

# KPU International Advising Newsletter – February 2026

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February is here, and the Spring 2026 semester is well underway! We hope you’re finding your rhythm in classes, connecting with classmates, and making the most of your time at KPU. If you’re looking for exciting ways to enjoy the month, be sure to check out [LunarFest Vancouver](#) for Lunar New Year celebrations, or visit [FAN EXPO Vancouver](#) to experience incredible fandoms, celebrity appearances, and cosplay fun.



## HEALTH INSURANCE FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

### Health Insurance for International Students

Health insurance is a vital requirement for international students studying in Canada, as access to medical services and emergency care can be very expensive without proper coverage. Having health insurance helps protect students from unexpected healthcare costs, ensures timely access to medical treatment, and provides peace of mind while living and studying abroad. To learn more, visit [Health Insurance for International Students](#).

If you have additional questions, refer to the [Health Insurance Booklet](#) or reach out to our International Student Life Coordinators at [intlstudentlife@kpu.ca](mailto:intlstudentlife@kpu.ca).

### Apply for Graduation

If Spring 2026 is your final semester at KPU and you plan to participate in the **June 2026 Convocation**, be sure to submit your graduation application **before February 28, 2026**. Applying on time ensures your eligibility to graduate and take part in this important celebration. Please refer to the [Graduation Application Submission Deadlines](#) for more details.

For step-by-step instructions on how to apply, visit the KPU Graduation website and watch the video “[How Do I Apply to Graduate?](#)”.

You can also track the status of your graduation by checking the [Graduation Checklist](#).



### Planning Your Next Steps After Graduation

Thinking about what comes next in your academic journey? Join below **online webinars** designed to help you plan your future—whether you’re finishing a diploma, considering a degree, or preparing for life after graduation. Learn about degree pathways, career opportunities, graduation steps, and options for further education or professional designations.

- **Moving from Diploma to Degree**
- **Date & Time:** 12:00 – 1:30 PM, Tuesday, February 3, 2026
- **What Comes After Graduation**
- **Date & Time:** 12:00 – 1:30 PM, Tuesday, February 17, 2026

### Financial Support for International Students

KPU International is committed to supporting international students through a variety of scholarships, awards, and grants that help reduce the financial burden of higher education. Available to both new and current international students, these awards recognize academic excellence, leadership, and community involvement.

We encourage you to explore the funding opportunities and resources available to support your academic journey, to learn more about available [awards and application deadlines](#), and discover additional support for international students at [KPU international](#).





## Happy Lunar New Year

### YEAR OF THE HORSE

**February 25**  
**12 - 3 pm**  
**KPU Richmond**

### Lunar New Year 2026 Celebration

Join us in welcoming the Year of the Horse at [KPU’s Lunar New Year 2026 Celebration](#).

- **Date:** Wednesday, February 25, 2026
- **Time:** 12:00 PM – 3:00 PM
- **Location:** Richmond Main Atrium

Enjoy a festive afternoon featuring a lion dance performance, cultural art activities, interactive games, and special giveaways. Experience Lunar New Year traditions, connect with the community, and celebrate together.

### KPU Reading Break

Reading Break is a great opportunity to pause, recharge, and refocus. Use this time to catch up on your studies, work ahead on assignments, or take a well-deserved break. Maintaining balance is essential for staying productive and successful throughout the semester.

Reading week for this year: **Monday, February 16 – Saturday, February 21, 2026**.

Be sure to stay aware of other important [Dates and Deadlines](#) this term. Planning ahead will help you stay organized and on track.



Have Questions or Need Support? Connect With KPU International

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