

The President's Diversity and Equity Committee

2016/2017 Funded Projects

Funding Date	Project Title	Event Date	Description	Amount Funded
January 2017	UN World Interfaith Harmony Week at KPU	February 7 – 9, 2017	Will host an event to celebrate and generate awareness for UN World Interfaith Harmony Week. The KPU event would be held at KPU Richmond and KPU Surrey, and is set to include a 3-day exhibition of KPU community.	\$700
January 2017	Come From Somewhere: Building Pan Cultural Literacy	January – April 2017	This event has four central aims: 1) To deepen writing students' and faculty's awareness of a cross-section of diverse literary work; 2) To build new curriculum resources for faculty; 3) To develop and enlarge the creative writing departments' material holdings, and; 4) To culminate in an event in March which will introduce the work of a diverse group of writers who may not be part of the 'traditional' creative writing curriculum.	\$1,500
January 2017	Public Readings by Jillian Christmas	Spring 2017 Term	Ms. Christmas's writing and performances are brazen and necessary poems about racism, sexuality, and the experience of women. Her poem "Black Feminist" has been much shared over alternative media, and viewed over 100,000 times. She will perform a full public reading in the Spring 2017 semester.	\$300
January 2017	Newcomer Welcome Party and Job Fair	February 25, 2017	To support the success of the Newcomer Welcome Party and Job Fair implemented by the Richmond Community Collaboration Team. Funds will be used to provide modest honoraria to the stage entertainment.	\$500



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October 2016	Creative Writing Readers and Writers in Residence and Student of Colour Roundtable Initiative	November 16, 2016, January 27, 2017, March 8 & 9, 2017	KPU Creative Writing Readers and Writer in Residence Program will be hosting a reading with Ontario-based, Writer's Trust Award nominee Pamela Mordecai. We will also feature Kwantlen First Nation poet and playwright, Joseph Dandurand, who will be our writer-in-residence.	\$2,000
			The Student of Colour Roundtable is a second event in a series which addresses the needs of Students of Colour in the CRWR department. Funding will be used bring in a facilitator for our next Roundtable event which will help the group get to the core of the challenges and work together to create positive change.	
October 2016	Disability Awareness Month – November 2016	November 16, 2016	The purpose of the <i>Disability Awareness Month November 2016</i> event is to raise consciousness, within and beyond the KPU community, around disability and accessibility as a human right.	\$2,000
September 2016	Scotiabank AIDS Walk to Thrive	September 25, 2016	Co-sponsored with KSA, to support the Positive Living BC's Scotiabank AIDS Walk to Thrive!	\$1,000
June 2016	KDocs: Kwantlen Documentary Film Festival (2017)	February 17, 18 & 19, 2017	The annual KDocs film festival showcases award-winning documentary films, keynote speakers, filmmakers, panelists, exhibitors, and community members/partners/collaborators. A diverse group of participants engage in lively discussion, debate, and dialogue as they investigate today's most pressing global issues.	\$2,000
			Total	\$10,000