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Report to the Board of Governors

Front & Back cover story

Trades Throwdown: Skills Canada BC competition hosted by KPU

Cloverdale, B.C. – Fire runs in the veins of third generation welder Jaeden Wildenboer.

An apprentice welder and graduate from Kwantlen Polytechnic University (KPU) through the Youth TRAIN in Trades program (former ACE IT program), Wildenboer is back to defend his regional title at Skills Canada BC regional competition for the Lower Fraser Valley region this Friday at KPU’s Tech campus in Cloverdale.

“Both my dad and late grandfather got me interested in trades and they are both tradesmen,” said Wildenboer. Skills Canada “really puts you to the test to see what you can achieve. It helped push me in the direction of going to KPU and becoming a welder.”

Wildenboer and a slew of other trades students from the Lower Fraser Valley will gather at KPU’s Tech campus this Friday to throwdown in the first of several regional competitions eventually reaching international levels.

The annual Skills Canada BC competition offers young aspiring tradespeople across the province the chance to showcase their mastery of trade and technology related skills in Olympic style events. The winner of the BC Skills competition competes in the Skills Canada competition where they have the opportunity to qualify for the Skills World competition.

“We see hosting this competition as an essential part of sparking our youth’s interest in careers in the trades,” said Dr. Salvador Ferreras KPU provost and vice-president, academic. “It’s a great way for our students and apprentices to not only

hone their skills, but also meet and compete with other future leaders and fellow entrepreneurs in their respective industries.”

In addition to welding, students from the Surrey and Delta school districts will have the chance to show off their skills in architecture, automotive service, carpentry, fashion technology, mechanics and plumbing. All trades for which training and certification are available for at KPU.

KPU faculty will be directly involved, volunteering their time as judges for several of the competitions at the regional, provincial and international levels.

The competition kicks off at 8 a.m. and runs until 2 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 24 at KPU Tech (5500 180 St, Surrey). The KPU Richmond campus (8771 Lansdowne Rd, Richmond) is also hosting Skills Canada BC for the Central Lower Mainland students on March 2.

For more information on the competitions, visit skillscanada.bc.ca.

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Left to right—Michael Lloyd, Welding Instructor, Jaeden Wildenboer, Student, Brian Haugen, Dean, Trades & Technology. Photo Credit: Ricky Meet, Student Recruitment Coordinator

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Junior Skills Competition—hosted at KPU Tech, the competition allowed BC students from grade 6—12 to showcase their talents in the skilled trades and technologies.

Stories from the bottom of the world ... by KPU Communications

As popular travel destinations go, Antarctica isn't exactly high on the list.

But for Dr. Johannes Koch, who has been there more than 25 times in the past decade, it's at the top.

"While Antarctica and the Southern Ocean are far away, or probably because they are far away, they are normally overlooked and most people don't know their beauty, their diversity of wildlife and their history," says Koch, who teaches geography at Kwantlen Polytechnic University (KPU).

Koch is sharing his experiences in Antarctica and the Subantarctic islands during a special talk at KPU March 22. "A Decade of Personal Discoveries at the Bottom of the World" will feature stories of Koch's travels to Antarctica, illustrated by breathtaking photos from his trips there over the last 10 years.

The event is a mix of education and travelogue highlighted by Koch's obvious passion and enthusiasm for nature, photography and the wild Earth.

Koch has seen and photographed Antarctica in all its splendor, from the seals, orcas, penguins and albatross that inhabit it, to the sunsets, sunrises and icebergs that give it its surreal sense of vastness.



While time limitations won't allow Koch to convey all he feels for this magical region of the globe, he does expect being able to convey his ideas about nature and the environment, peppered with some takeaways relative to our own natural environment here in Coastal B.C.

"I come to everything in my life from an environmental aspect," confides Koch. "I expect my talk will be educational but also deeply personal."

Koch identifies as an ambassador for Antarctica, which is a fairly common assessment for anyone who has had the privilege of visiting.

"It's a grandiose place that makes me feel small, but in a good way. It puts us into our place. Again, in a good way."

"A Decade of Personal Discoveries at the Bottom of the World" takes place on Wednesday, March 22 from 4 to 5 p.m. at KPU Surrey, 12666-72nd Ave., in the Conference Centre. The event is open to the public and everyone is welcome.

Additional photos of Dr. Johannes Koch are available on [Flickr](#).

President's Report

As I write this it is still snowing in mid-March. Hopefully the cold and inclement weather is behind us, but I would like to extend my gratitude to all those who have kept KPU open for all but one business day, and all those who braved the conditions to keep classes and services going. The 5:30 am teleconferences to discuss conditions on the roads and campuses are over until next winter, I hope.

I have undertaken my annual tally of activities related to community engagement. In 2016, we hosted 111 events where the public came on campus, and 377 where we went out to the community (not including Co-op and other formal experiential learning opportunities for students, or presentations and attendance at scholarly conferences). The numbers for 2015 were 100 events on campus and 330 incidents of outreach.

This of course is but a proxy for our metric of impact of community engagement, but it speaks well to the amount of effort KPU puts into engagement with the community in all kinds of different ways, and I am sure there are many other interactions that are not reported.

On February 2nd I was pleased to attend the Faculty of Trades and Technology Awards night: a wonderful evening which was much appreciated by the donors and awardees.

On February 3rd I was able to attend the second of the Faculty Showcases in the Department of Music, and it was an extraordinary performance by some of our wind faculty, accompanied in some cases by Jane Hayes on piano. We are fortunate to have world class performers who teach at KPU. Another showcase was held March 3rd at KPU Langley.

On February 6th, the KPU/Science World Speaker Series continued with a great talk by Mike Bomford from Sustainable Food Systems on Cool Eats: The City Slicker's Diet for a Warming Planet.

On February 8th I spoke to the Probus Club of South Surrey on how KPU is meeting the employment needs in the region, and on February 14th I addressed the School of Business forum on the topic of Vision 2023.

Dr. Ferreras and I met with senior staff at the Surrey School district on February 15th to discuss a number of exciting projects that are under way or in the early stages of planning. That same day we hosted our colleagues from Polytechnic Canada in Ottawa.

February 16th saw me at the reception to launch the Maple Leaf Educational Systems American office, and then I was pleased to provide a welcome at the opening of the KDocs Film Festival in Vancouver.

On February 17th I welcomed attendees to a forum on Open Badges at KPU Richmond, the first such event in BC.

On February 22nd I attended a 2017 Provincial Budget Recap, with MLA of Delta North, Scott Hamilton at the Delta Chamber of Commerce lunch. On February 28th I joined my colleagues in the BC Association of Institutes and Universities (BCAIU) at our

regular meeting which included an informative session with Prof. Santa Ono, President and Vice Chancellor of UBC.

Later on the 28th I was pleased to join a forum on Environmental Violence, with speakers from Amnesty International and Dr. Chandu Claver, who spoke to violence against indigenous people in the Philippines.

March 3rd was KPU Day, featuring an internal open house, which was a huge success. In the evening I attended the last of the Faculty Showcase concerts featuring Gail Suderman and her Good Noise Vancouver Gospel Choir. The real Open House was held on March 4th, and hundreds of prospective students and their families visited our displays and demonstrations across the KPU Surrey campus.

I was able to provide a welcome to the Langley Community Farmer's Market AGM on March 8th, and on March 13th to 15th I was able to attend the BC Tech Summit, including a session hosted by KPU Foundation Board Chair Mike Matsuo on behalf of Van City Credit Union on Clean Technologies.

On March 22nd I joined the Post Secondary Employers' Association (PSEA) Board for its regular meeting and on March 24th I was pleased to attend the Choral Concert featuring students from the Music program at KPU Langley.



Dr. Alan Davis and Dr. Lori McElroy at KPU Day, March 3rd

President's Report

On Friday, March 3, 2017 KPU held its fifth annual KPU Day event. With over 650 employees in attendance, the event was a tremendous success.

This year, a new flexible and interactive format was used. The event was held at KPU Surrey and involved a variety of activities, including but not limited to:

- Faculty and Administrative Area Booths
- Tasting Tent where employees tried KPU Brew
- Campus Tours
- Painting Classes
- Therapy Dogs
- Film Screenings
- Executive Meet and Greet
- Interactive Trades and Technology tent

KPU Day ended, as always with the State of the University Address delivered by President Alan Davis followed by the presentation of long-service and distinguished awards.

Thank you to everyone who participated in this year's KPU Day!

(Several more photos of KPU Day are throughout this report)



Finance & Administration

FINANCIAL SERVICES

Financial Reporting, Operations & Systems:

Financial Reporting and Systems

- Planning has commenced for the FAST system rollouts for FAST Financial Reporting Version 4. Custom reports are being developed and tested for end users to provide timely financial information.

Accounting Operations

- Tax slips were prepared for students who received award and bursary payments in 2016; these slips were mailed out in late February.
- The Business and Travel Policy and Procedures and Investment Policy and Procedures are being reviewed and updated.
- Planning for the March 31, 2017 year-end financial statement process is underway.

Budget, Planning & Payroll:

Budget for 2017/18

- The draft 2017/18 budget was shared with various University stakeholder groups for their feedback in late January. Financial Forums were held at all four campuses and administration attended some faculty council meetings. In addition, the draft budget and supporting materials were also made available to the KPU Community on the [Financial Services SharePoint site](#) for comments and feedback. On February 3rd, the 2017/18 draft budget was presented to the Senate Standing Committee on University Budget (SSCUB) and endorsed to be reviewed by Senate. On February 27th, Senate endorsed the budget and recommended it to the University's Board Finance Committee, who subsequently supported the budget for the Board of Governors' approval on March 29th.

Web Time Entry Project

- The Web Time Entry project is progressing along as planned and is now in the pilot phase. Several departments are participating in this stage of the project. Training has occurred and the new web time entry processes will be rolled out to these employees and supervisors in mid-March

Payroll Tax Information

- Canada Revenue Agency requires that a taxable benefit to be assessed on parking passes purchased by employees when there is difference between the Fair Market Value (FMV) of parking and the amount that an employee pays for a parking pass. As employees purchase employee permits at a discounted rate, affected employees will be assessed a taxable benefit for parking starting in 2017.

- Over 2400 T4s for the 2016 taxation year were prepared and issued to employees in late February.

Purchasing Services

Purchasing Policies and Procedures

- Purchasing Services is in the process of drafting a handbook on the University's purchasing policy and procedures.
- Purchasing Services has issued a Competitive Procurement Process Guide which is intended to assist stakeholders in understanding the competitive process. In addition, Purchasing Services has issued a related Request Form for this process. Information sessions will be delivered to stakeholders on this process.

WebReq Training Sessions

- Purchasing Services continues in its commitment to providing WebReq training sessions at each campus. Next campus session will be held in Surrey after the March 31, 2017 fiscal year-end.

Contract Database

- Purchasing Services is completing its review of all existing and active contracts and is in the process of updating a database that is to be incorporated into the new Bonfire procurement software system. Testing of the system with contracts is expected to begin mid-April.



Junior Skills Competition participants

Finance & Administration *cont'd*

HUMAN RESOURCES, EMERGENCY PLANNING & SECURITY

Human Resources:

Talent Acquisition – Senior Searches

- AVP Business Development and Improvement search underway.
- AVP Academic search underway.

Continuous Improvement and Operational Excellence

- Evolution of the Position Request Form (PRF) to the Request for Talent (RFT) Form and new process. In consultation and collaboration with several stakeholder groups, HR will be launching the RFT fillable form for the new fiscal year in April 2017. As phase one comes to completion, HR is simultaneously working on phase two to automate the RFT form and process. Key changes include a more robust section related to Funding Sources, Reasons for Hiring, Advertising and Budget Notes and user guides. Training will be scheduled at the Langley and Surrey campuses. Expected benefits are: (1) Reduced errors and length of time to post a vacancy, (2) Avoid unfunded hires/ reduce financial risk, (3) Streamlined approval process, and (4) Alignment with future state HR processes.

HR Technology and Systems

- Planning underway for an Applicant Tracking System and Onboarding process.

Benefits Administration

- KPU is a member of the BC Colleges and Institutes Benefits Consortium (the Consortium). Over the past year, led by a Steering Committee, the Consortium engaged in a Negotiated Request for Proposals (NRFP) process for the tendering of the Consortium's group benefits contracts. The Steering Committee will be completing their final assessment and coming to a decision on their recommendation to the Consortium by the end of April.

Employee and Labour Relations

- Evolution of the traditional and current employee and labour relations approach is underway in collaboration with the Deans, KFA and BCGEU towards a progressive and innovative way of KPU working together with our Unions. This includes meetings to enhance collaboration and the working relationship, design of workshops to empower and educate leaders and streamline processes in support of People-first practices.

CAMPUS SAFETY AND SECURITY

Security

Smartphone Safety Application

- Security will be taking the lead on the development of the phone Safety application project. A smartphone application "KPU SAFE" will be released this summer or sooner.

DSL locations for DSL

- Locations for the DSL's (Direct Service Line) were defined for the new SOD in Richmond.

Occupational Health and Safety

Fire Safety

- The Occupational Health and Safety Office is responsible for coordinating fire drills at each campus. Fire drills were completed successfully at the Langley, KPU Tech and Cloverdale campuses. The drills involved complete evacuation of the buildings and involved participation of both employees and students.

JOHS Committees

- Joint Occupational Health and Safety Committees (JOHS) have been established at each campus consistent with Work Safe BC regulations. In accordance with legislation committees are meeting monthly and conducting safety inspections on a regular basis. Eight (8) workplace inspections have been completed during this reporting period.

Emergency Planning

New Hire

- The Emergency Planning position has been filled. Cameron Kowalski will be joining KPU April 4, 2017. Cam comes from a 30 year policing background. He has emergency planning experience from the 2010 Olympics and currently holds the Emergency Planner position for the RCMP that covers BC and the Yukon.



HR Team 'manning' the table at KPU Day

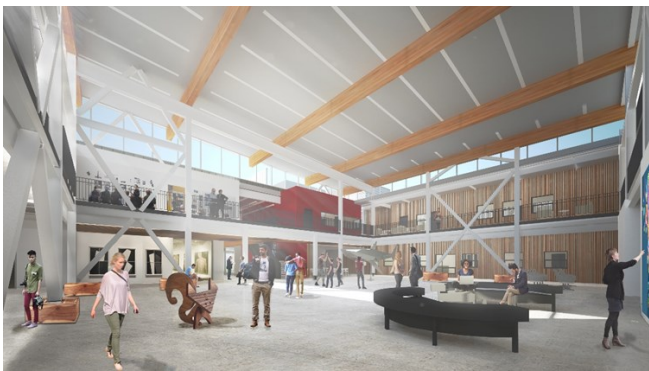
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FACILITIES SERVICES

Capital Development (including planning, design, renovations and new construction)

Spruce Building Renovation

- Project Announcement event occurred on February 10, 2017. RFP for Design-Build contractors closes on March 7, 2017. Moving services RFP is awarded to Heritage Office.



3 Civic Plaza

- Building permit application to the City of Surrey March 10, 2017



Chip and Shannon Wilson School of Design

- Construction of Level 4 underway.



Westerman House Demo

- Demo complete. Correction of deficiencies delayed due to weather.

Birch Café Renovation

- Project Complete



Finance & Administration cont'd

FACILITIES SERVICES CONT'D

Acupuncture Lab

- Project Complete



Facilities Operations / General

KPU Day and Open House

- Large amount of time spent in support of events preparation, setup, logistics, and take-down. Extra landscaping and parking lot cleaning needed due to the weather related damage and buildup of detritus.

Events

KPU Facilities provided space, logistical and set-up support for the following events:

- Noteworthy External Events:
 - CBC: Dragons Den Auditions
- External Partnership Events:
 - Richmond Regional Skills Canada Competition – an event where Skills Canada partnered with KPU to run

a competition at our Richmond Campus for high-school students.

- Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of British Columbia (APEGBC): Popsicle Stick Bridge Building Company – Elementary School Students are invited to build the strongest possible bridge using only white wood-working glue and no more than 100 standard popsicle sticks.

Snow Removal

- Another round of snow falls and cold weather days kept facilities crews and contractors working from the early morning hours to keep campuses safe and accessible. Many thanks again to Shawn Cahill and the campus FSG teams for their work in the early morning hours.

Skills Canada

- Supported the setup and Skills Canada competition at Richmond in the main atrium and around campus.

Ministry of Advanced Education (AVED) ; Annual Maintenance and Renewal Funding

- KPU is wrapping up projects approved as part of the approximate \$1.9 million in funding received in August from AVED as a COA intended to address replacement of key building infrastructure priorities within our deferred maintenance program. The funds must be expended before fiscal year end.



Vancouver EcoVillage Therapy Dog at KPU Day

Finance & Administration *cont'd*

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Departmental Initiatives

IT Strategic Plan

- IT Strategic Plan 2017 has been completed and presented to a range of committees for feedback; the plan was approved by PUE on Mar 8th; next steps include the development and implementation of a new IT governance model, and restructuring the IT function with a focus on service optimization

Vacancies

- Searches are currently underway to fill the following vacancies: Project and Portfolio Manager, and Information Security Manager.

Surveys

- IT Surveys of Students and Faculty have been completed to inform and create a baseline for IT initiatives; awaiting reports from IAP.

Teaching & Learning Technologies:

Digital Ready Classrooms

- A small number of classrooms were upgraded to basic digital readiness at the Langley campus during the reading break; IT and the Teaching & Learning Commons (TLC) have been collaborating and consulting with the university community on the development of a basic standard for digital readiness

Kaltura

- IT is collaborating with the TLC on piloting a video platform offered by BCNET; the project has been kicked off and the team is actively working on implementation

Software Applications:

Overall ERP Modernization

- Efforts to evaluate Banner in the context of a consolidated revitalization project have highlighted the requirement to plan and implement an overall ERP (Enterprise Resource Planning) modernization initiative; the key teams involved (Finance, OREG and HR) are continuing to work on prioritizing requirements; a summary of these requirements is expected to be completed in April

Web Tie Entry

- Initial pilot has been completed and has now been expanded; a review of how well the automated process is working with pilot participants will be completed in March

Degree Works

- Project charter completed and signed off by project sponsor; software installation completed in Test; initial technical training completed; project on track



Kyle Tourand, systems support technologist and Ophelia, the Therapy Donkey at KPU Day

Infrastructure

KPU's New Navigation Portal

- The new navigation portal project has been kicked off; the test environment has been completed; work is underway to implement a robust Single-Sign-On (SSO); work will begin shortly on identifying items for inclusion in the initial launch.

Digital Signage

- Project to implement modern, flexible digital signage system kicked off; this system has potential for a lot of uses across the university; target for completion is end of May

Network Infrastructure Upgrade

- Largely complete; documentation, diagrams, final code upgrades and inventory clean-up scheduled are 50% complete; advanced staff to be scheduled

Managed Print Services

- KPU policy required with respect to large print jobs; this requirement will be referred to an IT policy initiative which is scheduled to start in April

Wi-Fi

- Wi-Fi upgrade completed; coverage review identified a small number of weak or congested areas; work to correct this to begin in late March

Office of the Provost

The last Provost report to the Board of Governors was entirely focused on a comprehensive update on Academic Plan 2018, and its corresponding Impact Report.

This report will outline the considerable number of activities that have taken place over the last three months. The Provost's Office has been conducting searches and reappointments for senior academic administrators as well as worked with the Vice Provost, Teaching and Learning (and Interim AVP, Research) in building a new and revitalized Office of Research and Scholarship at KPU. There has been significant activity on the educational facilities evident in the ongoing construction of the Chip and Shannon Wilson School of Design building on the Richmond campus, the final construction stages of KPU Civic Plaza, and the recently announced refurbishing of the Spruce/Fir Building on the Surrey campus. On the academic side there is a fair bit of provincial activity related to the establishment of a common application form and process for BC's 25 public institutions; the preparation of our post-secondary sector to accept K-12 students graduating out of a new provincial curriculum starting in 2020. While the provincial election results will remain unknown until May 9th, it is quite likely that these major sector-led academic exercises will be implemented regardless of the election outcome.

The Provost is a member of the provincial governance committee for the establishment of Education Planner BC, the newly proposed and emerging online application system for BC public post-secondary educational institutions. A recent forum at BCIT brought together participants from all corners of BC to receive all the current reports and updates from the various planning committees.

The Provost and Vice Provost, Students attended the Conference Board of Canada's forum for the Quality Network for Universities at UBC in early March. The purpose of the forum was to examine trends and challenges in gender equity, inclusion, and diversity on university campuses and in the

private sector. Other discussions and presentations dealt with what can be done to improve culture and leadership practices around gender equity, inclusiveness, and diversity. The Forum concluded with a rousing speech by the Right Honourable Kim Campbell titled "Leadership in the age of Trump". Conference notes, brochures and pamphlets have been shared with administrators and the Kwantlen Faculty Association in the hopes that KPU can more properly address a number of equity issues that merit serious attention.

We are pleased to announce the reappointment of the University Librarian Todd Mundle for a second five-year term at KPU. Our congratulations and a big thank you for all the hard work and for the extra mileage Todd put in serving as Interim Vice Provost, Teaching and Learning during the past two years.

Congratulations are in order for Joel Murray who was recently reappointed Associate Dean of the Faculty of Science and Horticulture for another three year appointment. Many thanks to Joel for helping Dean Worobec and her team navigate a complex, rapidly growing and quite successful Faculty.

The Provost and the Vice Provost, Teaching and Learning conducted three forums at Richmond, Surrey and Langley to better understand the diversity of research and scholarship activity taking place at KPU and to assess how a revitalized Office of Research and Scholarship can best serve the needs of scholars at KPU. The findings from these meetings coupled with extensive work being done to identify ideal models for research and applied research will form the foundation of a newly reconstituted and re-energized research agenda at KPU.

KPU Day at the Surrey campus was a real success. Staff, faculty and administrators seem to have truly enjoyed the opportunity to mingle, meet up with colleagues they don't always have an opportunity to connect with, and to enjoy the many demon-

KPU hosted a media roundtable requested by the federal government on March 13th.

(left to right) Sal Ferreras, Sukh Dhaliwal, MP Surrey-Newton, and The Honourable Jean-Yves Duclos, Minister of Families, Children and Social Development



Office of the Provost cont'd

strations, entertainment, and my very favourite, the Coca-Cola Hug Me machine. The State of the University address by Dr. Davis gave all of us a really good reason to be proud of the remarkable amount of progress, positive action and employee commitment to supporting student success and a great working environment.

The Faculty of Trades and Technology held its new, and very classy awards ceremony at the Cloverdale campus. The new dinner format got a positive review from sponsors, award recipients and attendees all.

KPU Open House was held on March 4th at the Surrey campus. Once again, prospective students, families and community members got a chance to explore the wide range of programs and activities hosted by KPU. Attendance was steady throughout the day.

The Provost, the Dean and the Associate Dean of the Faculty of Health attended a recent meeting of the VPs of all BC institutions to receive and discuss a recently commissioned report entitled the Purkis Report. This report proposes developments in the area of Nursing and especially specialty Nursing programs. The proposed changes pose a number of challenging issues for many institutions delivering health programs. The sector is committed to working closely with the provincial health authorities and the Ministries of Advanced Education and Health to ensure the best possible outcome for patient care and graduates of our health training institutions.

The BCTECH Summit, held March 14 and 15 at the Vancouver Convention Centre featured several important provincial and federal announcements related to innovation, technology, education, and the labour market. Several KPU attendees took in a huge variety of presentations and explored a remarkable array of exhibitor booths that present no small number of program and project possibilities for KPU. Our attendance at the conference also signaled our collective determination to fulfill the mandate and potential of our unique polytechnic university.

Renovations to the impressive Acupuncture Simulation Lab at the Richmond campus are now complete. The Provost had the opportunity to greet and welcome the 150 plus participants to a forum of the Association of Traditional Chinese Medicine and Acupuncturists at the Richmond campus. Participants had an opportunity to view the new lab and to hear about this exciting new program at KPU.

On May 15, 2017, KPU will be hosting a forum called *Open Minds: Open Doors*. This event will be a gathering aimed at attracting Aboriginal learners to Science, Math, Technology and Health programs at KPU. The event, to be held for one full day over three consecutive years, has been made possible by a generous donation from the KPU Foundation. The Surrey School District has joined KPU as a partner and will be working with our Future Students Office to ensure a seamless pathway of Surrey Aboriginal students to transition to the variety of

programs available to them at KPU.

Learning Outcomes KPU Teaching Fellow Dr. Burns, in collaboration with student researchers Anya Goldin, Chanel Oliver, and Brianna Lewis, has embarked on an important research project aimed at piloting one significant aspect of the new K-12 curriculum relating to portfolio. The researchers, under the supervision and mentorship of Dr. Burns, will explore and test how high school graduates can use their e-portfolios to gain admission to post-secondary studies. This work, endorsed by Jan Unwin, special advisor to the Ministry of Education and the Ministry of Advanced Education, is but one of the many compelling projects that KPU will embark on as we lead the charge to prepare the post-secondary system for a smooth transition that will see students emerging from a highly progressive curriculum and learning system.

KPU Surrey will celebrate the United Nation's International Day for the Elimination of Racism on March 21 at the Surrey campus. This event hosted by the Dean of the Faculty of Academic and Career Advancement will mark the day with two events. First, a campus gathering in the courtyard between the Main and Arbutus Buildings at noon and, later that afternoon, a panel discussion on the elimination of racial discrimination, moderated by Dr. Wade Deisman, Associate Dean, Faculty of Arts, to be held in the Conference Centre in Cedar Building.

Recent notable meetings, conferences and events attended by the Provost since the November 23rd meeting of the Board of Governors:

- Travelled to the Quality Network for Universities/Conference Board of Canada 4th Summit on Skills in Post-Secondary Education November 29 - December 1 in Toronto
- Made a successfully funded presentation and request to the KPU Foundation Board to launch the *Open Doors: Open Minds* Indigenous STEM forum at KPU Surrey in the Spring of 2016
- Attended campus wide holiday social events
- Attended BC Association of Institutes and Universities (BCAIU) Vice Presidents Academic regular meeting December 9, 2016, February 22 and March 1, 2017
- Participated in meetings with Education Planner B.C. (EPBC) governance working group with other post-secondary colleagues and AVED representatives on December 6, 2016 and January 17, March 10, 2017
- Attended planning session for KPU's sponsor participation with SFU on the C2U Community Expo to be held May 1 - 6 at SFU Surrey, Downtown Vancouver and KPU Surrey. Logistical meetings now underway to sponsor a reception and C2U Jam activated by KPU on May 1st, location TBA
- Continued meetings with potential acupuncture clinic hosts in preparation for KPU's Acupuncture Diploma third semester inaugural clinical placements

Office of the Provost cont'd

- Attended Deloitte session on emerging economic and technological trends and forecasts
- Attended Faculty of Science and Horticulture's Environmental Protection Technologist full accreditation certificate presentation from Technology Accreditation Canada (TAC)
- Attended regular meetings of the BC Senior Academic Administrators Forum on January 18 and March 20
- Attended lunch hosted by Faculty of Academic and Career Advancement Dean Patrick Donahoe to meet and share feedback with students in the Youth Aging Out-of-Care program on December 15
- Attended the American Association of Colleges and Universities, the largest US academic conference to held in San Francisco on January 25 – 27, 2017
- Opening comments and introductions welcoming author/playwright Anosh Irani at the annual Faculty of Arts "KPU Reads" January 30
- Introduction and welcoming of KPU honorary Doctorate recipient and prominent conductor of the Vancouver Symphony Orchestra, Bramwell Tovey as part of the ongoing Third Age Learning at Kwantlen sessions
- Chaired the Senior Administrator Reappointment Committee for University Librarian
- Chaired the Senior Administrator Reappointment Committee for the Dean of Arts
- Chairing Search Advisory Committee for Associate Vice President Academic
- Chairing Search Advisory Committee for Associate Vice President, Business Development and Innovation
- Provost attended the KPU-sponsored BC Export Development Association Minister's meeting with Jobs, Tourism, Skills Training Minister Shirley Bond
- Visit to Ministry of Advanced Education to meet with Degree Quality Assessment Board Director, Assistant Deputy Minister, Executive Director, Research Universities and Health Programs, Executive Director, Teaching Universities, Institutes and Aboriginal Programs Branch
- Inaugural meeting and dinner with Polytechnics Canada
- Polytechnics Canada, VPs teleconference meeting
- Attended FMRK XVII Fashion Marketing event and showcase



"I applied for the nursing program because I thought it was a practical choice. It wasn't my first choice as a career and I entered half-heartedly. Somewhere along the way I realized I made the right choice. I keep learning so much about the value of compassion and human interaction. I feel like nursing brings out the best in me." - Nikka B.

Office of the Provost

FACULTY & ACADEMIC UNITS

FACULTY OF ACADEMIC AND CAREER ADVANCEMENT (ACA)

Academic & Career Preparation (ACA)

Information Night for Parents of Somali Students

- After the Somali Youth Summits held at KPU in November 2015 and May 2016 one of the most notable pieces of feedback was “Can you do something like this for our parents so they can know more about KPU?” The Info Session held on March 9th was KPU’s response in collaboration with the Welcome Centre/Surrey School District. Almost 60 people attended the event, doubling the expectations of the organizers. Host, Dean Patrick Donahoe, welcomed the attendees and Deqa Mohamed from Surrey Schools emceed a section of the program where Somalis who have completed university shared their inspiring ‘Learning Journey’ stories with the audience in both English and Somali. Dominic Wan, from the Future Students Office, Edith Chu, Educational Advisor ACA, and Kristy Grimston, Financial Assistance Officer, provided timely information about how to navigate entry to KPU and the many supports available to students. Planning for Somali Youth Summit III scheduled of Saturday, May 6th, is under way.

Somalis Helping Somalis Tutoring

- Three of the Somali men behind the success stories mentioned above Mohamed Ibrahim, faculty member in Nursing, Mustafa Ahmed, Coordinator, Language Services, Fraser Health Authority, and Abdullahi Idle, Business Systems Analyst – Health Informatics, Advanced Clinical Systems, Fraser Health share responsibilities for coordinating the “Somalis Helping Somalis” a volunteer tutoring service at the Surrey Campus every Saturday from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Recently attendance has expanded with the addition of several Syrian students who heard about the service from friends.

Pro-Immigration and Anti-Racism Events

- Patrick Donahoe, Dean ACA, represented KPU at two recent anti-racism events:
- A Forum on Anti-Racism & Anti-Hate Initiatives entitled “Supporting the Integration of Refugees in Our Communities” was held at Surrey City Hall Council Chambers on February 15th and webcast across BC. The next week, UBC Robson Square was the venue for a four-hour Immigration Symposium that focused on the immigrant journey and the contribution immigrants make to Canadian society. The Keynote was presented by His Excellency Artur Wilczynski, Canada’s Ambassador to Norway.

Cultural Diversity Awards Nomination

- On March 3rd Abbotsford Community Services presented the 14th Annual Fraser Valley Cultural Diversity Awards

Ceremony. KPU’s Faculty of Academic and Career Advancement was nominated for Marketing and Outreach to diverse communities. Specifically, ACA marketing efforts were cited for the efforts to communicate different cultural norms, values and languages and participation in community activities.

Xi’an University of Science and Technology Delegation

- A delegation from Xi’an University of Science and Technology in China met with representatives of KPU-International and the Faculty of Academic and Career Advancement to discuss possible collaborative initiatives and short term English as an Additional Language (EAL) initiatives. KPU’s English Language Studies Department has experience in providing customized language instruction at multiple levels. ELS has developed an advanced teaching skills curriculum for internationally trained English teachers which has recently received attention from China, Mexico and Viet Nam.

BC Open Badges Forum

- Among those presenting case studies for “badging” at the BC Open Badges Forum held at Richmond Campus on February 17, 2017 was Patrick Donahoe, Dean of ACA. Dr. Donahoe is Chair of the Board of Directors for the Canadian Association for Prior Learning Assessment (CAPLA). CAPLA presented its 2016 national conference in Toronto last October as an RPL (Recognition of Prior Learning) Boot Camp with five learning stations. Participants who successfully completed the learning outcomes at all stations were assessed and awarded a Boot Camp Badge.
- Badges are eCredentials and are currently being used by several departments and programs at KPU.

Breaking Barriers Brunch Keynote

- The Future Student’s Office *Breaking Barriers Brunch* was held on Thursday, March 9th at the Surrey Campus and welcomed representatives from Area School Districts and a variety of service organizations which support current learners or who refer students to KPU. The Keynote for the morning was given by Patrick Donahoe, Dean, Faculty of Academic and Career Advancement, who spoke to KPU’s ongoing efforts to clear the path for all learners accessing courses and programs at the University. He spoke about the importance of collaboration among the various agencies that serve students who may need some extra support preparing for and entering post-secondary institutions. One of the examples he used was the changes in the organization of English Language Studies course offerings at Surrey Campus and the positive effects of the lunch and learn program. Building a cohort approach to students’ engagement means that learners from all levels now mix and mingle not only with each other, but also with faculty members who often now hold open office hours in the Hub classroom and language lab during the noon hour break.

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Journey into Islam Event

- At the invitation of a Saudi Arabian student, ACA Dean Donahoe attended the *Journey into Islam* event at the Az-Zahraa Islamic Centre in Richmond on Saturday, January 28, 2017. The Dinner and exhibits were designed to welcome those from other faith traditions to tour the mosque and learn from the artifacts, displays, and presentations more about Islamic culture and traditions. Over 300 people were in attendance. When just days later the shootings occurred at a mosque in Laval, Quebec, invitations were sent to the January 28th attendees to return to the Az-Zahraa Islamic Centre for a memorial vigil. Despite heavy snow over 150 people attended and supported the Muslim community in a time of travail.

Muslim Food Bank Dinner

- On Saturday, February 25th Patrick Donahoe attended the 2017 Annual Fundraising Dinner for the Muslim Food Bank and Community Services Society at the invitation of Azim Dahya, the Executive Director of the Society.

Academic & Career Preparation (ACP)

- ACP continues to investigate student success, this time with a PD event, "Ongoing Inquiry into Student Success". The session will focus on the transferability of writing skills to other disciplines and future post-graduate and non-academic careers. Tom Carey, visiting senior scholar, Office of the Provost and Mark Diotte, ACP Co-Chair will host the event open to ACP English faculty members in late April 2017.
- During the Reading Break ACP hosted a Best Practices session including the following presentations:
 - Chris Traynor taught a mock lesson on how to use historical paintings such as the 1771 Death of General Wolfe to develop critical thinking and writing skills while building classroom community
 - Sue Lee presented a technique for using Facebook to help students develop summary writing skills and take ownership of their own thoughts and reflections
 - Bogdan Bryja presented a lesson on having students examine a draft essay through "the eyes of the teacher," while using a colour-coding system to enhance unity and coherence in writing
 - Danny Wrench presented "planting seeds" in our teaching that often lead to success in future courses or years within the student's academic life. Using research on student success and self-regulated learning as the content through which writing can be taught; students become expert learners while acquiring writing skills.
 - Rachelle Hollaway presented the Tools for Writing curriculum and how an intensive, sequenced study of language led to success in her

classroom.

- Mark Diotte presented Connect Composition, an online tool by McGraw Hill that combines writing and language content with a course shell. All assignments can be sequenced for scaffolding student learning and tailored to meet the needs of the class.

KDocs

- Janice Morris, ACP faculty member and KDocs Founder & Festival Director along with the KDocs Team staged their 4th annual documentary film festival in partnership with the Vancouver International Film Centre & Vancity Theatre. The 2017 KDocs festival was held Feb. 16-19, 2017 at the Vancouver International Film Centre/Vancity Theatre. 10 plus documentaries were presented including: Racing Extinction, How to Let Go of the World and Love All Things Climate Can't Change, The Pass System, After the Last River, We Call Them Intruders, Lo and Behold: Reveries of the Connected World; Do Not Resist, After Spring, Migrant Dreams, Sonita; Life, Animated, and Wizard Mode. The festival is well established and well attended and those who participated appreciated the films, the key note addresses as well as panel discussions after the showings.

English Language Studies (ELS)

- The department continues to develop curriculum for Professional Communication for Internationally Educated: Engineers and Technologists, Health Professionals, Accountants.
- The department continues to work with the British Council to finalize the implementation of the new online placement test (Aptis) for students entering the ELS program. This placement test will increase access for both domestic and international students. The plan is to begin implementing the new placement test in April.
- The department participated in a number of institutional and community events to raise awareness of the ELS program: ELS orientation sessions at for LINC classes at Surrey Learning Centre (Feb 8th & 9th), Newcomer Welcome Party and Job Fair at Lansdowne Mall (Feb 25th), KPU Day (Mar 3rd), KPU Surrey Open House (Mar 4th), two public ELS information sessions (Feb 15th & 16th), and Breaking Barriers Brunch (Mar 9th).

Access Programs for People with Disabilities (APPD)

- APPD as usual has participated in numerous community meetings not limited to:
 - familyWorks, a provincial not for profit, family-driven network hosted a community conversation on access for people with disabilities in Langley. The group discussed transitioning students to post-secondary or employment options after high school. The APPD representatives highlighted

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their program and options at KPU.

- Teen Transition Night – Langley School District on Mar. 8th.
- Breaking Barriers Brunch held at KPU, Surrey Campus on Mar. 9th provided ACA dept.'s an opportunity to address possible barriers with school districts and numerous Lower Mainland agencies.

Third Age Learning at Kwantlen (TALK)

- TALK session “Meet the Maestro” took place at Surrey campus on January 31, 2017. Grammy and Juno award-winning musician, conductor and composer, Bramwell Tovey entertained a large contingent of music lovers from the community; as well as, KPU students and employees. Tovey said, “I’m delighted to be back at KPU taking part in an educational series devoted to life-long learning.” Tovey led the audience through a typical day at the Vancouver Symphony Orchestra while revealing some of the secrets behind the music performed.



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JANEK BAJERSKI

I like the Literacy Communities (LCOM) course at KPU. It has helped me to learn about new things like math, computers, reading and writing. I've been able to meet, communicate and work with new people. I've also made new friends. It has helped me with different life situations in school, life and with my photography and art card business.

“I’ve been able to meet, communicate and work with new people.”

Janek Bajerski
ACA Literacy Communities

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Students:

- Lindsay Cox (CRIM): Honours Student successfully defended her honours thesis titled: "Because it is a Sociological Phenomenon: A Content Analysis of the 'Am I Next' Social Movement on Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women in Canada". Lindsay's presentation was followed by questions and suggestions from her internal and external readers. Alana Abramson was the internal reader, and Constable Shylo Pruyin from the Surrey RCMP was the external reader. Mike Larsen provided encouraging comments and contributed to the great dialogue. (Feb 1)
- Curtis Russell (POLI/HIST): Guest lecture entitled "Pheasants and Class Conflict" for Kyle Jackson's (HIST) ARTS1100: Experiencing the Arts: Animals and Society, KPU Surrey. (Feb 10)
- Christopher Knopp (MUSI): Performed piano as one of 10 selected competitors in the Vancouver Women's Society Scholarship competition. (Feb 18)
- Durrah Alsaif (FINA): Shortlisted for the Philip B. Lind Emerging Artist Prize. Shortlisted candidates will have their work exhibited at Presentation House Gallery, North Vancouver. (Mar 11)
- Stephanie Maciver (CRIM Co-op): Working with Surrey Cares Community Foundation as a researcher for the Surrey Vital Signs Report on First Peoples (2018). Larissa Petrillo (ANTH) is the KPU liaison for this project. (Feb – Mar)
- Stephanie Martin (PSYC alumni): Invited to interview for a seat in the Masters of Occupational Therapy Program at UBC. (Feb 24)
- Jiajun Zhang (GEOG alumni): Presented a poster at the Western Division of Canadian Association of Geographers (WDCAG) conference, entitled "The 96 B-line in Metro Vancouver: A study on travel efficiency and ridership improvement". (Mar 4)

New Programs, Policies and Initiatives:

Geography field trips for experiential learning:

- Bill Burgess (GEOG): Students in GEOG 3120 (Space Economics) attended a field trip to Lafarge Cement Plant, Richmond. (Mar 13)
- John Martin (GEOG): ENVI 1216 (Earth Science) students participated in a field trip to Williams Park, Langley. (Mar 3)
- Jan Thompson (GEOG): GEOG 1120 (Earth Science) students attended a field trip to Crescent Beach. (March 11)

Larissa Petrillo (Anthropology):

- ANTH 2160 Culture and Environment student essays were given, with permission, to the Executive Director of CPAWS (Canadian Parks and Wilderness Society) for use in analyzing coverage of First Nations environmental issues in mainstream news media. (Feb)

- For ANTH 3190 – Non-Governmental Organizations in Practice, students:
 - Collaborated with Accounting faculty member, John Shepherd (former Surrey Libraries Board member) to run a survey on the use of Surrey Libraries by new Canadians including survey work at Strawberry Hill, Guildford, Fleetwood, Newton and City Centre libraries. (Feb – Mar)
 - Organized the 4th annual Think Global, Link Local United Nations Assoc of Canada-Vancouver Networking Breakfast, which gathers 100 university students from across the Lower Mainland to network with 20 nonprofit organizations. (Mar 18)
 - Students are working with ISS of BC, RMCS, and SUCCESS in creating resources for new Canadians to learn English as part of the Richmond Local Immigration Partnership Table. (Feb – Mar)

Ellen Pond (Policy Studies): POST/POLI 4110 – Applied Policy Seminar II students:

- Reached out to over 35 MLAs, provincial election candidates and advocacy organizations, and conducted over 20 interviews about issues such as housing affordability, watershed protection, violence against Indigenous women, public transit, tuition fees and the \$15 minimum wage campaign. They also asked about why candidates are running for office, and how policy platforms are developed. The students have shared their findings within the class as we deepen our learning about the BC electoral process and BC politics. (Feb and Mar)
- A student team organized for party/candidate speakers to come to their class. Confirmed guests include: Andrew Weaver, Leader of the Green Party, the young Liberals, and KPU's MLA for Surrey Newton (and former KPU BoG member) Harry Bains. (Mar 14 & 21)

Community Engagement:

- Alana Abramson (CRIM): Co-organized with Rae-Lynne Dicks, KPU alumna, and Badge of Life Canada, "Connections in First Responder Mental Health," a conference about the trauma-related experiences and healing journeys of first responders. (Feb 23-24)
 - The 3rd Annual Tom Allen Memorial Symposium. *Painful Echoes: The complexity of prisoner healthcare concerns in corrections.* (Mar 30)
- Daniel Bernstein (PSYC): Insight Grant Review Panel, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council. (Mar)
 - Invited to speak at Fleetwood Place Retirement Home. (Mar)
- Gira Bhatt (PSYC): Interviewed by CTV News, "Abbotsford police issue warning after gang violence escalates". (Feb 25)
- Greg Chan (ENGL): Facilitated a session on StoryMapJS for

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Learning Technology's Tinkers Faire. (Feb 16)

- Led a film studies session on "Black Comedy" for TALK seniors. (Mar 6 & 13)
- Jen Currin (CRWR): Taught a workshop on the prose poem as part of Growing Room: A Feminist Literary Festival. (Mar 11)
- Jane Hayes (MUSI): Organizer along with Julia Nolan (MUSI), for the 1st Annual Woodwind Workshop, which saw 60 participants. (Feb 4)
- Don Hlus (MUSI): 20th Anniversary of the Fraser Valley Acoustic Guitar Festival (Feb 25)
 - Sold-out concert featuring Michael Chapdelaine (Guitar Foundation of America International Classical Guitar First Prize Winner & National Fingerstyle Guitar Champion). Guests also included Itamar Erez (world music) & Kris Schulz (steel-string).
- KPU Reads: The finale event, including a reading with celebrated author of *The Parcel*, Anosh Irani, and a performance with the BSQ (Mar 28)
- Language and Cultures: International Mother Language Day celebration, Bear Creek Pavilion, Surrey. (Feb 11)
- Paulo Majano (FINA): Installation of Public Art. Photographic Project "Reflected City" for the Capture Photography Festival 2017 and the City of Richmond. (Feb – Jun)
- John Martin (GEOG): Evaluation of Geology Department for VIU, as part of Articulation. (Mar5)
- Maria Anna Parolin (FINA): Active member of Burnaby Arts Council's Board of Directors. Currently promoting and fundraising for Luminescence, an event where performers and artists work with light. (Mar 18)
- Larissa Petrillo (ANTH): Attended the 1st annual Surrey Cares Community Foundation Awards Dinner.
- Jeffrey Shantz (CRIM): Interview on KCBS, the CBS affiliate in San Francisco, in a live feature on black blocs and the protest events at UC Berkeley. (Feb 3)
- Daniel Tones (MUSI): Hosted annual Day of Percussion, which advances the art of percussion through educational clinics and high-quality performances that engage music students, music enthusiasts, and professional artists. KPU was able to connect with the community, build a profile for the university's music department, and recruit potential students. This event was funded by a FAEAF grant with which allowed engagement with Vancouver's Fringe Percussion and international guest artist Terry Longshore. Yamaha Canada Music and local retailers Long and McQuade Musical Instruments, Tapestry Music, and Tom Lee Music provided financial support for the event's three educational clinics. (Feb 4)
- Yanfeng Qu (MAND): Adjudicated, as part of the panel composed of Chinese teaching professionals from other

BC universities and colleges, at the 2017 BC Chinese Bridge Mandarin Speech Contest for University Students, representing KPU, BCIT downtown campus. (Mar 11)

Recognition:

Awards and Appointments:

- Galib Bhayani (CRIM): Sr. Canadian Police Advisor to the Government of Iraq Baghdad. Conducting strategic planning in order to restore the Iraqi police service following the destruction and damage caused by ISIL. A one year appointment by the RCMP.
- Ying-Yueh Chuang (FINA): Award winner, along with nine KPU ceramics students, at *Clay 2017* Fraser Valley Potters Guild, The ACT Arts Centre, Maple Ridge (Mar 11)
- Mark Hamilton (JRNL): Trustee with the Uncharted Journalism Fund, a local initiative to provide funding to allow journalists and others to pursue innovative and adventurous journalism initiatives. Details: uncharted journalism.org (Feb 10)
- Kyle Jackson (HIST): Successful defence of PhD dissertation at Warwick University (UK). Thesis accepted without revision. (Feb 1)
- Lisa Monchalin (CRIM): Visiting Professor of Equity and Diversity. Central Washington University, Cross appointment with The Department of Law and Justice and The Department of Sociology. (Jan – Mar)
- Larissa Petrillo (ANTH): Chair of the 2017 Surrey Vital Signs First Peoples Advisory Committee.
- Liz Toohey-Wiese (FINA): Featured Artist at the Art Sales and Rental Gallery at the Vancouver Art Gallery. The Art Sales and Rental gallery mandate is to promote emerging and mid-career artists. (until Mar 24)

Publications:

- Daniel Bernstein (PSYC): Aßfalg, A. (student), Currie, D. (student), & Bernstein, D.M. (2017). *The revelation effect depends on task difficulty and placement*. *Memory & Cognition*. doi:10.3758/s13421-016-0685-9.
 - Aßfalg, A. (student), Bernstein, D.M., & Hockley, W. (2017). *The revelation effect: A meta-analytic test of hypotheses*. *Psychonomic Bulletin & Review*. doi:10.3758/s13423-017-1227-6.
 - Undorf, M. (student), Zimdahl, M.F. (student), & Bernstein, D.M. (2017). *Perceptual fluency affects judgments of learning when feelings of fluency are salient*. *Journal of Memory and Language*, 92, 293-304.
- Gira Bhatt (PSYC): *We Can't Allow Scapegoating of Minorities*, *The Province*, P. 22, Co-writer Dr. Saba Safdar (U Guelph). (Feb 19)
 - Jonnson, M., Shaffer, C., Viljoen, J. L., Doug-

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- las, K., Bhatt, G., Tweed, R., Gagnon, N., & Dooley, S. Protective Factors Against Callous-Unemotional Traits in Adolescents: The Role of Forgiveness, Gratitude, and Honesty. Poster presentation at the meeting of the American Psychology-Law Society, Seattle, USA. (March 16-18)
- Galib Bhayani (CRIM): *SMART on Social Problems: Lessons Learned* from a Canadian Risk-Based Collaborative Intervention Model Galib Bhayani and Sara K. Thompson. Published in the Oxford Journal of Policing.
 - Jen Currin (CRWR): The short story *After Halloween* published in PRISM and the poem *Medication* published in The Cordite Review. (Feb – Mar)
 - Aaron Goodman (JRNL): *The Outcasts Project: Humanizing Long-Term Heroin Users through Documentary Photography and Photo-Elicitation*, in “The Routledge Handbook of Philosophy and Science of Addiction” eds. Hanna Pickard and Serge H. Ahmed. (2017)
 - Jack Hayes (ASIA/HIST): Contributions to new High School open text project under the auspices of the Asia-Pac foundation. (Feb)
 - Jane Hayes (MUSI): Recording of Barbara Pentland’s *Ice Age* for a TPE recording (February 8)
 - Rajiv Jhangiani (PSYC): Ditching the *Disposable assignment* in favor of open pedagogy. In W. Altman & L. Stein (Eds.), *Essays from Excellence in Teaching*. Society for the Teaching of Psychology.
 - Sam Migliore (ANTH): *Italian Lives, Cape Breton Memories*. New, revised edition. Co-edited with Evo DiPierro. Cape Breton University Press. (Mar)
 - Roger Tweed (PSYC): Book chapter: Tweed, R. G., Mah, E., Dobrin, M., Van Poele, R., & Conway, L. G. III, *How can positive psychology influence public policy and practice?* In C. Proctor (Ed.), *Positive psychology interventions in practice* (pp. 257-271). Cham, Switzerland: Springer. The second, third, and fourth authors were all KPU students. (2017)
- Public Presentations:**
- Elizabeth Barnes (FINA): Exhibition of eight recent paintings at Espace’d Gallery in Vancouver. (Feb 21 – Mar 25)
 - Daniel Bernstein (PSYC): Poster presentations at the American Psychology Law Society, Seattle, WA. USA. (Mar):
 - Coburn, P.I. (student), Woiwod, D.M. (student), Connolly, D.A., Bernstein, D.M., & Alder, G.A. *The effects of cross-examination on reports provided by children who have experienced a single or repeated event.*
 - Giroux, M.E. (student), Vane-Hunt, M. (student), Tabert, A. (student), Dror, I., Connolly, D.A., & Bernstein, D.M. *Cognitive biases in interpreting degraded audio recordings.*
 - Woiwod, D.M. (student), Coburn, P.I. (student), Bernstein, D.M., Alder, G.A., & Connolly, D.A.
 - Borealis String Quartet: KPU’s quartet-in-residence presented “Landscapes: A Northern Odyssey” at the Orpheum Annex, Vancouver (Mar 12)
 - David Burns: “Creating Digital Content for Classrooms: 3 Content Categories,” Arts Speaker Series presentation. (Feb 15)
 - Joseph Dandurand: (CRWR) A public reading by this year’s writer-in-residence. Dandurand is a poet and playwright and member of the Kwantlen First Nation.
 - Brian Garrett (PHIL): Invited Public talks: *Are we responsible for ourselves* (February) and *What is a Moral Excuse?* (March) Langara College, Vancouver.
 - Jane Hayes (MUSI): Organized and performed at the Woodwind Faculty Showcase. (Feb 3)
 - Organized and performed at Visiting Piano Scholar’s Recital – Faye Dai Fei. (Feb 10)
 - Presentation with Julia Nolan, KPU saxophone instructor at NASA, University of Alberta. (Feb 17)
 - Featured Artist on Vetta Chamber Series concerts. (Mar 9-10)
 - Science World Presentation with Francois Houle, *Sea and Sky: A Sensory Music Experience*. (Mar 30)
 - Rajiv Jhangiani (PSYC): Multiple presentations:
 - Giving Psychology Away* via open pedagogy. Concurrent session at the 39th Annual National Institute on the Teaching of Psychology, St. Pete’s Beach, FL.
 - Pragmatism vs. idealism and the identity crisis of OER advocacy*, at the 2017 OE Global Conference, Cape Town, South Africa.
 - Adopting and Adapting Open Educational Resources*. Yukon College, Whitehorse, YK.
 - Invited talk at the Ontario Open Education Summit, Toronto, ON
 - Keynote Address:
 - ⇒ *Innovating with openness: Changing our approach*. 2017 STAR Symposium. Minnesota State Colleges and Universities system.
 - ⇒ *The Future is Open*. Large Stores Group Meeting, National Association of College Stores (NACS), Las Vegas, NV.
 - ⇒ Open Education week, University of Kansas.
 - Neil Kennedy (ENGL): “John Donne: One of the Greatest Minds of His Age and the Sin of Self-Slaughter” was the topic of the final installment of this year’s Arts Speaker Series. (Mar 14)
 - Puqun Li (PHIL): *From Child to Philosopher: My Chinese Interfaith Journey* as part of KPU’s 3rd UN Interfaith Har-

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mony Week at KPU Richmond. (Feb 7)

- Carla MacLean (PSYC): Drs. C.L. MacLean & I.E. Dror. *Context Effects in Industrial Inspection*. Paper presentation at the American Psychology and Law Society Conference. Seattle, Washington. (Mar)
- Keiron McConnell (CRIM): Shared his research to 350 people on Anti-Gang Patron Ejection programs at the Gangs and Guns conference, Burnaby, BC. (Feb 16)
- Lisa Monchalin (CRIM): With Adams, Autumn, Reasons and Charles, presented *Indigenous Mass Incarceration and Racial Injustice: The Colonial Problem in Canada and the United States* at the 44th Annual Western Society of Criminology Conference, Las Vegas, Nevada. (Feb 11)
 - Keynote Address for the films: *The Pass System* and *After the Last River* at KDocs Documentary Film Festival, Vancouver International Film Centre, Vancouver: BC. (Feb 17)
 - *Violence, Sexualization, and Oppression facing Indigenous Women in Turtle Island: Deconstructing Colonial Falsehoods*. For the Visiting Diversity Scholar Lecture, Central Washington University, Ellensburg, WA. (Feb 21)
 - *The Colonial Problem: An Indigenous Perspective on Crime and Injustice in Canada*. Book Launch Presentations:
 - Chaired by Allan Downey. Indigenous Studies Program, McGill University, Montreal, Quebec. (Feb 24)
 - The Institute of Public Administration of Canada Yukon (IPAC-Yukon), Whitehorse, Yukon. (Mar 17)
 - Invited Panelist for the David and Cecilia Ting Forum on Justice Policy on *Critical Issues in Women's Corrections*, with Dr. Ivan Zinger and Senator Kim Pate, SFU, Criminology, Burnaby, British Columbia. (Mar 9)
- Maria Anna Parolin (FINA): Artwork will be in an exhibition at Fazakas Gallery in Vancouver in celebration of International Women's Day. (Mar 8)
 - Member of the Art Mama Collective to talk about the balance of Motherhood and Art Practice – or lack thereof. Fazakas Gallery (Mar 18)
- Gail Suderman (MUSI): Music Faculty Showcase - Nominated for a Canadian Gospel Music "Covenant Award" for Gospel Album of the Year, the Good Noise Gospel Choir, founded and directed by KPU's own Gail Suderman, brought their inspirational artistry to Langley for a special concert outside of their traditional home at Christ Church Cathedral in Vancouver. (Mar 3)
- Daniel Tones (MUSI): With his ensemble, Fringe Percussion, joined the Bergman piano duo and Vancouver Bach Choir for a concert at the Orpheum Theatre that featured music by Carl Off, Jonathan Dove, and Michael Oldfield. (Feb 25)

- Featured artist with the Kamloops Symphony Orchestra in a performance of Marjan Mozetich's Concerto for Bassoon and String Orchestra with Marimba. (Mar 11)

- Liz Toohey-Wiese (FINA): Public Artist Talk Given at the Vancouver Art Gallery Art Sales and Rental Department. (Feb 14)

Reviews:

- Daniel Bernstein (PSYC): *Aging and Mental Health Journal*, *Journal of Applied Research in Memory and Cognition*, *Psychonomic Bulletin & Review*. (Mar)
- Brian Garrett (PHIL): Professional book review for Pearson Canada; reading and writing a report evaluating a potential textbook publication. (Mar)
- Ranjini Mendis (ENGL): Review of *After Melancholia: A Reappraisal of Second-Generation Diasporic Subjectivity in the Work of Jhumpa Lahiri*. This will appear in the journal *South Asian Diaspora*, Vol 9. (Mar)

Employee Engagement:

- KPU Day Participation (Mar 3):
 - Greg Chan (ENGL): Co-ordinated the KDocs screening room.
- KPU Open House (Mar 4):
 - Maria Anna Parolin (FINA): Silkscreen printing station during KPU's Open House in the Arbutus Gallery along with some students. We plan to promote printmaking in the Fine Arts Department by letting the public print their own take away.
 - Tom Thorner, Eryk Martin, Tracey Kinney (HIST): Photo Booth
 - Dola Pradhan, Rini Sumartojo, Mungandi Nasitwitwi (GEOG): Geography displays and presentations.
 - Robert Menzies, Jack Hayes, Kamala Nayar (ASIA): Tea Ceremony
- Kyle Jackson (HIST): Video trailer for HIST 4499: Oceans of History: <https://vimeo.com/205116827>
- Joe Koch (GEOG): Public talk at KPU *Antarctica and Subantarctic Islands: A decade of personal discoveries at the bottom of the world*. (Mar 22)
- Puqun Li (PHIL): Participated at the UN World Interfaith Harmony Week Celebration, organized by KPU Multi-faith Center (Mar)

University Wide Initiatives:

- NGO and Nonprofit Studies: Welcomed two new NGO and Nonprofit Studies Program Advisory Committee members: Andrea Seale, Deputy CEO, David Suzuki Foundation, and Angie Vickaryous, HR Manager, Tides Canada members.

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FACULTY OF HEALTH

New Programs, Policies and Initiatives:

- The Clinical Placement Project Coordinator has been working with various Lower Mainland First Nations Health sites to establish placements for FoH students. Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) and Bachelor of Science in Nursing, Post Baccalaureate (BSN PB) students have been to the Seabird Island Medical Centre located at Agassiz to participate in their Maternal Child Programs. There have been planning meetings with the Katzie First Nation for BSN students to work at their Pitt Meadows and Barnston Island sites this summer.
- Health Foundations (HF) year for the Bachelor of Psychiatric Nursing (BPN) will go live in May 2017.
- The Graduate Nurse Internationally Educated (GNIE) program has volunteered to be part of the Canadian Association of Schools of Nursing (CASN) pilot project for accreditation of Internationally Educated Nurses (IEN) bridging programs. The written report was submitted to CASN in February, and the site visit took place March 13th and 14th.
- Two of the GNIE faculty have been asked by CASN to participate in the accreditation review of other Canadian IEN bridging programs participating in the pilot project. These will take place in late March or Early April 2017.
- SCC Program Change approvals:
 - The Health Unit Coordinator (HAUC) program revision will change the program delivery format from module-based to semester-based to provide increased opportunities to apply theory in practice settings throughout the Undergraduate program. In addition, clinical placement hours were adjusted to provide new clinical practice experiences, which will broaden employment opportunities. Students will also earn credit towards the Certificate in Health Foundations by taking HEAL 1100, Mental Health and Wellness. The program revisions take effect September 2017.
 - The BSN PB program will be renamed to BSN Advanced Entry (BSN AE) to accurately reflect the type of program that is offered, to align with other similar programs at other Post-Secondary institutions, and to allow for other advanced entry options in the future. In addition, BSN AE course numbers were changed to align with the university's undergraduate course numbering system. The program revisions take effect September 2017.
- Senate Program Change approvals:
 - The GNIE Program Continuance Requirements were changed to align with all nursing programs in the Faculty of Health. The program revision takes effect in September 2017. The KPU program review site visit took place on February 20th.
 - Review of the BC Health Care Assistant Provincial Curriculum and an extensive external review of the KPU HCA program by the BC Community and Health Care Worker Registry (CACHWR) precipitated curriculum revisions for the HCAP program. Content updates and course realignment were required for the program to receive a full five year recognition by the Registry. The program revisions take effect in September 2017.
 - The BSN Program Change to modify the required elective in semester five was approved for implementation in September 2017.
 - The BC Internationally Educated Nurses (IEN) Assessment Service, under the FoH Professional Studies (PS) office will cease operation March 31, 2017. The Substantially Equivalent Competency (SEC) assessment has been replaced with the new Nursing Community Assessment Service (NCAS) which is operated through Langara College.
 - With this knowledge, we began development in the Fall 2016, of a new unique course entitled "Nurse Ready" to supplement the existing repertoire of course offerings. The inspiration for Nurse Ready was a culmination of feedback garnered over the years from nurses in various stages of their career, whether it was pre-licensure, post-licensure, LPN or RN. To date, there is no course like Nurse Ready available in the lower mainland, which offers intensive learning in a condensed timeframe for both skills and theoretical knowledge acquisition. Each participant will be provided a customized learning plan to meet their career goals, that takes into consideration their unique circumstances, and personal goals.
 - The inaugural offering of Nurse Ready was launched in March 2017, and feedback is overwhelmingly positive. Nurse Ready is hosted monthly (with the exception of May and August) and it is sold out pending the Fall schedule on Flexreg. Additionally, at the request of the Health Authorities and with the support of the BC Nurses' Union, our office provides post-licensure assessments for RNs in the areas of medical/surgical, maternity, residential care, critical care, and community health. Recently, we have added post-licensure assessments for LPNs, as well.

Managing Risk:

- BPN continues to encounter challenges in securing clinical placements for students with increased competition from other schools as well as health authorities asking for smaller groups (6 students versus 8 students) – this has been a significant issue for the summer. The Program Coordinator and Clinical Placement Project Coordinator have taken steps to address this by seeking additional

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placement opportunities.

Recognition:

- Gurjeet Minhas, nursing faculty, is assisting the KPU media to make a short promotional video of students interacting with parents and infants in the Surrey Memorial Hospital Family Birthing Unit for the KPU website.
- Balbir Gurm, nursing faculty, is the recipient of Ruby Award by Soroptimist International of the Tri Cities for her work with the [Network to Eliminate Violence in Relationships](#)
- Laurel Tien, nursing faculty, has co-authored an article in the current issue of the [Transformative Dialogues: Teaching and Learning Journal](#) on "Intersubjective Knowing: An Innovative Model on Graduate Course Development."
- Harjit Dhese, BPN Program Coordinator, completed her PhD in Nursing Education. She interviewed BSN and BSN-

PB faculty and students for her qualitative research project entitled "An Exploration of Faculty and Student Perceptions of Mentoring".

Employee Engagement:

- The BSN Curriculum Committee hosted an all-day faculty workshop on February 17th to learn about concept-based teaching, learning and curriculum development. Donna Ignatavicius, an industry expert on the subject matter, acted as facilitator to help faculty discern the difference between traditional methods of educating nurses compared to concept-based approaches.



Faculty of Health (above) and Traditional Chinese Medicine (left) Information Booths at KPU Day

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Noteworthy Items:

- We are extremely pleased to announce that the KPU Brewing and Brewery Operations Diploma Program is one of the first programs in North America to receive full *Master Brewers Program Recognition* by the Master Brewers Higher Education Advisory Board. “Earning Master Brewers recognition is a great opportunity for your program to stand out in a competitive and growing education market. Master Brewers wants to ensure the future of the brewing industry by establishing the requirements for the most robust and effective training available to students in the world today,” said Susan E. Welch, co-chair of Master Brewers Higher Education Advisory Board.
- Trading Post Brewing presented a cheque to the KPU Brewing for a new scholarship for a first-year KPU Brewing student. Accepting the cheque were Alek Egi (*Brewing*); Dominic Bernard (*Brewing*); Johnathan Mrak (*Brewing student who works at Trading Post Brewery*); Nathan Spruit (*Brewing student*); Steve Lewarne (*Office of Advancement*), and Pamela Pittman (*Office of Advancement*). Trading Post Brewing was represented by John Ohler, manager of sales & business; Lance Verhoeff, founder and GM; Paul Verhoeff, owner; Tony Dewald, brewmaster; Lies Reimer, Special Projects; and the award’s namesake, John Mitchell, the “grandfather” of craft beer in BC. DeAnn Bremner (*Communications, Events & CPS Coordinator*) helped coordinate the event. *Media links:* [Langley Advance](#), [Langley Times](#).



- Triona King (*Communications & Events Specialist*) assisted with the official announcement of \$22 million Strategic Investment Fund for the renovations of the Spruce Building. Associate Dean Joel Murray and Biology student Maria Santelices were speakers at the event and Bob Chin (*PHYS*) gave a demonstration of his Rubens Tube. ([Photos](#))
- Kent Mullinix and Caitlin Dorwood (*ISFS*) hosted several MLAs: Bruce Ralston, Opposition Spokesperson for Manufacturing, Natural Gas Development, Trade, Immigration; Claire Trevena, Opposition Spokesperson for Transportation, Highways and BC Ferries ; Harry Bains, Opposition Spokesperson for Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations; Gary Holman, Opposition Spokesperson for Democratic Reform, Dep. Environment, Fisheries and BC Ferries; Doug Routley, Opposition Spokesperson for Forest Futures and Citizen Services; and David Eby, Opposition Spokesperson for BC Lottery Corporation, Translink, Housing, Gaming, Liquor Distribution Branch.
- Kent Mullinix and Caitlin Dorwood (*ISFS*) were invited to give a briefing to the BC Ministry of Agriculture Executive on the outcomes of their recently completed *Southwest British Columbia Bioregional Food System Design* project. Present at the briefing were: Deputy Minister Derek Sturko, Manager Executive Operations Georgina Hodson, Assistant Deputy Minister Arif Lalani, Assistant Deputy Minister James Mack, a representative from Government Communications and Public Engagement and several other Directors and Executive Directors.
- Representatives from Technology Accreditation Canada (TAC) and Applied Science Technologists and Technicians of BC (ASTTBC) came to KPU Langley to celebrate the

Environmental Protection Technology (EPT) Program’s recent accreditation with TAC. Grant Lachmuth represented Technology Accreditation Canada (TAC) and Charles Joyner, Geoff Sale and Elvira O’Kane (ASTTBC). ([Photos](#)) [Press release](#).

- In celebration of International Women’s Day, KPU Brewing alumni, Ashley Brooks, hosted the annual Pink Boots Society all-female ‘Big Boots Brew Day’ at Big Ridge Brewing in Surrey, where Ashley is the head brewer. First-year Brewing student Kristy Mosher and KPU Brewing alum Sandra Hoffman also participated in this unique brewing event. [Facebook/photo link](#)

- Joe Wiebe, co-producer of Victoria Beer Week (VBW), officially announced a scholarship for first-year KPU Brewing students at a press conference launching the start of VBW. Also in attendance were MLA and Parliamentary Secretary for Liquor Reform Policy, John Yap; legendary craft brewer Paul Hadfield of Spinnakers Brew Pub in Victoria where the conference was held; and KPU Brewing alumni, Kyle York from Canoe Brew Pub in Victoria. DeAnn Bremner (*Communications, Events & CPS Coordinator*) attended on behalf of KPU Brewing. The VBW scholarship was funded by over 20 BC craft breweries and the amount was doubled by the Society. Media Link: [The Province](#)

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New programs, policies and initiatives:

- Triona King (*Communications & Events Specialist*) orchestrated the 1st Annual KPU Med School Forum at KPU Surrey. Representatives from UBC School of Medicine gave a presentation and Health Science and Biology Student Clubs, Central and Faculty Advisors (Mike Harris & Andrea Fello), Biology and Health Science Faculty (Jane Hobson, Sherry Wilson & Paul Adams), and the Future Students' Office (David Semail) were present to answer questions about KPU programs. Over 90 students (approx. 50/50 current & prospective students) attended plus guests and parents. ([Photos](#))
- Betty Cunnin, Dan Regan, Gary Jones (*HORT*), DeAnn Bremner (*Communications, Events & CPS Coordinator*) delivered a hands-on full day horticulture workshop designed for aboriginal students from W.J. Mouat Secondary School, Abbotsford. Funding provided by the school district. The workshop was held at KPU Langley in the School of Horticulture facilities and served as a pilot to be offered to other aboriginal schools.
- Cameron Lait, Gary Jones (*HORT*), DeAnn Bremner (*Communications, Event & CPS Coordinator*) launched the first offering of the Horticulture CPS program 'Pest Management Module 1', for the Structural Pest Managers Association of BC (SPMABC). This is the first level of a 4-level program developed for members of the Association.
- Comparable to Branching Out and Brewing Career Fair, the Department of Physics hosted the 1st Annual Physics Industry/Student night at KPU Richmond. This was a valuable networking event for Physics for Modern Technology degree students and industry employers. Organized by Fergal Callaghan, this event featured "speed interviewing" sessions where each student got to meet one-on-one with potential employers.

Students:

- At the KPU Brewing Open House & Info Session over 70 guests came to the KPU Brewing Lab for tours of the brewery, craft beer tastings and a presentation on the Brewing Diploma program by Alek Egi (*Brewing*) and Michelle Molnar (*Administrative Coordinator*). Brice Jung (*Brewing student*); Shaun Kilby (*Brewing student*) and Stuart Busch (*FSH student assistant*) helped pour beer and talk to guests about the program. DeAnn Bremner (*Communications, Events & CPS Coordinator*) organized the event and facilitated the evening. Craft beer blogger Jeremy Nemanishen attended and published an article about the event and the program for BeerMeBC.com. ([Media link](#))
- Alek Egi (*Brewing*), Stan Wong (*Brewing*), DeAnn Bremner (*Communications, Events & CPS Coordinator*) and KPU Brewing students participated in two discovery sessions with KPU School of Design GDMA students as part of a craft brewery project in David Young's (*Design*)

Communications Design course.

- KPU Brewing faculty and student teams competed at the only Pro-Am cask festival competition in Canada, the Tri Cities Pro-Am Cask Festival. The event was held in Coquitlam with over 10 amateur brew clubs from BC and Alberta, and more than 24 craft breweries competing. The KPU Brewing Student Team was first-year students Mike Boucher, Sean Tanner, Samantha Rose, and Teaghan Mayers who brewed Cherry Bomb Imperial Chocolate Stout. Alek Egi (*Brewing*) represented the KPU Faculty Team brewing a Double Molasses Vanilla Porter. Kristy Mosher (*Brewing student*) helped out at the event as a volunteer.
- Rob Welsh, Lori Karr and Horticulture Arborist Apprenticeship students were able to put theory to practice by removing the 5 large trees from the entrance of the KPU Langley Campus. ([Langley front entrance](#))
- Shelley Murley, Maria Valana (*HORT*) and HORT 2327 Sustainable Landscape Design students are working with the City of Surrey on tree propagation strategies.
- Betty Cunnin (*HORT*) and HORT 2442 Arboriculture students are working with City of Langley Parks Manager Geoff Mallory on a long term project to provide tree inventory data to the City of Langley.
- Betty Cunnin, Janis Matson, Gary Jones (*HORT*) Michelle Matthysen (*Career Services Coordinator*) and Triona King (*Communications & Events Specialist*) organized the 5th Annual 'Branching Out' Conference and Career Workshop at KPU Langley. This career workshop and networking event brought together 20 employers and over 50 Horticulture students to explore summer job and career opportunities. In addition an industry panel provided students with insight on this year's topic "Healthy Cities depend on Horticulture". Panel members included: Egan Davis, Chief Instructor Horticultural Training Program, UBC Botanical Garden including Nitobe Memorial Garden; Janine de la Salle, 'Urban Food Strategies'; and Geoff Bradley, Plant Health Program Officer (Supervisor Harbour Operations) Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA). ([Photos](#))
- The 2nd annual KPU 'Brewing Up Your Career' Fair took place on Feb. 27 with 15 employer tables and 27 craft beer and cidery guests meeting with Brewing students. The event also included an industry speakers panel featuring KPU Brewing alum Ashley Brooks, head brewer, Big Ridge Brewing; Ken Beattie, executive director, BC Craft Brewers Guild; Mike Coghill, owner, Yellow Dog Brewing; Liam Murphy, head brewer, Yellow Dog Brewing; and Caryn Westmacott, cicerone, Red Truck Beer Co.. DeAnn Bremner (*Communications, Events & CPS Coordinator*) organized the event and Nancy More (*Brewing*) was the emcee. Also helping with the event were Michelle Molnar (*Administrative Coordinator*), Stuart Busch (*FSH student*)

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assistant), Alek Egi (*Brewing*) and Dominic Bernard (*Brewing*).

- Once again the KPU Turf Club students were great ambassadors for KPU and the FSH at the Western Canada Turfgrass Association Annual Conference (Penticton, BC). Besides volunteering their time during the conference the students presented the Association with a cheque for \$4160 to go toward turfgrass research.
- The Dept of Mathematics had one team of students (Anna Liu, Lance Li, Steven Yang) participate in the Mathematical Contest in Modeling. The students completed a modelling challenge, which was a real problem submitted by industry.
- MATH 3130 Introduction to the Math Classroom students have been providing midterm review sessions (outside class time) for different math courses, to help the MATH 3130 students gain teaching experience, while helping out the other students.
- Kent Mullinix (*ISFS*) gave a guest presentation to the HORT 1110 Introduction to Sustainable Horticulture class on, 'Our Sustainable Food System Future: What Is It Going To Take?'
- Kent Mullinix (*ISFS*) gave a guest presentation to the AGRI 3290 Agro-ecosystems Management class on, 'Fruit tree pruning/canopy management.'
- HORT 2490 Organic Production students and members from the CoHorts student group, led by Gary Jones, have been volunteering at HD Stafford Middle School, SD 35, Langley as Farm-to-School garden liaisons.
- Leo Benne, Owner and CEO of Bevo Farms was a guest speaker in HORT 2493 Greenhouse Crop Development, sharing his experience with greenhouse propagation scheduling and innovations in high-tech urban food systems.
- Simon Hart, GetGreenStar Inc., was a guest lecturer in HORT 2490, Organic Crop Production, talking about the specifics of organic crop nutrition in greenhouse systems.
- Gary Jones and HORT 2490 Organic Crop Production students were hosted by David Katzel, Glorious Garnish and Salad Company, Aldergrove; Chris Bodnar, Close to Home Organics, Abbotsford and Justin vander Ploeg, Two-Ee's Farm for class tours.
- Janis Matson and HORT 2493 Crop Development students were hosted by Gordon Yakel, DeltaView Farms for a class tour.
- Laura Bryce and HORT 1293 Crop Production Operations students were hosted by Bob Pringle, United Flower Growers Auction, Burnaby and Marlo Assoon, TSC Nursery, Richmond on class tours.
- Alek Egi (*Brewing*) and the first year Brewing and Brewery Operations Diploma students were hosted by Newlands Systems, Abbotsford on a class tour.

- Jamie Robb, Capilano Golf Club, was a guest speaker in HORT 2436 Golf Course Management.
- Kevin Neufeld, Corix Irrigation, hosted Stan Kazymierchuk and HORT 2437 Golf Course Irrigation students on a tour of his operations.
- Deborah Henderson (*ISH*) is mentoring Allan Marciano, Universidade Federal Rural do Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, during his 6 month Emerging Leaders in the Americas Program Scholarship at the ISH lab (Feb - August).
- Deborah Henderson (*ISH*) is also mentoring Horticulture Work Study student Ben Rogers, EPT Co-op student Jasmine He, and EPT graduate Elena Devanadera, who is the recipient of Green Internship funding from Agriculture and Agrifood Canada.
- Mike Bomford (*AGRI*) and students presented their research at the Certified Organic Association Annual Conference in Nanaimo. This growers association has had very limited engagement with Universities and has resulted in KPU being recognized as the institution leading the way in research and teaching in production agriculture.

Community Engagement :

- Dean Betty Worobec was host to Assiniboine Community College President and CEO, Mark Frison and Vice President Academic, Deanna Rexe which included programming discussions with Kent Mullinix (*ISFS & AGRI*) at KPU Richmond and tours of the School of Horticulture led by Betty Cunnin and Gary Jones and the Brewing Instructional Laboratory (Alek Egi) at KPU Langley.
- Many FSH faculty and staff volunteered for the KPU Surrey Open House. Biology, Chemistry and Physics labs were open to visitors for tours and interactive activities. The Mathematics Dept hosted various math games and puzzles in the Fir building. Chemistry faculty Richard Popoff and David Sud ran three Chemistry Magic Shows. We also hosted a large information booth in the gym for the Education Fair. ([Photos](#))
- Jane Hobson (*BIOL*) and Dominic Wan (*FSO*) visited A.R. MacNeill Secondary and RC Palmer Secondary (Richmond High Schools) to promote KPU and FSH programs as a part of an ongoing strategy to boost KPU awareness in the Richmond community.
- Kathy Dunster, Betty Cunnin (*HORT*) are participating in Grow Green Demonstration Gardens in collaboration with Metro Vancouver and UBC with the Sustainable Horticulture Community Project.
- Kathy Dunster (*HORT*) is working with the KPU Faculty of Health and the Kwantlen First Nations on the development of KPU Langley Community Food Gardens.
- Gary Jones (*HORT*) hosted representatives from a dozen food/agriculture groups from the Langley City and Township in one-day event entitled 'Langley Food

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- Projects' to co-ordinate and develop initiatives. Attendee included those from SD 35 (Langley), Ministry of Agriculture, Fraser Health, LEPS, LSAF and several others.
- Gary Jones (*HORT*) hosted a tour of 15 growers and researchers from the UK who were visiting Pacific North-West commercial horticulture businesses. This provided KPU with a fruitful link to the UK Agriculture and Horticulture Development Board.
 - Gary Jones, Laura Bryce, Maria Valana (*HORT*) ran a workshop for Brookwood Secondary School, Grade 11/12 students on Production Horticulture, involving hands-on activities linking horticulture to the school curriculum and exploring horticulture as a career option.
 - Gary Jones (*HORT*) met with Langley Township Mayor Jack Froese, to appraise him of developing food security and agriculture projects in the Township and City of Langley.
 - Shelley Murley, Rob Welsh, and Janis Matson (*HORT*) hosted "BurnCo Day" an industry sponsored trades and new products showcase at School of Horticulture Field Labs.
 - Betty Cunnin, Maria Valana, Laura Bryce, Dan Regan, Michelle Nakano, Kathy Dunster, Gary Jones (*HORT*) and Triona King (*Communications & Events Specialist*) represented KPU in workshops and at our exhibit booth at the Pacific Agriculture Show held at the Tradex in Abbotsford. Typically over 8000 industry members attend this three day premier horticulture event.
 - Dean Betty joined fellow Deans in a very fruitful meeting with the Counsel General of Turkey Mr. Anin Bora Inan to discuss prospective academic partnerships.
 - Dean Betty hosted visitors representing Polytechnics Canada on tours of the new Upper Level Physics Lab at KPU Richmond and KPU Langley. The Langley tour included an in depth tour of ISH led by Director Deborah Henderson, Faculty of Health Simulation Labs led by Sherilyn Sweeney (*GNIE Program Coordinator*) and School of Horticulture facilities. The tour ended with a visit to the Brewing Instructional Laboratories hosted by Alek Egi and Dominic Bernard (*Brewing*).
 - Naomi Robert, Caitlin Dorward and Kent Mullinix (*ISFS*) hosted the workshop 'Creating a provincial food policy database.' with visiting researchers from the University of Alberta, part of the FLEdGE grant network.
 - Corine Singfield, Caroline Chiu and Kent Mullinix (*ISFS and Tsawwassen Farm School*) have set up a collaboration with the Vancouver Native Health Society to establish a social enterprise wholesaling and retailing produce from the TFS farm.
 - Kent Mullinix (*ISFS*) hosted visitors from the University of Victoria on a tour of the Tsawwassen Farm School farm and discussed farm school programming.
 - Rob Welsh (*HORT*) participated in meetings with Metro Vancouver to review proposed changes to the Water Shortage Response Plan.
 - The Physics Dept continues to be involved with the APEGBC (Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of BC) Richmond-Delta Branch. Michael Poon (*PHYS*) is a member-at-large with the Richmond-Delta Branch and attended the January and February executive meetings, as well as the APEGBC Richmond-Delta Branch AGM. APEGBC are great supporters of our KPU Science Challenge, providing volunteers and two very generous awards to Senior and Junior High School teams.
 - Michael Poon (*PHYS*) and David Semail (*FSO*) hosted a FSH booth at *Opening the Door*, at Telus World of Science. This is an annual event for students in grades 10-12 who are interested in pursuing a career in STEM (science, technology, engineering or mathematics).
 - Fergal Callaghan and Bob Chin (*PHYS*) provided participants from the Vancouver School Board Campus Tour of with a tour of the KPU Richmond Physics labs, demonstrations and activities. This was a FSO-organized for new immigrant students (grades 11 & 12).
 - Fergal Callaghan and Michael Poon (*PHYS*) helped FSO with the organization and judging at the Skills Canada Richmond School Division Competition held at KPU Richmond. [Photos](#)
 - Triona King represented KPU at the launch of the Innovation 150 National Tour at TELUS World of Science. This showcase and national tour launch is a collaborative effort of five of Canada's leading science outreach organizations – Perimeter Institute, Actua, Institute for Quantum Computing at the University of Waterloo, the Canadian Association of Science Centres and the Canada Science and Technology Museums Corporation. The Honourable Kristy Duncan, Minister of Science, was there kicking off the event, along with other dignitaries, youth and media. [Photos](#)
 - Faculty and staff from Biology (KPU Surrey) and Horticulture (KPU Langley) hosted workshops for high school students attending KPU Discovery Days held on the two campuses.
 - Triona King (represented the FSH at the Annual BC Science Outreach Workshop held at Telus World of Science. Especially noteworthy was keynote speaker Loretta Sarah Todd who spoke about Aboriginal Perspectives on Storytelling and Science. She is an award-winning filmmaker and just finished the first season of "[Coyote's Crazy Smart Science Show](#)" which explores aboriginal science.
 - Rebecca Harbut (*AGRI*) is a member of Sustain BC: New Entrants Action Team, BC Food Systems Working Group. This is a working group that has convened to develop guidelines that will be provided to the agriculture sector, BC Provincial government and education institutions.

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- Kent Mullinix (*ISFS*) is now a member of the Metro Vancouver Agriculture Advisory Committee.
 - Mike Bomford (*AGRI*) is a Board member of Woodwynn Farms. Creating Homefulness through Regenerative Farming.
 - KPU Brewing helped mark the 20th anniversary of the annual Fraser Valley Acoustic Guitar Festival by serving KPU-brewed craft beer tastings to the 200+ guests who attended the event. DeAnn Bremner (*Communications, Events & CPS Coordinator*) and Stuart Busch (*FSH student assistant*) served attendees.
 - Alek Egi (*Brewing*) attended 'Lift Off!' the marquee event of Victoria Beer Week (VBW) where he hosted a booth promoting the KPU Brewing & Brewery Operations Diploma program. The event drew over 500 people who were there to try new, unreleased beers from some of BC's best breweries. This is the first time KPU Brewing has attended VBW and the newly created scholarship for a KPU Brewing student was featured throughout the event, as well as at the VBW press conference, gaining additional exposure for the program.
 - The new Fort Langley Food & Beer Festival was officially launched at a press conference on March 9th, where Trading Post Brewing & Taphouse owners Paul and Lance Verhoeff also promoted the Trading Post Brewing-John Mitchell Scholarship for KPU Brewing students. DeAnn Bremner (*Communications, Events & CPS Coordinator*) attended and publicly thanked Trading Post Brewing and the Verhoeff family for their generous support. Partial proceeds from the Festival will go towards the scholarship and KPU Brewing will have a booth at the event and will serve KPU-brewed beer. [Media link](#)
- Recognition:** (*Note: Awards, recognition, publications, public presentations, reviews, media spots, general bragging*)
- Publications:**
- Masomeh Bejaei (*AGRI*) coauthored the book chapter, 'Quail Eggs' in: P. Hester (Eds.), *Egg Innovation and Strategies for Improvement*. Oxford Academic Press.
 - Kent Mullinix, Caitlin Dorward, Cornelia Sussmann, Wallapak Polasub, S. Smukler, Caroline Chiu, Anna Rallings, C. Feeney and M. Kissinger (*ISFS*). 2016. 'The future of our food system: Report on the Southwest BC bioregional food system design project.' This report is the culmination of four years of community-funded research.
 - Carson Keever (*BIOL*) co-authored the research article, 'Life History Predicts Past and Present Population Connectivity in Two Sympatric Sea Stars.' in the journal *Ecology and Evolution*.
- Presentations:**
- KPU-Science World Speaker Series –City Slicker's Diet for a Warming Planet. Drawing on current research in sustainable agriculture and food systems, Mike Bomford (*AGRI*) presented practical personal choices and government policy changes to help promote a just, resilient, ecologically-integrated food system. The talk was presented on a snowy night at KPU Richmond which affected attendance. We'll be hosting a command performance of this talk at Telus World of Science on May 30. [Press release](#). Mike's interview with Rick Cluff, *The Early Edition*. [CBC Radio](#)
 - Jana Kolac (*PHYS*) gave a public presentation at the Vancouver Planetarium to a group of KPU Astronomy students and their guests.
 - Gary Jones (*HORT*) chaired the Urban Agriculture Workshop at Lower Mainland Horticultural Improvement Association (LMHIA) Grower Short Course, part of the Pacific Agriculture Show at the Tradex, Abbotsford .
 - David Davidson (*HORT*) gave the presentation, "Disease and Weed Identification in Fine Turf." at the Western Canada Turfgrass Association Annual Conference in Penticton.
 - Stan Kazymierchyk (*HORT*) gave the presentation, "Better Lines of Communication." at the Western Canada Turfgrass Association Annual Conference in Penticton.
 - Janis Matson (*HORT*) has been very active as a guest speaker at the Grandview Garden Club, Pacific Agriculture Show, Van Dusen Gardens and as one of the feature speakers at the Vancouver Home and Garden Show.
 - Kent Mullinix (*ISFS*) gave the invited talk, 'Our sustainable food system future: What is it going to take?' at the Okanagan College Speakers Series.
 - Kent Mullinix (*ISFS*) gave the invited presentation 'Sustainable Food Systems for the 21st Century: Challenges, Opportunity and Local Government' for the Regional District Okanagan- Similkimeen (RDOS) Directors meeting.
 - Kent Mullinix and Caitlin Dorwood (*ISFS*) gave a briefing on the *Southwest British Columbia Bioregional Food System Design* project outcome to the Greater Vancouver Regional District (Metro Vancouver) Agriculture Advisory Committee, Langley Agriculture and Economic Development Committee, City of Maple Ridge Agriculture Advisory Committee and the Provincial Health Services Authority, Food Security Committee.
 - Caitlin Dorwood (*ISFS*) gave the invited presentation 'Food Policy Entrepreneurship: The Role of Research' at Cultivating Connections Forum on Alberta Regional Food Systems in Edmonton, AB.
 - Rob Welsh (*HORT*) was a guest speaker at the Metro Vancouver/UBC 'Growing Green in Metro Vancouver' seminars held at UBC Botanical Garden.
 - Graham Rankin (*MATH*) gave a presentation entitled, "A Motivational Theory for Homework" at the 13th International Conference on Mathematical Education in Germany.

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- Karin Johnson (*ISFS*) attended the Environmental Managers Association of BC's Annual Workshop. Karin received third place for her presentation which outlines the ISFS research project on identifying and discussing trends over time in market value, ownership, and land use for agricultural properties located in the City of Surrey and the City of Richmond. Karin is currently pursuing a MA in Environment and Management through Royal Roads University and is conducting her thesis research with Kent Mullinix and Wallapak Polasub (*ISFS*).
- Rebecca Harbut (*AGRI*) gave the presentation 'KPU and the City of Richmond, The Vision of Garden City Lands' at the City of Richmond Parks and Recreation Department Annual Meeting.
- Rebecca Harbut (*AGRI*) gave the presentation 'Understanding and Monitoring Soil Moisture Tools for Diversified, small scale farmers' to the Society Promoting Environmental Conservation.
- Taku Someya (UBC graduate student) and Rebecca Harbut (*AGRI*) provided an update on Rebecca's Cranberry Field Decline Research at the BC Cranberry Commission Annual Congress. This presentations is part of Rebecca's three year research funded by the Cranberry Research Committee and Innovation Agriculture Foundation. Rebecca also gave the talk, 'Cranberry Physiology and Canopy Management, developing a BC Production System'.
- Mike Bomford (*AGRI*) gave a presentation on, 'Municipal Solid Waste Composting.' at the Harvest Power Town Hall Meeting, hosted by Richmond Member of Parliament, Joe Peschisolido. Richmond, BC.

Recognition & Awards

- There have been a number of new awards and bursaries created for FSH students:
 - ◆ Plan a Seed and Grow Foundation for Sustainable Agriculture students
 - ◆ George E. Houser Endowed Memorial Award for Sustainable Agriculture students
 - ◆ BUR-HAN Garden and Lawn Care Award for Horticulture students
 - ◆ BC Fresh Entrance Scholarship for Horticulture students
 - ◆ BC Fresh Award for Excellence in Horticulture for B. Hort Sci. students
- Tak Sato (*PHYS*) was elected as the Vice President of the BC Association of Physics Teachers which hosted a very popular BC High School teachers' workshop on 'Teaching the New BC Science Curriculum'.
- Chris Bodnar (*AGRI*) was recognized by the Certified Organic Associations of BC with the Brad Reid Memorial Award, which "honours an innovative leader who has

strengthened the organic community by moving the sector forward." In presenting the award it was noted that the award recognized his work in mentoring students and new farmers through teaching and work with the Young Agrarians program, building links between the classroom and the agricultural sector and inspiring others through making the sharing of knowledge a principle of the organic community.

- Rob Welsh (*HORT*) was appointed the Skills Canada Provincial Technical Chair for the Landscape Gardening competition, and is responsible for coordination and implementation of the Provincial competition event. Rob is also a member of the National Technical Committee for Skills Canada.
- Betty Cunnin (*HORT*) has joined the BC Society of Landscape Architects Board of Examiners. Betty is also the Industry Training Authority, BC educational representative on the Red Seal Harmonization working group and Horticulture Apprentice industry liaison.
- Alek Egi (*Brewing*) was interviewed on News 1130 radio. The interview gained a lot social media attention and sharing in part because of the positive title '[No ceiling seen on the local craft beer scene.](#)'
- Nancy More (*Brewing*) was interviewed on [CKNW's Charles Adler show](#) to talk about beer education in BC and the KPU Brewing Diploma program.
- Feature article on Mike Bomford (Sustainable Agriculture) "[Food, lifestyle choices can help fight climate change](#)", *Western Producer*.

Funding

- Kent Mullinix, Emily Hanson and Caitlin Dorward (*ISFS*). Urban Agriculture Demonstration Project. Greater Vancouver regional District Sustainability Innovation Fund. \$50,000.
- Deborah Henderson (*ISH*). Demonstration of the IMEC membrane grow system and comparison of a tomato crop grown in IMEC with a crop grown in the standard coco slab system. Denka Corporation, industry contract for \$67,673.

Employee Engagement

- Associate Dean Joel Murray has had his appointment renewed for another 3 year term, ending March 31, 2020.
- Langley Campus Principal Dean Betty hosted another successful Langley Campus Employee Coffee Party. This bi-monthly gathering is always greatly appreciated by faculty and staff at KPU Langley and is one small way we can give back to our employees. These events are organized by Sue Marshall (Faculty of Science and Horticulture) and Maryam Garrecht (Finance).
- Chris Hauta (*EPT*) completed a one training Occupational Health and Safety Training course as part of his recent appointment to the KPU Langley OH&S Committee.

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- Michelle Nakano (*HORT*) attended the conference Liberating Structure 2017 hosted by BC Campus. This conference focused on innovative facilitation strategies that can be used in our classrooms.
- Astrid Opsetmoen (*CHEM*) attended the Art Speakers Series on “Creating Digital Content in the Classroom” by David Burns, the Tinker Faire and BC Open Badges Forum earning a “Reflector” badge through CanCredit. Inspired by the Open Badges Forum, Astrid plans to work with Meg Goodine (*IT*) and Celia Brinkerhoff (*Libraries*) to create a multi-layer badge called “Library Skills”.
- David Davidson (*HORT*) successfully completed PD training on the safety of artificial turf fields at the Western Canada Turfgrass Association granting him certified Field Safety Assessor status.
- Several FSH faculty and lab instructor joined Dean Betty and Associate Dean Joel at the BC K-12 Curriculum Changes Workshop by Jan Unwin and found the session to be extremely valuable.
- Dean Betty and Associate Dean Joel attended the Annual Western Deans of Arts and Science Conference in Victoria.
- Naomi Robert (*ISFS*) attended ‘Food, the Future, at You: A Food Sustainability Symposium’, hosted by the Centre for Sustainable Food System at the UBC Farm.
- Kent Mullinix (*ISFS*) attended the Columbia Basin Agriculture Workshop hosted by the Columbia Basin Trust in Kimberly, BC.
- Payal Batra (*ISFS*) attended “hishuk’ish tsawalk – Everything is One. Revitalizing Tseshah/Nuu-chah-nulth-aht Foodways. 2016-2017 EDCP Lecture Series organized by the Department of Curriculum and Pedagogy, UBC.
- Payal Batra (*ISFS*) participated in ‘Indigenous Cultural Safety Online Training Program’ by the BC Provincial Health Services Authority. Payal also participated in the ‘Food Insecurity Measurement in Canada: Interpreting the Statistics: Webinar’ series organized by Chronic Disease Prevention Association of Canada.
- The FSH were well represented at KPU Day with thanks to Shelley Murley and Lori Karr (*HORT*) for the frantic plant and flower sale, DeAnn Bremner (Communications, Events & CPS Coordinator) for beer tasting in the Beer Garden tent and Triona King (Communications & Events Specialist) for over organization. KPU Brewing students brewed a special KPU Day India Pale Ale (IPA). President Alan Davis had a hand in creating the IPA, helping to ‘dry hop’ the beer with the help of Dominic Bernard (*Brewing*) and Samantha Rose (*Brewing student*).
- DeAnn Bremner (*Communications, Events & CPS Co-ordinator*) attended the Alliance of Beverage Licensees of BC (ABLE BC) Industry Reception event co-hosted by the BC Craft Brewers Guild at Red Truck Beer Co. The featured guest was the Honourable Coralee Oakes, Minister of Small Business and Red Tape Reduction, and Minister Responsible for the Liquor Distribution Branch (LDB), who spoke about the BC Liquor Policy Review and asked for feedback on how the policy changes have impacted local craft breweries.



The Brew Tasting Tent at KPU Day. Many thanks to Grassroots Café for supporting our day and operating the brew portion of our event.

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INTERNATIONAL

VISION 2018 Strategic Plan

Creating Successful Global Citizens and Increased Experiential Learning Opportunities

KPU Field Schools:

KPU is offering 3 field international field schools this May/June:

- Interior Design Field School in Barcelona (Spain)
- Fine Arts Field School in Paris and Kassel (France and Germany)
- Design/Arts cross-listed field school in the Amazon (Colombia)

KPU Field Schools - Annual Student Numbers

Year	Outgoing
2011	23
2012	18
2013	27
2014	36
2015	51
2016	21 *Amazon Field School cancelled due to Zika virus so this # is lower than usual.
2017	51

New Field Schools in Development

- KPU International recently received a field school proposal for a brand new field school that is looking to run in summer 2018 in Cuba with a focus on music and culture.
- KPU's Faculty of Health is in the process of creating a field school proposal for another field school to KPU's partner in Thailand, Mahasarakham University, for Spring 2018.
- KPU's School of Design, is also preparing a proposal for a field school in food design for Spring 2018 in Spain/Italy.

KPU Study Abroad

KPU International facilitated 26 outgoing student exchanges for Spring 2017. In return, KPU is welcoming 17 incoming international students from various exchange partner universities around the world.

KPU Student Exchange Statistics

Semester	Outgoing	Incoming
Fall 2015	8	18
Spring 2016	10	10
Fall 2016	9	17
Spring 2017	26	17

Outgoing student exchange numbers have more than doubled Spring 2017 when compared to Spring 2016 while incoming student numbers have remained fairly consistent.

KPU International signed several new student exchange agreements in 2016 in an effort to increase the number and diversity of exchange destinations. Particular emphasis was placed on new partnerships with universities in Latin America (this is in alignment with the *Canadian Government Strategy for Engagement in the Americas*).

International Internships

In working to develop opportunities that align with our polytechnic mandate, KPU International assisted in helping students prepare for international internships in the following destinations:

- Netherlands, HZ University of Applied Sciences – A KPU Environment Protection Technology student is interning at our partner in the Netherlands this semester in the area of water protection/safety.
- Cuba, Universidad de Sancti Spiritus – A student studying within KPU's Institute for Sustainable Horticulture is interning at our partner in Cuba this semester with a focus on pest control.

Visiting Scholars

KPU International welcomes graduate research intern Allan Marciano from one of KPU's new partners in Brazil, the Federal Rural University of Rio de Janeiro. Allan will be working alongside Dr. Deborah Henderson in the Institute for Sustainable Horticulture. Allan is the recipient of a \$10,000 CAD scholarship through the federal government's Emerging Leaders of the Americas Program (ELAP).

New Initiatives

In February 2017, KPU joined the Canadian Bureau for International Education (CBIE) in their *Learning Beyond Borders initiative*. Together with 35 other universities across Canada, KPU International is engaging in conversations with internal and external stakeholders around how we can increase outgoing student mobility at KPU and across Canada.

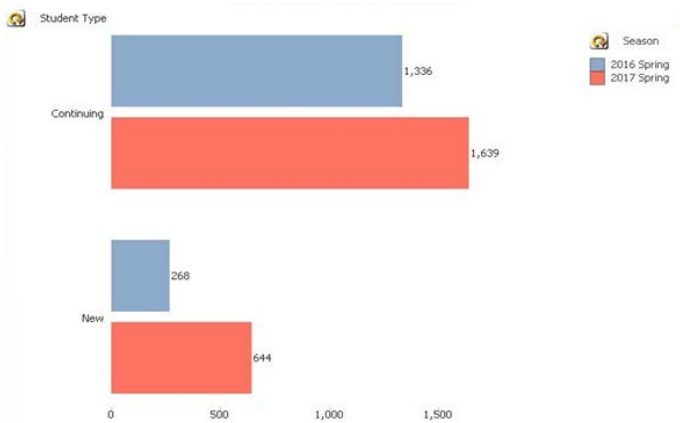
Based on conversations with internal stakeholders, KPU will identify 3-5 of our biggest barriers for students to decide to study abroad. We will then create an action plan for encouraging further future study abroad participation. Participating institutions will meet in Halifax during CBIE's 51st annual conference to share their experiences and discuss next steps.

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International Student Numbers

Growth of international student numbers – Spring 2017 vs. Spring 2016

1. **Unduplicated headcount - increased by 43.2%:**

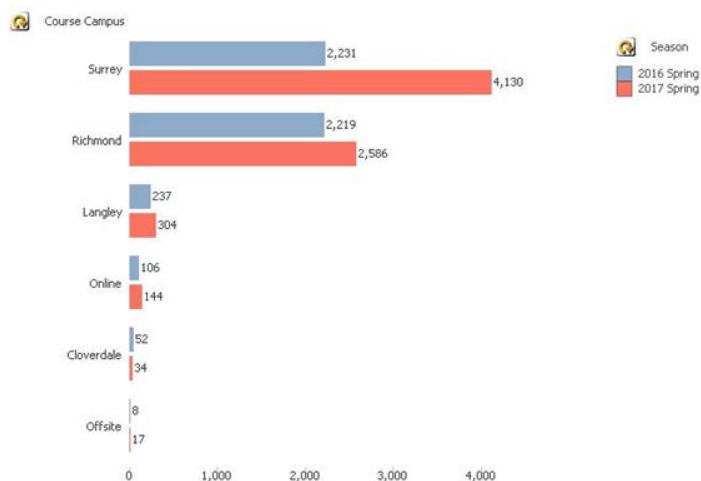


The number of international students continues to grow and we have achieved a new high in Spring 2017. This overall international student unduplicated headcount includes both continuing and new incoming students.

When looking at just new international students for Spring 2017, 644 new international students enrolled, which is 140% higher than compared with Spring 2016.

2. **Seat count increased by 49.2% compared with 2016 Spring**

Since the federal government considers an international student as being full time and in compliance with their study permit at 18 credits a year, international students at KPU generally take at least nine credits or more per semester. With our continued success, we have seen a positive growth (49.2%) in seat count this Spring 2017 across almost all our campuses. The biggest increase appeared on the Surrey campus which shows an 85.1% increase in seat count of international students choosing to study at our main campus.



Emerging Markets

Brazil—KPU International is slowly increasing our presence in Brazil. Some of our new agents signed in September 2016 have already begun to send us students. We have been trying to break into the bigger agencies and we are finally succeeding. One of the largest agencies in Brazil has recently selected KPU to be one of their very few new post-secondary partners in Canada.

Turkey—We continue to increase our presence in Turkey and recently visited Istanbul to participate in an educational agent event and meet with new and existing agents. We are also honoured to have hosted the Consulate General of the Republic of Turkey in Vancouver, Anil Bora Inan, to discuss how KPU can further enhance the institution's presence in Turkey.

Vietnam—To further our work in Vietnam we have recently contracted a Regional Field Representative for KPU in Vietnam. Since our visits to Vietnam are limited, our Field Representative provides KPU with an ongoing presence in the market. The representative will train and support our agents, represent KPU at events and fairs and meet with students and their parents.

International Applications – Update for Summer and Fall 2017

KPU International continues to achieve in experiencing large volumes of new student applications for Summer 2017 and Fall 2017. For Summer 2017 we have had an increase in new student applicants of 60% over Summer 2016. Fall 2017 applications are still open but to date we are experiencing an increase of 44% in new applications over the same time last year.

KPU International continues to implement various strategies to support application conversion. These include calling campaigns, faster response times, and finding processing efficiencies. The transfer of international student transfer credit from the Registrar's office into KPU International has significantly increased our ability to respond quickly and positively to transfer student applicants. For example, for Summer 2017 we were able to offer admission to 71% of applicants vs 61% for Summer 2016.

KPU International Revenue Generation for Fiscal Year 2016-17

KPU International is proud to report a successful year in terms of revenue generation for the University. Our original gross revenue financial target for FY 2016-17 was \$27,500,000 (including tuition and other fees). Final numbers for FY 2016-17 are just being developed but a general estimate of approximately \$35,000,000 was brought in by KPU International this year in gross revenues. This amount shows an additional \$7,500,000 of unexpected additional gross revenue was generated over and above the original goal.

I would like to acknowledge the dedication of my team and their hard work plus the continued support by our university leadership. Without the combination of these factors, our success would not be achievable.

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OFFICE OF RESEARCH AND SCHOLARSHIP

Upcoming Events & Opportunities

- **ROMEO Workshop:** The Office of Research & Scholarship is currently in discussions with Process Pathways, a market leader in research administration software in Canada, to host a ROMEO workshop. Invitations would also be extended to University of the Fraser Valley, Vancouver Island University and University of Northern British Columbia.

Past Opportunities

- **KPU Day:** The Office of Research & Scholarship hosted a booth at KPU day on Mar. 3rd. The team answered questions about the Research Ethics Board (Foluso Fagbamiye) and Research Impact (Aimee Fauteux).
- **BC Tech Summit:** The Office of Research & Scholarship sponsored five administrators and faculty members to attend the annual *#BCTECH Summit* in downtown Vancouver from Mar. 13th to 15th. In addition, students from the 3rd year Physics program, under the guidance of instructor Fergal Callaghan, also attended the event.

Work in Progress

- **Casual Service Support:** Hannah Mapanoo continues to provide valuable assistance with grant funding setup, financial monitoring and reporting requirement.
- **Audit Report:** Catherine Parlee and Leslee Birch are in the process of reviewing the audit report and will work with Dr. Chu to address the concerns raised within the report.
- **ORS Restructuring:** The Provost and Interim AVPR met with University Community members on Dec. 3 (Surrey), Feb. 14 (Langley) and Feb. 15 (Richmond) to provide on update on ORS's restructuring. [A webpage](#) has been created which includes draft definitions of scholarship and research for KPU and response to the ORS Audit submitted to the Board.
- **KPU's Research & Scholarly Activity Report for 2015 & 2016:** An easy-to-read report is being created to highlight:
 - Total amount of funding received in 2015 and 2016 (\$4,629,099)
 - Total amount of research projects (316)
 - Funded Student led-research (\$41.66K)
 - Funded Faculty led-research (\$4.587M)
 - Amount from SSHRC (\$436,698)
 - Amount from NSERC (\$349,770) etc.

Interim Associate Vice President, Research Activities

- Consulted with other research offices to inform the ORS' restructuring, including: UFV (Jan 12), York University (Jan. 17), BCIT (Jan. 18), Fraser Health Authority (Jan. 23), Emily Carr University (Jan. 27).
- Chaired the first meeting of the *Teaching, Learning & Re-*

search Symposium Planning Committee (Jan. 20).

- Attended a lunch meeting with the Provost and representatives from the University of Northern British Columbia regarding possible collaborations (Jan. 23).
- Chaired the first meeting of the *Defining Research & Scholarship Working Group* (Feb. 2).
- Met with *Polytechnics Canada* CEO and colleagues at Richmond (Feb. 15).
- Attended the *Alliance of Western Universities Research Directors (AWURD)* meeting in Victoria (Mar. 1).
- Participated in the *2017 WestVAC and WestVPR Conference* in Victoria (Mar. 2).
- Participated in the *Alberta Innovates Training Course on Research Impact Assessment* in Banff (Mar. 5 – 8).

Ongoing Activity

- Participation on *BCARIN Steering Committee, AWURD and Research Impact Canada (RIC) Governance Committee*

REB Update

- A call out notice was sent to fill a vacancy on the REB for the 2017/18 and 2018/19 academic years. The selection of a new REB member is currently in progress.
- In addition, the selection of a REB Chair for the 2017/18 academic year is also in progress.
- Four REB members will attend the *Canadian Association of Research Ethics Boards (CAREB) 2017 National Conference & AGM* in Halifax from Apr. 27 to 29.



Learning Masonry at KPU Day

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SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

VISION 2018 Strategic Plan:

The School of Business classes are very diverse with students from 64 different countries. This presents unique challenges and opportunities. Building a strong program that prepares domestic and international students alike to be successful in a global business world the School of Business is working to learn how best to build and support faculty and students in responding to the challenge.

A few years ago the School of Business sent Lesley McCannell, a Human Resources Management faculty member and Shari Ann Hermann a Business Management faculty member on a fact finding tour of several European Community universities to explore best practice in creating and supporting the diversity inherent in a global business education.

In January, with the support of the School of Business Faculty Council, Lesley McCannell received a time release to begin to research the needs and expectations of faculty and students, both international and domestic to ensure a highly effective diversified curriculum and culture.

Working closely with Dr. Stephanie Chu, Vice Provost Teaching and Learning, Lesley has begun conducting focus groups focused on:

1. Current State/Experience – how are we doing with our students from a variety of different cultural backgrounds and educational needs (preparedness, challenges/barriers, support, interactions, and impact)?
2. Internationalization – what does it currently look like at KPU, and what could it look like?
3. What do Faculty need to be successful – Faculty Development?

Developing a strong global orientation and culture is key to BC's economic future and KPU School of Business will continue to invest in developing our capacity to grow in this area.

Standing Committee on Educational Quality:

- On February 13th and 14th – 2017 the School of Business Standing Committee on Education Quality and Dr. David Burns- Learning Outcomes Fellow - KPU hosted a workshop for 90 faculty members on the development of Program Learning Outcomes (PLO's), the identification of assessment pieces for rubric development for all programs across the School of Business including service departments.

Strategic Planning

- Dr. Alan Davis, President of KPU shared his Vision 2018-2013 with faculty from the School of Business, and Wayne Tebb, Dean of the School of Business provided an update of the Strategic Plan of the School of Business and presented a blueprint for the development of the new strategic plan of the School of Business 2018—2023.

- The Standing Committee on Long-Term Planning was approved by Faculty Council.

Evidence based Planning

- Dr. Lori McElroy presented to Chairs of the School of Business on Strategic Enrollment Management and data that is readily accessible to assist them in decision-making. The current dashboard data is complemented with other data requests from faculty and the Dean's Office to IAP. The Dean's Office developed a Data Request Form to trigger such requests.

Students

KPU Accounting Students successfully write CPA Qualifying Exams

- According to the CPA 64% of KPU students who graduated from our BBA in Accounting and wrote the September 2016 Common Final Evaluation (CFE) were successful. Of all students who took the CPA prerequisite courses at KPU, including students who only took the prerequisite courses at KPU since they already had degrees from other institutions, 65.6% were successful in writing the CFE.
- KPU Accounting students win First and Third place finishes in the Canadian Professional Accountants of BC Annual Case Competition demonstrating their critical thinking, teamwork and communication skills. Congratulations to Elise McIntosh, Wesley Shum, Gurvir Kaler on winning first place and to Sonya Dolguina, Pawan Thandi, Noah Driscoll the third place team.

Leaders of Tomorrow (LOT) Partnership

- The School of Business currently has 12 students (Ada Tsang, Alvin Naidu, Andrew Mudiappu, Anthony Andreone, Gurpreet Sandhu, Indy Rai, James Macvey, Joseph Watson-McKay, Major Sahota, Rohit Dhaliwal, Sam Lau and Wesley Shum) participating in the Leaders of Tomorrow program, along with two KPU LOT graduates who volunteer with the program: Clayton Dendy and Dave Chahal.
- We have averaged 14.5 students from KPU in the LOT program each year since the partnership began in 2000. To date more than 261 students have participated. Four School of Business students attended the BCTECH Summit session with Dragon's Den stars Bruce Croxon and Manjit Minhas, one of the opportunities provided to select LOT participants. This interactive evening provided students with an opportunity to learn how two of Canada's leading entrepreneurs have quickly and successfully established multimillion dollar companies in highly competitive markets, including the lessons they have learned along the way.

KPU Marketing Association Networking Mixer

- March 21st 11:00 am to 2:00 pm, KPUMA host their 3rd Annual KPUMA Marketing Mixer at the KPU Surrey Conference Centre.

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- Each year students and professionals working in marketing get together to discuss the state of the marketing industry, career paths and the day-to-day reality of a marketing position. Networking within Vancouver's marketing industry provides students with invaluable career and professional development insight. Industry guests, including several KPU alumni attending represent the following companies: Popcorn, Hootsuite, NABS West, Boston Pizza, Richway New Media Technology Inc., Market One Media Group, Four Seasons Hotel, and Vancouver Leaders of Tomorrow are amongst those participating. The event is structured in such a way to make it easy to start a conversation with any of the attendees.

New Programs, Policies and Initiatives

- The Western Canadian HR Case Competition was recently hosted at the Melville Centre for Dialogue at Richmond campus March 3 and 4th. HRMT Faculty members Carlos Calao and David Harvey partnered with the BC Human Resources Management Association to host the HR Case Competition for the first time.
- Teams from 16 institutions in the West were given a case to work up. They had 3 hours to prepare and then they presented their ideas to a panel of professional HR practitioners. The top 3 teams moved on to the finals and competed for cash prizes. Sixteen KPU HR Students volunteered as team "monitors" and the Executive Group of the KPU HR Club arranged an evening tour of Vancouver following the event for the out of town teams. Two other HR Instructors Semone Ferrari and Marla McMullen co-coached the KPU team. To ensure there was no "home team bias" the KPU team agreed in advance not to be considered for the finals completion. Dean Tebb was one of the judging panel.
- First place went to a team from McEwan University in Edmonton, 2nd and third place respectively went to Okanagan College, Kelowna and Vancouver Island University, Nanaimo.
- HRMA was so impressed by the collaboration and assistance KPU provided, that they plan to continue this partnership into the future. The competition alternates annually between Alberta and BC.

Community Engagement:

Marketing students raise money for the Canadian Mental Health Association

- Marketing students turned their practicum project making bath balms into a business venture. They incorporated a charity component, which saw partial proceeds being donated to the Canadian Mental Health Association. Students are encouraged to develop core values of giving back to the community.
- These practicum projects challenge students to plan, start and grow a business with a mere \$200 capital, and no al-

lowance for additional investment or assuming debt. These projects challenge students to draw on all they have been taught over the course of their degree. The net profits are then donated to the KPU Bachelor of Business Administration in Marketing Management Scholarship Fund to assist future students.

BBA Students Shine a Light on Africa

- Business Administration students are thinking globally, and using the profits of their venture to raise money for a non-profit company, SolarAid, which provides solar lamps and power to rural communities in Africa.
- The group of seven BBA students Joseph Watson-MacKay, Sal Marino, Willine Kwee, Puneet Thiara, Ada Tsang, Ashley Leitao and Jasleen Chahal are using their practicum project to bring awareness and assistance to students studying in Africa. They wanted to develop a project that meant something to them. As students they know what it takes to be successful in school – lots and lots of studying. When they heard that students in Africa were being badly burnt while trying to study using gasoline fueled kerosene lamps – they decided to donate some of the profits of their soy candle and coconut oil bath bombs business to SolarAid, which distributes power and solar lamps to off – the-grid communities in Africa.

Public Relations faculty and students partner with Children's Foundation

- Public Relations students and instructors Andrew Frank and Marsha D'Angelo worked with the Children's Foundation (TCF) in a service-learning partnership to conduct media relations for the charity's 60th Anniversary and inaugural Family Day Walk on February 13th.
- The Students efforts, which included researching, writing and sending media materials to reporters resulted in television and radio coverage for the event, including opening the 6 pm news on CBC Vancouver.
- In a fourth year Marketing course where students work with not-for profit organizations, in fall term 23 students volunteered 230 + hours over the 13 week term.

Public Relations students Raise \$13,000 for the Kettle Society.

- The Capstone project for the Public Relations Diploma is to identify a charity, and organize and run a charitable event. This year's graduating class identified the Kettle Society as the charity of choice and organized Illuminate the Night a reception and silent auction at the Pinnacle Harbourfront Hotel. The event featured a powerful poetry reading by a former heroin addict helped by the Kettle Society and a three song preview of a street people's opera being developed by clients of the Kettle Society working with the Vancouver Opera.

2017 Future Business Leaders Competition

- The Future Business Leaders (FBL) Competition is a one

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day event held at KPU Richmond, designed to increase the awareness and reputation KPU's School of Business in the Lower Mainland. This is a joint initiative between the Future Students' Office which provides all logistical, food, and promotional support, and the School of Business which provides prizes, faculty judges, and the framework for the competitions. Carlos Calao, Chair, Entrepreneurial Leadership and Dr. Marcelo Machado, Chair, Computer Business Systems facilitated the competition. The 2017 Competition focused on innovation.

- Prizes awarded are as follows: a \$1000 entrance scholarship for each member of the winning team (up to four students) to be used towards a business program at KPU, a \$200 donation to the 2nd place team, and a \$100 donation to the 3rd place team (donations made to the high school's business club or department of the recipients).
- First piloted in 2016, the event has expanded from 18 participants (all from the Richmond School District) to reaching the maximum capacity of 15 teams (55 participants) representing schools in Richmond (Burnett Secondary, Cambie Secondary, MacNeill Secondary), Vancouver (Killarney Secondary), Burnaby (Burnaby Central Secondary, Moscrop Secondary), Delta (North Delta Secondary, Delta Secondary), Langley (Walnut Grove Secondary), and Surrey (Johnston Heights Secondary, L.A. Matheson Secondary). The event is marketed towards grade 11 and 12 students, but a small number of students in grades 9 and 10 have also participated.
- Unfortunately, KPU could not accommodate all 22 teams that applied. Events of this type will be increasingly important as the new high school curriculum gains traction. A spinoff from this year's event is that the Dean is now an ad hoc member of the Langley School District Committee on Innovation and Entrepreneurship. The participating high school students return to their respective schools excited about the type of learning activity that they experienced at KPU.

BC Non-Profit Housing

- Carlos Calao, ENTR Department Chair is the treasurer of the Spirit of the Children Society which empowers and strengthens aboriginal children and families. The Society recently raised \$600 for the New Westminster local hosting a Community Stories of Truth & Reconciliation event at the Anvil Centre

Recognition:

- Dr. Ali Hassanlou co-authored text published by Pearson: "Contemporary Business Mathematics with Canadian Applications" by Hummelbrunner, Halliday, Hassanlou and Coombs, 2017.
- O'Meara, Mark, Computer Business Systems instructor recently published "Let Go, Heal, Be Happy: An In-Depth Roadmap to Life-long Emotional Mastery". Presented
- Terry Han, presented a paper "In defense of the Liberal Arts: The importance of a Liberal Arts Education" at the 15th Annual Hawaii International Education Conference on Education in January.
- Dr. Rosemary Henriksen was a guest teaching assignment at the University of Applied Science in Regensburg Germany.
- Andrea Niosi is currently doing a guest teaching assignment in Vienna at fn-Wien a private university. Over the last several years many KPU Marketing faculty have been invited to be special guest lecturers for a week.
- Guoren Zhang was invited to be an Adjunct Professor for a Vancouver component of the Executive MBA program of Beijing University, he shared the honour with Senator Woo Yuen Pau of the Asia Pacific Foundation and Yves Timberghien, Director of the Institute of Asian Research and Executive Director of The China Council at UBC
- Deborah Gorval recently returned from being an adjunct professor at International Academic Seminars (IAS) at Toulouse Business School (TBS) in Toulouse, France.
- Best Immigrant Entrepreneur in BC Award – Lilian Cazacu, LGLA grad
 - When Lilian arrived in Canada 10 years ago as a foreign trained lawyer, with a PhD, he had a strong desire to give his family a better life. KPU's Legal Administrative Program gave him a foot in the door. He has since completed a second Master's degree in Legal Studies and begun his own Notary practice. His business has grown 5 to five employees since launching two years ago.
 - Lilian Cazacu is now a member of the Program Advisory committee for the Legal Admin program.

Employee Engagement:

- Sondra Fisher, Administrative Assistant in the School of Business co-chaired the 8th Bi-Annual BC health and Education Administrative Professionals (BCHEAP) conference at the Four Seasons, Vancouver. This conference is the only program specifically tailored for administrative professionals in the Health and Education sectors in BC.

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STUDENT SERVICES

Students:

Promote the Vote

- KPU's Board of Governors and Senate provide opportunities for students to serve as voting members of these essential governing bodies. The upcoming student election to Senate and Board will be the first facilitated through kpu.ca/elections, KPU's new online election portal. The election takes place April 3 – April 6 and those elected will serve a one-year term commencing September 1, 2017.

Volunteer Record Improvements

- Volunteer Services produced more than 180 volunteer records in support of student award applications. Records now include notable career skills related to volunteer engagements and are aligned with KPU graphic standards for an official look.

International Volunteers

- Volunteer Services provided volunteer database training to KPU International employees and student assistants. KPU International now uses the system to post their volunteer opportunities, marking a significant step toward unifying volunteer engagement at KPU.

Co-op Sees Records and Retention

- KPU Co-operative Education again established record numbers for student placements with 151 placements in the spring semester and, for the first time ever, annual placements exceeding 400 (436). These represent increases over 2016 placements of 24.7% and 30.5% respectively. Spring also saw several new employers hiring KPU co-op students, including 1-800-Got-Junk?, Aerocar Service, BC Association of Family Resource Programs and BDO Canada LLP. Employer retention remains strong as many spring placements are with employers who have previously hired from KPU and continue to use KPU as their exclusive student hiring channel.

Student Judicial Affairs Updates

- The most prevalent matters addressed during the fall semester include:
 - Conduct cases – Failure to comply with reasonable direction as well as name-calling/intimidating behavior.
 - Behavioural Intervention Team (BIT) cases – Physical medical concerns regarding a student, mental health concerns, despondent/suicidal students and behavioural concerns that include argumentative, disruptive, and aggressive students.
 - Consultations – Issues regarding employees, interpersonal conflict between students, verbal altercations between/with students (including swearing), witness to potential assault, social

media posts, reports/contact from the media, student behavioural concerns such as not complying with reasonable direction and/or aggression.

New Programs, Policies and Initiatives:

DegreeWorks Update

- The DegreeWorks project team is actively working on the implementation of KPU's new online academic advising, transfer articulation and degree audit software solution. Since December, there have been two on-site engagements with an external consultant, each consisting of an intensive three-day visit. The two visits kicked-off both the technical and functional training aspects of the project.

Sport and Recreation Gets Upgraded

- Upgrades to the KPU Langley fitness centre are now complete. With the addition of new cardio equipment and an improved floor, Sport and Recreation is proud to announce the fitness centre is now fully operational. This latest round of renovations was a direct response to user feedback. To further improve the student experience, Sport and Recreation's KPU Surrey office is undergoing renovations to enhance KPU Surrey gymnasium and fitness centre operations. Planning is underway for improved sport and recreation programs in the summer semester, including ultimate Frisbee, seven-a-side soccer and new fitness programs for students and employees.

Sexual Violence and Misconduct Policy Development Update

- Over recent months, the President's Committee on Sexual Violence and Misconduct led by Jane Fee, has drafted a *Sexual Violence and Misconduct* policy along with associated procedures. Members of the Committee have continued consultations related to the policy and have engaged over a series of table-top exercises designed to test the efficacy of the policy. The draft policy and procedures were posted on the KPU Policy Blog for a six-week posting period beginning January 31 and ending March 15. The next month or so of policy work will include final rounds of consultations prior to seeking Board approval. In keeping with provincial legislation, the policy is to be in place by May 18, 2017.

Implementation of New Student Policies

- The three new student policies approved in late 2016 and early 2017 take effect on May 1, 2017. This term the work to ensure a smooth transition to the new policies is taking place, and includes writing new guidelines for hearing an appeal hearing; identification of a tool to track student appeals; the creation of a Student Rights and Responsibilities website to provide students with information on KPU policies, appeals, and drafting clear and persuasive appeal letters; and an education program for administrators and faculty.

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EMOC Update

- The Enrolment Management Operations Committee (EMOC) has been meeting regularly over the past six months to discuss services and functions which contribute to the enrolment goals of the university.
- Themes emerging from the meetings to date include:
 - Conversion activities – what are we doing across university units to ensure that students who apply to KPU actually attend?
 - Prerequisites – are prerequisites creating enrolment barriers for students?
 - Transfer credit – how can transfer credit contribute to recruitment and retention efforts?
- EMOC aims to foster institution-wide involvement in and support for recruitment and retention strategies and activities across KPU.

Awards Workshop a Joint Success

- A *How to Apply for KPU Awards* workshop debuted at KPU Langley, Richmond and Surrey in February, collaboratively hosted by Student Awards and Financial Assistance, KPU International and Volunteer Services. This is the first time the workshop has been offered, with the goal of increasing the number and quality of award applications. Some 95 students registered with additional staff and faculty attending to help spread the word. Feedback indicates that participants were satisfied with the information and tips they received, resulting in plans to expand the workshop in the future.

Student in Distress Handout Update

- A final draft version of the Student in Distress handout was rolled out to the KPU community. A total of 17 presentations were conducted across the university by Student Judicial Affairs, with 500 copies of the handout distributed. Feedback on the handout was received and is being considered in the revisions for the next and final version.

Counselling Complements Cardio

- KPU Counselling and Sport and Recreation have embarked on a collaborative program combining the support of counselling with the physical benefit of personal training.

Community Engagement:

Education Planner BC (EPBC)

- KPU continues to engage in the province-wide EPBC initiative. On January 30, KPU's registrar and associate registrar participated in a day-long session that included over 50 representatives from registrar's offices across the province to review the EPBC Policy Working Group's progress on policy options to-date. During the full-day working session, led by Jane Fee, findings from the recent province-wide interviews were reviewed and input provided on draft policy options developed by the Policy

Working Group. BC Registrar's Association members advocated for policy changes to:

- Support students consistently and transparently
- Address unique student groups
- Optimize the provincial application service at the system level for both students and institutions
- Address the current data gap in BC with respect to applicant behaviour.

Birds of a Feather Develop Together

- The BC Registrar's Association (BCRA) is working together to create professional development opportunities for staff who work in similar business units across BC institutions. The BCRA has created a series of new "birds of a feather" meetings to bring together business process enthusiasts from BC colleges, universities and institutes to discuss issues, ideas and best practices across the sector. The first meeting was hosted by Capilano University in the fall and brought together admissions professionals from around the province. Most recently, on March 2, the Justice Institute of BC hosted a second session for those who work in the area of scheduling. KPU participated in both sessions and representatives are looking forward to attending (and potentially hosting) future sessions.

Aboriginal Open House and Recruitment

- Planning is currently underway for KPU's 6th Annual Aboriginal Open House in April, hosted this year at KPU Langley. The Open House showcases KPU programs for Aboriginal high school students in the surrounding school districts. Aboriginal Services is also participating in various employee recruitment efforts in partnership with organizations such as Canada Revenue Agency and Deloitte.

Volunteer Services Outreach and Growth

- Volunteer-facilitated mock interviews and graduation interviews were hosted by Volunteer Services at Tamanawis Secondary and Earl Marriott Secondary. New volunteers were introduced to the Surrey Women's Centre and Salvation Army Gateway of Hope via ongoing partnerships. The volunteer database continues to grow with 41 students added, citing "develop leadership skills" and "meet new friends" as their reasons for joining, while 85 new volunteer postings were posted on Career Connection with top viewed engagements being through the Fraser Health Crisis Line, the KidSafe Project, Big Brothers, KPU and the Kwantlen Student Association.

Two Months, Three Career Fairs

- Career Services partnered with the Faculty of Science and Horticulture in coordinating two career fairs at KPU Langley: the *Branching Out* horticulture fair on February 7 and the *Brewery Fair* on February 27. Both events were well attended by employers and provided students the opportunity to network with many industry contacts.

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- March 8 at KPU Surrey marked Career Services' signature event, KPU Career Day. The networking event continues to grow and be as popular as ever among students and employers alike. Employer booth registrations reached capacity two full months before the event in spite of moving the event from the Conference Centre to the gymnasium. With a waitlist of 20 employers, Career Services is planning to expand the event even further in 2018.

UN World Interfaith Harmony Week

- For the 3rd year, the Multi-Faith Centre (MFC) promoted UN World Interfaith Harmony Week (WIHW), a sanctioned world-wide awareness program. The goal, as outlined by the UN and the WIHW committee in Jordan, is to stimulate interfaith discussion and collaboration throughout the world by events bringing together different religious and secular groups. KPU was the first university in Canada to support this week in 2015 and each year students make submissions based on a given theme, 2017 being "Stories that Build Bridges". The MFC had 12 new submissions to add to displays that ran February 7-9 at KPU Richmond and Surrey. The event also featured an interfaith talk by KPU philosophy instructor Dr. Puqun Li, an art installation by local artist Deborah Putman, an Israeli folk dance demonstration and would have featured an open mic night featuring various performers and a talk with ISSBC's Director of Settlement, Chris Friesen, if not for the snowy weather.

Co-op Brings Employers to KPU

- KPU Co-operative Education held an on-campus meeting with the Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) to strengthen its existing relationship and explore new opportunities for partnership and student engagement. The CRA has hired over 250 KPU students over the last five years across all disciplines.
- Continuing its outreach efforts, in partnership with the accounting program and the Accounting Society of Kwantlen student group, KPU Co-op hosted an on-campus meeting with the accounting and consulting firm Deloitte to discuss ideas to increase collaboration and employer presence on campus.

Recognition:

- Kimberly Read was welcomed by the Office of the Registrar to the position of Manager, Records, Registration and Scheduling on February 27. Kimberley comes to KPU from Capilano University, where she worked in the Office of the Registrar for the past eight years, most recently overseeing the Records and Registration unit. Kimberley brings to KPU her passion for higher education as well as her extensive systems and process improvement knowledge.

- Officer, Student Judicial Affairs, Jennifer Jordan:
 - Attended a conference on "Changing Conversation on Sexual Violence"
 - Attended a one-day workshop on the topic of Countering Violent Extremism
 - Attended a three-day workshop on Investigating Sexual Misconduct.
- Director, Student Risk and Judicial Affairs, Catherine Dubé:
 - Attended a Canadian Association of Threat Assessment Professionals (CATAP) conference
 - Attended a three-day workshop on the topic of Investigating Sexual Misconduct
 - Completed a KPU-sponsored Resiliency at Work workshop
- Co-op faculty, Candy Ho:
 - Engaged with Canadian career scholars and practitioners at the Cannexus 2017 conference through continual service on CERIC's (Canadian Education and Research Institute for Counselling) Content and Learning Committee
 - Had proposals accepted on the presentation, "An 'audit' of strategies successful co-operative education students employ during CPA Recruit," at national and international conferences: ACE/CAFCE/CACEE 2017 and WACE 2017
 - Presented a demonstration of Adobe Spark at Teaching and Learning Common's Tinker Faire at KPU Surrey
- Vice Provost, Students and Dean, Educational Support and Development, Jane Fee:
 - Attended the Quality Network for Universities' (QNU) Special Meeting at UBC on gender equity and post-secondary education on February 2 and 3
 - Chaired a joint meeting between KPU, Langley Big Brothers and Sisters and the Langley School District on February 21
 - Received an invitation to join SFU's Dean's Advisory Council within the Faculty of Education on a two-year term

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TEACHING & LEARNING

Upcoming Event & Opportunities for KPU Community Members:

Beyond OER with Dr. Robin DeRosa: The Promises, Pitfalls, and Potential of Open Education (March 20, Surrey)

- Dr. Robin DeRosa, professor at Plymouth State University in New Hampshire, introduces Open Educational Resources and explores how faculty have been using OERs to reduce or eliminate the cost of textbooks for students. Discuss how open licenses and digital technologies can be leveraged to develop open pedagogical practices. [Details](#).

Open Technology – The 3rd Pillar of Open Education (March 30, Richmond)

- Clint Lalonde, Manager of Educational Technologies at BCcampus, discusses the connection between open education and open source software, the importance of open technologies to the open education movement, and demonstrates open education technologies being explored by the BC Open EdTech Collaborative have been exploring. [Details](#).

Instructional Skills Workshop (ISW) (April 24-27, May/June (26, 2, 9 & 16)

- Facilitated by Alice Macpherson, an experienced ISW Facilitator and KFA member, the ISW is a 24-hour (4 day intensive) for faculty interested in developing or improving their teaching and learning processes. Review ideas about teaching, check current practices and, within a safe and supportive environment, deliver three short lessons. [Details](#).

Teaching, Learning & Research Symposium (June 7 to 9, Surrey & field trips at other campuses)

- Call for Proposals! KPU community members have the opportunity to connect with fellow educators and their students as well as celebrate and showcase our efforts and experiences in the fields of teaching, learning and research to colleagues from other post-secondary institutions. Alex Usher from [HESA](#) is the keynote. [Details](#).

Digital Pedagogy Lab (July 28 to 30, Richmond)

- Hosted by Hybrid Pedagogy and KPU (T&L 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. There is a cost to participate. [Info](#).

Past Opportunities

January 20: ePortfolio Showcase (14 attendees)

- Hosted by Lesley McCannell, School of Business Instructor, and the Teaching & Learning Commons, 4 faculty showcased their implementation of ePortfolios and shared

their assignments, rubrics and lessons learned. Eight KPU and 6 Langara faculty explored ePortfolios through real examples and how to use them to enhance student learning.

January 27 & February 3: Learning with ePortfolios Workshop (10 attendees)

- Lesley McCannell and the Teaching & Learning Commons hosted a hands-on workshop to guide 10 faculty through the development of ePortfolios and the process of introducing ePortfolio learning to their students. This 2-day session introduced the technology used in ePortfolios with participants designing an ePortfolio assignment.

February 3: Working with Multilingual Learners: Discussion, Resources & Strategies (12 attendees)

- Dr. Stephanie Chu facilitated a real-time (f2f at Surrey & online) session with 12 KPU educators sharing experiences, strategies and resources in working with multilingual learners.

February 16: Tinker Faire (30 attendees)

- Teaching & Learning Commons hosted an informative and hands-on technology event in the Surrey Library. Facilitators provided demos of their tool to the attendees and assisted them in the tinkering process: [Poll Everywhere](#), [Zotero](#), [Adobe Spark](#), [Hypothes.is](#), [StoryMapJS](#), [Glogster](#), [HaikuDeck](#), [Moodle Quiz](#), [LibWizard](#), [Youcanbook.me](#)

February 16: K-12 Curriculum Changes: Are we ready for these students? (60 attendees)

- The Teaching & Learning Commons hosted Jan Unwin, Superintendent of Graduation and Student Transitions at Ministry of Education and Ministry of Advanced Education, to discuss the significant redesign of BC's K-12 curriculum. Over 60 people attended at Surrey or via video-conferencing Langley and Richmond. [Video and Jan's presentation](#).

February 17: BC Open Badges Forum (80 attendees)

- Organized by CanCred.ca and hosted by KPU's Teaching & Learning Commons, this cross-sectoral workforce design lab in Richmond was attended by 80 participants from post-secondary, K-12, government, not-for-profit and private sectors interested in open badges and brainstorming new ways of recognizing learning and achievement.

March 3: KPU Day

- The *Teaching & Learning Commons* hosted a Kaltura booth where the team answered questions and provided demos to faculty and staff on KPU's new video platform, described as an, "institutional YouTube", which is currently still in a testing phase with plans to launch in late March 2017. The three *Teaching Fellows* presented, "KPU

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Teaching Fellows and what they can do for you”.

March 10: Integrating Multilingual Learners (26 attendees)

- This interactive session was facilitated by Dr. Valia Spiliotopoulos, Associate Professor of Professional Practice, Faculty of Education and Director, Centre for English Language Learning, Teaching, and Research (CELLTR) at SFU. The 26 participants at Surrey discussed practical strategies for teaching multilingual learners in university classes.

Work in Progress:

- *Scholarship of Teaching & Learning Grants*: Small grants will be made available to recognize teaching development as a scholarly activity and to stimulate faculty-led investigation of new or innovative teaching and learning practices.
- *Teaching & Learning Plan*: In addition to ongoing 1:1 and small group consultations, a survey will be sent by April and public consultations will occur into summer to gauge the culture, support and desired direction to inform the Teaching & Learning plan. The strategic direction and plan to be finalized in Fall 2017 and inform budget planning for 2018/19.
- *Teaching & Learning Commons Advisory Committee*: Formed with representation from across the University and will serve as an advisory and feedback mechanism for the Commons' strategic direction and plans.
- *Canvas LMS Pilot*: Several faculty members have volunteered to try the newest LMS available (with Canadian Cloud) this summer, instead of Moodle. The intention of the pilot is to explore whether faculty and students would like to engage in identifying LMS requirements for the future and selecting appropriate technologies.

Vice Provost, Teaching & Learning Activities:

2016

- Met with the Provost and Desire2Learn to investigate potential learning management systems on Sept. 20.
- Served on the *Dean of Health Search Advisory Committee* from Oct. to Nov.
- Served on the *eCampus Ontario Adjudication Committee* in Toronto on Nov. 23.
- Attended SFU's Teaching & Learning Centre and the Faculty of Education's holiday celebrations on Dec. 1 and 7.
- Presented at the Faculty of Health's Faculty Day on Dec. 12th regarding the upcoming K-12 curriculum changes.

2017

- Met with the Provost, the CIO and *Canvas* to investigate potential learning management systems on Jan. 10.
- Attended a meeting between *Pearson* and the School of Business regarding *Pearson's* digital access on Jan. 23
- Chaired the *English as an Alternate Language (EAL) Support* meeting on Feb. 1 to identify available supports to

KPU educators and students, gaps and next steps.

- Represented KPU at the *Digital Learning Resources Network (DLRN) Policy Workshop* planning meeting with the Ministry of Advanced Education downtown Vancouver on Feb. 2.
- Participated in the Faculty of Academic & Career Advancement's *AP&P Committee Meeting* to discuss Teaching & Learning directions and collaborations on Feb. 3.
- Attended a VPTL national meeting, EDC Exec. meeting and presented at the *Educational Developers Caucus (EDC) Conference* in Guelph from Feb. 21 to 24.
- *Ongoing*: Internal KPU committees, EDC Executive, BCTLC Executive, Vice Provost Teaching & Learning Committee

Learning Technology Update:

Kaltura Video Repository Project

- Working with members of the LMS Committee to test the Moodle/Kaltura integration and make it available by April. Kaltura enables instructors and students to create and incorporate rich media into their courses and assignments. KPU's public facing video portal is [here](#). Interested KPU academic and service departments – contact LearnTech.
- *Moodle Consultations since Fall (up to Mar. 43) by Student Assistant, Mustafa Mohammed*
- Richmond (39), Cloverdale (13), Surrey (61), Langley (40), Email/Phone (71)
- *Acetate Transition Working Group*: Has been formed with faculty, IT and Commons staff. First meeting to occur in March/April. (Dr. S. Chu, Chair)

Teaching Fellows Update:

Open Studies: Dr. Rajiv Jhangiani

- Created an [open textbook](#) to support an Open Educational Resources Creation and Adaptation workshop.
- Consulted with individual faculty occurred regarding locating, adapting, and creating OER.
- Liaised with OER small grant recipients to ensure that they have the necessary support to meet their timelines.
- Recorded videos to support the *Introduction to Psychology* OERu course.
- Creating ten department-specific open textbook guides to be launched during open education week.
- Completed Drupal training to edit the Teaching & Learning Open Education webpages.
- Met with the Executive Director of Institutional Analysis & Planning regarding a research project to evaluate the institutional impact of the adoption of OER at KPU.
- Interviewed with News 1130 about KPU's leadership with open textbooks. Story [here](#).
- Gave keynote addresses at the *Minnesota Online Quality*

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Initiative STAR Symposium on Feb. 10th and the *National Association of College Stores Large Stores Group Meeting* on Feb. 13th.

- Presented at the *Open Education Global Conference* in Cape Town, South Africa from Mar. 8th to 10th.
- Event planning and promotion for the *Beyond OER with Dr. Robin DeRosa* event on Mar. 20th, *Open Technology* presentation by Clint Lalonde on Mar. 30th and *Digital Pedagogy Lab* from July 28th to 30th.

Experiential Learning: Dr. Larissa Petrillo

- Spoke with faculty members in the Faculty of Trades and Technology at their February Faculty Council meeting.
- Met with faculty members in Fashion Design, Fashion Marketing and Product Design to discuss experiential learning in their areas of teaching.
- Attended the *Surrey Cares Community Foundation Surrey Awards* on Feb. 28th to further broaden connections with community partners.
- Continued with internal communications, meeting with KPU's Director of Co-op, Shawn Erickson.
- Worked with Theresa Voorsluys, and student assistants, in finalizing database work for the next steps in revising the Experiential Learning website.
- Pleased to announce that Blythe Vincent will work as the Creative Capital student assistant for Experiential

Learning.

- Attended BC-CELN (Community Engaged Learner's Network) meeting at UBC which involved multiple universities.
- Blythe will assist the BC-CELN team for their joint C2U Expo presentation, in May, at SFU.

Learning Outcomes: Dr. David Burns

- Brianna Lewis, Student Assistant, and David gave five speeches and supervised four working sections for the School of Business degree quality group (80 people).
- Provided consultation on the creation of a new project to map objectives in Biology.
- Presented at the Arts Speaker Series with Brianna on digital content and lesson planning (40 attendees).
- Presented at the Tinker Faire on February 16th about YouCanBook.Me as an office hours expansion tool.
- Continued research on revisions to the learning outcomes section of the course outline manual.
- Drafted template for learning outcomes for inclusion in course outline manual.
- Completed Senate level curricular approval reform package and will distributed this week to SCC.
- Consulted on Arts Framework and extracurricular learning outcomes.

Be a part of the metamorphosis of music in the next KPU-Science World Speaker Series

What kind of music comes from magnets, fishing wire and slap tonguing?

Find out in the upcoming Kwantlen Polytechnic University (KPU) Science World Speaker Series. Accomplished musicians and KPU instructors Jane Hayes and François Houle explore how composers have stretched the limits of traditional instruments using an assortment of untraditional tools and digital technology in search of new means of musical expression.



"In one demonstration, François performs a technique called slap tonguing where he uses his tongue so forcefully to create a unique sound, he's actually bled in practice," exclaims Hayes, "We're asking people to think outside of the box when it comes to music."

Together known as Sea and Sky—Hayes, a pianist and director of keyboard studies at KPU, and Houle, a Juno-nominated clarinetist—will demonstrate how new sounds are created in a live improvisation using technology and everyday items to metamorphose music from their album *Sassicaia*.

This unusual concert-going experience will involve audience participation listening to sound before seeing and understanding the instrument and technique used to create it.

Sea to Sky: A Sensory Music Experience takes place Thursday, March 30, 7 p.m. at Science World Vancouver. Doors open early at 6:30. The event is free but registration is requested. To register and learn more, visit kpu.ca/scienceworld.

This speaker series is a partnership between KPU and Science World that supports the expansion of science in our communities. This free public series works to engage, entertain and educate guests with

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TRADES & TECHNOLOGY

Students:

- Two very successful past graduate students (Shmyla and Suveen Thandi) are performing high level nuclear welds at Darlington Nuclear Plant for Ontario Hydro.
- Two student graduates are returning to KPU as NR1 Welding Instructors after extensive industrial experience and certifications.

New Programs, Policies and Initiatives:

- We are very excited to be laying the foundation for our new Metal Fabrication program commencing January, 2018.

Community Engagement:

- The Appliance Servicing Program held a Career Day March 1st for their students with over 28 industry representatives in attendance. Industry is hiring our students upon graduation, many of whom were unemployed with Service Canada and now will have careers in our trade.
- The Building Construction Department (Electrical, Masonry and Plumbing/Piping Departments) attended the Construction Expo held Saturday and Sunday March 11 & 12 showcasing innovation, trends, quality materials, contemporary architecture, green technologies and solutions.
- The Welding department showcased our welding Lincoln VRTEX 360 virtual reality arc welding trainer at KPU Day at Surrey Campus. "Lots of interest."

Industry Engagement:

- An exciting partnership agreement with Bosch Home Appliances is underway with a new draft MOU currently being reviewed by our legal department. Other manufacturers are also interested in a formal agreement with us. We have great Industry support for our Appliance Service Technician program; many employers rely on us to produce the technician candidates that are needed to fill a severe shortage of trained technicians. Many current students have started doing Friday ride-along calls with experienced technicians in industry.
- At the request of local industry, the Welding department is hosting a one-day seminar at KPU Tech, March 29th, on Submerged Arc Welding in partnership with the Canadian Welding Association, Lincoln Electric, ESAB and ITW Miller.
- The Plumbing/Piping program had two guest speakers from industry: IPEX - a Langley-based company, and Bibby Ste. Croix - a Canadian company.
- We are working with TTBC to develop curriculum and provide subject matter experts to the ITA to support the harmonization process nationally. The Pan-Canadian Harmonization Initiative has resulted in new level requirements for Carpentry, Welding and Metal Fabrication effective March 31, 2017. Several other trades are

currently going through the harmonization process as well, which will result in changes to the following programs in September 2017: Automotive Service Technician, Construction Electrician, Plumber, Steamfitter/Pipefitter, and Millwright/Industrial Mechanic.

- KNX, a Belgian company has produced a wireless automation controller that is compatible with all manufacturers' products. They are very keen to have KPU as the West Coast training provider, and have invited Norm Chamberlain (Electrical instructor) to attend a one-week intensive training seminar at their facility in Brussels, Belgium. There are only two training providers in Canada; one at Red Deer College and one private company in Mississauga, Ontario.
- KPU Plumbing department attended CIPHEX WEST, Western Canada's BIGGEST trade show and conference for HVACR, plumbing and water treatment.

Recognition:

- Al Sumal, Welding Chair received first runner-up National Best Educator's Award of the Year presented by the Canadian Welding Bureau – Canadian Welding Association.

Employee Engagement:

- KPU Tech hosted the Regional Skills Competition for secondary high school students in the Lower Fraser Valley on February 24th. KPU faculty are directly involved, volunteering their time as judges or tech chairs for several of the competitions at the regional, provincial and international levels. KPU Welding and Electrical are co-sponsoring the Provincial Skills Competition as well as the Try-A-Trade components at Tradex in Abbotsford on April 5th.
- These competitions showcase skilled trades and technologies as first choice careers to the thousands of young people who attend these competitions annually. Winners of the BC Skills Competition compete in the National Skills event in Winnipeg May 31 – June 3rd where they have an opportunity to qualify for the Skills World Competition being held in Abu Dhabi October, 2017.



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UNIVERSITY LIBRARY

Alignment with VISION 2018 Strategic Plan:

Relevance

Strategy: The impact of KPU's community engagement has doubled by 2018

Research skills class taught at North Delta Senior Secondary

- On Valentine's Day, KPU librarians Ulrike Kestler and Lisa Hubick visited North Delta Senior Secondary to teach an 80 minute research skills class to the grade 12 Justice Studies cohort. These are students interested in studying Criminology, Policing, and related fields. Part of the mandate for the course is to prepare them for the transition from high school to post-secondary. As several students expressed an interest in attending KPU, the teacher approached KPU librarians with a request to visit the class to teach some differences between researching at university vs high school, citation styles and plagiarism. The class was well received and the teacher was keen to have the librarians return when the course is taught again next year.

WILSON SCHOOL OF DESIGN

Students and Alumni:

- On Monday, Jan. 30th, 2017, Product Design students Alisa Yao, Harry Chai, and Eyshr Sahota and Environmental Protection student, Megan Davidson, presented their final project to representatives of the City of Surrey and Foresight Cleantech Accelerator as part of the Challenge Dialogue that started in September 2015. The main objective of the project was to assist the City of Surrey in achieving their goal of 80% waste diversion. Our students designed and tested a kitchen catcher cleaning machine for use in large condo and apartment complexes. This machine was built, deployed and tested by the students in a large unit in Surrey. It provided a mechanism for tenants to clean their kitchen catchers, avoiding the use of plastic bags which pollute the organic waste, making it unviable for composting and therefore ending up in the landfill.
- The students presented their data indicating a substantial reduction of plastic bags usage and an increase of the amount in organic waste collected. The response was beyond the expectations of city staff. As a consequence, the City of Surrey is highly interested in going further with this initiative and implementing Phase Two (proposed by the students). They requested six machines for deployed within the year for further testing. Furthermore, there was mention of presenting this project to the city council and Mayor in their next meeting in March.
- In collaboration with Wendell Uglene and Leah Herbison at Mustang Survival and Dr. Gordon Giesbrecht from the University of Manitoba, third year Product Design stu-

dents are developing a prototype for a passive warming device called the "Rescue Burrito". This device is designed for use by rescue teams to treat patients with hypothermia. Students in the Post Baccalaureate Diploma in Technical Apparel design will test, evaluate, and provide feedback on the prototype. Testing will take place in a controlled environment at KPU and supervised field trial in Deep Cove.

- First year Interior Design students presented their inspirations, design process, and models from an inspiring project in the open area of the first floor of the Richmond campus. It can be difficult to get up and share one's creative work, and sometimes even harder to get feedback and critique, a necessary set of skills in the Interior Design world. The students rose to the occasion and were highly successful.
- The second annual Hatching Health event took place at UBC on March 3-5th, 2017. The goal of this medical innovation event is to provide an opportunity for students to solve healthcare problems with technical solutions. Interdisciplinary groups of students (and some professionals), come together to rapidly innovate in the field of healthcare. Several KPU Design students participated again this year, rapidly prototyping alongside UBC Biomedical engineering students and healthcare students to ideate new products and services for solving some of healthcare's stickiest problems. Pictured below is the prototype created by a team that included Alisa Yao from 3rd Year Product Design. They developed a strapping system for patients with lymphedema that enables them to easily don their compression garments for the at-home management of their condition.
- Victor Martinez, faculty member of Product Design, participated as a Mentor on Day 2 of the event, assisting teams with their sticky design problems. Stephanie Phillips was a member of the Preliminary Round Judging Panel, on Day 3. This event is a great



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example of the power of rapid prototyping (a design favorite), and the power of interdisciplinary teams to develop meaningful innovation.

- Santiago Arcila, 2013 Interior Design alumni, is now the Scholarship and Education Chair for NEWH Vancouver Chapter. NEWH is the Hospitality Industry Network and members are professionals actively engaged in various levels of the hospitality, food service, senior living, and related industries. Santiago is the main contact for the local Vancouver Chapter and is assisting with the latest award submissions for local interior design students. Not only has Santiago taken on a scholarship/education position with NEWH, he is also a part-time teaching assistant at BCIT.
- Lorin Bordeville, 2014 Interior Design alumni, is now the Chapter Coordinator for the International Association of Lighting Designers for Western Canada. Governed by an 11-member Board of Directors, the IALD is a volunteer association that relies on the active participation of its members. The over 1,200 lighting designers around the world who are members of the IALD hold a position of distinction and authority in the lighting design profession. Lorin is part of a number of Chapter Coordinators who assist in events and conferences for both industry designers and our students.
- The latest addition to our Design workshop is a stripped down motorcycle, compliments of Les Davis, a member of the Vancouver Electric Vehicle Association. Under the guidance of Victor Martinez, faculty member in Product Design, students will be going to convert it into an electric motorcycle. It will also be used as a platform for experimentation and practice with students; once a year, Victor will do a short project so students can design parts, equipment, apparel, or other related products.
- Second year students in FASN 2220: Swimsuit/Lingerie are engaged in a project that's objective is to draft and sew complex lingerie or swimwear components that fit and function on the curves of the human form. As lingerie and swimwear are very specific to an individual's needs, the project includes retail research where the students ana-



lyze machinery used and construction techniques that are practiced in the industry. The project is designed to provide students with an opportunity to experiment and try to understand stretch fabric's application to the body.

- The Aesthetics of CO2e is a project that was initiated as a collaboration between the Product Design program and the Interactive Institute from Sweden (<https://www.tii.se>). The Interactive Institute is an experimental, interdisciplinary research institute focusing on specific areas in different studios. One of the studies, Energy Design, explores (interdisciplinary) how to motivate more sustainable lifestyles in relation to energy. In one of Energy Design's current research projects, the focus lies on exploring 'How climate goals can be portrayed to enhance the individual's understanding of their own energy use and carbon footprint'. The project is aimed to develop a new method, utilizing wearable sensors and personal video tracking in order to display how the energy usage and carbon footprint of individuals relates to Sweden's climate goals for 2020.
- The project intended to elucidate how individuals' everyday activities relate to the climate target. It generated new knowledge about how individuals experience having the opportunity to reduce their energy usage and carbon footprint by being given access to high resolution data in relation to their actions. In this collaboration, we were especially interested in the aesthetics of a carbon footprint. How can we, through design make the concept of a carbon footprint more concrete and tangible so that people can relate to it more?
- Alumni Jaymes Williams and Lisa McNulty participated in the BC Tech Summit on March 15th, showcasing their designs in the Project Wearables Runway Show. Over 5,000 participants attend the BC Tech Summit; this was an excellent opportunity.
- Third year Graphic Design for Marketing students visited KPU's Langley campus where they conducted a discovery session and chatted with Brewing faculty and students about their program. 3rd year students are currently working on producing new packaging for KPU Brewing bottles.
- Past Fashion Marketing grad, Gabe Pineda, recently bridged into KPU's Bachelor of Business Administration. As a final project in his business program, Gabe and his group of business students created a Bath Bomb business and are experiencing great success with it!

Recognition

- Interior Design faculty members, Paola Gavilanez and Erick Villagomez, have been accepted to present a seminar at the upcoming [World Design Summit](#) from October 16-25, 2017 in Montreal. The World Design Summit is an international gathering of diverse disciplines with a focus on how design can shape the future.

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- Chelsey Wong, a Fashion and Technology student who is attending the University for the Creative Arts in England on exchange this semester, has been awarded with the Social Media Exchange Scholarship.
- Soon to be Interior Design graduate, Divya Dias, was selected for the second year in row for the “What’s Your Impact” PROpel program. This is Interior Designers of Canada’s (IDC’s) annual conference series for emerging professionals. The seven participants who were chosen for PROpel will participate in various online discussions where they will earn points toward an all-expense paid conference experience in Toronto, ON.
- On January 25th 2017 from 4-7pm, the 4th year Fashion Design students hosted a gallery style event in the main atrium of the Richmond Campus, showcasing the process behind their graduating collections. Each student presented their work in poster board and portfolio format, and practiced engaging with industry and media guests as they explained their elevator pitches. The event was very well attended by both the KPU community (staff and students from a variety of faculties) and the local community, including prominent members from leading companies such as Lululemon, Arc’teryx, and sponsors for The Show. The students were also interviewed and gained connection to local media outlets, strengthening the bond between our KPU community and Office of Advancement partners.
- Brenda Snaith was part of an Interior Designers of BC member panel for “The Future of the Profession” on February 15th, 2017. This seminar quickly sold out online! Brenda was part of the panel that discussed the recent and upcoming changes to the interior design industry and how these changes will impact the future of the profession. Following this panel, Brenda also took part in a larger discussion on education for the industry with other leaders in the profession and other participating educational institutions.
- The building industry held its annual trade show and conference, BUILDEX, on Feb 15th -16th, 2017. Faculty attend this trade show and conference to maintain their designation and relevance in the interior design industry. As a wonderful surprise to faculty, recent alumni, Jennifer Chan (Interior Design 2016), was tapped to be a part of the Interior Design Keynote panel at BUILDEX. Jennifer was part of a panel which discussed the myths and realities of an intergenerational workforce.
- Interior design alumni, Sahra Samnani, and Vancouver architect Michael Green, effected a total transformation of a dowdy 1980 duplex, remaking it with glass, concrete, steel and slatted wood. Their work was published in Azure Magazine, a well known and prestigious publication highlighting exceptional design work.



An Architect and Designer Couple Create Their 140-Square-Metre Dream Home - Azure Magazine

Architect Michael Green and his partner Sahra Samnani solve one of the biggest design challenges: how to live large (and beautifully) with a whole lot less. AZUREMAGAZINE.COM

Community & Industry Engagement

All Design programs intersect with their external professional communities and industry on an ongoing basis. Over the past two months:

- Third year Fashion & Technology students are currently integrating their learning at their work practicum placements. This year, students have been working in a range of roles in the following companies: Allison Wonderland, Arc’teryx, John Fluevog, Kenise, lululemon, Manuel Mendoza, MEC, Mustang, Noctex, Oak + Fort, Orb, Peekaboo Beans, Plenty, Plum, Pure Magnolia, RC Palmer Secondary, Strike MVMNT (Strike Movement) and Truelle. Students have expressed highlights such as participating in design meetings, collaborating with mentors and alumni, heightened analytical and digital skills, and a deeper appreciation for design and manufacturing processes and systems.
- In January of 2017, first, second, and third year Product Design students participated in the Santevia Design Blitz, an activity designed to come up with alternatives to Santevia’s existing water pitcher, which filters tap water for drinking. The students were challenged to produce designs that create a new look for a new, smaller “slim” size pitcher (2.8 L capacity). The basic function of the pitcher needed to be the same, i.e. properly hold and dispense water but students needed to improve on the existing model. Michael Reyes, the representative from Santevia attended the design challenge and view the students’ presentations of their new designs. His feedback on the students rapid prototypes was extremely positive.
- Fashion Marketing students have recently participated in field trips to the F/X (Fashion Exchange Building), as well as Strike Movement to learn more about these Vancouver companies and provide students with real-life comparisons to what they are studying.
- Technical Apparel students visited MEC, during which Advisory Committee Member, Spring Harrison and colleague

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Terry Strauss provided a tour of their engineering test lab and an overview of MEC's approach to field testing and engineering testing.

- Guest speaker, Bryan Statham, from Lifebooster, presented to Technical Apparel students about his experience with his wearable tech startup, Lifebooster. The goal of Lifebooster is to use wearable technology to eliminate preventable workplace injuries. Bryan provided insights into his journey establishing Lifebooster, from idea generation, to forming a company and its vision, finding investors, and developing the technology/product applying a user-centred approach to the design.
- Lindsay Bailey, a lawyer from TKO, provided a presentation to Product Design and Technical Apparel students on Intellectual Property Protection for Tech Apparel Design.
- Dr. Tom Waller, Senior VP Whitespace (Innovation and R&D) at lululemon athletica presented to Technical Apparel students
- Evelyn May, Coordinator of the Technical Apparel program, exhibited at SFU's Careers in BPK 2017, Department of Biomedical Physiology and Kinesiology. This event helps BPK students learn about the many career options available to them after completing their degree, as well as the many ways they can get involved during their degree.
- On February 21, 2017, fourth year Graphic Design for Marketing students presented concepts for their end-of-year grad show to guests, Martin Batten (Creative Director, Kaldor Brand Strategy & Design) and John Belisle (Creative Director, Signals Design Group).
- On a field trip to Science World. second year Graphic Design for Marketing students met with Carolina Becerra, Head of Science World's in-house Graphic Design department. These students also visited the Japan Unlayered Exhibition at the Fairmont Pacific Rim. The event allowed visitors to learn about Japanese architecture, culture, and design through a unique sensory experience.
- Graphic Design for Marketing classes also had the opportunity to host a number of industry speakers, including Josh Vanderheide, Packaging Designer & Owner, Fieldhouse Brewery and Sepideh Hashtrودي, SAP UX Designer
- Dale Simonson & Keith Martin represented the Graphic Design for Marketing program and Wilson School of Design at the Digital Media Youth Expo on February 18th.
- Shirley Calla and Alex Diaz led third year Fashion & Technology students in collaborative work throughout the semester to simulate the product development process utilized in the apparel industry by vertically integrated brands. Students create collections over three deliveries for a brand they have created, identifying the needs and wants of a specific target market. Industry "Adopt" meetings are simulated with attendance and feedback from Tara Zeidler, who is a knitwear designer for Kit & Ace. Tara's background includes working with Arcteryx, Mavi Jeans, Left on Houston, and Off the Wall Stores. These simulated meetings provide students with the opportunity to receive authentic industry feedback on their work and to incorporate these comments when presenting their collections in a Final Adopt Meeting, where executives would approve the commercialization of the proposed styles for an upcoming season.
- In session four of the Wilson School of Design's Design Futures Speaker Series, Mark Nazemi, a researcher and interactive designer from Vancouver presented a public session on *Conceptual Clothing: Exploring the Intersection Between Fashion, Design, and Technology*. The lecture explored the theoretical approaches undertaken by designers, researchers, and companies for developing conceptual and commercial products that are in the domain of interactive fashion and wearables. Concepts related to soft circuit design, embedded technologies, kinetics and textile and material technologies are also presented that show how fashion, science, design, and technology can be infused together to push the boundaries of fashionable technologies. Currently completing his PhD at Simon Fraser University's School of Interactive Arts & Technology with a focus on pain management using immersive audio and biofeedback, Mark has been teaching wearable technologies and interactive media for the past 5 years at Simon Fraser University.
- As part of the Design Futures Speaker Series, presenters first provide a public session (typically attended by 80-100) and then offer hands-on workshops for students in the Wilson School of Design the next day(s). The Wearables Workshop series gave Wilson School of Design students great insight into the world of interactive fashion and wearables. These Technical Apparel Design and Fashion & Technology students worked together to create a temperature sensing hat.
- As part of the FASN 2200 Design & Drawing II course led by Michael Pope and Shirley Calla, second year Fashion & Technology students are being introduced to techniques utilized in designing with knit fabrications and specific target markets. This year the founder and designer Ayr Barnett of AYRTIGHT Clothing led the design brief for students along with her sales representative Corinne Norbraten.
- After the students were given a thorough introduction to the brand core concepts, customer profile, marketing and sales approach, and design strategies, they were given the assignment of collaboratively creating a small collection of styles applicable for an upcoming seasonal delivery for Ayr tight. The students were responsible for taking their styles through the technical design processes of creating a measurement sheet and flat drawing identifying construction techniques and finishes for all details of the particular garment.
- Third year Interior Design students were treated to a talk

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by Marilou Rudakewich, the principal of M-Studio Design Consultants. Students received a presentation on restaurants and the importance of basic planning logistics, concept, location, etc. In addition, Marlis Joller, former Earls Project Manager and current faculty member, discussed site, context, construction management, and problem-solving. These visitors gave students a good perspective of restaurant design and principles currently important to the industry.

- Glenn Pace, LC, DID, the principal and specification Sales Manager for SLS Group Industries and Light Resource, also discussed the lighting content and focus in restaurants with third year students. He discussed dining and bar areas and the importance of layering, controls, moods, fixtures, etc. To get students ready for their next big project, Glenn also discussed his experiences in the healthcare lighting sector and went over case studies, zoning, energy efficiency and the importance of lighting for wellness.
- Kirsten Reite, Principal of KRA Architecture, also introduced Interior Design students to clinic design from a practitioner's perspective and covered the issues of both public vs private healthcare and case studies.
- In addition, students in Interior Design toured:
 - Glowbal Telus Garden restaurant – Jay Brooks, Principal for Box Interiors took students on a tour of the new 17,000 square foot Telus Garden Complex. The Garden complex was completed in late 2015.
 - The Jim Pattison Outpatient Care and Surgery Center – Gus Spanos, Senior Project Manager at Kasian Architecture Interior Design and Planning, took students to the new 188,000 SF outpatient facility near Surrey Memorial Hospital. This facility provides a full range of scheduled outpatient services including day surgery, diagnostic services and specialized health clinics.
 - Copeman Healthcare Center – Kirsten Reite, Principal at KRA Architecture, took students on a tour of the Copeman Healthcare Centre in Vancouver. The facility occupies 20,000 SF and houses an advanced private medical clinic, physiotherapy and exercise medicine center, psychological health center, brain health center, and a stroke and brain injury rehabilitation facility.
 - Center for Hip Health and Mobility at VGH – Amber Stephanson, Admin Manager, and Joanne Crozier, Project Interior Designer and faculty member, toured students through the Centre for Hip Health and Mobility at the University of British Columbia. The facility houses a state-of-the-art imaging suite and dedicated image analysis lab, exercise prescription lab, machine shop, and various oth-

er labs and diagnostic suites.

- The Interior Design department regularly holds lunch and learns for students in all years and a wide range of topics are covered. Students bring their lunch and are treated to various talks from suppliers and manufacturers in the built environment and related industry.
- Students were recently treated to a talk on Building Green and on furniture and furniture/office systems from DIRTT Environmental Solutions, Herman Miller, and Haworth. In addition, Victor Quezada, lighting designer came in to discuss conceptual lighting and lighting trends.
- Students also participated in a talk on the Canada Green Building Council and the WELL Building Standard. Helen Phillips, MPlan, PHD, from the BC Chapter of the Canada Green Building Council talked about her work in advocacy, education, LEED, WELL and energy benchmarking. She also talked to students about various volunteer opportunities for the chapter. Following this, Sharon Hollingsworth, RID, IDC, NCIDQ, WELL AP, LEED AP BD+C, talked about the new WELL Building Standard® and its focus on the health and wellness of building occupants. WELL expands on health and wellness related credits as in LEED but delves much further into air, water, nourishment, light, fitness, comfort and the mind. In addition to her practice, Sharon is also a faculty member with Interior Design.
- All 4th year GDMA students found placements for their Mentorship practicum this spring with top agencies/organizations, including Mountain Equipment Co-op, Signals Design Group, Twice Branding (DDB Canada), and Science World.
- Students and faculty attended the Vancouver Biomedical Event: UBC Innovate 2016! In December of 2016. The event, organized by the Faculty of Applied Science and Faculty of Medicine at UBC, was designed to build relations with industry in order to support their research projects and help their students and faculty become entrepreneurs and commercialize their research outcomes. <http://www.stratplan.med.ubc.ca>. Four projects were presented with their head of research explaining the objectives of the projects. UBC's president Santa Ono then moderated a Q&A session where the audience interacted with the presenters.
- One of the most interesting questions was: "What is the biggest challenge you are facing?" and the general answer being "staying in Canada". These type of projects require more than incubation and capital investment; they require a context of companies, networks, providers, etc. While Greater Vancouver has some of this, the powerful magnet of California. The resources available there make it hard for the researchers to stay here.
- Carolyn Robertson, Dean, and Doreen Leo, faculty in Product Design, presented on design process and applications, and the Wilson School of Design's programs to 450 stu-

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dents in Pacific Academy's senior school. Doreen then led workshops with grade 9 students on design thinkings and product design.

- Doreen Leo also presented to the Burnaby Teachers on a District Wide Professional Development Day addressing part of the new K-12 curriculum, Applied Design & Technology. Doreen provided teachers with insights into how to embed design thinking, concepts, and process into their curriculum. The session had an overwhelming response, resulting in the need for a quick room size to accommodate double the attendees expected.
- Fashion Marketing recently had the pleasure of having Jen Rainnie as a guest speaker for first year students. Jen presented the students with a "branding challenge" in the form of a contest. This engaged our students to think about a real company, and how they can creatively and effectively provide marketing materials to a company based on research, and knowledge of the market. Our two lucky winners of this "branding challenge" received a product from Jen Rainnie's flip-flop line.

Managing Risk

- Two main areas of focus for managing risk in the Wilson School of Design are the implementation of a strategic recruitment and conversion plan (as a means of increasing enrolments) and meeting the goals of Vision 2018. The Advisory Committees play an important role in helping us maintain quality, reputation, and relevance of our programs and. To this end, a number of activities continue to



take place.

- The Wilson School of Design is launching a comprehensive Branding and Communications Plan that focuses on recruitment, conversion, and profile. The plan includes:
 - A new visual brand with accompanying brand guidelines and visual assets,
 - A deliberate social media strategy,
 - The production of videos that promote and provide insight into each of the programs and the Wilson School of Design as a whole,

- The production of videos that assist students in their portfolio development,
- A rewrite of the Design website,
- A monthly newsletter, and
- Collaborative efforts on applicant conversion with the Future Students Office.
- The Wilson School of Design hosted an Open House for applicants and the public on January 21, 2017. Tours, program overviews, portfolio sessions, and student presentations were hosted by all programs. As a follow-up, Product Design and Fashion and Technology offered free Portfolio Development and Review Workshops.
- Fashion offered three workshops over a series of Saturdays in February, each giving perspective and feedback on a different part of the portfolio process. These workshops included teaching and feedback on Design Components, Sewn Components, and Final Steps to the portfolio process, and they were extremely well received. Many students attended multiple workshops, with a total of about 50 students overall. The attendees left feeling more confident about their applications, and excited for their design futures.
- In addition to portfolio feedback sessions, Product Design faculty provided a series of three, free Saturday workshops for applicants and the public during February that addressed different design concepts and challenges. The sessions were well attended and well received.
- Applicant numbers are up for both Product Design and Fashion and Technology programs.
- The FASN Advisory Committee plays an essential role in maintaining the relevance of our FASN Bachelor of Design degree program. Apparel industry leaders provide the perspective needed to ensure our graduates are well prepared to contribute to this creative, technical, and innovative industry. In conjunction with faculty, administration, and students, the role of the Advisory Committee is to help enrich the Fashion program. The Fashion Advisory Committee held its 4th meeting on February 22nd, 2017, and topics of discussion included the impact of the TPP and duty-free import trade across the border, the response from the Apparel Report from the BC Alliance for Manufacturing, and other collaborative local events of notice. Advice was provided on current and future pattern-making technologies in the industry.
- The following quote from an alumnus was shared with committee members to highlight the need for the Fashion & Technology degree to retain its generalist and holistic program outcomes while still preparing students for positions within companies that participated in the Apparel Industry study: "Things are going really well. I actually left film costume work (for now?!), got my B.Ed. in Home Ec, and now I am a Fabric Developer at lululemon. It really is

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amazing how my Kwantlen degree has helped me pursue such a variety of opportunities!" (Justina Kriss)

- As a result of the Apparel Industry study that identifies challenges in the industry and post-secondary education, a series of working committees have been formed. Fashion & Technology faculty member, Shirley Calla, and Dean, Carolyn Robertson, are sitting as post-secondary representatives on the Education Committee, and Evelyn May, faculty member from Technical Apparel, is sitting on the Board.
- The Interior Design Advisory Committee met on March 1st at Kasian, one of Vancouver's leading design firm's downtown office. Topics of discussion included the long term needs of Vancouver's Interior Design community, changing trends, credentialing, KPU's role in offering advanced programming for senior designers, and Master's programming. One Advisory Committee member spoke about the reputation of KPU's Interior Design program and the rush to snatch up KPU grads as soon as (if not before) they graduate.
- Product Design held its Advisory Committee meeting on February 21, 2017. Discussions included the year end graduation show and how to profile student work, enhance the program's reputation, and integrate a speaker that would compliment the show and attract Vancouver's design community.
- In preparation for the portfolio workshops as well as the upcoming Portfolio Reviews, the Fashion team put together a short "How To" Video on the portfolio requirements. This video was sent to all incoming applicants as well as posted on social media, and has been viewed over 1200 times so far on Facebook and has driven 80 people to the website for more information. This video features three of our first year students who help to explain each step in the portfolio process. It has turned out to be an incredibly

powerful teaching tool for applicants.

- A video on portfolio preparation has also been completed for the Product Design program. Product Design has also engaged in early interviews (February and March) and is in the process of providing offers to qualified students.

International Engagement:

- The Dean, Carolyn Robertson, met with KPU International and a representative of the University of Central Lancashire (UCLAN) on March 15th to discuss possible exchange partnerships between our Design programs. UCLAN and KPU already have very successful exchange agreements in the Faculties of Arts and Business. UCLAN's extensive design programming at the undergraduate and graduate levels is also in alignment with the Wilson School of Design's programming. Future work will entail the detailed review of program curriculum to determine where students can best meet their programmatic requirements on exchange.
- Seven third year students from the Fashion & Technology program are currently studying abroad this semester at the Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology in Australia, University for the Creative Arts in England, Metropolia University in of Applied Sciences in Finland and HTW Berlin University of Applied Sciences in Germany.

Employee Engagement

- The Deans participated in their second annual Soup Sisters evening on Friday, March 10th, preparing large batches of soup for organizations to distribute to women and children who are homeless or living in transition houses after experiencing domestic violence. The Dean's Team showed off their culinary skills at the Pacific Institute of the Culinary Arts this year and then enjoyed a bowl of freshly prepared soup together. A great team building event and positive contribution to our community. (*See picture below*)





Marketing & Recruitment Dashboard

March 2017

Domestic Applications

As of March 3, 2017



Future Students' Office

Office drop-ins for Jan-Feb 2017

(370 drop-ins same time 2016)

Langley	82
Richmond	69
Surrey	208
Tech	33
Total	392



Top phone inquiries Jan-Feb 2017

Do you offer (program)?	134
Application Status	149
Document Hand-in Process	161
Admission Requirements	175
How to Apply	211
Drop-in Dates/Times	256
Program Details	429

Recruitment Visits Jan-Feb 2017

High School Presentations	29
Community and Agency Presentations	17
Schools visited (drop off promotional material and provide updates)	114

CRM to date

Prospective students	10,538
Counsellors	618
Parents	225
Community Support Workers	134
Aboriginal Support Workers	42

On campus Recruitment events:

- Design Open House
- Discovery Days (Surrey and Langley)
- Med Forum
- Future Business Leaders
- Skills Cloverdale and Richmond
- Surrey Open House

Marketing Services

Completed Marketing Requests

JAN 1 2017	FEB 28 2017	JAN 1 2016	FEB 28 2016	JAN 1 2015	FEB 28 2015	JAN 1 2014	FEB 28 2014
207	211	151	164	167	175	145	117
TOTAL 418		TOTAL 315		TOTAL 334		TOTAL 262	

Social Media

Total impressions of our posts on social media	2,591,231
Total engagements (retweets, comments, likes, shares, etc.)	16,039
Direct messages and public comments received across all social media platforms	208

Facebook likes

JAN 1 2017	FEB 28 2017
10,493	11,786

**TOTAL
INCREASE
1,293**

Top cities following us: Surrey, Vancouver, Richmond, Langley, Delta, Burnaby, Abbotsford, Calgary, Edmonton

Website

January 1 - February 28, 2017

Total website sessions	903,170	↑ 37% Year over Year (657,600)
Total users (unique visitors)	352,622	↑ 24% Year over Year (284,107)
Average session duration	03:08	
Bounce rate	52.91%	

Top visits by city:

Surrey	388,445
Vancouver	112,863
Richmond	105,484
Langley	72,755
Burnaby	21,702
Delta	19,003
Abbotsford	12,634

Top Performing Campaigns by traffic:

Post Bacc Accounting: 8,876

Medical Marijuana: 1,959

Post Bacc Technical Management: 4,272

Post Bacc Operations and Supply Chain Management: 3,690

Visits by device type:

Desktop: 60%

Mobile and Tablet: 40%

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Recruitment:

- The KPU Open House on Surrey campus on March 4th was a great success. Prospective students, parents and community members visited our campus and took part in a variety of activities focused on the many programs we offer at KPU.
- Campus was buzzing with eager and interested prospective students and individuals. Multiple campus tours ran throughout the day, and reps from all of our faculties and service areas went above and beyond to show our guests all we have to offer at KPU. Attendees enjoyed presentations from KPU students, alumni, and community members; a virtual welding machine, metal forge, and masonry activities, paper-folding, dancing flames; and many other engaging activities showcasing KPU programs.
- Visitors also had a chance to speak one-on-one with faculty and staff from specific programs and areas of study, ask questions and learn more about KPU and our areas of study.

Other Events:

Planning Ten on Campus

- For the past few years Recruiters have been going into high schools to deliver a 'planning 10' exercise introducing post-secondary to grade 10's. This year we developed a new process to invite complete grade 10 classes on campus, giving us the opportunity to showcase our university and give them a 'sneak peek' of the student experience. Our first planning 10 on campus was held Jan 13th with over 110 LA Matheson students. Feedback from both Counsellors and students was very positive and we are continuing with other local high schools.

Med Forum, Surrey Campus

- The Med Forum was a joint initiative with the Faculty of Science and Horticulture to introduce current and prospective students to KPU's program offerings that ladder into Medicine at UBC. 71 prospective students attended on Feb 27. The goal of these career driven information sessions is to inform prospective students about their program options (and entice them to make KPU their first step) for popular and direct career interests. It allows us to highlight more than one program and show the versatility of education in relation to careers. Future information sessions currently being planned include careers in Social Work and Government.

Skills BC Regional Competition, Richmond Campus, March 2nd

- On March 2nd KPU co-hosted Skills BC regional competition on our Richmond Campus. Over 150 grade 8-12 students competed on campus in activities such as Spaghetti Bridge, Potential Energy Car, Fashion and Technology, TV Video Production and Graphic Design. This event was held in partnership with the Richmond School Board during edu-

cation week and multiple high schools in the district were in attendance including High Boyd, MacNeill, McMath and McRoberts. Plans are to extend the competition to students in Burnaby next year. Hosting events like Skills on campus allows faculty, staff and recruiters to engage with top talent in niche markets, such as Fashion/Design and Physics for Modern Technology, and also strengthens KPU's profile within the community.

Dual Credit

- Richmond School district recently signed a Dual Credit agreement with KPU, coined LinK38 (Learning in Kwantlen). Applications will be sent to schools this month with the first cohort of dual credit students from Richmond attending KPU in fall 2017.

Marketing:

- The new KPU tag line, 'Where thought meets action' is being rolled out and incorporated on new creative and advertising campaigns. The tag line is being included in new creative - advertising and marketing materials moving forward. Updating current promotional materials is also underway.
- Our new tag line is part of our brand and it reinforces our identity. It informs our audiences of who we are and what we do.
- The KPU brand is reflected in everything we do. As we roll out the tag line, it is imperative that we ensure a clear, consistent image and message. Therefore, new brand guidelines will be published soon to ensure clear consistent use of our logo and tag line as well as approved designs and messaging.
- Moving forward, our tag line and every touch point an individual has with KPU should communicate our brand and message in a consistent format so we reinforce the same look and message at all times. This is the only way we will ensure increased brand awareness in future.

Submitted by:

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Current KPU Advertising

Guildford Town Centre Mural



Online ads



Posters



Office of External Affairs

External Affairs—Communications, Media and Government Relations:

Overall

The Office of External Affairs planned and executed the Spruce renovation announcement, held at KPU Surrey on Feb. 10, and attended by provincial and federal government representatives. The \$22-million renovation is jointly funded by the Government of Canada's Post-Secondary Institutions Strategic Investment Fund and the B.C. Ministry of Advanced Education. The renovation will increase teaching and learning opportunities for students in science and fine arts. It will also extend the life of the 3,417 square-metre building, reduce energy consumption and enhance applied research, training and experiential learning opportunities.

Our team also jointly organized the first annual Newcomer Welcome Party and Job Fair at Lansdowne Centre in Richmond on Feb. 25. The all-day fair, which was promoted through earned media and local and ethnic publications, featured entertainment and speeches by KPU students, and the KPU Future Students' Office had two display booths.

The Communications and Media Team was significantly tapped for the psychology department's Connections in First Responder Mental Health, held Feb. 23 and 24. This is notable as the team facilitated multiple and, astonishingly, repeated interview requests from the CBC and CKNW as well as Metro Van-

cover and local community outlets. Different reporters at CBC and CKNW both requested separate interviews with KPU alumna and guest lecturer Rae-Lynne Dicks and faculty member Dr. Lisa Kitt, positioning both as subject matter experts in a current and wide-reaching topic of great public interest.

Community Engagement and Government Relations

External events attended:

- Richmond Multicultural Community Services Community Collaboration Team (KPU's Manager, Media and Communications chairs this volunteer team):
 - Quarterly meeting March 1 and employment sub-committee meetings throughout January and February to plan the Newcomer event referenced above.
- Richmond Chamber of Commerce annual mayor's address
- Delta Chamber of Commerce luncheon, featuring a post-budget update from Delta North MLA Scott Hamilton
- Greater Langley Chamber of Commerce "Coffee and Conversation" event with Environment Minister Mary Polak
- Maple Leaf Education Systems Vancouver office opening
- South Surrey and White Rock Chamber of Commerce Business Excellence Awards featuring City of Surrey Mayor Linda Hepner, White Rock Mayor Wayne Baldwin and South Surrey-White Rock MLA Gordon Hogg
- Private round table hosted by the Richmond Chamber of Commerce with BC Finance Minister Mike DeJong. Attended by Richmond MLAs Linda Reid and John Yap.
- The Executive Director attended the Universities Canada annual Government Relations/Director of Communications conference in Ottawa
- The ED also met with Polytechnics Canada in Ottawa
- Richmond School District Education Week Science Fair (celebrity scientist)
- Surrey Board of Trade luncheon with SFU President Andrew Petter
- Surrey Board of Trade Women in Business Awards (KPU was an award sponsor and presented the award in the non-profit sector)
- Hosted pre-budget media round table at KPU Surrey with federal Minister of Families, Children and Social Development Jean-Yves Duclos, Surrey-Newton MP Sukh Dhaliwal and Fleetwood-Port Kells MP Ken Hardie

Other KPU events attended/supported:

- KPU Designer Spotlight
- KPU Reads
- Meet the Maestro
- KPU Trades Awards Dinner
- KPU Day



Tatiana Tomljanovic, Media Specialist with Pumpkin, the miniature horse at KPU Day

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Communications initiatives:

- One issue of the electronic New@KPU employee newsletter was issued during the reporting period. The February newsletter recorded a 37 per cent open rate (907 employees), which was comparable to the December newsletter's 39 per cent open rate.
- KPU Activities and Events committee administration
- Guest lecture on media relations to graduating fashion students in preparation for The Show
- Various media training/key message prep/response statements/interview facilitation on these topics:
 - Internationalization at KPU
 - Maple Leaf high school proposal
 - PTSD in first responders
 - KPU Civic Plaza
 - Regional post-secondary needs
 - KSA break-in
 - Sexual assault policy development
 - Spruce renovations
 - KPU space challenges
 - Multiculturalism/settlement services
 - Cyberbullying

KPU media coverage January 20 – March 10

As in past reporting periods, we facilitated media requests from and received coverage in the Globe and Mail, the Vancouver Sun, CBC Radio, CBC Television, CKNW Radio, News 1130, CTV News, Zee TV, Metro News, Business in Vancouver, the Georgia Straight, Zee TV, Darpan Magazine, the Cloverdale Reporter, the Surrey Leader, the Surrey Now and the Richmond News.

The graphic below was created by our media analytic software and shows the overall media sentiment for this reporting period. The chart is an aggregate measurement that includes everything from public service announcements, which are largely considered neutral, to large news and feature pieces. Stories exclusively about the Kwantlen Student Association in which KPU is *not* a party to the story but mentioned only because it is the host university, are also considered neutral.



- KPU distributed a total of 16 news releases:
 - January 20-31: 4 news releases
 - February 1-28: 11 news releases
 - March 1-10: 1 news release
- Media exposure over this period totaled 471 mentions (Source: Meltwater):
- The following is a list of KPU news releases issued during the reporting period. News advisories are not included:

Mar 02	KPU alumna Ashley Morin gets intimate at Vancouver Fashion Week
Feb 27	KPU string quartet-in-residence presents world premiere in an evocative northern adventure
Feb 23	KPU joins the CBIE's Learning Beyond Borders initiative
Feb 22	Trades throwdown: Skills Canada BC competition hosted by KPU
Feb 21	Explore and connect at KPU Surrey open house
Feb 16	KPU, KSA co-host expert panel on violence against environmental activists
Feb 15	NEVR rises in defiance of injustices against women
Feb 14	National fingerpicking champ headlines guitar fest at KPU Langley
Feb 10	Canada, B.C. invest in renewed infrastructure at KPU
Feb 09	Criminology department hosts forum for first responders suffering from PTSD
Feb 02	Celebrate, communicate and connect at International Mother Language Day
Feb 01	Food for thought in upcoming KPU-Science World Speaker Series talk
Jan 31	KPU brings people together for Interfaith Harmony Week
Jan 30	KPU drums up a whirlwind of musicians at annual workshop
Jan 26	Teacher by day, magician by night: meet Alym Amlani
Jan 24	More TALKs spring up at KPU

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Alumni Affairs:

Events and Sponsorships:

- Student Leadership Awards – In collaboration with the Kwantlen Student Association, the Alumni Affairs office will coordinate and support the Student Leadership Awards event on April 27. Over 35 students will be awarded and altogether over 80 students will be recognized. The KPU Alumni Association (KPUAA) is a proud sponsor and KPUAA Chair Ryan Keigher will participate in co-emceeding the event. This event helps further the Alumni Affairs goal of engaging with KPU students (future alumni) before they graduate.
- BC Business Awards Dinner – KPU's Alumni Affairs department is pleased to be a gold sponsor of the BC Business 30 under 30 Awards dinner on April 13.
- KPU Foundation Golf Tournament – The KPUAA is pleased to once again sponsor a hole at the golf tournament on May 17.

Communications:

Alumni Newsletter

- The Alumni Affairs office published a special New Year edition of the newsletter in early January - a retrospective highlighting top stories of 2016.
- The newsletter was sent to over 26,000 alumni with 3,100 opens representing a 13% open rate.

Social Media

- Regular posts of KPU Alumni Twitter, Facebook, and our KPU LinkedIn account have been ongoing in efforts to build our community of social media users. A digital media communications calendar and plan is under development.

Alumni Benefits Card

- The Alumni Affairs office received approximately 35 requests for benefits cards. The cards and introductory letters were mailed to alumni.

New graduates

- Welcome letters on behalf of the Alumni Association are sent to all new graduates through the graduation office, introducing them to their alumni community.

Strategic Plan:

On January 28 the Alumni Association board of directors participated in a day-long planning session and defined four strategic priorities for the next 24 months. In tandem with the strategic plan the Alumni Affairs office is developing a business plan which will serve to operationalize the strategic vision of the KPUAA.

The strategic plan includes a commitment to enhance alumni engagement, while building value so alumni are encouraged to be involved in our alumni community thereby elevating KPU's profile.

A few of the initiatives aimed at achieving the above will involve supporting Alumni Chapters across KPU Faculties, collaborating with KPU Career Services in the delivery of alumni engagement programming and working closely with KPU Marketing and Communications to better tell alumni stories.

Submitted by:

*Marlyn Graziano, Executive Director, External Affairs
& Executive Director, KPU Alumni Association*



(Left to right) Federal Minister of Families, Children and Social Development Jean-Yves Duclos, Marlyn Graziano, KPU, Surrey-Newton MP Sukh Dhaliwal and Fleetwood-Port Kells MP Ken Hardie

Institutional Analysis & Planning

ADDRESSING VISION 2018 STRATEGIC PLANS & GOALS

Quality

Goal: Learner engagement and retention at KPU shows continuous improvement

Strategy: Assess, select, implement, and celebrate learning methodologies and educational delivery options that provide learners with the support within and beyond the classroom to succeed academically, personally, socially, and professionally:

- 2017 Library and Learning Centre Student Survey: Every other year, the KPU Library collects feedback from students on their experiences with the library's services and resources, how they access the library, and their interest in potential workshops. This year's survey included a section on Learning Centres to assess students' awareness of Learning Centres and their satisfaction with the services provided. The survey was launched in January and closed in February.
- 2017 Information Technology Student Survey: KPU's first student survey with a focus on information technology needs. The survey provides feedback to the IT Department on what students think about technology and their experiences and expectations for using digital technologies for academic work. The survey was launched in January and closed in February.
- Student Satisfaction Survey: Released the fifth in the series of research notes of the results from this survey. This note focused on the students' decision to attend KPU. (See attached research note.) The five reports are available at: <http://www.kpu.ca/iap/students-tell-us> Two additional reports are under development.
- Survey of Graduates of Health Care Assistant Program: This information is required for their program articulation and will be an ongoing survey. It also provides feedback to the program on how to improve the program. The survey was launched in February and a report will be provided to HCAP in March.

Goal: KPU is a well-managed, integrated, and transparent organization that supports learning

Strategy: Implement initiatives that will attract, support, engage, and retain KPU's people and create an environment where all employees see themselves as contributing to student learning:

- Surveys on the role of the Chair/Coordinator: Finalized the survey with the Labour-Management Relations Committee (LMRC) to better understand the role of the Department Chairs and Program Coordinators and how KPU can support them. Three surveys will be conducted, one of current chairs and coordinators, one of Deans and Associate Deans and a third one of all faculty members who are not chairs and coordinators. Surveys will be

conducted later in spring term.

- 2017 Information Technology Faculty Survey: KPU's first faculty survey focusing on faculty members' technology needs. The survey provides feedback to the IT Department on the technology needs of instructional faculty and staff. One outcome of the survey is to align IT service offerings to better support learning and teaching at KPU. The survey was launched in February and closed in March.

Strategy: Institutionalize effective quality assurance processes that allow for regular review of all areas of the university:

- Supporting program reviews: Currently providing support to 22 programs (or cluster of related programs). IAP conducted student, alumni, faculty and discipline sector surveys for program reviews in Psychology, Human Resources Management, and Policy Studies.
- Course Evaluations (formerly called Student Appraisals of Instruction): Individual Instructor Reports were sent to all instructors. Probationary Instructor Reports were sent to the Deans. End of semester Faculty Reports were also sent out to the Deans in the beginning of January.

Relevance

Goal: KPU's Operations support purposeful learner FTE growth of at least 5% annually to meet the educational needs of its region's diverse population.

Strategy: Expand the distinctiveness and scope of KPU's program offerings to realize its polytechnic university mandate:

- Conducting the feasibility assessments for proposed programs: Applied Science Major in Environmental Geography, Post-Baccalaureate Diploma in Green Business Management and Sustainability, and Post-Baccalaureate Diploma in Global Business Management.

Strategy: Undertake research to understand the needs of learners in the diverse communities KPU serves.

- Draft report *Understanding Mature Learners in the KPU Region & their Diverse Education Needs* – A report that addresses VISION 2018's relevance goal of supporting educational access by examining the needs of mature learners.

Accountability Reporting to Government

- Cohort submission for the Adult Special Education Labour Market Agreement for Persons with Disabilities in cooperation. BC Stats conducts surveys of Adult Special Education (ASE) students 3 months after they have completed or left their program and then again 12 months after. This survey is to fulfill accountability requirements to the federal government. BC Stats asks for these Cohort submissions twice a year.
- Data submission to the University and College Academic Staff System (UCASS) in cooperation with HR. This is an

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annual submission made to Statistics Canada to provide information about full-time teaching staff in degree-granting institutions.

- Cohort submission for Student Outcomes surveys for Apprentice Student Outcomes (APPSO) and Diploma, Associate Degree, and Certificate Student Outcomes (DACSO). BC Stats conducts these surveys of graduates

each year to obtain information on the effectiveness of education programs.

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Executive Director, Institutional Analysis & Planning

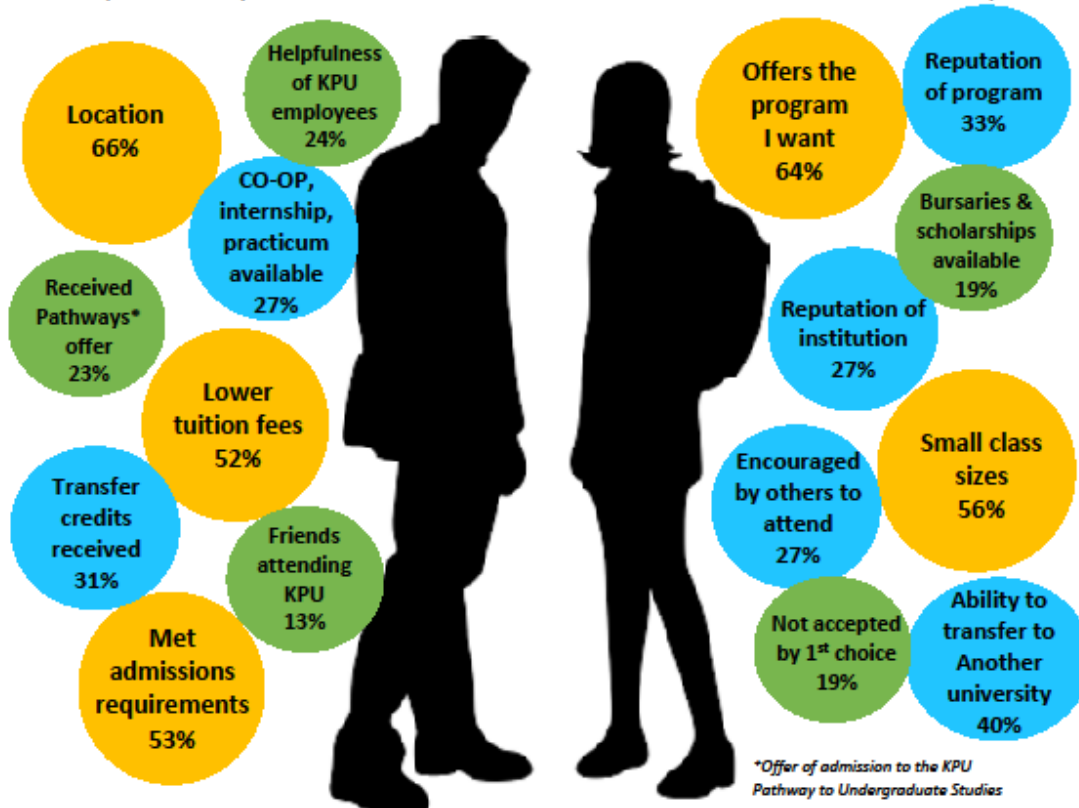


STUDENTS' DECISION TO ATTEND KPU

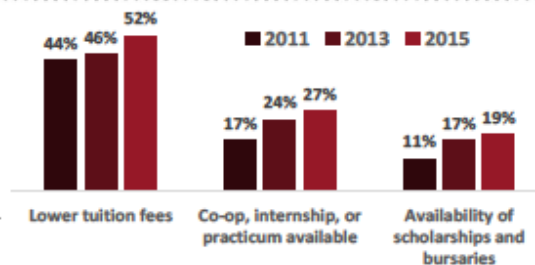
Analysis of select results from the 2015 KPU Student Satisfaction Survey¹

WHY STUDENTS CHOSE KPU

(% student respondents who said it was a MAJOR INFLUENCE on their decision to attend KPU)



MORE STUDENTS ARE SAYING THESE ARE MAJOR INFLUENCES:



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WHY STUDENTS CHOSE KPU: BY INTERNATIONAL/DOMESTIC STUDENTS & AGE

(% student respondents who said it was a MAJOR INFLUENCE on their decision to attend KPU)

	ALL RESPONDENTS	International Student	Domestic Student	Under 23 years old	23-28 years old	29+ years old
Location	66%	63%	67%	68%	63%	69%
Offers the program I want	64%	66%	64%	61%	65%	78%
Small class sizes	56%	53%	57%	59%	54%	48%
Able to meet the admission requirements	53%	54%	52%	54%	51%	46%
Lower tuition fees	52%	35%	55%	57%	51%	41%
The ability to transfer to another university	40%	38%	40%	45%	33%	34%
Reputation of program	33%	41%	32%	31%	32%	39%
The transfer credits I would receive	31%	38%	30%	31%	29%	34%
Co-op, internship, or practicum option available	27%	37%	26%	27%	27%	24%
Reputation of institution	27%	45%	25%	25%	24%	35%
Encouraged by others to attend (e.g., family)	27%	39%	25%	27%	27%	23%
Helpfulness of KPU employees	24%	40%	21%	23%	21%	23%
Pathway to Undergraduate Studies	23%	42%	19%	23%	19%	25%
Availability of scholarships and bursaries	19%	26%	19%	20%	17%	20%
Was not accepted by first choice institution	19%	22%	18%	20%	17%	16%
Friends are attending here	13%	26%	11%	13%	12%	8%

5% or more ABOVE average of all respondents

5% or more BELOW average of all respondents

WHY STUDENTS CHOSE KPU: BY FACULTY/SCHOOL

(% student respondents in each faculty who said it was a MAJOR INFLUENCE on their decision to attend KPU)

	ALL RESPONDENTS	ACA*	Arts	Health	Science & Horticulture	Trades & Technology*	Business	Design
Location	66%	62%	72%	56%	62%	54%	68%	35%
Offers the program I want	64%	75%	60%	84%	59%	81%	60%	96%
Small class sizes	56%	47%	63%	51%	54%	37%	55%	47%
Able to meet the admission requirements	53%	67%	57%	68%	51%	44%	49%	42%
Lower tuition fees	52%	44%	61%	36%	52%	34%	52%	28%
The ability to transfer to another university	40%	38%	42%	22%	61%	29%	36%	12%
Reputation of program	33%	44%	25%	52%	25%	45%	32%	72%
The transfer credits I would receive	31%	38%	31%	21%	41%	24%	30%	16%
Co-op, internship, or practicum option available	27%	35%	17%	44%	17%	26%	33%	33%
Reputation of institution	27%	56%	24%	39%	24%	40%	23%	38%
Encouraged by others to attend (e.g., family)	27%	45%	28%	33%	25%	31%	23%	27%
Helpfulness of KPU employees	24%	56%	23%	23%	23%	33%	21%	23%
Received an offer of admission to the KPU Pathway to Undergraduate Studies	23%	60%	18%	33%	17%	44%	21%	19%
Availability of scholarships and bursaries	19%	39%	19%	24%	20%	12%	18%	14%
Was not accepted by first choice institution	19%	21%	16%	17%	28%	12%	20%	8%
Friends are attending here	13%	24%	14%	10%	10%	20%	13%	3%

5% or more ABOVE average of all respondents

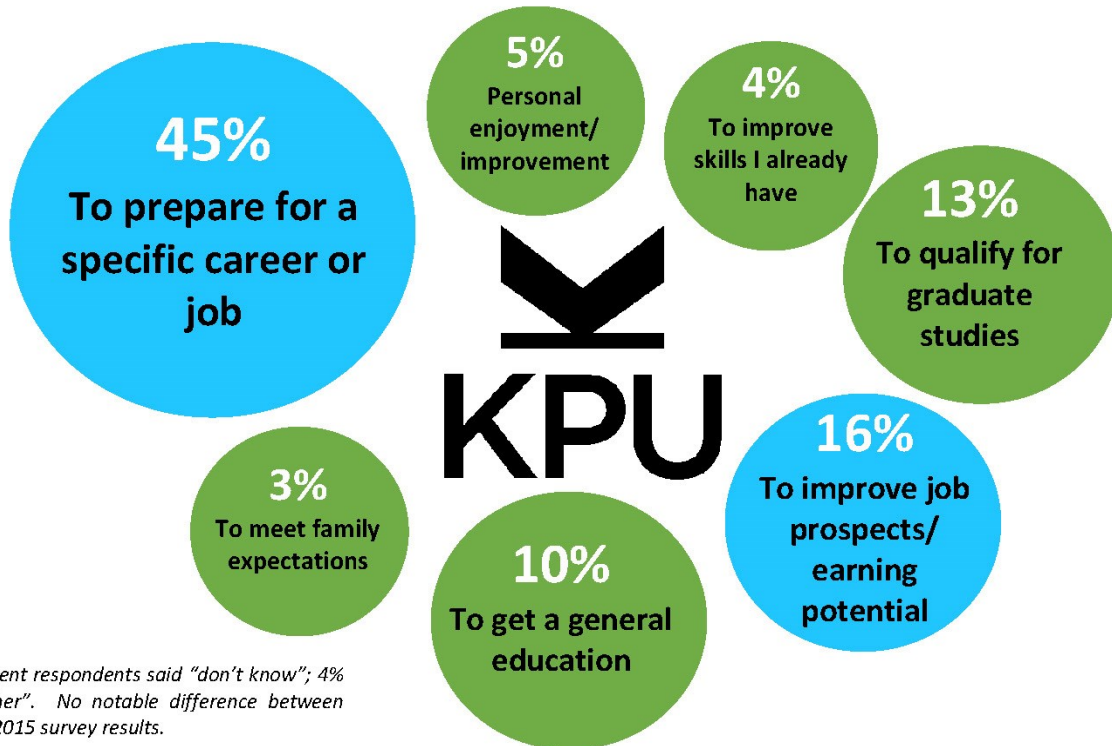
5% or more BELOW average of all respondents

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6 IN 10 ATTEND KPU FOR JOB RELATED REASONS

(% student respondents who said it was their MAIN REASON for attending KPU)



1% of student respondents said "don't know"; 4% chose "other". No notable difference between 2013 and 2015 survey results.

MAIN REASON STUDENTS ATTEND KPU: BY INTERNATIONAL/DOMESTIC STUDENTS & BY AGE

(% student respondents who said it was their MAIN REASON for attending KPU)

	ALL RESPONDENTS	International Student	Domestic Student	Under 23 years old	23-28 years old	29+ years old
To prepare for a specific career or job	45%	31%	47%	48%	46%	37%
To improve my job prospects and/or earning potential	16%	16%	16%	12%	19%	29%
To qualify for graduate studies	13%	20%	12%	15%	11%	9%
To get a general education	10%	15%	9%	11%	9%	4%
For personal enjoyment or improvement	5%	7%	4%	4%	5%	9%
To improve the skills I already have	4%	6%	3%	3%	3%	9%
To meet family expectations	3%	3%	2%	3%	2%	0%
Other	4%	2%	4%	4%	4%	3%
Don't know	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%	0%

5% or more **ABOVE** average of all respondents
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MAIN REASON STUDENTS ATTEND KPU: BY FACULTY/SCHOOL

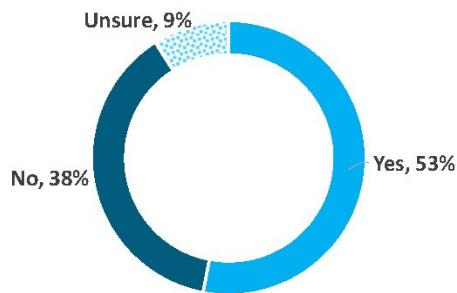
(% student respondents in each faculty who said it was their MAIN REASON for attending KPU)

	ALL RESPONDENTS	ACA*	Arts	Health	Science & Horticulture	Trades & Technology*	Business	Design
To prepare for a specific career or job	45%	40%	40%	77%	36%	54%	45%	74%
To improve my job prospects and/or earning potential	16%	10%	13%	9%	13%	25%	22%	13%
To qualify for graduate studies	13%	20%	17%	3%	22%	4%	10%	3%
To get a general education	10%	0%	13%	1%	11%	6%	8%	2%
For personal enjoyment or improvement	5%	10%	6%	0%	5%	0%	4%	3%
To improve the skills I already have	4%	15%	2%	5%	4%	10%	4%	5%
To meet family expectations	3%	5%	3%	1%	2%	2%	2%	1%
Other	4%	0%	5%	3%	7%	0%	4%	0%
Don't know	1%	0%	2%	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%

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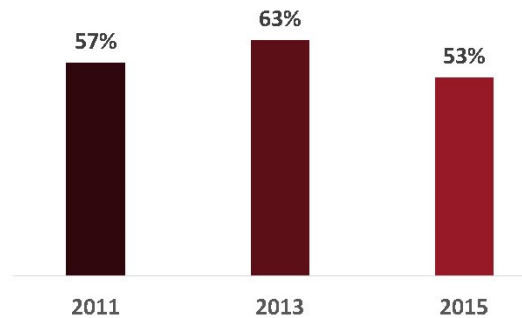
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WAS KPU STUDENTS' FIRST CHOICE?



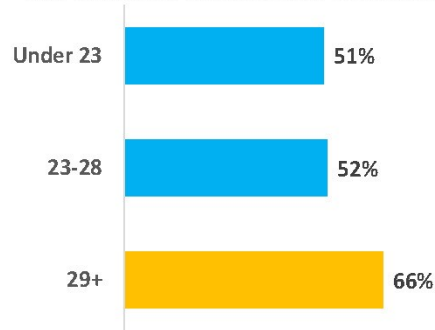
FEWER SAID KPU IS THE FIRST CHOICE INSTITUTION

(% of student respondents who said KPU was their first choice postsecondary institution)



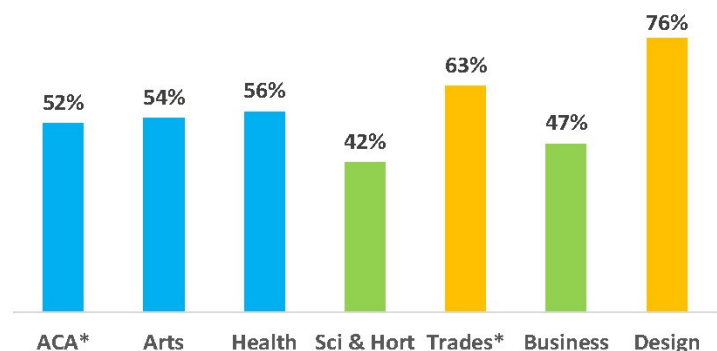
STUDENTS' FIRST CHOICE: BY AGE

(% of student respondents who said KPU was their first choice postsecondary institution)



STUDENTS' FIRST CHOICE: BY FACULTY

(% of student respondents who said KPU was their first choice)



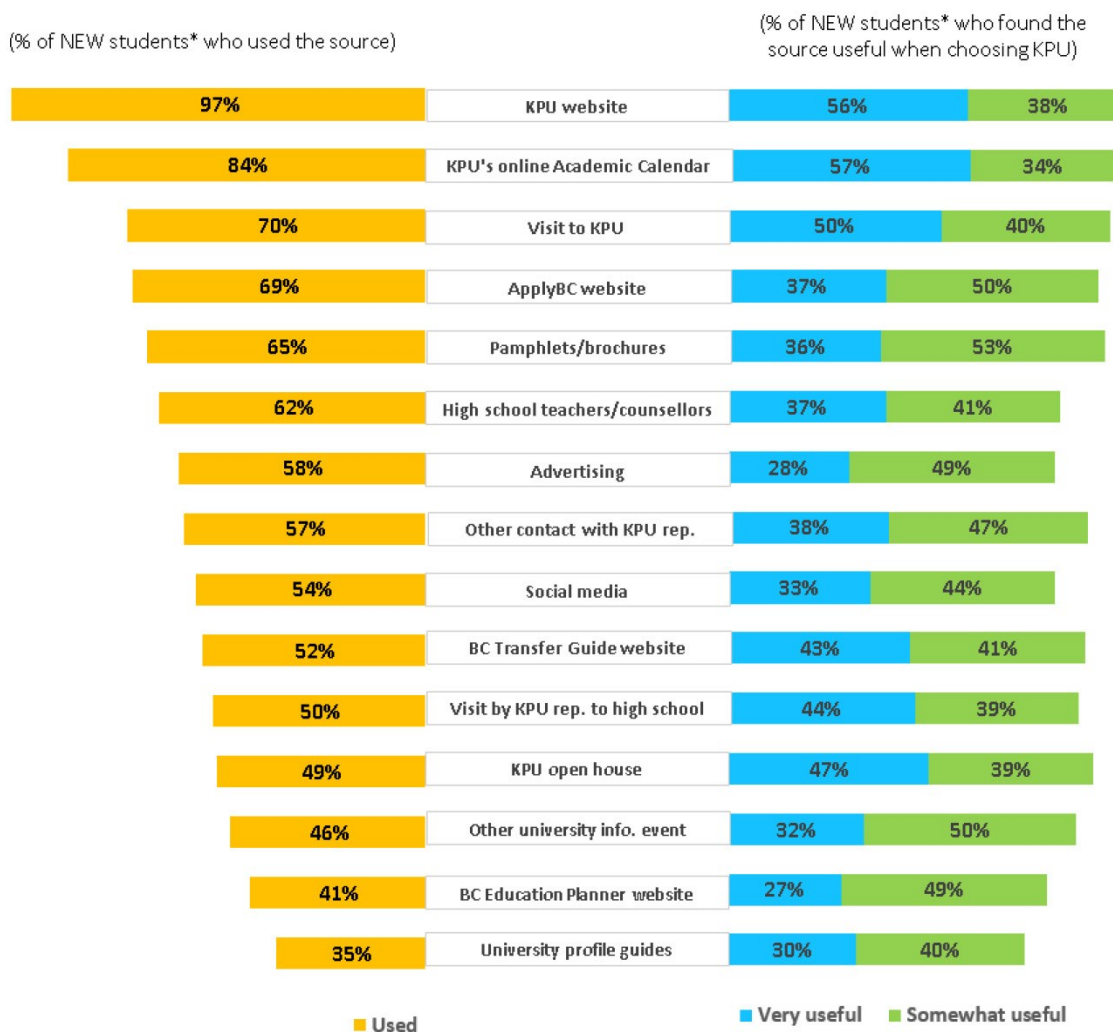
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Note: No notable differences between international and domestic students.



SOURCES OF INFORMATION WHEN CHOOSING KPU



**New students defined as individuals who/ began their studies in September 2015, or between September 2014 and August 2015 for Trades Foundation & Apprenticeship students.*

International students new to KPU* were more likely to say these sources were “very useful”:

- **KPU website** (72% of international students said it was very useful, compared to 55% of domestic students)
- **University profile guides** (55% of international students, 22% of domestic students)
- **Social media** (43% of international students, 31% of domestic students)
- **ApplyBC website** (42% of international students, 37% of domestic students)
- **Advertising** (40% of international students, 26% of domestic students)

New students* who are older (29+) were more likely to say that the BC Education Planner website was very useful (46% compared to 23% of new students under 29 who said the resource was very useful).

*Note: Results by Faculty are not presented due to small number of responses for several Faculties. *New students defined as individuals who/ began their studies in September 2015, or between September 2014 and August 2015 for Trades Foundation & Apprenticeship*



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ENDNOTES

¹ When reviewing information from the 2015 Student Satisfaction Survey, it is important to keep in mind that female students are over-represented in the survey results (53% of KPU students are female; 67% of survey respondents are female). Full-time students (those taking 3+ courses) are also over-represented (63% of KPU students are full-time; 76% of survey respondents are full-time students). Additional information on student respondent characteristics are available in the *KPU STUDENTS research note* at <http://www.kpu.ca/iap/students-tell-us>.

ABOUT THE 2015 STUDENT SATISFACTION SURVEY

KPU conducts a student satisfaction survey every 2 years and asks students various questions related to their selection of postsecondary institution, their education plans at KPU, their course registration and educational experiences, satisfaction with support services, as well as their background information (such as age, funding sources, etc.). In 2015, a total of 3,443 students responded to the online survey between October 24, 2015 and November 18, 2015. This translates into an overall response rate of 26%, a 7 percentage point increase over the 2013 survey.

ADDITIONAL RESEARCH NOTES ARE AVAILABLE ON KPU'S INSTITUTIONAL RESEARCH & PLANNING WEBSITE:

<http://www.kpu.ca/iap/students-tell-us>



Office of Advancement

On February 2nd the KPU Trades Scholarship Awards dinner was held at KPU Tech, where we were joined by more than 100 donors and donor-funded scholarship award recipients. This was the first time the event was held as a dinner for the faculty of Trades and Technology at KPU Tech.

The Office of Advancement continues to look at an upgrade to its current fundraising database. A new solution is being offered by our current vendor that would provide a significant upgrade. It is currently being analyzed by a task force including: Advancement, Alumni Relations, IT and Business Performance and Advisory Services.

KPU Foundation Golf Tournament scheduled for May 17th at Newlands Golf and Country Club is nearly sold-out. All sponsorship opportunities have been maximized and all indications seem to be pointing to this year's tournament being our most profitable.

Since the last Board of Governors Report, the Executive Director of Advancement has engaged in the following community events:

- Jan 23 – KPU was recognized as a game day sponsor for the Vancouver Giants vs. Prince George Cougars game at the Langley Event Centre, a sponsorship underwritten by KPU donor, Lower Mainland Steel. The Giants and LMS distributed over 300 tickets to KPU students on our Cloverdale and Langley campuses. Steve Lewarne had the privilege of participating in the ceremonial puck-drop.
- Jan 25 – KPU was presented \$1,000 at the Richmond Rotary-Sunset Winter Wonderland sponsor dinner. Steve Lewarne attended and spoke at the dinner.
- Mar 7 – Steve Lewarne attended the Delta Chamber of Commerce Business After Five Networking event. KPU is a sponsor of the Delta Chamber of Commerce
- Mar 8 – Steve Lewarne attended a special client reception at the Sheraton Guilford to celebrate their newly renovated space.

Financials

- Since the last Board Report (for the period of January 23rd, 2017 – March 14th, 2017), the Office of Advancement raised \$337,000.
- Fundraising to date for the fiscal year 2016-17 is at \$1,700,000.
- By comparison, for the same reporting period in fiscal year 2015-16, fundraising totals were at \$1,633,000.
- With two weeks remaining in the fiscal year, the Office of Advancement has now exceeded last year's fundraising totals.

Submitted by:

Steve Lewarne,

Executive Director, Office of Advancement

New Major Gifts over \$5,000 since last Board Report

Donor	Gift Amount
Vancouver Foundation	\$62,500
VanCity Community Foundation	\$40,000
Rogers Communications	\$21,500
Kwantlen Student Association	\$14,883
Fairchild Group	\$13,575
Octane Investments Inc.	\$12,500
Vancouver Foundation	\$10,390
BC Fresh Vegetables Inc.	\$10,000
Victoria Beer Week Society	\$10,000
Christopher Pike Photography	\$7,975
Tri-Cities Cask Festival Association	\$6,500
L'Abri Real Estate Company	\$7,087
Association of Women in Finance	\$7,000
G & F Financial Group	\$6,000
Trading Post Brewing	\$5,000
Advance Wire Products Ltd.	\$5,000
Project Lawns	\$5,000
Francois-Xavier De Ruydts	\$5,000
Uni-Select Inc.	\$5,000
Penmat Contracting & Project Management	\$5,000
Langley Concrete Group	\$5,000

