



# The President's Diversity and Equity Committee

## 2017/2018 Funded Projects

Funding Date	Project Title	Event Date	Description	Amount Funded
April 2017	<i>Blanket Workshop</i>	Summer 2017	Open to students, staff and faculty, and held in the Faculty of Health building on the Langley campus, the "Blanket Workshop" is a scripted interactive exercise that allows participants to directly engage with the history of colonialism on Turtle Island.	\$550
April 2017	<i>Boys, Batteries and Behaviour: Smartphone Battery Levels and Sexual Decision Making Among Gay Men</i>	November 9-12, 2017	Funds will support the presentation of research by students at the Society for the Scientific Study of Sexuality conference in November 2017. The research focuses on the environmental antecedents that influence gay men's decisions for romantic partners when using dating apps. The research will also be presented at KSA Sexpo in October and other research/scholarship events.	\$1,000
April 2017	<i>The Fashion Show</i>	Apr 5-6, 2017	Funding will support the creation of engraved plexiglass cards within a 3-tier circular molo structure, as well as other materials, that comprise a display of graduating students' thesis collections at the Fashion Show. These collections showcase the themes, ideas, and inclusiveness of a wide variety of social identities. The inspiration behind the collections range from genderful fashion to equality in swimwear sizing, thus embracing diversity in a wide spectrum.	\$750
April 2017	<i>Health and Wellness Convention 2017</i>	September 12, 2017	The Health Science in Action and Biology Clubs collaborate to offer a health and wellness event with the aim to promote healthy living in an inclusive and respectful environment.	\$700
April 2017	<i>Somali Youth Summit III</i>	May 6, 2017	Funding will support a workshop using the StrengthsQuest Assessment for up to 100 participants. The 3 hour exercise will help students discover their natural talents, teach them how to develop their talents into strengths, and coach them on how to apply their strengths during their daily experiences.	\$1000
			<b>Total Funded April 2017</b>	<b>\$4,000</b>

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October 2017	<i>Artist Residency at KPU for Beverley Johnstone</i>	February 26 – March 3, 2018	This project is an artist residency at KPU featuring internationally-acclaimed Canadian percussionist Beverley Johnston. It seeks to bring greater visibility to the distinct contributions of North America's greatest female percussionists, to inspire younger generations of female artists to follow her example, and to build greater awareness for the art of percussion throughout Metro Vancouver and the Fraser Valley	\$1,500
October 2017	<i>Indigenous Community Justice Lecture Series</i>	November 2, 2017, November 14, 2017, November 21, 2017	This is a lecture series for the KPU community that will be bringing in local Indigenous community members who will be sharing their stories, artistic abilities, and giving presentations on current pertinent Indigenous issues. It aims to improve the focus on indigeneity at KPU; support the goal in KPU's 2018 academic plan to expand Aboriginal initiatives; and to promote the new Minor in Indigenous Community Justice.	\$1,850
October 2017	<i>KDocs: Kwantlen Documentary Film Festival and Community Outreach Program (2018)</i>	Fall 2017 & 2018	KDocs: Kwantlen Documentary Film Festival, February 14- 18, 2018 KDocs Community Outreach Program KDocs Talks KDocs On Campus Events	\$2,000
October 2017	<i>Writers, Readers and Writer in Residence Program</i>	Throughout 2017/2018 terms	Professional writers of diverse cultural backgrounds will read, interact, and share with Kwantlen students, faculty and community. The program will be hosting several readings including a reading with poet Rita Wong and multi-media artist Cindy Mochizuki. We will also feature Kwantlen First Nation poet and playwright, Joseph Dandurand, who will be our writer-in-residence.	\$1,500
October 2017	<i>Finding Common Grounds: RCMP- KPU Dialogue with Jewish and Muslim Community Leaders</i>	February – March 2018	In partnership with the Richmond RCMP and leaders of the Jewish and Muslim community, a half-day forum is planned. The discussants will include representatives from each group. The goal will be to i) identify and understand existing and emerging issues of mutual concerns, ii) find common	\$1,945

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			grounds, iii) build enduring, mutually beneficial relationships, and iv) develop strategies to mitigate intolerance and hate.	
October 2017	<i>UN World Interfaith Harmony Week 2018</i>	February 6 – 8, 2018	4 <sup>th</sup> Annual UN World Interfaith Harmony Week at KPU celebrating diversity and inclusiveness by showcasing KPU community expressions of interfaith relations and experiences	\$1,000
			<b>Total Funded October 2017</b>	<b>\$9,795</b>