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## KPU AWARDS HONORARY DEGREES TO OUTSTANDING CITIZENS

**Metro Vancouver** - A mathematician, a master brewer and a masterful mediator will receive honorary degrees from Kwantlen Polytechnic University (KPU) next week.

KPU's annual spring convocation ceremonies May 31 to June 3 will see honorary degrees awarded to Kanwal Singh Neel, Brad McQuhae and Vince Ready. Honorary degrees are awarded to those honoris causa in recognition of dignified achievements or outstanding service to the public.

Nominees are exceptionally distinguished scholars, creative artists, public servants, prominent people in the community and the professions, and others who have made significant contributions locally, nationally or globally.

### Kanwal Singh Neel

Retired Richmond mathematics educator Kanwal Singh Neel started his career as a math teacher in the Richmond School District and ended with Simon Fraser University's Faculty of Education. He has held various roles within the faculty, culminating with his appointment as associate director of professional programs.

Though "retired," Neel continues to provide exceptional service to the educational community through his work with SFU's Friends of Simon Tutoring Program, which trains university students as tutors for immigrant and refugee children.

"Kanwal has inspired hundreds of students and teachers throughout his career in education," said KPU president and vice-chancellor Dr. Alan Davis. "He demonstrates a passion and commitment to the success of all learners."

Neel has developed a reputation for engaging his colleagues in reflective practice, and for designing learning experiences for his own students that are relevant and meaningful. He has shared his insight as a workshop presenter, author, software developer, textbook reviewer, consultant and host of the award-winning television series, Math Shop.

KPU will award Neel his degree on May 31.

### Brad McQuhae

Former med student Brad McQuhae opened Newlands Systems, a leading manufacturer of brewing equipment in North America, in 1990. Since then, Newlands has grown from two employees to 150, and opened between 400 and 500 breweries.

So renowned in the industry, McQuhae is often asked to judge beer competitions, and recently returned from judging the World Beer Cup in Philadelphia, where he tasted about 70 different types of beer from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. every day for several days.

In 2013, McQuhae identified the need to bring along the next generation of master brewers and became involved in Kwantlen Polytechnic University's (KPU) Diploma in Brewing and Brewery Operations. He was part of the original advisory council that helped shape the curriculum and he donated a \$250,000 two-hectolitre pilot brew system so students would be able to train on industry-quality equipment.

"Brad has been such a staunch and active supporter of KPU's Diploma in Brewing and Brewery Operations program since its onset," said Dr. Elizabeth Worobec, dean of science and horticulture at KPU.

KPU will award McQuhae his degree on June 1.

### Vince Ready

Vince Ready has been negotiating, mediating and arbitrating his way through the thorniest of labour disputes since 1965.

It's this lifelong dedication to bringing peaceful resolutions to the most difficult of issues across the country that has earned him an honorary degree from Kwantlen Polytechnic University (KPU).

Widely regarded as the foremost mediator and arbitrator in Canada, Ready has overseen more than 7,000 labour disputes. Interestingly, he began his work in 1965 when he became the representative for the International Union of Mine, Mill, and Smelter Workers in Canada.

He also worked as an organizer, staff representative, and troubleshooter for the United Steelworkers of America before starting his own private mediation-arbitration practice in 1982.

He has had a hand in resolving some of B.C.'s most notorious labour disputes, including the BC Transit strike in 2001; the BC Ferries labour action in 2008; and the teachers' strike in 2014. In these and in many other cases, resolution was achieved as a result of Ready's diplomacy and skill.

"Vince is truly a one-of-a-kind figure here in B.C.," said KPU president and vice-chancellor Dr. Alan Davis. "His dedication and passion to his field are not only inspiring, but unrivaled."

Bob Davis, president of the Kwantlen Faculty Association, lauded Ready for his outstanding contributions to public sector labour relations in B.C.

"Bringing together parties and achieving resolution on tough bargaining issues and disputes is itself a daunting task, but doing so while earning and maintaining the trust and respect of both parties—the employers and the unions—is the hallmark of Mr. Ready's success," said Bob Davis.

KPU will award Ready his degree on June 1.

More information about KPU's convocation ceremonies, including program times and photos of the honorary degree recipients, is available at [kpu.ca/convocation](http://kpu.ca/convocation).

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*Kwantlen First Nations drummers at the 2016 Spring Convocation—Kevin Kelly and Michael Gabriel-Kelly*



*Julia Johnstone, KPU Music Program, leading “O’Canada” and the 2016 Spring Convocation*

# President's Report

On May 26<sup>th</sup> I was pleased to be part of the "Top 25 under 25" program hosted by the Surrey Board of Trade. Several KPU students and alumni were represented there.



On May 30<sup>th</sup> I was part of a panel at the Canadian Society for the Study of Higher Education conference in Calgary. The theme of the panel was "Putting online and blended learning in line with institutional strategy: policy, practice and research". I discussed the progress we have made at KPU, some of the difficulties we face, the issue of institutional culture, and the importance of a solid teaching and learning centre.



May 31 to June 3<sup>rd</sup> was devoted to spring convocations, all of which were extremely well attended and successful. On June 8<sup>th</sup> I attended the Post-Secondary Employers Association Board meeting in Burnaby, and on June 13<sup>th</sup> we hosted the annual KPU Day at the Richmond Oval, where about 600 KPU employees gathered to celebrate another year of achievement and service.

BCNET had its member and board meetings on June 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>, and the Deputy Minister for AVED, Sandra Carroll, is due to visit KPU on June 22<sup>nd</sup>.

In May I promised an overview of my attendance at the International Association of University Presidents meeting at the University of Alcala De Henares. Alcala de Henares is a UNESCO Heritage site, and the university is key to that

designation. Although it claims to have been established in the 13<sup>th</sup> century, the site has accommodated a variety of educational institutions, and there was a break of several decades in its history. Nevertheless it is a very beautiful and fine university, rather like Oxford and Cambridge with plenty of history and heritage but also, outside of the old town, modern facilities in science and engineering.

Alcala is also the birthplace of Cervantes, and I took the opportunity to sit with Don Quixote and his trusty squire Sancho outside the house where Cervantes was born.



Cervantes died the day before Shakespeare, and the 400<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his death is being celebrated in 2016.

The historic setting was appropriate to the 2 themes of the meeting: the role of the university in preserving culture (in other words, what is the role of the university at all?), and universities and the environment.

The culture discussion was led by some outstanding speakers: Ramu Damodaran (United Nations), Juan Ramon de la Fuente (UNAM, Mexico) and Remus Pricopie (SNSPA, Bucharest). It was posited that universities should have a main task of fostering intercultural dialogue, must be more inclusive and less elitist, and that current ideas of quality assurance and national and global rankings work against such ideals. This was ironic in that Alcala gave each attendee a page of its various rankings ("among the best 800 universities in the world").

Universities must also challenge dogmatism and intolerance of any sort ("the need to unlearn intolerance"), and need to not only question the world, but also question themselves and their curricula, which is much harder to do.

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There was discussion about “big culture” as well as the small and personal, and universities must build the links between the two, and to inspire students to respect history and the land. In this sense, one panelist suggested a balance is needed between the trendy idea of “global citizenship” and “culture and local autonomy”. A number of examples were given from Ecuador, Denmark and Japan.

Remus, who now works in a senior position in the Ministry of Education in Romania confessed to a crisis of confidence at one point in his work: “I don’t know what business I am in”. He researched the meaning of education over the last 150 years and it has not changed in name (personal growth, citizenship, and workforce preparation), but the meanings have. For instance, the idea of personal growth is manifestly different today, having been expanded by the Web for instance, and citizenship has shifted from compliance to engagement and the building of communities.

The Higher Education Institutions and Sustainability session was equally engaging, with speakers from Bangladesh, Gibraltar and Mexico. The context is all too familiar: sustainable development being one of the greatest challenges of the century, and unsustainability creating inequalities of all sorts. The critical role of education in dealing with this challenge was reinforced: by challenging dominant paradigms and through research. A reorientation of the curriculum and of teaching practices are needed, however, and universities in Europe are working together to focus on support for faculty to prepare students, regardless of their disciplines, to understand their professional and global responsibilities in sustainability.

As I assume the co-chair role of KPU’s Environmental Sustainability Committee, some of the information and contacts from IAUP will be helpful. This is an interesting group, and not a large or expensive membership. I will endeavor to play a more active role in any future events by submitting papers etc.

### Pilot Initiative Involves Students of all Abilities

One of the first fully inclusive courses in North American recently finished its pilot run at Kwantlen Polytechnic University’s (KPU) Langley campus, and to “outstanding” success.

Launched in January, ‘Including All Citizens’ enrolled five graduates of KPU’s Access Programs for People with Disabilities (APPD) in a first-year sociology course, for credit. Using the principles of universal design for learning, the course material for *Introduction to Society: Processes and Structures* was not adapted and all students were graded using the same rubric.

“The five students were research collaborators in my research project, the Bodies of Film Club. They shared their frustrations over the lack of opportunities available to them, including occupation and education. This reinforced our eagerness to open access to post-secondary opportunities,” said Dr. Fiona Whittington-Walsh, chair of KPU’s Department of Sociology.

Dr. Whittington-Walsh has been working in collaboration with Teresa Morishita, chair of APPD, to facilitate opening access for all learners since 2014. “The classroom experience was outstanding. Right from the beginning, all the students in the course were accepted and everyone’s input was valued,” said Morishita.

Including All Citizens offered full university credits to all five students, who are each pursuing 30-credit Faculty of Arts certificates. Their tuition was funded by Inclusion BC – of which Dr. Whittington-Walsh is vice-president – and the Langley Association for Community Living.

“I am delighted that we are Inclusion BC’s first affiliate member,” said Patrick Donahoe, dean of KPU’s Faculty of Academic and Career Advancement.



“At KPU we are all about acknowledging the many gifts *all* our learners bring with them and then playing a strong supportive role in helping them get from where they are to where they want to go,” he added.

The pilot will follow the five students over the next five years as they pursue their arts certificates. Both Whittington-Walsh and Morishita are also developing a teaching tool to allow other instructors to open the doors of their courses to all learners.

“My experience taking the introduction to sociology university course for credit was nerve-racking at first because I have a disability. I didn’t know how the other students would treat me and I didn’t know how well I would do in class,” said **Langley** resident Kya Bezanson, one of the

APPD graduates and now a proud Faculty of Arts student pursuing her certificate.

“As class got rolling I felt more comfortable since I love learning and found out that I was going to be fine. I made lots of friends that accepted me. Plus once I figured out that the class was fully inclusive I was thrilled because everyone felt the way I did. I’m glad I took Fiona’s class because she made us feel like we were like everyone else. Nothing was adapted, I didn’t get help in class and we were all graded the same way. I felt like a normal person.”

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# Finance & Administration

## FACILITIES SERVICES

### CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT (INCLUDING PLANNING, DESIGN, RENOVATIONS AND NEW CONSTRUCTION)

**Langley Re-roofing project**—Project substantially complete. Contractor will continue to complete deficiencies identified during the site review in the month of June.

**Events Support**—Facilities Services supported 2 major events, including the various campus cleanup and maintenance projects in advance of the events: pressure washing, painting touch-up, landscaping spring cleaning: Science Rendezvous at Langley campus, Spring Convocation at Surrey campus, the largest convocation ever. Also supported the KSA with the first start-up of the Richmond Farmer's Market, continuing every Tuesday from May to October.

**Surrey Counselling Area Painting**—Completed the repainting of the Counselling reception and open study areas

### ENVIRONMENTAL ACTIVITIES

**Langley Domestic Hot Water Heater Energy Efficiency Upgrades**—New energy saving, on-demand water heaters have been installed on the Langley Campus to reduce carbon emissions. Switching to electric on-demand water heaters, and disconnecting electric heat tape that was used to maintain standing hot water temperature in the pipes running from the campus boiler room at the east end of campus, is predicted to reduce electricity consumption and reduce natural gas consumption by removing the demand load from the system. New meters were installed as part of the project to provide monitoring capabilities for determining system performance.

**KPU 2015 Carbon Neutral Action Report**—Finalized the 2015 Carbon Neutral Action Report achieving an 8% decrease in carbon emissions from 2014. KPU's total accumulated Greenhouse Gas (GHG) reductions since 2009 is 21% and surpasses the provincially legislated GHG reduction targets of 18% by 2016. This reduction is equivalent to eliminating about 116 passenger vehicles for one year. From 1994 to 2015 KPU increased in space by 36.56% while decreasing our natural gas consumption by 14.13 % and electricity consumption by 9.86% in the same time period. The next legislated carbon emissions target is a reduction of 33% by 2020. KPU must persevere in energy conservation if we are to meet this objective. To view the CNA report visit <http://www.kpu.ca/sustainability/carbon-neutral-action-report--cnar->

### Facilities Services Participation in Summer Welcome Week—

The Facilities Services department had a display at each of the Summer Welcome events held at KPU campuses from May 9<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup>. The display illustrated KPU's leadership in energy conservation and invited input on ideas for savings opportunities to encourage student engagement.

### FACILITIES OPERATIONS/GENERAL

**Manager, Capital Projects Recruitment**—Naila Nalupta, Manager, Capital Projects has been hired effective May 9, 2016.

**Facilities Supervisor, Langley & Tech**—Sam Mann accepted the position of Facilities Supervisor for Langley and Tech campuses, following the retirement of Charles Kincade. Sam transfers as Supervisor from Richmond to Langley campus.

**Facilities Supervisor, Richmond Campus**—Bill Uppal was the successful candidate to replace Sam Mann as the Facilities Supervisor at Richmond campus. Bill leaves his Maintenance Coordinator position to receive the promotion to Facilities Supervisor.



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## FINANCIAL SERVICES

### FINANCIAL SERVICES—GENERAL

**Staffing Update**—I am pleased to say that Maryam Garrecht has joined Financial Services as Executive Assistant for the area. At the same time, we are saying goodbye to Lorna Gordon as she is retiring on June 30, 2016. Her contributions to Financial Services and KPU will be missed.

**Charitable Status**—KPU's application for charitable status has been approved by the CRA, effective April 13, 2016.

### FINANCIAL REPORTING, OPERATIONS & SYSTEMS

**Annual Financial Report & Year End Reports**—Financial statements for the year ended March 31, 2016 were approved by the Board of Governors on May 29, 2016. KPUF and KPUAA draft financial statements have been prepared. Related audit and review work scheduled to take place late June.

Policy FM8 Student Tuition and Fees—Accounts Receivable will be updating internal procedures and systems, as necessary, to align with this new policy in time for a fall implementation.

### BUDGET, PLANNING & PAYROLL

**Staffing Update**—I am pleased to say that Vivian Lee has joined Financial Services as Director, Budget, Planning and Payroll.

**Next Year's Budget**—FY17/18 Budget timelines and the planned approach were provided to SSCUB on May 20, 2016. Budget templates are being developed and will be rolled out to faculties and departments in mid-June.

**Executive Compensation Report**—This report was submitted to PSEA on May 3, 2016 and will be available to the public in July.

## HUMAN RESOURCES, EMERGENCY PLANNING & SECURITY

### HUMAN RESOURCES

**Associate Dean, Faculty of Arts Senior Search**—The senior search for 2 Associate Dean positions was recently completed. There are 2 internal successful candidates who have been identified and are in the process of formally being presented with their contracts.

**Dean, Faculty of Health – Re-appointment Process**—The re-appointment process for the Dean, Faculty of Health position will be completed on June 3<sup>rd</sup>. Although the incumbent has decided to pursue other endeavors, the committee decided to complete the process in order to identify critical steps and others that need to be streamlined. This presents an opportunity for KPU to further enhance and develop a clearly defined process which will aid in the subsequent re-appointments.

**Healthy University Initiative**—In effort to raise awareness about mental health, daily announcements were sent out to the KPU community during Mental Health Week, May 2 -8. These announcements provided information about the resources and support available through Human Resource Services, and details regarding an information session available to employees titled "Building Resilience: Learning to Roll with Life's Punches."

**Community Engagement**—The Health and Benefits staff attended the annual BC Colleges, Universities and

Institutes Benefits Consortium conference. The theme for this year's conference was *Disabilities in the Workplace: Prevention, Management, and Accommodation*.

**Benefits Administration**—KPU is a member of the BC Colleges and Institutes Benefits Consortium. Led by a Steering Committee, the Consortium has been preparing for the tendering of the Consortium's benefit contracts with expert support from Mercer Consulting and BCIT Procurement. We posted the Expression of Interest (EOI) on BC Bid on May 30, 2016. The contract should be awarded by September 2016.

### OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH & SAFETY

**Fire Safety**—The Occupational Health and Safety Office is responsible for coordinating fire drills at each campus which are held at the beginning of each semester. During this reporting period, fire drills were conducted and successfully executed at each campus involving the participation of both employees and students.

**Safety Programs (Indoor Air Quality)**—The team reviewed and updated the Indoor Air Quality Reporting/Investigation Protocol in collaboration with Facilities Services. WorkSafe BC regulations require an Indoor Air Quality investigation when complaints are reported.

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## INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

### ENTERPRISE SYSTEMS

**Banner HR/Payroll Revitalization**—IT continues to provide resource for the scheduled deployment of Web Time Entry to replace the paper timesheet.

**Course Outline System**—IT delivered for user acceptance testing the beta version of an enhanced Course Outline System based on the Course Outline Manual that was approved by Senate on April 25<sup>th</sup>

**Banner Student Revitalization**—All the onsite engagement consultation sessions have been completed. OREG and IT will continue to formulate process improvement deliverable.

**Enterprise Systems Infrastructure and Process Implementation**—Installed mandatory Banner HR/Position Control/Employee Self-Service 8.12.2 Upgrade on May 28.

### TECHNOLOGY SERVICES

**Network Infrastructure Upgrade**—The scheduled date to complete this part of the project is weekend of June 11. Planning for the Richmond campus upgrade has started, to be completed by mid Aug.

**Student Email Replacement Project**—Phase 1, moving to Office 365 in the cloud hosted in the USA, will be completed by early June. Phase 2, moving it to a Canadian cloud solution, will be implemented during the summer as soon as it is made available by Microsoft. A decision was made

to go to the Canadian cloud as soon as possible. The IT technical team is now in the process of setting up the Canadian cloud to be implemented by early June.

**Managed Print Services**—The project will be completed by the end of June (it was delayed due to other priorities) with the implementation of additional features including follow-me printing to enable printing to any printer on any campus, and print policy to lower cost through rules/recommendations to direct large print jobs to high volume printers or the print shop. Both of these services are now in test mode and will be ready to be released during the summer.

**IT Office Renovation**—The renovation is complete and staff have moved back in to their new space; working on deficiencies with Facilities that were to be completed by end of April, however deficiencies still are not complete.

**Communication rooms**—Planning has started for replacing the communication room at the Richmond Campus West wing to accommodate the new network infrastructure and additional capacity required for Wi-Fi expansion, CCTV, emergency beacon expansion, etc. Electrical work has begun, RFP for cabling work is now complete and awarded. Work to commence in mid-June.

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# Office of the Provost

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KPU Day was celebrated at the Richmond Oval on Monday, June 13. Dr. Alan Davis' State of the University address outlined an amazing array of student, faculty, staff and administrator achievements that marked the end of a very successful year. This day followed in the footsteps of our largest convocation to date. The celebrations were marked by some outstanding speeches by Dr. Davis, students, award winners and honorary degree recipients.

The following list of notable developments since the May Board meeting are a sure indication of the rapid pace of activity at KPU.

## Aboriginal Participation

- We have received upwards of \$200,000 from the Ministry of Advanced Education' Skills Development Employment Benefit to embark on a new initiative to offer an Indigenous Competency Program with selected modules that can be adjusted to fit general disciplines or particular program areas. We are in discussion to access Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada\_funding for additional training seats for Aboriginal learners. KPU has successfully launched diverse pre-trades programs in collaboration with the Squamish Training Centre in North Vancouver with substantial support from AVED, JTST and MARR. Additional projects include the popular Fall Pow-wow on the Surrey campus, a rebranding of Surrey Aboriginal Gathering Space, and a well received increased participation of the Kwantlen First Nation during Convocation ceremonies.

## Farm Roots

- KPU has entered into a partnership with the Delta School District to offer a dual-credit program as part of the DSD's Farm Roots program. The program scheduled to begin in September 2016 features a fully functional farm school in South Delta for upper level high school students that is focused on building the next generation's capacity in current and emerging sustainable farming practices. Students will have the option to earn undergraduate credit for two KPU courses while simultaneously earning high school credits towards graduation. An official opening and public event is being planned for September 2016.

## Royal Roads University and KPU

- KPU is collaborating with Royal Roads University to offer a joint KPU-RRU Master of Arts in Integrated Studies with an emphasis on Sustainable Food Systems. The Deans of Science and Horticulture and Dean of Arts are spearheading this initiative in conjunction with the Director of KPU's

Institute for Sustainable Food Systems. This new venture into graduate studies at KPU will enable the university to shape the future direction of graduate programs at KPU while providing eligible students with two exit options, one, to complete a Post Baccalaureate certificate or two, to complete a jointly granted Master of Arts in Integrated Studies.

## BC Festival of Learning

- KPU was proud to be a signature sponsor of the first ever "Festival of Learning" organized by the BC Teaching and Learning Council. This so-called un-conference, attended by over 500 delegates from BC and other provincial institutions, featured compelling seminars, workshops, and demonstrations that showcased current, alternative and bold new pedagogical approaches to the development of post-secondary teaching and learning.

## Academic Plan 2018

- This June marks the halfway point for KPU's Academic Plan 2018. The Provost's office is providing a full second year dashboard report under separate cover. We wish to acknowledge the continued strong support and contribution of faculty, staff and administrators in the implementation of this plan. A special thank you goes out to the Academic Plan Implementation Task Force members and the sub-groups that provided essential information, research, stakeholder feedback and helped move initiatives forward.

## BC Knowledge Development Fund

- Earlier this month KPU was successful in obtaining a BC Knowledge Development Fund- College/Industry Innovation Fund in the amount of \$670,000 to support the establishment of a Sustainable Agriculture and Food Systems Research Lab and Farm in Richmond. This grant complements a previous Canada Foundation for Innovation grant of another \$750,000 received last Fall and will enable KPU to position itself as a leader in applied research and teaching in the area of Sustainable Agriculture. The Provost wishes to congratulate and acknowledge Dr. Rebecca Harbut from the Faculty of Science and Horticulture and Dr. Arthur Fallick, Associate Vice President Research, and their respective teams for the valuable and considerable work that it took to prepare these successful grant applications.

## Acupuncture Diploma

- On June 18, 2016, The College of Traditional Chinese Medicine and Acupuncturists (CTCMA) Board of Directors will

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be issuing a decision regarding our request to amend a CTCMA by-law to allow KPU to offer a distributed clinical model for student observation, practicums and clinical practice. KPU will be informed of the decision on June 20 and the Provost will provide a verbal report at the June 22 Board of Governors meeting.

## Three Civic Plaza

- Since the last Board meeting, a review of the vision, programming, services and space allocation for the KPU Three Civic Plaza campus has been completed by a representative steering team consisting of administrators and faculty. The current proposal is to locate the new School of Business Post-Baccalaureate diploma programs, Computer Aided Drafting and Design (CADD) programs (including a 3D printing lab), a Testing Centre and Continuing and Professional Studies (CPS) programs at the KPU Three Civic Plaza campus.
- The total planned space needed to support the proposed programming anticipates the purchase of an additional floor at Three Civic Plaza, subject to approvals.
- Three Civic Plaza is estimated to be ready for turn-over from the builder by January 2017. Design activities will begin immediately so that construction of the leasehold improvements can be completed to support occupancy and a full program launch for September 2017.
- Full update on Three Civic Plaza included on page 8 of this report.

## Strategic Infrastructure Funding (SIF)

- While KPU awaits the federal decisions on SIF monies due at the end of June the university is proceeding with the establishment of an Advanced Manufacturing program in the Faculty of Trades and Technology that will be tightly linked with a proposed 200,000 sq ft CleanTech business accelerator building directly across from the KPU Tech campus in Cloverdale. KPU is working closely with the City of Surrey, SFU and Foresight Clean Technology Accelerator to establish our KPU Tech campus as an advanced manufacturing zone focused on clean technologies. KPU will be leveraging its considerable land assets to promote an innovation zone that will serve the community, employ our graduates and raise the profile of KPU as a sustainable technology centre.

## Applied Research

- AVED has begun sector-wide consultations on applied re-

search and how it is supported and funded throughout the system. There appears to be some government policy shift regarding how teaching universities, colleges and institutes engage their employees in the diverse applied research activities. KPU has been consulted and remains keenly interested in the outcome of the consultations. It is our hope that the present narrow definition of applied research under the Public Service Employees Council rules will be reviewed to reflect the widespread reality that applied research is a core activity of the polytechnic university, institute or college in the BC system.

## Education Planner

- The formerly titled Common Online Application Project continues to develop albeit under the new name of BC Education Planner. This comprehensive and long-term project is being led by AVED with the assistance and guidance of well-respected leaders within the sector.

## Provincial Election

- We anticipate a busy Fall season before the government calls the upcoming May 2017 election.

## Safety

- Recent unfortunate campus incidents in Canada and the US continue to reinforce the urgency to develop commonly understood procedures and orientation sessions to familiarize the full campus community on campus safety, active threats and communications. KPU has been implementing diverse safety measures at the same time as we fine tune upcoming corresponding policies.



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## THREE CIVIC PLAZA UPDATE

### *Executive Summary*

Since the last board meeting, a review of the vision, programming, services and space allocation for the KPU Three Civic Plaza campus has been completed by the steering team. The current proposal is to locate the School of Business post baccalaureate diploma programs, CADD programs (including a 3D printing lab), a Testing Centre and Continuing and Professional Studies (CPS) programs at the Three Civic Plaza campus.

The total planned space needed to support the proposed programming anticipates the purchase of an additional floor at Three Civic Plaza, subject to approvals.

Three Civic Plaza is estimated to be ready for turn-over from the builder by January, 2017. Design activities will begin immediately so that construction of the leasehold improvements can be completed to support occupancy and a full program launch for September 2017.

### *Introduction*

Three Civic Plaza is an ideal location to create a KPU professional and adult focused learning campus. It's central location in the epicenter of Surrey's City Centre district and easy access to transit make it an ideal location to offer post baccalaureate programming in business, corporate training, continuing professional studies and a range of development options targeting mature students and professionals. It will capitalize on its immediate proximity to Surrey City Hall, Surrey's City Centre Public Library and the wide range of businesses and services in the area to become an important meeting location for entrepreneurs and working professionals

seeking further development, training and assessment. The central location and proximity to transit also provide an ideal location for the Testing Centre, with easy access for the wide range of students and other users of the proposed testing services.

Located in an increasingly vibrant social hub, Three Civic Plaza is an opportunity for KPU to raise its profile and enhance its engagement with the community. Finally, KPU Three Civic Plaza will host guest speaker series, community forums and art installations to round out a full community engagement agenda.

### *Vision*

The vision for the KPU campus at Three Civic Plaza is to create a flexible learning environment for professionals and mature students, typically balancing work and school.

This campus will be designed with higher end finishes, looking more like a business centre than a typical university campus. Three Civic Plaza is to be unlike other KPU campuses with a particular focus on interactions between disciplines.



The facility will feature learning spaces of various sizes with an emphasis on modular furniture and configurable spaces that can be adjusted to meet the needs of the diverse educational offerings. It will offer non-traditional classrooms equipped with state-of-the-art learning technologies.

Although some dedicated spaces will be necessary, the design will maximize the use of shared spaces and will place particular focus on collaborative learning, networking and interaction.

### *Programming*

The recommended programming to be located at the Three Civic Plaza campus was selected to fit the theme of adult learning and professional studies, focusing on programs that could be entirely located at this site without requiring "campus jumping". Emphasis was given for those programs that would benefit from the convenient access and location in Surrey's

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the facility.

The **CADD** program, currently located at the KPU Tech campus in Cloverdale, has been identified as fitting the theme of professional studies and benefitting from the central location. The location of this program at Three Civic Plaza also provides the opportunity for planned expansion of CADD programming to include short programs, distance learning course development and continuing and professional studies. This location will also enhance Alumni and User Group opportunities for the CADD program. The new proposed CADD facilities will include the addition of 3D printing lab to augment the programs.

KPU has been exploring expanding its assessment and testing services and proposes a formal **Testing Centre** at the Three Civic Plaza campus that could provide English language testing services (i.e. IELTS, CELPIP), academic entrance exams (MCAT, GMAT, SAT) and professional designation testing (such as the Environmental Operators Certification). A fixed testing centre site would enable KPU to deliver a number of tests not available within the current model. While this centre would greatly expand the services that are presently offered by KPU it would also open up the possibility for the establishment of preparatory courses for the various tests. At this point there is proven demand and limited competition for these types of offerings in the Fraser Valley.

Although detail scheduling has not been done yet, the proposed program mix balances evening/weekend and daytime programs in order to ensure maximum utilization of the facilities.

City Centre and maximizing the utilization of the facility.

The **School of Business** is proposing three distinct post baccalaureate diplomas that will form the basis of KPU's Business educational offerings at Three Civic Plaza.

- Post Baccalaureate Diploma in Operations Management
- Post Baccalaureate Diploma in Engineering and Technical Services
- Post Baccalaureate Diploma in Accounting

All three programs have been approved by Senate and the Board and will be operational on or before September 2017. These programs will be run evenings and weekends.

There are an additional four post baccalaureate programs currently under development, including a Post Baccalaureate Diploma in Product and Brand Management, that will be ready for implementation by the end of the 2017-18 academic year. These additional programs are anticipated to be located at Three Civic Plaza.

**Continuing and Professional Studies (CPS)** has been successful in expanding their current range of evening and weekend offerings. Several non-credit courses are under consideration for location at Three Civic Plaza. In addition, CPS are developing daytime professional development offerings for diverse corporate clients well suited to our professional business setting at Three Civic Plaza. These courses will make a positive and essential contribution to the daytime utilization of

	Weekday	Weekend
Day	CPS Professional Development CADD Testing Centre	
Evening	CPS Non-credit CADD Business Post-Baccalaureate	

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## The Facility

Three Civic Plaza will feature contemporary higher education design elements that aim to maximize flexibility and function. Our design will seek to focus on the learning experience by planning classrooms that will encourage collaborative learning, peer to peer networking, modular furniture that will offer assorted meeting arrangements, interactive media and diverse display options to enhance the learning experience.

Present preliminary plans call for the following rooms:

Learning Spaces		Dedicated Space	
75 seat multi-purpose	2600 sq ft	Testing Centre	2600 sq ft
75 seat multi-purpose	2600 sq ft	Shared Spaces	
40 seat classroom	1300 sq ft	Media Lab	400 sq ft
40 seat classroom	1300 sq ft	Student Lounge	750 sq ft
40 seat classroom	1300 sq ft	Student Lounge	750 sq ft
40 seat classroom	1300 sq ft	Large Meeting Room	1200 sq ft
Confidential Meeting Room	150 sq ft	Large Meeting Room	1200 sq ft
Confidential Meeting Room	150 sq ft	Digital Library / Printing Centre	500 sq ft
Breakout Room	150 sq ft	Shared Faculty Offices	400 sq ft
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Breakout Room	150 sq ft		
CADD and 3D Lab	3500 sq ft		

The proposed media lab, shared by all programs, will provide state-of-the-art media and simulation lab whereby students and professionals will engage in the production of webinars, simulations, teleconferencing, digital portfolios, green screen, podcasting and other social media to simulate everything, from interviews and assessments to the production of audio-visual tools, to further strategic and operational investments.

Three Civic Plaza will be a fully functional campus in that it will offer a range of services attuned to the needs of a unique campus blend of professional and entrepreneurial learning community. The full range of proposed support and shared services are still under review with the goal to combine roles, find flexible methods to deliver services and share spaces. The following space allowances were used in the overall space assessment.

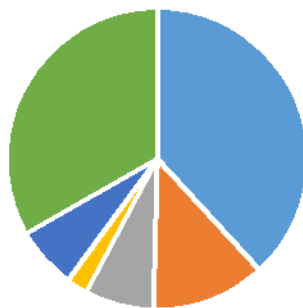
Support Services			
Reception	400 sq ft	Counseling	200 sq ft
Principal Office	200 sq ft	Shared Staff Kitchen	200 sq ft
Registrar Office	400 sq ft	AC/IT Service Centre	600 sq ft
Security/First Aid	400 sq ft	Facilities Storage Space	300 sq ft
Advising Office	200 sq ft		



Honorary Doctor of Laws recipient, Kanwal Neel and his wife. 2016 Spring Convocation

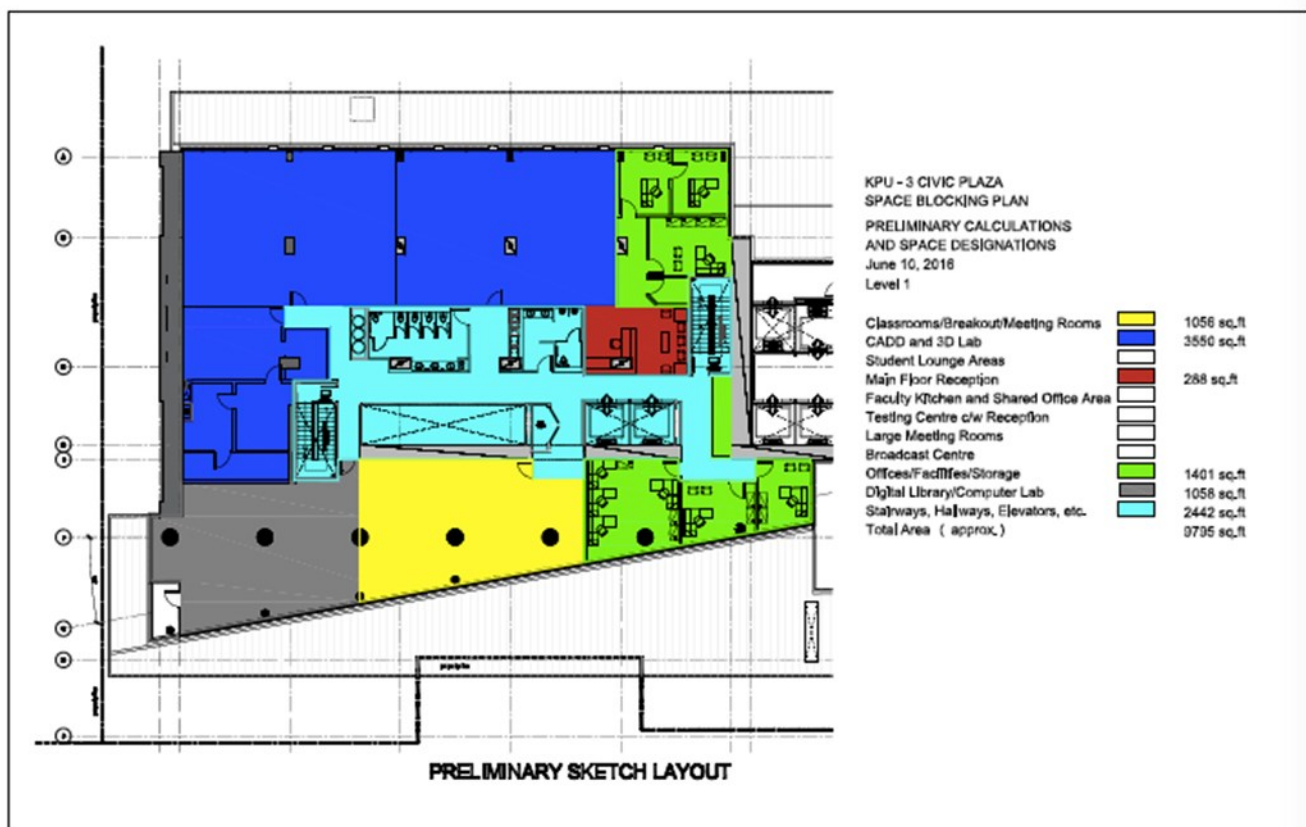
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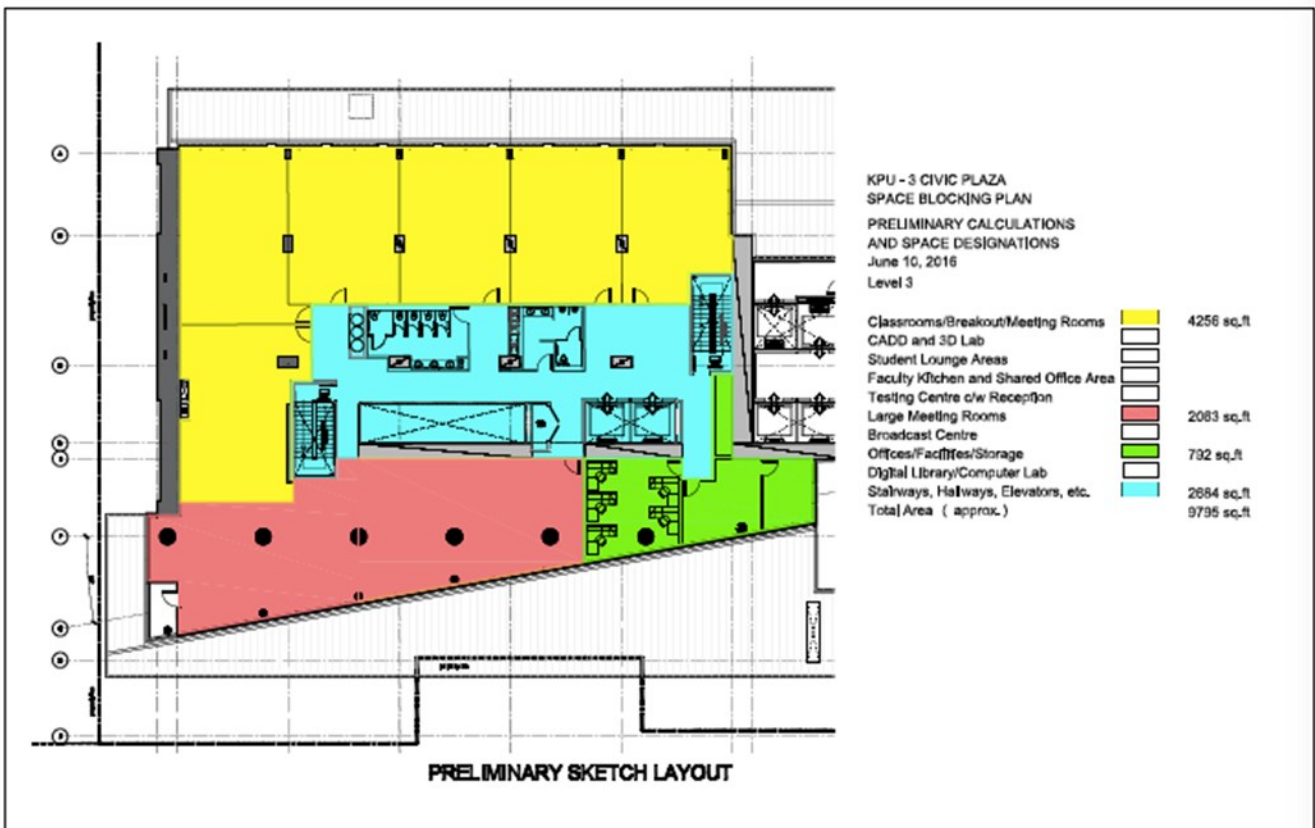
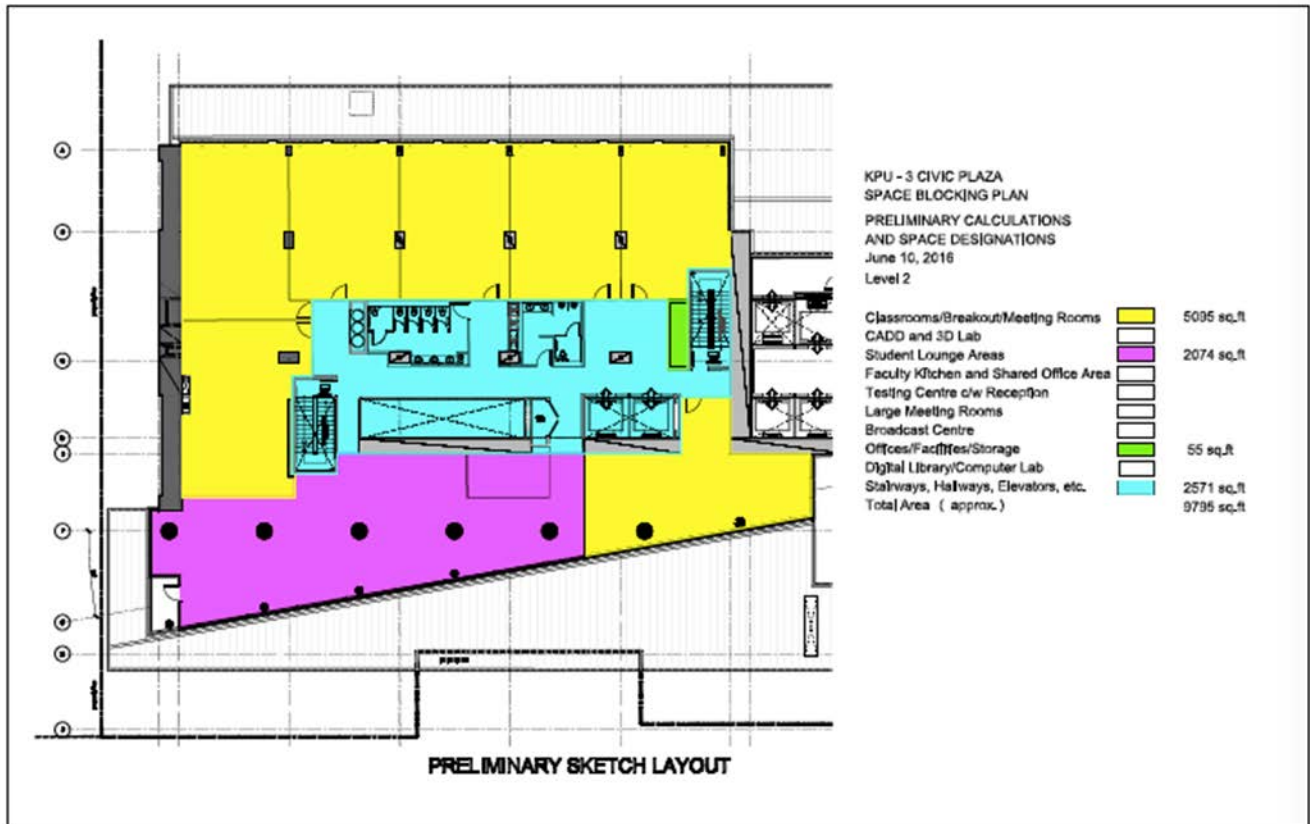


- Learning Spaces
- Shared Spaces
- Shared Services
- Utility Spaces
- Testing Centre
- Common

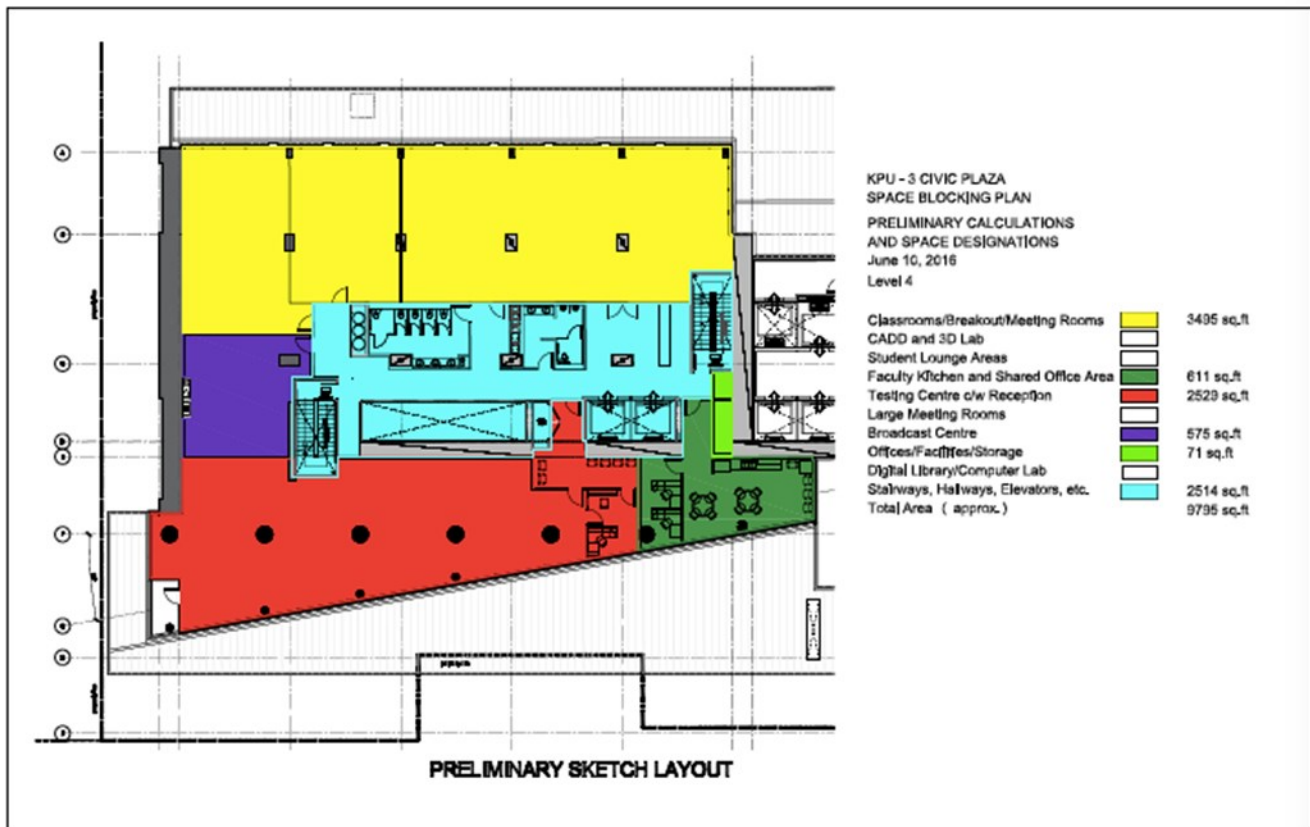
A preliminary spacing exercise was done to ensure that all the proposed spaces could be adequately accommodated in the footprint of the Three Civic Plaza facility.



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Final design and layout will be done by the architect in collaboration with KPU stakeholders. The RFP for the architect and project managers are currently being finalized and are expected to be posted shortly.

The total planned space needed to support the proposed programming is approximately 26,000 sqft. At roughly 7000 sqft of usable space per floor excluding common areas (elevators, washrooms, hallways, utilities), this proposal would require the purchase of an additional floor at Three Civic Plaza.

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Provost & Vice President, Academic



## FACULTY & ACADEMIC UNITS

### FACULTY OF ACADEMIC AND CAREER ADVANCEMENT (ACA)

**ACA (Academic and Career Advancement)** —The upcoming Inclusion BC 2016 Conference, “Ignite”, in Prince George on June 23-25 will draw over 650 self-advocates, family members, service providers, support workers, community leaders, advocates and allies of the inclusion movement. ACA/KPU is proud to hold an affiliate membership and provide presenters from the Faculty of Academic & Career Advancement and Faculty of Arts. APPD faculty member, Teresa Morishita, along with Fiona Whittington-Walsh from the Faculty of Arts will be presenting “Including all Citizens: A Pilot Project”. As well, ACA staff and KPU Board of Governor member, Kim Rose, will be representing the Board at this significant conference.

**APPD (Access Program for People with Disabilities)** —An APPD faculty member was awarded the first-ever Disability Resource Network of B.C. (DRNBC) for Post-Secondary Education award. The project is entitled “Including All Citizens: A Pilot Project at Kwantlen Polytechnic University”. The Research Committee stated, “The project is grounded in UDL principles, and focuses on an inclusive model of delivery. The institution is taking responsibility for facilitating this project. The evidence-based research that will be part of the outcome will offer the DRNBC membership a great opportunity to access some data about the project's processes, issues and strategies. The topic of inclusive models in post-secondary education is gaining traction in BC and having a presentation on this topic next year may help to facilitate a wider conversation of ways to develop inclusive models of delivering post-secondary education in BC.”

#### Relevance

**APPD**—Classroom and work experience rubric assessment tools are being designed in accordance with the recently approved revised APPD course outlines for September 2016-17 academic year. The department is also exploring a program name change.

**ELS (English Language Studies)**—The customization and benchmarking of the new British Council online placement test designed to help organisations reach more people, connect with them and raise standards of English called APTIS continues into the summer semester. This test is expected to streamline the intake assessment process and create greater access domestically and internationally. KPU's partnership and association with the British Council via APTIS will also increase the university's international exposure.

### New Programs, Policies & Initiatives

**ELS**—The department is exploring other opportunities to further collaborate with the Faculty of Health after the successful completion of training of the three cohorts of students in the provincially-funded Professional Communication for Internationally Educated Nurses (PCIEN.)

ELS faculty members are collaborating on the development of new course material to support an innovative delivery model that incorporates customized teaching/learning and fosters learner community development. Dubbed Customized English Language Studies (CELS), the model will be piloted in Fall 2016.

Development of two new English for Academic Purposes (EAP) courses for non-native speakers (NNS) is underway. These courses are designed to help NNS undergraduate students who need ongoing language and cultural support in the university studies.

### Community Engagement

**ACA**—Building on the success of the 1<sup>st</sup> Somali Youth Summit held at KPU's Surrey Conference Centre in November 2015 with 60 participants, the second KPU hosted Summit attracted over 100 youth to the same location for a day of inspiring and interactive activities on May 14<sup>th</sup>. An outgrowth of Newton's *Lens on Life* project, the main attraction at the recent event was a presentation by Somali-Canadian Ahmed Ali, also known as ‘Knowmadic’, a full-time poet, writer, actor, comedian, speaker and youth worker from Edmonton. Knowmadic's dynamic message focused on encouraging the youth to be authentically themselves while sharing stories and insights from his immigrant journey and recent work interspersed with pieces of his poetry. Later in the day Knowmadic presented back-to-back workshops, on creating spoken-word poetry, to enthusiastic response. Other sessions included presentations on youth and the law, exploring post-secondary options, and health and identity.

KPU Advantage Tutoring & Mastering, a support service for high school students managed out of the Faculty of Academic & Career Advancement, celebrated the success of five Frank Hurt Secondary students June 2<sup>nd</sup> with a small ceremony at the Surrey Campus attended by family members. The students were part of a Mastering tutorial that saw them achieve outstanding (A, A+) results in pre-calculus under the guidance of Dr. Aydan Bekirov, Manager of KPU Advantage. ACA Dean, Dr. Patrick Donahoe, presented the students with medals and certificates of achievement.

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**APPD**—Employers in 3 communities will be honoured for outstanding service to KPU at the upcoming APPD Evening to Remember Gala held at the Starlight Casino. The event is attended by over 100 graduates/guests. Dignitaries attending include KPU President Alan Davis, Dean of ACA Patrick Donahoe, Associate Dean Aimee Begalka as well as members of the APPD Advisory committee.

**ELS**—The department hosted the annual BCCAT ESL Articulation Committee Conference (May 12 and 13, 2016) in Richmond. The department has been working closely with the Future Students Office on several outreach efforts in May and June, including two events for parents in Richmond.

## **FACULTY OF ARTS**

Spring is the time of year to celebrate student success. At convocation, May 31, we recognized the almost 500 Faculty of Arts students who graduated with ARTS degrees, diplomas, and certificates. Spring is also the time of year for faculty to present at conferences, and the information below attests to the vigor and enthusiasm to which this was embraced.

### **Students:**

- Kier-Christer Junos & Torin Slik (*Journalism & Communication Studies*): each were awarded \$500 for the Journalism Student Award by the B.C. and Yukon Community Newspapers Association (May 7)
- Amy Duval (*Fine Arts*): received the Kwi Am Choi Scholarship (May)
- Sherri Graham (*Psychology*): Honours student obtained an NSERC Undergraduate Summer Research Award, UBC (May)
- Lukas Hildebrandt (*Music*): Recipient of the Governor General's Collegiate Bronze Academic Medal presented at the Spring 2016 Faculty of Arts Convocation (May 31)
- Eric Mah (*Psychology*): Recipient of the Dean's Medal, Faculty of Arts presented at the Spring 2016 Faculty of Arts Convocation (May 31)
- Aaron Throness (*Mandarin 2201*), Jacky R. Lo and Vivhan R. Pradhan (*Mandarin 1101*) and Jenna-Sarah MacDonald (*Mandarin 1100*) were awarded Chinese Government Scholarships to study in Shanghai for 3 weeks (May 16 – June 3)
- Calvin Tiu (*English*): Recipient of George C. Wootton presented at the Spring 2016 Faculty of Arts Convocation (May 31)

### **New Programs, Policies & Initiatives:**

- Faculty of Arts in collaboration with Faculty of Science &

Hor-ticulture launched the first presentation of the second Science World Speaker Series "From Barley to Beer – Sensory Tour of the Malting and Brewing Process" (June 7)

- Faculty of Arts sponsored the Vancouver International Bhangra Celebration (VIBC) to host "Bhangra: SHE", KPU Surrey (June 16)
- Greg Chan (*English*): Launched the official film studies publication of KPU "Mise-en-scène: The Journal of Film & Visual Narration" as founder and editor. This open-access, peer-reviewed journal will be a hub for scholarly inquiry and student internships based in the English department. (May 1)
  - ENGL 2301: Canadian Literature students went on a literary walking tour of Vancouver's Chinatown with historian John Atkin as an experiential learning activity. Using the tour and Wayson Choy's novel *The Jade Peony* as their guide, students created interactive mapping projects to document the field trip for Asian Heritage Month. (May 23)
  - As the faculty coordinator, three ENGL 4300 students went to the Digital Humanities Summer Institute at UVic to present a poster on service learning, practicums, and the digital humanities (June 9-10)
- Farhad Dastur (*Psychology*): Created the Kwantlen Polytechnic University – Honeybee Centre (KPU-HBC) Bee Garden Partnership at KPU Surrey. (June)
- Yanfeng Qu (*Language & Culture Studies*): Promoted KPU Man-darin students to the Education Office of the Chinese Consulate in Vancouver for future scholarships and opportunities for students. Four scholarships were provided for Summer 2016, the largest number received by the KPU Mandarin program in 20 years (May)
- Katie Warfield (*Journalism & Communication Studies*): DigitalLENS Film Screening Event, showcasing 12 student films produced over the term in partnership with Princess Margaret High School, all student videos are also archived online, KPU Surrey (May 11)
- Visual Media Workshops: second annual online open-access course on digital visual culture, produced and launched by Katie Warfield (*Journalism and Communication Studies*), the 8-week self-directed course is called Images of Social Justice. (May)

### **Community Engagement:**

- Greg Chan (*English*): Coordinated a KDocs Community Outreach event: the screening and discussion forum for Jennifer Siebel Newsom's documentary "The Mask You Live In" with ENGL 4300 practicum cohort students. Special guest included youth from Pathways Aboriginal

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Youth Centre, members of the Aboriginal Gathering Place, and students in the Peer Support Program, KPU Melville Centre for Dialogue (June 3)

- Wade Deisman (*Criminology*): Roundhouse Radio Shows with Gira Bhatt (Psychology), A 3 Part Series on Sexual Violence on Campus in partnership with Justice Canada, featuring: Dr. Holly Johnson, Professor of Criminology – University of Ottawa – Julie Lalonde, Rape Crisis Counsellor, Monical Coll, First Line Responder, Madysen Dietrich, Honors Student (May 30 – June 3)
  - Multiple Roundhouse Radio Show: With Minelle Mahtani talks:
    - \* Awakening Your Inner Criminologist (May 2)
    - \* The Dark Figure of Crime (Coming to Terms with Your Own Past History of Criminality) (May 9)
    - \* Roundhouse Radio Show: With Minelle Mahtani – Victimization and the Problem of Crime Reporting (May 16)
  - Presentation on Inside-Out Prison Education at Western Canada Criminology Chairs meeting, Justice Institute of BC (May 5)
  - Inside-Out – 2nd Level (Instructor of Instructor) Training, Graterford Prison, Philadelphia (June 30)

## FACULTY OF HEALTH

### Students

- BPN semester 7 students and faculty worked together to hold a Celebration of Life/Memorial for a semester 7 student that passed away suddenly before semester start. The memorial was attended by students, faculty, staff, family and friends of the student.

### New Programs, Policies & Initiatives

- Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) and Bachelor of Psychiatric Nursing (BPN) programs received Ministry of AVED approval on May 19, 2016.
- BSN Program will begin the Health Foundation (HF) certificate courses in September 2016. They have been preparing for this implementation over the past few years.
- BPN Moodle Communication Hub has been set up and went “live” for students and faculty in week 1 of the summer semester. Students and faculty have reported satisfaction with the site.
- BPN moved to incorporating an E-portfolio for students in the summer semester.
- Health Unit Coordinator (HAUC) program made minor revisions to the curriculum.

- Acupuncture (ACUP) course outlines were reviewed and approved at Senate meeting held on May 31, 2016.
- Tuition differential for new courses in the BSN, BPN and HF programs received Board Finance and Audit Committee approval on May 12, 2016
- Integrated whiteboard sessions have occurred and continue to be scheduled for faculty, staff and administration to review this technology and provide feedback into the potential acquisition by KPU from Ricoh.

### Managing Risk

- Affiliation agreements with non-clinical organizations are being established for all student placements relating to non-clinical placements in their respective programs.

### Community Engagement

- Administration, faculty, staff and students participated in the annual Science Rendezvous event held on the Langley campus on Saturday, May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

### Recognition

- Faculty and students elected Lida Blizzard, amongst numerous nominees, as the recipient to receive the annual Daisy Foundation Award. Recognition and celebration occurred on Monday, May 16, 2016. The Daisy award recognizes excellence in nursing education, teaching and practice.
- June Kaminski was the faculty member nominated by her peers to receive the Distinguished Faculty Teaching Award, presented at the convocation ceremonies held on June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2016.

### Employee Engagement

- Faculty and administrative staff attended the KPU High School Counselors’ Day on April 26, 2016 to promote KPU and the programs offered by FoH.
- Faculty and staff attended the Natural Wellness and Health Fair held on Saturday, May 7<sup>th</sup> promoting our TCM -Acupuncture program.

## FACULTY OF SCIENCE AND HORTICULTURE

- The Faculty of Science and Horticulture is very proud to announce that our very first graduates from the Bachelor of Science Applications of Mathematics, Bachelor of Applied Science Sustainable Agriculture and Diploma in Brewing and Brewery Operations were granted their credentials at the June 1<sup>st</sup> convocation ceremony. This ceremony also granted longtime Brewing and Brewery Operations program advisory and supporter, Brad McQuhae an Honorary Degree - Doctorate of Laws. Edugie (Blessing) Idemudia, Bachelor of Science Applications of Mathematics graduate, gave the student’s address and

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Sakshi Khatri, Diploma in Environmental Protection Technology graduate, received the President's Outstanding Graduate Award for a Diploma Program.

- Gary Jones, Michelle Nakano (*Horticulture*) and Dean Betty discussed partnerships and hosted the Hon. Anthony Veke Premier of Guadalcanal Province, Solomon Islands, and Consul-General of the Solomon Islands Ashwant Dwivedi on a tour of the School of Horticulture gardens and facilities at KPU Langley. Michelle later met with the Consul-General to work out plans for one of her Fall classes to partake in a project to landscape the Consul-General's newly constructed Langley residence.
- Stan Kazymierchuk and Rob Welsh (*Horticulture*) organized the North American debut of *First Green On Sports fields*. First Green is a Seattle-based non-profit organization established to provide outdoor STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) and environmental education learning labs for teachers and students. These labs are done on golf courses or sports fields. This inaugural event used the resources of Township of Langley sports fields/staff/equipment, KPU Turf Management staff/equipment, TerraLink Horticulture staff and WCTA guidance. Student groups rotated among four stations covering STEM aspects of physics, chemistry, biology, ecology, engineering, equipment technology and applied.
- Landscape Horticulture Apprenticeship students Claire MacLean and Dan Strain won Bronze at the recent Skills Canada Competition in Moncton. The team was mentored by Rob Welsh (*Horticulture*). What a great achievement in at this competition which is called the Olympic Games for trades skills! Photos:
- The KPU Brewing & Brewery Operations Diploma program hosted a booth at the Canadian Brewing Awards & Conference (CBAC) held May 26-28 in Richmond. Faculty and staff who attended included Dean Betty Worobec; Alek Egi, Dominic Bernard and Nancy More (Brewing Instructors), Michelle Molnar (Administrative Coordinator) and Triona King (Communications and Event Specialist). DeAnn Bremner (Coordinator, Communications, Events and Professional Studies) was a member of the Local Organizing Committee and was in charge of all volunteers. Tireless KPU volunteers, including David Sud (Chemistry), worked to help make the event a great success — from helping with registration and swag bags, to arranging awards and pouring beer! They left a spectacular impression on the CBAC president and organizers, as well as all the brewers and industry representatives from across Canada who attended. KPU is now recognized nationally!

## Students

- FSH participated in this inaugural FSO Fall Applicant Night (over 260 visitors) on May 12 at the Surrey Campus. Dean Betty gave two presentations on FSH programs and FSH hosted an information booth in the Main atrium. Career Advisors Nicole Poole and Karen Vance, Biology Co-Chair Monica De Boer and Communications and Event Specialist Triona King answered questions from applicants and parents at the table.
- Betty Cunnin (*Horticulture*) was involved with the interviewing of potential Horticulture ACE-IT program candidates from the Langley, Surrey, Delta, Maple Ridge school districts.
- Deborah Henderson (*Institute for Sustainable Horticulture*) is mentoring three international graduate students (2 from France, 1 from Belgium) on Internships along with a Cuban graduate student from our partner the University of Sancti Spiritus in Cuba, who has just arrived for 4 months.
- Fergal Callaghan and James Hoyland (*Physics*) visited the Vancouver high tech company Etalim to discuss potential collaborative projects and work placements for students in the Physics for Modern Technology degree program.
- Physics for Modern Technology student Matt Potma started a summer research position with the Physics Department at SFU. The work involves research on superconductors and will include experimental work at TRIUMF (Canada's National Lab for Particle and Nuclear Physics and Accelerator-based Science).

## New Programs, Policies and Initiatives

- The design of the new KPU Richmond Physics Lab was finalized in May. The lab is needed for new upper level Physics for Modern Technology courses. The Physics Department members of the committee are James Hoyland, Flavio Ruiz Oliveras, Fergal Callaghan, Dan Peirce, and Jillian Lang. Construction should begin in early July and be completed by mid-August to be functional for September classes.
- Dean Betty met with VCC Dean of Trades Dennis Innes and faculty from the VCC Culinary and Hospitality Programs to discuss partnerships with our Horticulture, Sustainable Agriculture and Brewing programs.

## Community Engagement

- The KPU Brewing & Brewery Operations Diploma program participated in the Vancouver Craft Beer Week Festival (VCBW), June 3-5 with over 100 craft breweries and cideries from Canada and the US. This was the second year that the KPU Brewing team participated in the VCBW Festival, however, it was the first year pouring KPU-

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brewed beer at the event. Approximately 10,000 craft beer lovers attended the festival over three days, allowing our team to promote the program to a highly targeted audience. Staff and faculty in attendance included: Dean Betty, Nancy More (*Brewing Instructor*), Triona King (*Communications and Events Specialist*), David Sud (*Chemistry Instructor*); and DeAnn Bremner (*Coordinator, Communications, Events and Professional Studies*). KPU Brewing students (Adam Kreykenbohm, Jonathan Kostiuik and Kyle Richardson) volunteered at the booth, along with other student volunteers. It was very rewarding to see so many of our new BBO Diploma graduates and current students pouring beer and representing their new brewery employers.

- DeAnn Bremner (*Communications, Events and CPS Specialist*), Triona King (*Communications and Events Specialist*) and Shelley Murley (*Horticulture*) hosted the KPU booth at the opening day of the Langley Community Farmers Market and on June 8. FSH programs and beer sales were promoted and student-grown veggies were on sale.
- KPU sponsored, hosted a booth and fielded a team at the Microsemi Science Fair Fun Run – the largest fundraiser for the BC Science Fair Foundation. Over 1200 runners participated. Triona King (*Communications and Events Specialist*) and Dean Betty hosted the FSH booth. The KPU Fun Run Team included: Preet Nagra (*Chemistry*), Michelle Wang (*Biology*), Brenda Hookum (*Biology*), Jennifer Au (*Chemistry, Vice-Chair of Senate*) and Andrew Frank (*EPT*).
- Gary Jones (*Horticulture*) hosted BC Greenhouse Growers Association Safety workshop.
- Gary Jones and Shelley Murley (*Horticulture*) ran a series of horticulture-based activities for Coghlan Elementary school special educational needs students.
- Gary Jones and Betty Cunnin (*Horticulture*) hosted Surrey School Division City School Grade 12 students and Yale Secondary School Grade 11 and 12 students for a presentation and School of Horticulture facilities tour.
- Gary Jones (*Horticulture*) and Tim Brown (*Brewing*) hosted new members of the KPU Foundation Board for a tour of the Horticulture and Brewing facilities at KPU Langley.
- Gary Jones and Lily Liu (*Horticulture*) discussed partnerships and hosted delegates of 12 different institutions from Jiangsu Province, China on a tour of the School of Horticulture gardens and facilities at KPU Langley.
- Shelley Murley (*Horticulture*) has been supporting the installation of 'Community Orchard' at Dorothy Peacock Elementary School, Langley SD 35.
- Caitlin Dorward (*Institute for Sustainable Food Systems*), in her role as the Vancouver Food Policy Council Co-Chair,

met with City of Vancouver Planning Staff and 'Produce Row' businesses regarding food distribution in the False Creek Flats.

- Kent Mullinix (*ISFS*) ran an orchard planning and planting workshop at Emma's Acres, Mission BC.
- Kent Mullinix and Caitlin Dorward (*ISFS*) met with Metro Vancouver Liquid Waste Services department regarding ISFS involvement with the Lulu Island Sewerage Area Integrated Resource Recovery project.
- Kent Mullinix and Caitlin Dorward (*ISFS*) met with Carole Miles (Washington State University) and representatives of the Northwest Asian Medicinal Herbs Network at Mount Vernon Research Station regarding development of research on the cultivation of Asian medicinal herbs in the Pacific Northwest.
- Wallapak Polasub (*ISFS*) met with representative from BC Statistics regarding food system economic impact modeling.
- Kent Mullinix (*ISFS*) met with Ampri Group owners (Paramjit Sandhu and son) and KPU Foundation (Katie Miller) regarding research support for ISFS on a project dealing with the organic transition of blueberry crops.
- Jane Hobson (*Chemistry*), Michael Adams (*Chemistry*) and Fergal Callaghan (*Physics*) represented FSH at the KPU Richmond Parents Night organized by the Future Students Office. The evening included a tour of Richmond science labs.

### Recognition

- Alek Egi (*Brewing*) was the first speaker in the 2016-17 KPU-Science World Speaker Series, held at Telus Science World. His talk, 'From Barley to Beer: A Sensory Tour of the Malting and Brewing Process' enlightened over 150 attendees. The presentation was followed by free beer tasting with product donated by Stanley Park Brewing, Granville Island Brewing, Central City Brewers and Distillers, and Russell Brewing.
- Karen Davison (*Biology*) was an invited speaker at the Ontario Society of Nutrition Professionals in Public Health (OSNPPH) annual conference in Toronto. Her presentation was titled, "Fostering Population Mental Health: Opportunities for Public Health Nutrition Practitioners".
- Allyson Rozell and Judy Bicep (Math) gave a joint presentation at the Teaching and Learning Conference at Vancouver Island University.
- Kathy Dunster (*Horticulture*) gave the presentation, "Our Home & Native Plant Species" to the Saturna Island

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Marine Research & Education Society as part of the SEATALK speaker series.

- Lee Beavington (*Biology*) co-presented, 'The 'unspeakables' of environmental education: Overpopulation, scientific ethics, and the pursuit of happiness' at the Canadian Society for the Study of Education, Calgary and at the Learning Together Conference: Multiculturalism Education in Canada, SFU.
- Lee Beavington (*Biology*) presented, 'Arts in nature for personal, social, and scientific learning' and co-presented, 'Goethe's 'delicate empiricism' in today's science classrooms', at the Learning Together Conference: Multiculturalism Education in Canada, SFU.
- Lee Beavington (*Biology*) presented, 'Reclaiming Romanticism in science education: Uniting pedagogy and wonder' at the 15th Annual Symposium on Teaching and Learning: Universal Design for All Learners, SFU.
- Carson Keever (*Biology*) and Fergal Callaghan (*Physics*) visited the Grade 11 science class at Panorama Ridge Secondary School in Surrey. They talked about KPU Science and Horticulture programs and led in-class activities.

## Publications

- Volume 10 of the Sustainable Agriculture and Food Systems Newsletter was published in May. The quarterly newsletter is a summary of news, research, upcoming events for Sustainable Agriculture & ISFS programs plus contains a student and staff profile.
- Alex Liu (*Math*) has started a weekly research seminar series running over the summer at KPU Richmond. In May, talks were given by Math faculty members Allyson Rozell (Department Chair), Louis Saumier and Kamran Fakhar.
- David Sud (*Chemistry*) authored the article in KPU Teaching Matters entitled, "Reflecting on multi-campus teaching via online learning".
- Lee Beavington (*Biology*) authored the article 'Pedagogy of the Amazon' in *Environmental Education*, 111, 32.
- Lee Beavington (*Biology*) authored the article 'The circle & Matamata (poems)' in *The Lamp*, Volume VI.

## Funding

- Deborah Henderson (*Institute for Sustainable Horticulture*) initiated three new research projects: Salt soil remediation with biological amendments (NSERC Engage) industry partner Dhaliwal Farms Ltd. (\$25,000); Electroponics - a beta test of a new hydroponic technology (industry partner Limitless Potential Technologies Inc. (\$15,000); New *Beauveria bassiana* isolates for control of lepidopteran pests in wine grapes and vegetable crops (NSERC Engage and industry funding), partner: BC Wine

Grape Council (\$31,000).

## Recognition

- Bob Chin (*Physics Lab Technician*) will be awarded the KPU Professional Support Staff Award for Service at KPU Day. Bob has been a constant champion of KPU and is a huge contributor to outreach events.
- Takashi Sato (*Physics*) was elected Vice President of the BC Association of Physics Teachers at their recent AGM.
- Associate Dean Joel Murray passed his comprehensive exams and is now a successful doctoral candidate in the Ed.D. in Educational Leadership in Post-Secondary Contexts program at SFU.
- Karen Davison (*Biology*) gave an invited interview for a Toronto Star newspaper article related to nutrition and mental health.
- Kathy Dunster, Betty Cunnin (*Horticulture*) and Ellen Pond (POST) are on the BC Society of Landscape Architects "Sitelines" Editorial Board. Kathy is also the Chair of the BCLA Continuing Education Committee.
- Andrew Frank (*EPT*) is featured in the TEDxEastVan talk titled, "How a New Generation is Fighting to Survive Climate Change" as a "millennial" who is working to fight climate change through political and economic means.
- Alek Egi (*Brewing*) was featured in an article in The Province on the health benefits of beer.

## Employee Engagement

- Raquel Cabral (*Math*) attended Changing the Culture 2016, a one-day workshop organized by the Pacific Institute for the Mathematical Sciences. She also attended the KPUE-portfolio Workshop, and Sharing Math 2016 – a one-day conference organized by the Committee on BC Undergraduate Programs in Mathematics and Statistics.
- Carol Barnett (*Horticulture*) chaired the Agriculture/Horticulture Articulation Meeting in Qualicum Beach. Topics for discussion were the National Harmonization for Apprenticeship Trades Programs and block transfer agreements.
- Langley Campus Principals Betty Worobec and Kathy Lylyk co-chaired the summer meeting of the Langley Campus Coordinating Committee on June 8 and the Langley Campus Coffee Party on June 10.
- The FSH Dean's Office was very well represented at the KPU Langley Heart and Stroke Big Bike with Lana Mihell, Sue Williams and Triona King joining Dean Betty. Sue was recognized for bringing in the highest amount of donations. What a fun team building activity!

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## KPU INTERNATIONAL

### Creating Successful Global Citizens

Field schools and other global experiential learning experiences:

Switzerland: Three KPU students are registered to attend a two week Business summer school program at our partner university, University of Applied Sciences of Northwestern Switzerland (FHNW), in Basel by means of scholarships (CHF 1,200 each – \$ 1600 CAD equivalent) provided by FHNW.

Germany: Two KPU students will be attending a two week summer school program in July at our partner university, the Munich University of Applied Sciences, in Munich by means of scholarships (CAD 500 each) provided jointly by KPU's School of Business and KPU International.

### Opportunities for Experiential Learning

KPU International, together with our partner university in Finland, Metropolia University of Applied Sciences, have been successful in securing mobility funding (EUR 10,000) via Europe's Erasmus+ program to be used toward joint mobility/development opportunities for our students, faculty and non-teaching staff.

### International Student Recruitment

This spring KPU International attended ICEF (International Consultants for Education and Fairs) in Toronto and NAFSA (Association of International Educators) in Denver to strengthen ties with agents and partner institutions in existing markets and establish relationships with those in our new target markets of West Africa, Latin America and the Middle East.

### Applications for Fall 2016 enrollment

KPU International has received a record breaking number of over 1400 applications for Fall 2016. This is an increase of 46% more applications received as compared to the same time last year.

### Spring and Summer full time enrolment (FTE)

KPU International had a 9.3% increase in international student FTE for Spring 2016 and a 3.9% increase in international student FTE for Summer 2016.

## SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

- Sukhjiven Gill – 4th year Accounting student was awarded "Top 25 under 25" in Surrey.

- Case Competition Results:

Apex Global Case Competition (Singapore) students came in 4<sup>th</sup> place overall competing against universities from Canada, the USA, Europe, Asia and Australia.

Minneapolis Case Competition finished in the top 25 % competing against major American Universities

Laura Elizabeth Carey, Certificate in Accounting received the Lieutenant Governor's Award after maintaining a 4.33 Grade Point Average.

- David Hunt, Dean's medal award recipient after maintaining a 4.02 GPA
- HRMA Professional Designation Update: As of Spring Convocation our first BBA-HR and Post-Baccalaureate HR graduates, who achieved an overall GPA of 2.67 or better, were recognized as having passed the National Knowledge Exam without having to write the exam. The NKE is the first step in attaining the Canadian national "Certified Human Resources Professional" designation. These graduates will next have to accumulate 3 years of professional experience and then submit a portfolio of work to attain the CHRP. KPU is the first post-secondary Institute in Western Canada to have its HR program accredited with status equivalent to the NKE.
- HRMA Annual Conference: A large number of our graduating HR students attended the HRMA Annual Conference in April at the deeply discounted price provided for in the agreement. There they were able to both learn via the many plenary and breakout sessions and launch their job search by networking with over a thousand industry professionals.
- Public Relations Practicum Students 40% of the Public Relations practicum students secured jobs with their practicum employers.
- Canadian Institute of Management (CIM) Agreement: KPU's Business Management Diploma and Bachelor of Business Administration in Entrepreneurial Leadership have been accredited by the Canadian Institute of Management, making KPU one of only three institutions in the province with programs that allow students to complete all of the academic requirements for their CIM

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(Certified in Management) and P.Mgr. (Professional Manager) designations.

## New Programs, Policies and Initiatives

Post Baccalaureate Degree Updates:

- Post Baccalaureate in Supply Chain and Operations Management has completed the 30 day posting to AVED.
- Post Baccalaureate in Technical Management and Services has completed the 30 day posting to AVED.
- Post Baccalaureate Diploma in Accounting is currently posted for 30 days with AVED. The School of Business anticipates it will be complete by the end of June.

## Recognition

- Terri Smolar, Public Relations Faculty member posthumously awarded the CPRS Mentor of the Year for 2016 for her outstanding effort as a public relations practitioner who consistently and actively mentored public relations practitioners to advance in their careers. The Mentor of the Year exemplifies the critical role that mentoring plays in the advancement of the public relations profession.

## STUDENT SERVICES

- Spring 2016 Convocation was the largest ever at KPU. With over 1000 grads in attendance over four days, the seven ceremonies were a great success. Many thanks to over 150 employees who dedicated their time to planning, organizing and executing the event.
- Central Advising will be offering extended drop-ins sessions for the month of July to assist with the upcoming fall registration period. Last year there were over 2100 drop-ins (36% increase from 2014) across Surrey, Richmond and Langley. Peer Advisors were essential in managing the volume of incoming students, and were able to support and refer new students to the Academic Advisors as needed. This year Peer Advisors will be facilitating registration workshops on the Surrey campus. Central Advisors are also proactively working on a plan to reach out to students in the Pathway program to ensure appropriate registration and other supports that are available to assist students succeed with their academic goals.
- Volunteer Services documented over 50 KPU volunteers who contributed over 200 hours in May alone at events like the KPU Golf Tournament, KPU "Just for the Health of

It" Days, and Mock Job Interviewers for Johnstone Heights, Elgin Park, Tamanawis and Earl Marriot High Schools. 18 new community partners joined our online job posting system, *Career Connection*, and 59 new volunteer postings were added to our active opportunities.

- Career Services launched the summer Peer to Peer Resume Review program on all four campuses, working with students from the Human Resources Management degree. May also saw the callout for on-campus Work Study employers with 23 of the 25 positions filled in record time.
- The Career Connection job posting system continues to grow with 377 new job postings this month. We are now at 7,151 registered employers which is 855 employers over the same time last year. Some of the new employers on our list are: BC American Marketing Association (BCAMA), Canada Prime Investment Group, City of Maple Ridge, First West Credit Union, H&R Block, Leavitt Machinery, Parallel 49 Brewing Company, Polygon Interior Design Limited, Tesla Motors Canada, and Trail Appliances. We now have 10,713 students and alumni registered, which is 1,579 students over the same time last year.

## New Programs, Policies and Initiatives

- Fifty students participated in KPU's first soccer intramural league program. A six week trial league, the students played seven-a-side soccer at KPU's Sport Field at Newton Athletic Park. The department of Sport and Recreation also hosted a KPU Staff vs. Students soccer match at Newton Athletic Park and planning is well underway for a full range of sport and fitness programs on all KPU campuses in Fall 2016.
- KPU has just launched a new cloud-based phone system called Telax for the university's general 604-599-2000 line. A partnership between IT and various service units, a phone tree infrastructure was built to better anticipate callers' needs, and find ways for callers to be easily, and more quickly guided through the phone system.
- Telax provides reporting and analytical data that will allow us to review call volumes, types of inquiries, and utilization of all phone lines, which is new capability in comparison with our former call centre solution. As this is a cloud based system, the call center calls can be accessed and answered by users from anywhere. Departments that have moved to the new Telax system on 599-2000 include



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Student Enrolment Services, Student Awards and Financial Assistance, the Future Students' Office, KPU International, Apprenticeship Services at KPU Tech, Continuing and Professional Studies, Facilities and the IT Service Desk.

- Fall 2016 implementation of the Math Alternatives Table will streamline registration for those courses using Math prerequisites. This grouping of math alternatives will significantly reduce the need for students to seek out prerequisite waivers in favour of a recognized alternative to a specific prerequisite. The table provides math alternatives for both admission requirements and registration prerequisites with a focus on standardizing courses needed to meet these requirements. Not only will this facilitate a more streamlined registration experience for continuing students, it will ease the admission process for transfer students in programs requiring math for admission.

## Community Engagement

- Trena Cheung, Disabilities Advisor and Nadia Henwood, Associate Registrar spoke at this year's High School Counsellors' Conference hosted for our catchment area.
- Jane Fee, Vice Provost Students presented on Leadership to the Canadian Student Associations at the Amiccus-C Conference in June.
- Shawn Erickson, Director C-op and Career Services, Michele Mathysen, Career Services Coordinator and Lindsay Wood, Co-op Instructor made a presentation to the School of Business Accounting Advisory Committee to explore opportunities for future support and partnership
- The Multi-faith Centre welcomed three new chaplains – Lee Chernoff - Humanist Chaplain (KPU Surrey); Ella Pearle – Baha'i Chaplain, and Keith Bloodstone – Baha'i Chaplain (KPU Richmond).

## WILSON SCHOOL OF DESIGN

Regular academic programming in Design occurs in the Fall and Spring semesters; at this time, all classes are complete. There are, however, a number of activities students and faculty are engaged in beyond timetabled classrooms:

- Continuing and Professional Studies activities occur over the summer months. In partnership with UBC, a number of courses are offered for secondary school teachers for use towards professional certification increments. Teachers from across the province and Canada attend

these unique offerings.

- In addition, Design Academies are offered for high school students and the general public in design, sewing, and pattern drafting.
- Design+ Food Atelier, a research group consisting of two faculty and three Product Design students (PI, Iryna Karaush and PA, Erin Ashenhurst), is working on a Design + Agriculture project supported by a Katalyst grant from the Office of Research and Scholarship.
- Three Product Design students, under the supervision of Dr. Victor Martinez are continuing their research and product development on a clean tech project begun in the Challenge Dialogue initiative with the City of Surrey.
- Victor Martinez is also leading a team working on developing biodegradable cutlery with a local company.
- Stephanie Phillips is leading a project with Dean's Medal recipients and alumni, Jaymes Williams (*Product Design*) and Laura Hutchison (*Fashion & Design*), to further the development of and produce cooling vests for elite wheelchair athletes.

## Community Engagement

All Design programs intersect with their external professional communities on an ongoing basis. Activities since early May included:

- As part of the Surrey Teachers' Assoc. Convention 2016, Heather Clark (*faculty, Fashion & Technology*), hosted a Pattern Drafting Jacket Details Workshop at KPU Richmond Campus. Through discussion and hands on activities participants learned how to design and draft jacket components. The skills and techniques learned in this workshop can be applied to the classroom and be used to aid in preparing both teachers and students for future Skills Canada competitions. Participants arrived ready to share in our dynamic and collaborative space and were given customized materials to take back to their classrooms. Feedback from the teachers on these types of sessions have been extremely positive.
- The second Fashion & Technology Advisory Committee meeting occurred in May, with Dean, Carolyn Robinson; faculty, and 13 industry members in attendance. The Advisory Committee plays an essential role in maintaining the relevance of the FASN degree. Apparel industry leaders provide the perspective needed to ensure

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graduates are well prepared to contribute to this creative, technical, and innovative industry.

- Technical Apparel Design alumna, Eva Garcia Mockford, gave a workshop for youth at the Richmond Public Library focused on technology and its intersection with technical apparel.
- Evelyn May (Coordinator, *Technical Apparel*) met with Blurr Design Inc., a Squamish based product design company designing outdoor apparel and bags for the modern adventurer, to discuss industry trends and possible collaborations.
- Lindsay Norris and Lorie Tade (student from Fashion Marketing) presented an overview of Fashion Marketing to a class of Grade 11 students in Coquitlam in late April.
- Volunteers from both years of Fashion Marketing helped with the event planning for 700 guests at the Vancouver Magazine restaurant awards, and were hailed the best team ever. We have worked with this team before but on events of a much smaller scale. This successful event led to our students being asked to help with the grand opening event for the new Strellson Men's Store on Alberni in June.
- Students and the Coordinator of Fashion Marketing, Sharon Greeno, attended the Eco Fashion Week speakers series on April 13th.
- Second year students volunteered at the Spring market at Portobello West in April and a new crew will help at the end of May.
- First year FMRK students were hosted in March at Strike Mvmt in Gastown. Owner Marc Morisset, a former professional snowboarder, talked about building the brand of a minimalist athletic collection for men and women. He shared data and logistics about how to move from an online store to bricks and mortar in Gastown and now a second store in San Francisco. This visit was in preparation for the final Pop Up shop assignment where students created and built a 3D marketing plan and pitched the opening event, location and media coverage necessary for a successful business. Marketing and store concepts were presented to Fashion Marketing instructors and students, as well as, design students on March 29th. A broad range of viable concepts were developed.
- Interior Design students planned and executed their Graduate Exhibition at the Architectural Institute of BC in

Vancouver, BC on April 15, 2016. Students fundraised, organized sponsors, provided catering, and developed high impact posters of their projects at this event. The event was well-attended by industry and family and many graduates were head-hunted at the exhibition. At this point, most of the 2016 graduating class are now employed either full or part time within the industry.

Many thanks go out to our sponsors of this event:

- \* Kasian
- \* SignSource
- \* Shaw Contract Group
- \* Haworth
- \* SSDG
- \* Teknion
- \* Heritage Office Furnishings
- \* DIRT

### Employee Engagement

Faculty in the Wilson School of Design are active in the community and engage in numerous activities throughout the year. Over the past month, these include:

- Tatiana Sturari, Program Assistant for FMRK; Andhra Goundrey, Coordinator of Fashion & Technology; and Nicole Poole, Design's Educational Advisor represented Design at the Langley Science Fair on May 7. Special thanks go to Andhra's daughter, Meena, and Associate Dean of Science and Horticulture, Joel Murray's daughter, Tia for lending their paper folding expertise to the group.
- A number of Design staff members contributed their energies during Convocation Week.
- Dan Robinson, faculty member in a number of different Design programs, delivered a day-long workshop to Fashion & Technology faculty on Human Factors and Research Methods for Apparel Design. Topics included human-centred systems design, design evaluation, and research methods.
- Fashion & Technology faculty member, Shirley Calla, and Librarian, Denise Dale, presented their collaborative work on cataloguing and digitizing a portion of Dr. Ivan Sayers historical costume collection at the Congress of Humanities and Social Sciences in Calgary as well as the British Columbia Library Association (BCLA) Conference. This collaboration has given students the unique opportunity to work with a number of rare garments and develop an understanding of curating and archiving

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historical collections.

- Faculty from all programs have been involved in portfolio reviews and interviews for the Fall intake. There have also been preliminary meetings for the organization of a Design -wide Fall Start Up event that will happen in September.
- Throughout May and June, Fashion + Technology faculty have been having a Professional Development blitz. They are taking part in various training sessions for program specific software, human factors research (led by Dan Robinson), and a Leadership Workshop led by Andhra Goundrey, all to enhance their research, teaching, and leadership skills. On May 27, 2016 these adventurous educators even took part in a day of teambuilding on a high ropes course and engaged in solution strategy challenges at OMADA Teambuilding in order to heighten their shared vision and team collaboration.
- Erika Balcombe, faculty in Interior Design, curated a collection for an online exhibition with the Jewish Museum and Archives about the history of the Oakridge area in Vancouver, B.C. Erika will also be providing guest lecturing for an Arts 1100 course in June.
- Paola Gavilanez and Amber Ortlieb, faculty of Interior Design, presented their process on “Developing Teamwork Capability in the Wilson School of Design: A Model for Innovation & Scholarship to Improve Institutional Learning Outcomes” to the KPU community. This presentation worked hand in hand with KPU’s Academic Plan and priorities by providing tools on improving the student experience and engaging faculty in scholarly activities.

### Recognition

- Paola Gavilanez will be presenting at the Festival of Learning in Burnaby, BC on Thursday, June 9<sup>th</sup>. The Festival of Learning is a celebration of teaching and learning in post-secondary education and this annual event will be held this year from June 6-9<sup>th</sup>.
- First year student in Fashion Marketing, Kathleen McCullough, claimed first prize in The Eagles Den during reading break. She pitched her Business Plan to a panel through the School of Business. She won a cash award, mentoring time, and an audition for CBC's Dragon's Den. Her concept was a breakfast club for young people recovering from eating disorders and her marketing plan is to sell slippers with the proceeds funding the events. She is now working on making this a reality.

- Fourth year Interior Design student, Divya Dias, was selected as a finalist for Interior Designers of Canada’s PROpel program. PROpel is an interactive program and conference series aimed at emerging professionals in interior design. Students apply to this program in their 4<sup>th</sup> year and only a handful are selected to participate and attend the conference in Ottawa. Divya was selected as a winner of the two-day, all-expense-paid trip to the PROpel conference in Ottawa from June 3-4, 2016. This amazing program gives emerging professionals the opportunity to connect with the greater interior design community.
- Taylor Byrom, owner of Taylor Hart Designs, was presented on May 26, 2016 with the Surrey Board of Trade's Top 25 Under 25 award. The Dean, Carolyn Robertson; Fashion Program Coordinator, Andhra Goundrey; and Coordinator of Communications and Events, Gabrielle Durning nominated Taylor and were in attendance to witness and honour her triumph. Taylor's fashion clothing line, Jolie Hart, is designed specifically for little girls 2-6 years old with complex care needs. The clothing accommodates feeding tubes, tracheotomy tubes, wheelchair use, and sensory processing disorders and is functional and beautiful at the same time. The winners were chosen for their "business or community achievements, leadership ability, community involvement, professional achievements and uniqueness of their business or community projects." “We’re thrilled that Taylor’s contribution to the independence and wellness of children with complex medical needs has been recognized. Taylor exemplifies the type of graduate that we are so proud to support. Our goal is to educate and inspire our students to engage in human-centred designs that provide real world solutions.”, says Robertson.



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- KPU Fashion and Technology graduate Hayley Clackson recently had the chance to take her prairie-inspired collection back to her roots, and the fashion industry welcomed her home with open arms. On May 14, 2016 Hayley received the Fashion Forward Emerging Designer Award at Saskatchewan Fashion Week, where she showcased her brand NRTHRNTWNS Workshop as one of just over 25 emerging designers selected to be showcased at this year's event. Growing up in a family of craftspeople living on the prairies inspired Clackson's brand NRTHRNTWNS Workshop, which provides fitted work-wear pieces tailored to the lifestyle needs of modern – rather than traditional – craftsmen. Moving forward, Clackson plans on taking her talent to the fashion industry of the prairies both as a professional and as an entrepreneur. She hopes the exposure afforded her brand by Saskatchewan Fashion Week will help raise her profile as she continues to expand her skills and industry experience.



### International Engagement

- Students from third year Interior Design embarked on a Major Field Study to Barcelona, Spain. Students took part in fundraising activities and various events in order to attend this enriching experiential course. Each year students choose a destination based on cost, architectural/societal richness and, previously vetted and approved itineraries. This field study course also saw students engage with our partner institution Elisava – Barcelona School of Design and Engineering.
- During this course, students also visited various museums, architectural buildings, interior spaces, and cultural spaces. The course encompasses 10 days and students are engaged from early morning until early evening. Some of the points of interest included the following locations:
  - \* La Sagrada Familia
  - \* Picasso Museum
  - \* Joan Miró Foundation
  - \* Museu Nacional d'Art de Catalunya
  - \* Casa Museu Gaudi
  - \* Park Guell
  - \* Museu d'Historia de Barcelona
  - \* Barcelona Cathedral





# Marketing and Recruitment Dashboard

June 2016

## Marketing Requests

Projects supporting all KPU faculties and departments increased.

### JANUARY- MAY

2015

2016

840

880

5%



## Social Media

Facebook Followers

Twitter Followers

Instagram Followers

Snapchat Followers (NEW)

6,366

4,920

1,701

195

## Website

Webpages with high increases in traffic.

[kpu.ca/degrees](http://kpu.ca/degrees)

[kpu.ca/admission/deadline/fees](http://kpu.ca/admission/deadline/fees)

### APRIL - JUNE

2015

2016

3, 431

5, 034

### APRIL - JUNE

2015

2016

2, 108

4, 524

46.7%



114%



# Marketing & Recruitment *cont'd*

## Fall Applicant Night (May 12)

Held on the Surrey Campus, evening event.

**Target audience:** students offered admission to KPU (at time of invitation, had not yet accepted offer).

Number of <b>ATTENDEES</b>	Number of <b>APPLICANTS</b>	Number of <b>OFFERS</b>	Number of <b>ACCEPTED OFFERS</b>	<b>CONVERSION</b>
268 144 students 124 guests	136	136	94	69.12%*

\*effective June 2

## Customer Relationship Management Metrics

Prospects	6,291
Parents	85
Counsellors	173

**33%**   
from January

## Newsletter Subscribers

Faculty of Science and Horticulture (May)	408
Faculty of Arts (May)	1,047
Faculty of Academic and Career Services (March)	117
Faculty of Trades & Technology (February)	244
Wilson School of Design (February)	260
School of Business (February)	529
Faculty of Health (November)	785
General KPU Pulse (March)	2,048

Submitted by:  
*Joanne Saunders,*  
*Executive Director, Marketing & Recruitment*

# Office of External Affairs

## GOVERNMENT RELATIONS

Attendance at KPU's Spring Convocation events included:

- The Honourable Stephanie Cadieux, Minister of Children and Family Development, MLA Surrey-Cloverdale and Distinguished KPU Alumna
- The Honourable Peter Fassbender, Minister of Community, Sport and Cultural Development, MLA Surrey-Fleetwood
- Dr. Gordon Hogg, Parliamentary Secretary for Youth Sport, MLA Surrey-White Rock
- Marvin Hunt, MLA Surrey-Panorama (MLA Hunt's son David gave the student speech at the School of Business Convocation Ceremony and was awarded the Dean's Medal)
- His Worship, Mayor Wayne Baldwin, White Rock
- His Worship, Mayor Ted Shaffer, City of Langley
- Her Worship, Mayor Lois Jackson, Delta

## COMMUNICATIONS, MEDIA AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

KPU's communications team has been heavily involved in the student email project. The project has leveraged the department's online newsletter tools and expertise to quickly, regularly and relatively inexpensively message the owners of more than 300,000 current and historical KPU email accounts.

### Community/Industry events attended

- Richmond Multicultural Community Society employment committee subgroup meeting (two meetings during report time period)
- Ma Murray Community Newspaper Awards
- Meeting with the Richmond Chamber of Commerce's President and CEO to discuss how to engage students, alumni and young professionals
- The Greater Vancouver Board of Trade Company of Young Professionals' BIG Idea panel event and awards night
- Surrey Board of Trade's Top 25 Under 25 Awards, co-sponsored by KPU. Four KPU students/alumni were honoured at the event.
- SASSY Awards Surrey – KPU co-sponsors with the City of Surrey.
- Cmolik Foundation Awards Dinner.
- Surrey Mayor Linda Hepner's State of the City luncheon.

### Events hosted

- Hosted media and assisted KPU's emergency planning office to bring the Shake Zone earthquake simulator to Surrey Campus.
- Provided liaison services prior to and during the filming of *A Wish For Christmas* at KPU Tech on May 13.
- Langley School District Partnership luncheon.

- Hosted the luncheon for the Surrey Board of Trade's annual Tour of Industry. Over 100 participants attended the luncheon at KPU Tech and toured the campus.

## KPU MEDIA COVERAGE—MAY 1 TO JUNE 7, 2017

The KPU Communications Team launched the university's Directory of Experts, which is now live online at [kpu.ca/experts](http://kpu.ca/experts). The initiative allows media to directly connect with KPU experts across faculties and disciplines for comments relating to their unique expertise. The aim of the directory is to better facilitate media requests for expert comments, to help increase media use of KPU experts in stories, and to ultimately continue to increase positive KPU media coverage. Only in its first phase, the directory will continue to grow as more faculty members complete basic media and directory training, administered by the Communications Team.

The Vancouver Sun, The Province, The Globe and Mail, Roundhouse Radio, Global BC, Zee TV, Darpan Magazine, The Link Newspaper, Indo-Canadian Voice, Richmond News, Surrey Now, Surrey Leader, Cloverdale Reporter, Langley Times, Langley Advance, and many other publications and blogs covered KPU over this five-and-a-half-week period.

KPU distributed a total of 14 new releases and media advisories: May 1 to 31st—12 news releases; June 1 to 7th—4 news releases.

Media exposure over this period totals 2,490 hits: May 1 to 31st—1,815 mentions; June 1 to 7th—675 mentions.

For more details refer to the [KPU Newsroom](#).



*KPUAA Chair, Lindsay Civitarese and Director, Amanda Smith-Weston at the Spring 2016 Convocation—checking out the new KPUAA/KPU Photobooth!*

# Office of External Affairs *cont'd*

## ALUMNI RELATIONS

### Events

- Participated in KPU's seven spring convocation 2016 ceremony receptions May 31 – June 3.
  - \* Over 1,000 photos were taken in the KPU alumni photo booth
  - \* Collected updated contact information from alumni who returned the response card in exchange for a gift.
- Participated in a 10-year KPU alumni reunion on May 30 for the 2006 Public Relations program.

### Alumni Relations Activities

- Processing alumni cards and updating contacts collected at convocation.
- Conducted the bi-annual KPU Alumni survey, which has 420 responses to date.
- Supported the KPUAA board's hole sponsorship at the KPU Foundation Golf Tournament.

Submitted by:

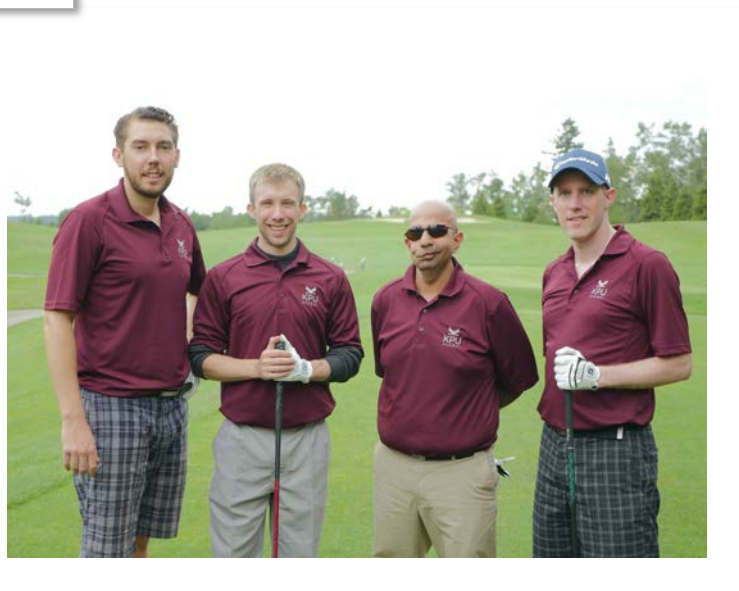
*Marlyn Graziano, Executive Director, External Affairs  
& Executive Director, KPU Alumni Association*



*KPUAA supporting the KPU Golf Tournament.*

*Above: KPUAA station with volunteer Ryan Moriarty (Intern, Office of the President) and KPUAA Chair, Lindsay Civitarese.*

*Right: KPUAA Golf Team with (left to right) Colton Aston, Director, David Dryden, Vice Chair, Vikram Bubber, Treasurer and Ryan Keigher, Director*





# 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:*

- Student Satisfaction Survey: This survey is conducted every two years to obtain information on how students made their decision to attend KPU and their satisfaction with their experience at KPU to date. It is used to help improve services to students. We are currently conducting analysis and developing reports on various themes addressed in the survey.

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

*Strategy: Implement an integrated system that aligns institutional planning and supports reporting on goals and priorities:*

- Produced the Stable Enrolment Report for the Summer 2016 session
- Reporting on VISION 2018: updating the VISION 2018 Performance Report that tracks progress towards achieving KPU's strategic goals. This version will be included in the Accountability Report to AVED.

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

- Supporting program reviews: Currently providing support to 18 programs (or cluster of related programs) that are undergoing reviews. This support continues in the summer for those programs continuing to work on their review in the summer.
- Student appraisals of Instruction: Summer session surveys for intercession one are underway, with launch of surveys (both online and most in-class) for full session courses in mid-July.

*Strategy: Review and Adjust procedures to ensure efficiency and effectiveness*

- Student appraisals of instruction. For classes where the appraisal is conducted in the classroom, we began using electronic tablets to replace paper-based surveys in June.
- Ongoing work with the Office of the Registrar on a review of how academic departments are coded in Banner to

improve reporting and prepare for implementation of the new budget model.

### REPUTATION

*Goal: KPU's unique identity is clearly articulated and well understood across the University and beyond.*

*Strategy: Ensure that KPU's unique role in higher education, its pride and its important endeavors, and the success of its students are all reflected in its publications and communications, internal and external.*

- Support this strategy through the content in annual Accountability Plan and Report that is currently under development, including the inclusion of student profiles prepared by External Relations.

### ACCOUNTABILITY REPORTING TO GOVERNMENT

- Submitted FTE report for fiscal year 2015/16 to AVED.
- Submitted KPU data to AVED for the Central Data Warehouse.
- Submitted the compliance report verifying the status of International students to Citizenship and Immigration Canada.
- Prepared Draft Accountability Plan and Report for Board of Governors; the final report will be submitted to AVED in mid-July.

Submitted by:

Lori McElroy,

Executive Director, Institutional Analysis & Planning



*Members of the KPU community took on the Big Bike to raise funds and awareness for the Heart & Stroke Foundation*

# Office of Advancement

## KPU Foundation Golf Tournament

- The KPU Foundation Golf Tournament took place May 18<sup>th</sup> and was a great success. The tournament was oversold and sponsorship opportunities also sold out. A record \$56,000 was raised to support student bursaries.

## External Events

- The Executive Director of Advancement engages with the external community whenever possible. The following external events were attended by the Executive Director of Advancement since May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016:
  - \* Surrey Mayor's State of the City Address
  - \* BC Business Council Fourth Annual Chair's Dinner

Submitted by:

*Steve Lewarne,*

*Executive Director, Office of Advancement*

## New Major Gifts over \$5,000 Confirmed since May 1, 2016

Donor	Gift	Note
Barrie A. Brill	\$39,892	Gift-in-Kind
NWM Private Giving Foundation	\$11,000	
Newad Media Inc.	\$10,000	Pledge
Graham Rankin	\$5,570	
Betterbody Fitness Inc.	\$5,000	Pledge
Canadian Direct Insurance Incorporated	\$5,000	Pledge
SSDG Interiors Inc.	\$5,000	Pledge
Van Gogh Designs Furniture Ltd.	\$5,000	Pledge



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE GRADS OF SPRING 2016

