KPU International Advising Newsletter – November 2026

Get the latest information from KPU International Advising!



Hello, KPU international students! November is here, bringing crisp autumn days, twinkling lights, and the excitement of the festive season ahead! As the weather gets colder, bundle up, stay healthy, and take some time to discover the seasonal celebrations happening around Surrey.

Looking for a fun way to enjoy the season? Visit Bear Creek Park from Nov 6 to 20 to experience Bear Creek Lights, where sparkling displays and glowing pathways create a magical outdoor escape. Later in the month, join the festivities at Surrey Civic Plaza on Nov 21 and 22 for the Surrey Tree Lighting Festival. With a dazzling tree lighting, live performances, local artisan vendors, and food trucks, it's a wonderful opportunity to enjoy the holiday atmosphere and make new memories with friends!



Registration for Spring 2027

Get ready for Spring 2027! Registration opens on Monday, Nov 9, 2026. Check your assigned **registration date** ahead of time and make sure any account holds or outstanding requirements are taken care of before your registration window begins. Visit KPU's **Registration webpage** for helpful information and guidance to make your registration process easier.

Not sure which courses to take or how to plan your next semester? **International Student Advisors** are here to help! Reach out for support with course selection, program planning, and degree requirements so you can stay on track with your studies and work toward your graduation goals with confidence.

Course Planning Support for Spring 2027

Make informed decisions about your courses and stay on track with your academic goals! Before registering, take the time to **meet with an Advisor** to discuss your options and map out a plan that fits your program requirements. Not sure where to begin? Visit the "Which Advisor Should I See?" to find the right person to support you.

Get familiar with your program by reviewing the KPU **Calendar 2026–2027.** You'll find detailed program requirements, course descriptions, and other important academic information to help you prepare for the semesters ahead.





International Students - Graduation Checklist

Getting ready to graduate? It's never too early to start planning! We encourage international students to begin preparing in their second-to-last semester to allow enough time to complete all the necessary steps before graduation.

KPU's **Graduation Preparation Checklist** guides you through each stage of the process, from your second-to-last semester and final term to the steps you'll need to take after graduation. Review the checklist carefully, stay on top of important deadlines, and make sure you understand the requirements along the way. Start early, stay informed, and get ready to embrace the exciting opportunities ahead!

Diwali Celebration 2026

Diwali, the Festival of Lights, represents the victory of light over darkness and good over evil. Come celebrate this special occasion with an afternoon of culture, fun, and community!

- **Date**: Friday, Nov 6 | 12:00–3:00 PM
- **Location**: Surrey Campus, Cedar Conference Centre

Take part in cultural performances, music, traditional dance, henna art, diya colouring, bingo, caricatures, and enjoy complimentary snacks. It's a great opportunity to experience Diwali traditions, meet new people, and celebrate with your fellow students! **Open to all current KPU students**. **Registration is required** due to limited capacity.





Get Creative at KPU

Warm up with a cozy afternoon of creativity! At **Candles & Cocoa**, you can decorate your own mini candle using colorful wax pens, enjoy hot chocolate and light snacks, and connect with fellow students. Take home your personalized candle as a special keepsake!

- **Date:** Tuesday, Nov 17 | 12:00 PM – 3:00 PM
- **Location:** Grassroots Café, KPU Surrey Campus

Take a break from your busy schedule and unwind with an afternoon of painting, decorating, and sweet treats! **Unwind, Create & Connect** is a great opportunity to express your creativity, enjoy a fun guessing game with prizes, and spend quality time connecting with fellow students.

- **Date:** Thursday, Nov 19 | 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM
- **Location:** Student Common Space, KPU Richmond

KPU Peer Wellness: Relax, Create & Connect

Take a break with the Peer Wellness Team this November! Get creative at the Rock Painting Social or unwind with fellow students at the Afternoon Movie Social. Both events are free and open to all students!

Rock Painting Social

- **Date:** Wednesday, Nov 18 | 11:30 AM – 1:30 PM
- **Location:** Surrey Campus, Maple 160 (Peer Resource Space)

Afternoon Movie Social

- **Date:** Thursday, Nov 26 | 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM
- **Location:** Surrey Campus, Fir 128

No registration required for rock painting. Supplies are available while they last. Learn more about wellness resources at KPU.



Have Questions or Need Support? Connect With KPU International

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