted its third Advisory Committee meeting of the year on May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017. The committee discussed program updates, grad show feedback, a new practicum format for mentorship, and scholarships. One committee member stepped up with a substantial scholarship for students; faculty will be following up with the Office of Advancement to finalize arrangements for this generous gift.
- The Fashion & Technology program also held its third Advisory Committee meeting of the year to discuss updates arising from the recent Apparel Industry Report released by the BC Alliance on Manufacturing.
- The Fashion Marketing program is currently working with Georgia Street Media to create a short video that outlines

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what the Fashion Marketing program is and what our alumni have been up to post graduation. It will be used as a recruitment tool to promote awareness of the program and its link to industry and careers. We have been in contact with a handful of grads who have either started their own businesses or have worked their way up in local companies to talk about how Fashion Marketing has broadened their skills, allowed them to connect with the local industry, and thrive within it. We are aiming to start the filming of this short video in late June.

- A new video promoting the Graphic Design for Marketing program has been launched that focuses on the success of three alumni who are currently working in industry. The alumni featured include: Virginia-Rae Choquette (graduate of 2009), Cam Spires (graduate of 2012), and Lisa Taniguchi (graduate of 2014).
- With the assistance of representatives of our Risk, Legal, and Facilities departments, we have been able to establish rental/usage agreements for students and alumni to access Design's labs, equipment, and technical support over the summer months. We are also working to develop agreements for industry to access our highly specialized equipment and personnel when it is not being used by students for Research and Development activity.

## Employee Engagement

- On May 25, 2017, Interior Design faculty members, Joanne Crozier and Marlis Joller, found themselves back in high school when they presented to grade 12 students at Mission Secondary School. Mission Secondary students are currently taking a course in interior design and are interested in what KPU and the Interior Design degree has to offer. Joanne and Marlis spoke briefly about the profession of interior design and then launched into a short team exercise in which small groups created a collage idea board for a specific client and project type. The teams then presented their ideas to the class, and much discussion and laughs followed. The presentation wrapped up with an overview of the program including how to apply, portfolio suggestions, and what to expect as a student in design school.
- Graphic Design for Marketing faculty member, David Young, participated in an event titled: "The Value of Design: 10 Perspectives from 10 Designers" which took place at Vancouver City Hall during Vancouver Design Week(End).
- Product Design faculty member, Victor Martinez, participated in the committee organizing the KPU Teaching, Learning and Research symposium. As well, he presented at the Symposium, as did faculty members, Shirley Calla and Lucie Gagne.
- Product Design faculty member, Victor Martinez, met with Levente Orban, a faculty member from the Psychology

department and lead of the Bee Lab, to help Levente develop 3D models of bees and flowers they want to 3D print for their experiments.

- Erick Villagomez, INTERIOR DESIGN faculty member was recently profiled in Business in Vancouver's economy section. The article, published April 25, 2017, highlights Surrey's transformation of growth in tech and education. Erick is profiled as an instructor at KPU and discusses how Surrey has set a path as an emerging city that is leading the way in the Lower Mainland. To see the full article: <https://www.biv.com/article/2017/4/city-taking-reins-bc-tech-education-growth>

## International Engagement

Increasing Design students involvement in International experiences is a part of our academic plan. Two groups of students have recently completed Field School experiences:

- Led by Faculty of Arts instructor, Farhad Dastur, and School of Design instructor, Lee Beavington, students have completed the third Amazon Field School. All have returned home with new and significant understandings. In a note of thanks to our partners, Marlene and Diego Samper, at the Amazon site, Calanoa, Farhad Dastur speaks to the experience:

*I'm sure that I speak for the entire AFS 2017 team when I say that we all had a very authentic and meaningful experience at Calanoa. The project that both of you and the Calanoa staff have created in the heart of the Amazon resonates with our goals of teaching learners about the value of biological and cultural diversity. The Amazon Field School is really a grand "Learning Maloka," a space that integrates art, design, science, sustainability thinking, nature education, and indigenous perspectives in a way that transforms each participant's understanding. We are ever grateful for your optimism, your commitment to these ideals, and for your generosity of spirit. Farhad Dastur*

- Two Graphic Design for Marketing students (entering 3rd year in the fall) were part of this field school group. Chloe Fenemore and Jordan Bradley spent 2 weeks in May learning about the Calanoa Project and immersing themselves in the culture and unique environment of the Amazon.
- The Wilson School of Design Field School to Barcelona, Spain took place April 30<sup>th</sup> to May 14<sup>th</sup>. Interior Design faculty members, Paola Gavilanez and Erick Villagomez, led 19 Interior Design students on an architectural, interiors, and art adventure throughout the city of Barcelona.

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- The course was a smashing success with students demonstrating a level of engagement that surpassed all expectations. They became so excited about sketching and its importance in the processing of the built environment that they would get together voluntarily with instructors until 11:30 pm almost every night. The lounge at the Hostel was a great place to gather for impromptu evening sketching lessons. Paola and Erick saw a vast improvement in student's skill set over this time period.
- Their skills improved so much that even others started to notice. A small group of students went back to the Barcelona Cathedral to sketch and one student was approached by two tourists and asked to draw a portrait of them. She was hesitant as she'd never done such a thing before, but finally agreed. They were very happy and paid her 7 Euro! Many students reported this course was a life changing experience!
- Design's Fall 2017 applications for incoming exchange students are showing a broad range of countries represented. Incoming exchange students have applied to study in the full range of Design programs and hail from Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic, Australia, Uruguay, Finland, Brazil, and Norway. The two South American institutions represented are a result of the development of exchange agreements Dr. Davis, Stuart McIlmoyle, and Carolyn Robertson developed while visiting Uruguay and Brazil in 2015.
- Two faculty members, Stephanie Phillips and Lindsay Norris, will be traveling to Mexico this summer to finalize plans on a joint project on the Future of Sport with Industrial Design students from ITESM Queretaro in Mexico. The students from the Mexican institution will remotely connect with the students at KPU to develop a design for the Future of Sport, specifically related to caving. There will be two separate KPU cohorts involved, the 1st year Technical Apparel and 3rd year Product Design students.
- The group from ITESM Queretaro will be coming to Vancouver for the last 2 or 3 weeks of the project, and we will be engaging with industry as well as having all the students work together to complete their designs for a public presentation of the work during the 1st week of December (Date and Location TBA).
- Prior to the beginning of the semester, Stephanie and Lindsay will be visiting the International cohort at their home institution to introduce them to the methodologies that are unique to Soft Product and Apparel Development at KPU. This exciting endeavour looks to create a collaborative experience for students across KPU as well as Internationally, showcasing the specialization of design for sport in the Cascadian Innovation Corridor.



*Left to right—Carolyn Robertson, Dean, Wilson School of Design, Joanne Wong, President's Outstanding Graduate Award, Bachelor's Degree Program, Dr. Alan Davis, President and Vice Chancellor*

# Office of External Affairs

The following information is respectfully submitted on behalf of the departments in the Office of External Affairs.

## OFFICE OF ADVANCEMENT

### Golf Tournament

The KPU Foundation Golf Tournament was held on May 17 at Northview Golf and Country Club. The sold-out tournament raised a record \$61,500. This year's golf tournament not only sold out of all golfer spots, it also maximized all sponsorship opportunities, with 100 per cent of the proceeds going to support KPU student bursaries.



Mike Matsuo, KPU Foundation Chair, Steve Lewarne, Executive Director of Advancement, Dr. Alan Davis, President & Vice Chancellor, and Herb Jamieson, KPU Foundation Director and Golf Committee Chair.

### Event Attendance

Since the last Board of Governors Report, the Executive Director of Advancement has engaged in the following community events:

- May 13 – Cmolik Foundation Awards Dinner
- May 20 – Fort Langley Food and Beer Festival, hosted by Trading Post Brewery (funds from this event support the John Mitchell scholarship for Brewing & Brewery Operations at KPU)
- June 7-9 – The Canadian Council for Advancement in Education National Conference in Hamilton, Ont.

### Financials

For the fiscal year 2017/18 and since April 1, \$220,000 has been raised to date.

Since the last Board of Governor's report, \$110,000 has been raised.

The following major gifts (\$5,000 or greater) where made since the last Board Report:

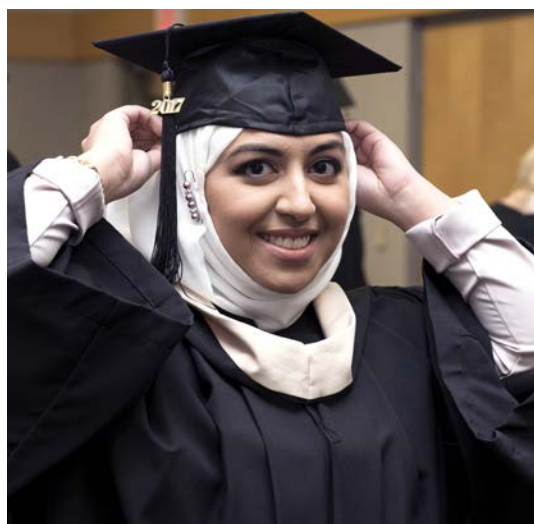
### New Major Gifts over \$5,000 since last Board Report

Donor	Gift Amount
Vancouver Foundation	\$15,800
BC Hydro	\$14,000
Veritiv Canada, Inc.	\$5,000

### Prospect Development

Several naming opportunities have been identified in the KPU Civic Plaza campus. These opportunities are being presented to KPU's current and most loyal donors first. There has been some early interest in some of the Civic Plaza inventory. This remains one of the top funding priorities for the Office of Advancement.

Early discussions have begun with Coast Capital Savings on extending the terms of the naming of the Coast Capital Savings Library. The existing agreement expires in 2018/19. Coast Capital Savings has indicated a desire to continue the name rights of the library.



# Office of External Affairs

## ALUMNI AFFAIRS

### Events and Sponsorships:

- **Student Leadership Awards** – The Alumni Affairs office planned and executed the event in partnership with the Kwantlen Student Association. Attended by 110 people which included three KPUAA directors, 11 KPU faculty/staff/admin, 16 KSA staff/guests, 18 KSA volunteers, 24 KPU student award recipients and 38 guests of students. The KPUAA Future Alumni award was presented along with other student leadership awards. This event furthers the KPUAA objective of exposing engaged future alumni to the Alumni Association prior to graduation.
- **Convocation** – KPU Alumni Association (KPUAA) board directors played a significant role at convocation, welcoming new alumni into the fold as they crossed the stage. The Alumni Affairs office hosted a photo booth and promoted their Brew Night event during the post ceremony receptions. These activities further the goal of direct engagement with our alumni to educate them about the benefits of remaining engaged with their alma mater.
- **2<sup>nd</sup> Annual KPU Alumni Brew Night** – was held at the KPU Brew Lab on June 8. About 30 alumni and guests attended. The event was hosted by the KPUAA and coordinated by the Alumni Affairs office. Guest speaker Tom Morrison is a brewer for Red Truck Beer Company and a 2016 graduate of the KPU Brewing and Brewery Operations program.
- **KPU Foundation Golf Tournament** – The KPUAA was pleased to sponsor a hole at the golf tournament on May 17, 2017. The Alumni Affairs office hosted a table on the

second hole to launch a “Lost Alumni” campaign.

- **External Community Events** – Directors of the KPUAA participate in a number of community events as ambassadors, representing KPU and the KPU Alumni Association. Upcoming:
  - ⇒ The Downtown Surrey Business Improvement Association’s Long, Long Table: A Canadian Affair event – June 27.

### Communications:

- **Alumni Newsletter**—The Alumni Affairs office published a newsletter on February 28, March 31 and Apr 28, 2017. Newsletter was sent to about 26,000 contacts with 3,100 opens representing a 12.5% open rate.
- **Alumni Benefits Card** – The Alumni Affairs office received approximately 90 requests for benefits cards since the last report. The cards and introductory letters are mailed to alumni. This year each new graduate will receive an Alumni Benefits Card in the mail.
- **Launch of affinity partnership** – The official launch for the TD insurance program took place since the last report. This includes working with the affinity partner to send out communication to KPU alumni by mail and email in May/June 2018. This is a revenue-generating partnership.
- **Social Media** – Regular posts on KPU Alumni Twitter, Facebook, and our KPU LinkedIn account have been ongoing in efforts to build our community of social media users. A digital media communications calendar and plan is under development.



*Shina Boparai providing the Alumni speech at Convocation*



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## **MARKETING AND RECRUITMENT**

### **Marketing**

Marketing Services is excited to announce a KPU transit advertising campaign beginning June 11 and running through to March 3, 2018.

Included are: advertising on buses, SkyTrain platform posters, SkyTrain exterior wraps and SkyTrain wall murals. During the campaign, 35 buses will showcase KPU ads in Vancouver, Burnaby, Richmond, Surrey/Langley and Coquitlam.

As well, 10 platform posters will be posted at Canada Line and Evergreen stations and SkyTrain wraps will be visible at Millennium, Expo and Evergreen lines. In addition, large wall murals will feature KPU advertising at Burrard, Lougheed, Stadium and King George stations.

This campaign runs for 40 weeks and the KPU brand impressions total over 129 Million throughout that period of time.

Highway digital billboard advertising is being finalized in the next month, as are radio, TV and theatre campaigns.

Digital advertising is an area that continues to grow and throughout the year, we will be utilizing a mix of Google search and display ads along with programmatic display, retargeting ads as well as the many social media platforms available to us to reach our target audiences.

### **Recruitment:**

In the past month, the recruitment team visited a number of local high schools, mostly conducting registration workshops. These on-site workshops are very valuable as our recruiters work with applicants to take them through all the next steps in the process, answer any questions as well as go through the registration process with them. Teachers and counselors comment on how much the students rely on our assistance and have been asking for more workshops but we do not have the resources to attend more at this time.

We are currently reviewing recruitment activities such as high school workshops that are time- and resource-intensive and are researching other methods of delivery such as webinars or videos where the prospect will be able to log in at a time that is convenient for them as opposed to having to be present at a specific time and place.

### **Recruitment Events:**

The Future Students' Office and the Faculty of Science and Horticulture exhibited at Playland's Education days on May 3 and 4. At this two-day event we interacted with over 4,000 high school students in grades 10-12. Both days focused on a science theme, so many students were particularly interested in Engineering and Health Science. It was a great opportunity to connect with these students to talk to them about the programs we offer at KPU. Many were not aware that we have

an Engineering First-Year Transfer or Physics for Modern Technology option.

There were a number of students who were also interested in other programs such as Business and Arts. We were impressed at the number of school districts were involved; we were also able to talk to quite a few students who had travelled from Vancouver Island just for this event. Even more, there were students who had already applied to KPU and had further questions about their program, and other options open to them.

A number of other recruitment events were attended by the Future Student's Office in the past month. From the extreme Career Fair in Langley to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Diversity Conference, the Aboriginal Student Symposium and the Invergarry Adult Education Career Fair in Surrey, there were a variety of events that reached out to approximately 10,500 individuals in our target markets of high school students, aboriginal students and mature students.

### **Campus Tours**

Requests for campus tours typically drops slightly in the summer months. As a result, we are not offering scheduled weekly tours but taking tours by request. For the month of May, we hosted a total of 10 students and eight parents on campus tours.

As mentioned above with the school workshops, the Marketing and Recruitment departments are working together to research and plan to produce a virtual tour for each campus. The idea is that the virtual tours would be posted on our website, on social media and used for many promotional purposes. With such a tool, prospective students and parents will be able to experience each campus at a time that is most convenient for them instead of having to sign up and come to the campus for a scheduled meeting with a staff member.

Another initiative we are researching and hope to implement soon is an online chat tool for prospective students to connect to recruiters outside of regular office hours. Such initiatives are essential today in this high-tech, fast-paced world we live in where instant responses are expected.



## Marketing & Recruitment Dashboard

May 1-June 1, 2017

### Domestic Applications

As of May 29, 2017

2016 Fall	2017 Fall	
6,108	5,918	<b>3.11 %</b>

### Website

<b>Total website sessions</b>	358,770	<b>18.84%</b> Year over Year (301,889)
<b>Total users (unique visitors)</b>	174,604	<b>24%</b> Year over Year (140,800)
<b>Average session duration</b>	03:33	<b>9.68%</b> Year over Year (03:14)

### Top visits by city:

<b>Surrey</b>	148,912
<b>Vancouver</b>	44,519
<b>Richmond</b>	37,582
<b>Langley</b>	22,964
<b>Burnaby</b>	10,165
<b>Delta</b>	7,822
<b>Coquitlam</b>	5,309
<b>Chandigarh*</b>	7,822

### Top Performing Campaigns by traffic:

**Generic Search Branding:** 4,797  
**KPU Post Bacc - Accounting:** 2,330  
**Medical Marijuana:** 1,017

### Visits by device type:

**Desktop:** 62%  
**Mobile and Tablet:** 38%

\*Chandigarh (the capital of the northern Indian state of Punjab).

Last year for this period we received 928 visits from that city. This is a 742% increase!

### Social Media

Total impressions of our posts on social media	<b>1,664,374</b>
Total engagements (retweets, comments, likes, shares, etc.)	<b>6,878</b>
Direct messages and public comments received across all social media platforms	<b>627</b>

**282** new followers across all social media platforms

**1.3%**

## Future Students' Office

### Future Student's Office Events

Date	Event Name	Attendance
Tuesday, May 2	Playland Education Days	2208
Wednesday, May 3	Playland Education Days	1865
Tuesday, May 9	Back in Motion's 3rd Annual Diversity Conference	200 Support Workers
Wednesday, May 10	Aboriginal Student Recruitment and Retention Symposium	100 Support Workers
Thursday, May 11	Fall Applicant Night	443
Thursday, May 11	Extreme Career Fair	2,000
Wednesday, May 17	Golf Tournament	200
Wednesday, May 17	Invergary Adult Ed Career Fair	250
Thursday, May 25	Surrey International Children's Festival (Volunteer tent)	200 Volunteers
Sunday, May 28	VegExpo, Vancouver Trade and Convention Centre	3,000+
Sunday, May 28	PMC Science Fair Fun Run	2,500

### High School Visits/Workshops

- Enver Creek Secondary
- Princess Margaret Secondary
- Holy Cross
- Queen Elizabeth
- RE Mountain
- North Delta Secondary
- Maple Ridge Secondary
- Princess Margaret & Tamanawis
- Garabaldi Secondary
- Fraser Heights Secondary
- Frank Hurt Secondary
- Semiahmoo Secondary
- Queen Elizabeth
- LA Matheson
- AR MacNeill
- Sullivan Heights
- Palmer Secondary

### High Schools with the Most Applications to Date

School Name	Fall 2017	Fall 2016
Panorama Ridge Secondary	151	160
Tamanawis Secondary	150	150
Sullivan Heights Secondary	139	142
Princess Margaret	177	117
North Delta Secondary	104	122
Enver Creek Secondary	101	141
Lord Tweedsmuir Secondary	101	91
LA Matheson Secondary	96	81
Seaquam Secondary	93	78

# Office of External Affairs *cont'd*

## COMMUNICATIONS AND MEDIA, GOVERNMENT RELATIONS, COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

### Community Engagement—Event Attendance:

- 2017 Surrey Civic Treasures Selection Panel Meeting
- KPU Employer Appreciation Event at KPU Richmond
- Retirement Party for Surrey's outgoing Manager of Arts and Culture
- KPU Foundation Golf Tournament
- Surrey Mayor Linda Hepner's annual State of the City Address
- VIP Business Reception – Surrey Children's Festival
- YWCA Women of Distinction Awards, Vancouver
- Surrey Board of Trade directors meeting and Youth Team meeting
- Kidsport board of directors meeting
- Langley Community Farmers' Market Society board of directors meeting
- Meeting with Dr. Arun Garg, Canada-India Initiatives Network
- Surrey Board of Trade Mayor's Art Awards
- Langley Community Farmers' Market Society's Gumboot Gala (with President Davis and Corry Anderson-Fennell, Manager, Media and Communications)

### Government Relations:

- Three NDP MLAs attended Convocation: Bruce Ralston, Harry Bains, Rachna Singh.
- Meeting with Cloverdale-Langley MP Jon Aldag (with President Davis)

### Media Relations:

There was substantial media interest in Daniel and Henrik Sedin receiving honorary degrees at the June 1 Convocation ceremonies, and the media and communications team devoted a great deal of time to planning and executing this to meet the needs of all stakeholders.

Media were not allowed into the Convocation ceremony, but were promptly provided with video footage and high-resolution photos afterwards. In addition, media were invited to campus to interview the Sedins after the ceremony. Half a dozen broadcasters and print journalists took advantage of that opportunity.

**The estimated reach of the media exposure from the Sedins' visit exceeded 47 million and the estimated advertising equivalent was valued at over \$440,000 (Source: Meltwater).**

### Other communications initiatives:

- Edited and offered advice to graduating students on their Convocation speeches.
- Gave alumni speech at three convocation ceremonies.

- Created in-depth media analytics reports on request for all coverage of the Cannabis Professional Series and for the 2017 Science Rendezvous.
- Select event photography.
- Social media activity on Twitter for May: 39 tweets, 799 site visits, 29,000 impression. It should be noted that Twitter activity spiked for the first week of June at 27,000 impressions due to the Sedins.
- Various media training/key message prep/response statements/ interview facilitation on these topics:
  - Commercial Beekeeping Program
  - Science Rendezvous
  - Farrier Program
  - Cannabis Professional Series
  - Brewing & Brewery Operations award wins
  - KPU Civic Plaza
  - Annual University Updates

### KPU Media Coverage—May 6—June 9

Facilitated media requests from and received coverage in *CBC, Canadian Press, Global National, Macleans, Globe & Mail, CTV, CityTV, CKNW, News 1130, Roundhouse Radio, Vancouver Sun, Province, Vancouver Courier, Metro News, Vancouver Daily Hive, Georgia Straight, Cloverdale Reporter, North Delta Reporter, Peace Arch News, Langley Times, Langley Advance, Surrey Now News Leader, Agassiz-Harrison Observer, and Chilliwack Times.*

We also received international coverage for the Sedins' honorary degrees in numerous American and Swedish media outlets including, but not limited to: NBC Sports, MSN News, *Expressen* and *Aftonbladet* (the latter two are nation-wide Swedish newspapers).

Earlier in May, a joint media release with SFU on Dr. Deborah Henderson and SFU's researchers' sustainable waste-heat technologies project was covered by international trade publications including *Hortidaily* (Netherlands) the *Grower* (Ontario), and local media.

An update on the second cohort of students in the Commercial Beekeeping program was broadcasted on *Global National, CKNW* and Blackpress TV.

The graphic below was created by our media analytic software and shows the overall media sentiment for this reporting period. The chart is an aggregate measurement that includes everything from public service announcements, which are largely considered neutral, to large news and feature pieces.

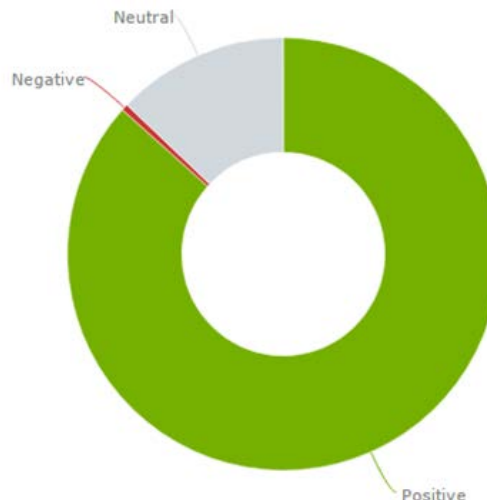
Stories exclusively about the Kwantlen Student Association in which KPU is *not* a party to the story but mentioned only because it is the host university, are also considered neutral.

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KPU distributed a total of 8 news releases:

- June 1-9: 2 news releases
- May 6-31: 6 news release

Media exposure over this period totaled **618** mentions, divided into **546** positive, **69** neutral, and **3** negative (Source: Meltwater)



The following is a list of KPU news releases issued during the reporting period. News advisories are not included.

June 2017	
Jun 07	Gira Bhatt to receive CPA Award for her community service in Surrey and Vancouver
Jun 05	Canada's turning 150 and KPU needs your help to celebrate
May 2017	
May 29	KPU places second in top three brewing schools in North America
May 25	Daniel and Henrik Sedin to be awarded honorary degrees from KPU
May 24	Sweet success for beekeeping industry
May 17	It takes more than luck to forge a good horse shoe
May 15	Indigenous storyteller and educator awarded honorary degree
May 09	Phoenix Society's Wilsons awarded honorary degrees from KPU

# Institutional Analysis & Planning

## ADDRESSING VISION 2018 STRATEGIC PLANS & GOALS

### Quality

*Goal: Learner engagement and retention at KPU shows continuous improvement*

*Strategy: Assess, select, implement, and celebrate learning methodologies and educational delivery options that provide learners with the support within and beyond the classroom to succeed academically, personally, socially, and professionally:*

- Conducted research on how many graduates in each Faculty had been developmental students (i.e., took preparatory courses in the Faculty of Academic and Career Advancement) while at KPU.
- Conducting research to determine the MATQ1099 grade that is a good predictor of success in MATH1112 to inform the decision on the appropriate prerequisite.
- Conducting research to inform the decision about whether to discontinue the ABE Certificate programs and channel potential students into other programs.
- 2017 Library and Learning Centre Student Survey: Every other year, the KPU Library collects feedback from students on their experiences with the library's services and resources, how they access the library, and their interest in potential workshops. This year's survey included a section on Learning Centres to assess students' awareness of the Centres and their satisfaction with the services provided. The survey was launched in January and closed in February. A summary of the results was provided to the Library in May.
- Barcelona Field School Student Survey: The survey is designed to provide KPU International, the Dean of Faculty of Arts and Dean of Faculty of Design with feedback on the experiences of the KPU students who took part in 2017 Barcelona Field School. The survey was launched on May 29.
- Amazon Field School Student Survey: The survey is designed to provide KPU International, the Dean of Faculty of Arts and Dean of Faculty of Design with feedback on the experiences of the KPU students who took part in 2017 Amazon Field School. The survey was launched on June 5.

*Goal: KPU is a well-managed, integrated, and transparent organization that supports learning*

*Strategy: Implement initiatives that will attract, support, engage, and retain KPU's people and create an environment where all employees see themselves as contributing to student learning:*

- Surveys on the role of the Chair/Coordinator: Three surveys were conducted on behalf of the Labour-Management Relations Committee (LMRC), one of current

chairs and coordinators, one of Deans and Associate Deans and a third one of all faculty members who are not chairs and coordinators, to better understand the role of the Department Chairs and Program Coordinators and how KPU can support them. The surveys were launched in March and closed in April. The reports for the three surveys were provided to the LMRC in May.

- 2017 Information Technology Library Faculty Survey: Library faculty survey focusing on faculty members' technology needs. The survey provides feedback to the IT Department on the technology needs of library faculty. The survey was launched in April and closed in May. The report for the survey is under development.
- 2017 Teaching & Learning Survey: KPU's first Teaching and Learning Survey was launched in May. The results from the survey will inform the development of KPU's Teaching and Learning Strategy and Plan as well as future opportunities for KPU's educators.

*Strategy: Institutionalize effective quality assurance processes that allow for regular review of all areas of the university:*

- Designed and launched a survey on the effectiveness of senate and its committees. The survey results will help to gauge effectiveness and identify areas where improvements can be made. The survey closes on June 30.
- Supporting program reviews: Currently providing support to 18 programs (or cluster of related programs). The BSN-Advanced Entry Self-Study Report was approved by the Senate Standing Committee in May. A joint external review site visit for this program will take place in June, which will fulfill the requirements of both Program Review and the CASN (Canadian Association of Schools of Nursing) external accreditation.
- Course Evaluations (formerly called Student Appraisals of Instruction): Course Evaluations for the Summer 2017 term have launched. In-class evaluations are currently being conducted by IAP staff.

*Strategy: Review and adjust KPU's procedures to ensure efficiency and effectiveness:*

- IAP successfully launched new Course Evaluation Software called Blue (provided by Explorance) on June 6. The software allows for greater flexibility in conducting course evaluations in a variety of ways, including the following: 1) rather than launching course evaluations in set batches, surveys can now be launched according to the schedule of each course (particularly helpful for courses with unusual durations); 2) IAP can now more closely monitor response rates; 3) instructors can also monitor response rates for their own courses. IAP is currently working with Explorance on developing course evaluation reports.

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- Conducting a graduate substitution study: This involves identifying all who graduated in the past 3 years using course substitutions rather than through meeting program requirements. The study will determine the nature and extent of the substitutions that were made.

## Relevance

*Goal: KPU's Operations support purposeful learner FTE growth of at least 5% annually to meet the educational needs of its region's diverse population.*

*Strategy: Expand the distinctiveness and scope of KPU's program offerings to realize its polytechnic university mandate:*

- Developed the feasibility assessment for Bachelor of Arts in Communication Studies degree program and finalized the assessments for the Graduate Diploma in Global Business Management and Graduate Diploma in Green Business Management and Sustainability programs. Conducting the feasibility assessment for Bachelor of Design, Integrated Design Studies Major.
- Made a presentation on the Report of the *Needs of Mature Learners* at KPU's Teaching and Learning Symposium to raise awareness on the report, and to encourage faculty to work on addressing the needs of mature learners in their programming.

*Strategy: Develop a comprehensive strategic enrolment management plan directed towards traditional and non-traditional, domestic and international learners to support strategic growth:*

- Conducting a study for the Office of the Registrar to analyze applicants who were admitted to KPU (that is, accepted an offer of admittance by paying a non-refundable deposit) who did not register as student.

- Provided a comprehensive report on dual credit students to the Future Students Office, on students who registered in KPU under the High school-on-campus programs. This included a profile of the feeder schools of these dual-credit students, the courses they took at KPU and how they did, and how many eventually registered as a post-secondary student in KPU, and in which programs.

## Accountability Reporting to Government

- Completed CDW submission in to AVED. This work entails coordination with Information Technology and the Office of the Registrar. This also includes consultation with Trades, International, CPS and Finance.
- Submitted the FTE report for Fiscal year 2016/17 to AVED.
- Developed draft Accountability Plan and Report and submitted it for review by Board Governance committee on June 12. The final report must be submitted to AVED by July 14.
- Submitted the Baccalaureate Graduate Survey (BGS) cohort for 2017. This entails identifying all degree graduates of calendar year 2015, and providing their program, and contact information to BC Stats, for a survey in the coming fall.
- Working on the cohort submission for outcomes survey on Adult Special Education- Labor Market Agreement for Persons with Disabilities (ASE-LMAPD) for BC Stats. BC Stats conducts a follow-up survey of the former students who have completed this program.

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