KWANTLEN POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY

Fall Convocation

October 6, 2015

SPECIAL CEREMONY



Tuesday, October 6, 2015 2:00 pm Ceremony

Processional

Marshall of Convocation

Zena Mitchell, University Registrar

Greetings from the Kwantlen First Nation and Lekeyten

O Canada

Julia Johnstone, KPU Music Program O Canada! Our home and native land! True patriot love in all thy sons command. With glowing hearts we see thee rise, The True North strong and free! From far and wide, O Canada, We stand on guard for thee. God keep our land glorious and free! O Canada, we stand on guard for thee, O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.

Introduction of the Platform Party

Dr. Salvador Ferreras, Provost and Vice President, Academic

Welcome on behalf of KPU Students

Kathleen Gratz, BA Anthropology and member of KPU's Women's Soccer Team

Presentation of Honorary Doctor of Laws (Honoris Causa)

Recipient: Christine Sinclair Presenters: Dr. Jane Fee, Vice Provost, Students Brittany McNeill, KPU Alumni Association

Closing Remarks and Dismissal of the Convocation

Dr. Salvador Ferreras, Provost and Vice President, Academic

Adjournment

Jon Harding, Vice President, Finance and Administration

Recessional



Convocation Protocol

Family and friends are requested to rise when the academic procession enters. The assembly is requested to remain standing until the conclusion of the singing of O Canada.

Convocation will conclude with the recession of the platform party, during which everyone is requested to remain standing.

So as not to disrupt the program, or the view of other guests, we ask that you please remain seated for the duration of the ceremony.

Convocation Reception

We invite all guests to enjoy refreshments immediately following the ceremony in Convocation Hall, located in the atrium of the Surrey Main building.

Honorary Doctor of Laws (Honoris Causa)



Christine Sinclair

Christine Sinclair has played soccer since an early age, and by age 11 was a member of the Canadian under-14 all star girls soccer team. At Burnaby South Secondary School, she led the team to three team championships, joined the Canadian under-18 squad and then joined the Canadian Women's team in 2000. She attended the University of Portland to study life sciences, and along with a GPA of 3.75, she set several records for goals scored as the team won national championship, and won several personal national awards along the way. From there she turned professional with the FC Gold Pride and Western NY Flash, leading them to national championships including just this year. Most notable, however, has been her leadership on the Canadian National Women's Team, including three goals in the 2012 Olympic semi-final, and inspired leadership of the national team at the Women's FIFA championships held here in Canada this summer. She is one of world's leading scorers in international play. The Globe and Mail named her one of the top 25 most influential people in Canadian sports. Lastly, Christine is the face of women's soccer in Canada, and one of the most famous athletes in her sport in the world. She brings strength and dignity to the sport, and her presence on the field of play is extraordinary. She uses her talents to achieve the very best, and she is an inspiration not just to our students at KPU, but to all young people. She brings great honor and excitement to KPU by receiving this award.

Honorary Doctorate Degrees are the highest form of recognition granted by KPU to recognize persons who are distinguished by their significant contributions and accomplishments and whose excellence will reflect positively upon KPU.

KPU Honorary Doctorates

2015

Linda May Bickerton-Ross, Doctor of Letters Peter Maxwell Ewart, Doctor of Letters Keith Alexander Lamont, Doctor of Letters Marilyn Henrietta Lamont, Doctor of Letters Leonard Archibald Woods, Doctor of Letters Ivan Sayers, Doctor of Laws Jim Sinclair, Doctor of Laws Chip Wilson, Doctor of Laws Shannon Wilson, Doctor of Laws

2014

Dianne Watts, Doctor of Laws Jane Adams, Doctor of Laws Michael McKay, Doctor of Laws Arvinder Bubber, Doctor of Laws Joanne Curry, Doctor of Laws David Aisenstat, Doctor of Laws Baltej Dhillon, Doctor of Laws Christine Brodie, Doctor of Laws

2013

Janet Austin, Doctor of Laws Susan Davidson, Doctor of Laws Charan Gill, Doctor of Laws George Melville, Doctor of Laws

2012

Craig Kielburger, Doctor of Laws Marc Kielburger, Doctor of Laws

2011

Irving K. Barber, Doctor of Laws Bikkar Lalli, Doctor of Laws

2010

Michael Harcourt, Doctor of Laws Carol Jones, Doctor of Letters Cathy Priestner Allinger, Doctor of Laws

2008

Chief Marilyn Gabriel, Doctor of Laws Leslie (Skip) Triplett, Doctor of Laws

2007

Robert C. Brown, Doctor of Letters Daniel Igali, Doctor of Laws Carol Prantner, Doctor of Technology

2006

Peter Podovinikoff, Doctor of Laws Glennis Zilm, Doctor of Letters

2005

Rick Hansen, *Doctor of Laws* Bramwell Tovey, *Doctor of Letters* 2004 Budh Singh Dhahan, *Doctor of Laws*

2003

Richard Johnston, Doctor of Letters Juliana Yung, Doctor of Laws

2002

John Dennison, *Doctor of Letters* Francesca Darts, *Doctor of Laws*

2001

John MacDonald, Doctor of Technology Penny Priddy, Doctor of Laws

2000 George Preston, Doctor of Laws

1999 Fred Gingell, Doctor of Laws

1998 Margaret Westerman, Doctor of Laws

1995 Barry Leach, *Doctor of Letters*

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We would also like to thank our many dedicated faculty and staff who support our students in so many ways. This commitment to excellence by our faculty and staff ensures that our students have the necessary resources available to them to succeed.

We also thank our soloist Julia Johnstone from the KPU music program for leading this convocation ceremony in the singing of O Canada.

We would like to take this opportunity to extend a very special thank you to all those who give to our students - including their families - in so many ways. They would not be able to do it without your care, support and encouragement.

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