



Vice Provost, Teaching & Learning and Interim Associate Vice President, Research Update

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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>

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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 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 7-9th 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 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.

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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.