

## Announcements

- We hope you had a rejuvenating and enjoyable summer. As we all ramp up for the new Academic Year, we have revised our newsletter to provide highlights and link to online information. [Feedback](#) on this new format welcomed.
- In response to educators' feedback in the recent Teaching, Learning, Scholarship & Research survey, we are making improvements to our communications, services and offerings. See our [brochure](#) for what we can do for you this fall.

## Faculty Spotlight: Arley Cruthers



We are delighted to feature an interview with Arley Cruthers, faculty in the Applied Communications and Public Relations in the School of Business.

Arley's journey to teaching is a very interesting one, as is how she has chosen to teach her course. To read more about her journey and praxis click below.

If you would like to be featured in an upcoming newsletter or have a colleague you wish to see featured please contact [tcommons@kpu.ca](mailto:tcommons@kpu.ca)

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## More Faculty Stories...

### Faculty of Arts

Read the inaugural issue of the Kwantlen Psychology Student Journal (KPSJ) published in July. The journal was founded by faculty member Dr. Arleigh Reichl.

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### School of Design

What song would you take with you to a desert island? 12 artists, writers, and musicians were asked this question. Read/listen to their responses in this project led by GDMA instructor, John Belisle.

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### Faculty of Science and Horticulture

See how Chemistry Instructor Richard Popoff and Fine Arts Instructor Amy Huestis collaborated in celebration of the Year of the Periodic Table.

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## Select KPU Events & Workshops

We provide a wide array of FREE events and workshops to KPU educators. Below is selection of the offerings available to you. More will be added to the [calendar](#) throughout the year.

Have a suggestion for a workshop topic? Let us know at [tcommons@kpu.ca](mailto:tcommons@kpu.ca)

### [Getting started with iPads](#) | Aug 26

Did you know that a limited number of iPads are available at the Library for faculty use? Join us to learn how you can get started using iPads for teaching: learn the basics of using an iPad with compatible apps like OneDrive and OneNote and how to annotate on the iPad directly and project to the screen. Come with questions on incorporating iPad in your teaching.

### [Lights, Camera, Reflection: Photography and Videography for Faculty & Curricula](#) | Aug 27

A camera can be an incredibly powerful tool. From assessment and feedback to documentation and analysis, using a camera in your class encourages experimentation, collaboration and creativity. Whether you own a cellphone or a DSLR camera, including photography and videography within your curricula and classroom activities can positively impact learning outcomes and learners' experiences. Learn how to use your own camera as well as a collection of other cameras and photography technology. No photography experience required.

### [Quick and Dirty Dozen: Get Started on UDL](#) | Aug 29

You may have heard of UDL, been to a UDL workshop or tried some UDL strategies. As the name suggests, this one-hour session is dedicated to a snappy presentation of 12 simple UDL strategies that you can implement in your class starting today to support inclusion, address conceptual conundrums, ease marking and push engagement.

[Check our Events Calendar](#)

## External Opportunities

November 14-15 | **COHERE (Canada's Collaboration for Online Higher Education Research) 20th Anniversary Conference** in Calgary, AB. Early bird registration is open now. [REGISTER HERE](#)

October 28-31 | **Appreciative Inquiry Facilitator Training (AIFT)** in Langley, BC. KPU and TRU are teaming up with the Centre for AI to offer this special training event in Canada. Early bird registration deadline is September 18. [REGISTER HERE](#)

November 3-7 | **28th ICDE World Conference on Online Learning** in Dublin, Ireland. The theme of this year's conference "Transforming Lives and Societies" will focus on the contemporary problems and opportunities facing today's educators in the globally connected digital-era. [REGISTER HERE](#)

October 2-4 | **Third Pan-Canadian Conference on Universal Design for Learning** in Victoria. Call for papers closes on August 25. [REGISTER HERE](#)

October 18 | **ETUG Fall Workshop** in Vancouver. [REGISTER HERE](#)

## Scholarship, Funding, Awards & Leadership

### Scholarly Inquiry Grant (SIG)

Grants of up to \$2,000 are available year-round to faculty members looking to engage in projects relating to the enhancement of teaching or of student learning. For information, visit our [webpage](#) or attend an upcoming "Lunch and Learn" session on September 25 (Surrey) or November 5 (Richmond). Registration is required.

[Please check our Events Calendar for registration links.](#) »

### Open Educational Resources (OER) Grants

OER Grants offers funding and support to faculty interested in creating, adapting, and adopting OER or embracing other types of Open Pedagogy. Applications are reviewed three times a year with the next application deadline coming up on **September 1**.

[Info and application details](#) »

## Additional Resources for Educators

Through Human Resources, KPU faculty have access to two valuable online professional development resources: LinkedIn Learning and Magna Publications.

**LinkedIn Learning** (formerly Lynda.com) is an on-demand video learning platform with thousands of online courses covering a wide-range of business, technology and creative subjects. Content is created and delivered by industry experts and comes with knowledge reinforcement tools such as transcripts, a note-taking tool, quizzes and exercise files. Course titles include Learning Moodle, Creating Multimedia Learning, and Measuring Learning Effectiveness.

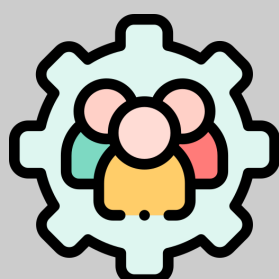
**Magna Commons and 20-Minute Mentor Commons** are two digital libraries aimed at higher education professionals. Offered through Magna Publications, online content covers a broad spectrum of topics ranging from classroom management to course design to student engagement. Magna Commons offers recorded versions of Magna's most popular live seminars and 20-Minute Mentor Commons offers on-demand versions of Magna's popular 20-Minute Mentor programs.

To learn more about these resources and how to gain access, please visit the following [HR SharePoint page](#).

Questions can be emailed to Teresa Smith, Manager, Organizational Development and Talent in Human Resources at [Teresa.smith3@kpu.ca](mailto:Teresa.smith3@kpu.ca).

Happy learning!

## Are you our next Education Technology Champion?



Sign up now to be an Education Technology Champion! Be the first one to suggest, test, and give feedback on the use of new technologies in the classroom and support information exchange between your team and ours.

Interested? Contact Leeann Waddington, [leeann.waddington@kpu.ca](mailto:leeann.waddington@kpu.ca)



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