



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

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Upcoming Events & Opportunities for KPU Community Members

Teaching, Learning, Scholarship & Research Symposium (June 7 to 9, Surrey & field trips)

The draft schedule is up and registration is open! Fifty-three sessions will be offered during the Symposium, from the 59 proposals submitted from the KPU Community. Several are cross-department collaborations. First authors by area: ACA (6), Arts (18), Business (5), Design (1), Science (14), Trades, (1), Health (6), ESD (1), International (1), Co-op (1), Library (2) & Volunteer Services (1). Several interactive workshops are available and field trips to Burns Bog, KPU Richmond/Farm, Cloverdale & Langley. **Alex Usher** from HESA is the keynote. Join us to learn more about KPU's Community! Come & go throughout each day, but please *register in advance*: [Details & Registration](#).

Facilitating Group Work and Participation in Intercultural/Multicultural/Diverse Classrooms (May 15, Surrey)

Dr. Nanda Dimitrov and Aisha Haque from Western University will offer two sessions at KPU Surrey with the afternoon activities building on the morning session. *Facilitating Group Work and Participation in Intercultural Classrooms* and *Integrating Intercultural Learning Activities & Assessments into Your Course*.

Digital Pedagogy Lab (July 28 to 30, Richmond)

Hosted by Hybrid Pedagogy and KPU's Teaching & Learning Commons, this three-day institute that explores the role and application of digital technology in teaching. Three tracks offer intensive peer-driven learning with and discussion of open education, new media, and critical digital pedagogy. Registration required; however, interested faculty should contact open@kpu.ca. [Info](#).

Learning with ePortfolios, Kaltura meets Moodle & ISWs are also coming up. For more upcoming opportunities see: <http://www.kpu.ca/teaching-and-learning/events>

Vice Provost, Teaching & Learning Activities

April: Joined the Senate Standing Committee on Tributes as a voting member.

April 10: Met with Math dept. on Teaching, Learning & Research matters.

April 24: Chaired Acetate Transition Working Group Meeting. Committee members are committed to trying new options this summer and fall and will make recommendations for the final transition plan.

April 27: Chaired Symposium adjudication committee meeting.

April 28: Actively participated in the Admin Forum: Culture of Collaboration.

May 1: Attended the C2UExpo 2017 Reception at KPU Surrey.

May 10: Participated in KPU's Heart & Stroke Foundation Big Bike ride and part of the team that raised \$5k.

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 Plan; contributing to the Faculty Performance Evaluation guide; Dean reappointment committee; Canvas LMS pilot for fall; Consulting on the formation of Senate Committees on T&L and Research; 3Civic Plaza planning; 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

Kaltura Video Project: On May 1st, we launched the integration of Moodle and Kaltura. The Kaltura Video Package for Moodle allows instructors to create, upload, manage, publish, and deliver high quality video and share it with their students. Students will be able to create and submit video assignments, contribute to a course media gallery, and receive audio or video feedback on their work. Kaltura also assures optimal playback of video on all mobile devices.

Because media files will no longer be stored within Moodle, it will be easier for instructors who use video (and the LearnTech team) to manage the backup and restore process each semester. Content will be secure and 100% FIPPA compliant, hosted at UBC's EduCloud virtual data centre and made available through the BCNET/BCcampus Shared Kaltura Service. KPU is one of 8 BC institutions currently participating in the service.

Our participation in the Kaltura Service also provides us with a front-facing institutional video portal similar to YouTube (<https://media.kpu.ca/>) that will allow departments and service areas to share media publicly or selectively withing the KPU Community. We have scheduled an open meeting later in May with groups who are interested in using the service.

Upgrades to Moodle and ePortfolios: We have upgraded our Moodle and Mahara ePortfolio platforms to current versions. Along with feature enhancements and usability improvements, both platforms have expanded their capabilities for supporting competency-based education. We plan to consult with program areas (and the Learning Outcomes Faculty Fellow??) about appropriate competency frameworks that will allow students to plan and map their progress in their courses and programs and link this to evidence of their learning.

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

- Pulled all biology courses from the database, text converted the PDFs, and organized the entire bio major by outcome. This will allow the bio department to examine their curricula for outcome redundancy.
- Co-writing a session on collaborative outcomes for group projects in Nursing with Brianna Lewis and Chanel Oliver.
- Submitted proposal to KPU's symposium (accepted).
- Continuing consultations with faculty and departments on learning outcomes.

Open Studies: Dr. Rajiv Jhangiani

- Liaised and provided support to our five faculty teams of OER grantees.
- Wrote and submitted an interim report to BCcampus about KPU's OER adaptation grant and project progress.
- Participated in planning meetings for the Digital Pedagogy Lab Vancouver summer institute.
- Met with and provided support to two new faculty members interested in adopting and creating OER.



- Redesigned the Open education web pages (part of the TLC website)
- Keynote addresses: inaugural Open Education Ontario summit on March 27; & University of Kansas on March 31.
- Co-edited book about Open Education, Open Access, and Open Science was published on March 27, with a book launch event at KPU on April 10.
- Conference presentations on open education: two at the OER17 conference, April 5-6, London, UK; with Diane Purvey, Todd Mundle, and Farhad Dastur at the Colleges and Institutes Canada CICAN17 meeting about building an institutional culture of open, May 2, Ottawa, ON
- Interviewed with: Zee TV on April 10; and news stories that appearing in: The Link Newspaper (April 1), The University of Kansas blog (April 4), University Affairs (April 4), The Ubiquity Press Blog (April 27)
- Organized and facilitated meetings at KPU Surrey on April 18 with Dr. Wayne Mackintosh (OERu), including an open forum for the KPU community
- Participated in the annual Hewlett OER meeting as an invitee of the William and Flora Hewlett Foundation, April 25-28, Kingbridge, ON; and Creative Commons global summit, April 28-30, Toronto, ON

Experiential Learning: Dr. Larissa Petrillo

- Ran a focus group on experiential learning on Mar. 28, with KPU's Interior Design students, both current and alumni, as well as with Dean Carolyn Robertson and assistance from Creative Capital student assistant, Blythe Vincent.
- Assisted KPU Teaching and Learning Symposium applications with communication and collaboration among interdisciplinary faculty members, including Horticulture, History, Environmental Protection Technology, Language and Culture, Nursing, and Fashion Marketing.
- Continued with internal communications, meeting with KPU's Director of IAP, Lori McElroy, the Chair of the Research Ethics Board, and a Marketing meeting for future experiential learning videos.
- Assisted with coordination for the KPU delegation to the Community Jam at the C2U Expo at SFU.

Teaching & Learning and Research Collaborations

Symposium Planning: Both teams are working together on the inaugural KPU Teaching, Learning, Scholarship & Research Symposium. Cathy Parlee (ORS) is the Symposium Coordinator.

Office Reconfiguration: A2400 has been reconfigured for both ORS and the Teaching & Learning Commons to share the space. The trial uses existing furniture. A2410 is also being reworked to serve as a workshop/training area for faculty and will be outfitted with equipment for faculty to try out.

Research www.kpu.ca/research

ORS Restructuring: The Provost is working on a definition of research to inform ORS' restructuring and related directions. S. 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.

Campus Research Maps: have been completed and a link created on our website: <http://www.kpu.ca/research/maps>

Documents in the works:

- Publications Document



- CARA Research poster presented last week
- Scholarly Activity Research Report 2015/2016 awaiting last iteration from Marketing. Once finalized, a link will be created on our website and promoted via today@kpu/social media
- Research Program Planning Templates will be uploaded to the ORS website in the near future.
- Polytechnics Canada: Created the KPU Inventory List for Polytechnics Canada.

Activities: C2U Expo: Presentation developed. Students have contributed their portions as well as ResearchImpact members; Taylor Byrom: has officially moved out of HTI.

Interim Associate Vice President, Research Activities

- *April 26:* Participated in a phone meeting organized by Polytechnics Canada with NSERC to learn more about changes and applied research implications.
- Met with ECUAD research director to better inform the ORS restructuring.
- 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.