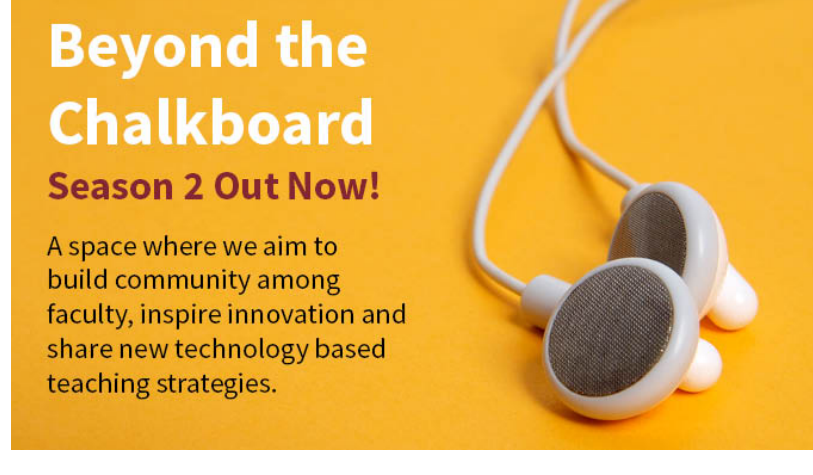


Season 2 of "Beyond the Chalkboard" Podcast is out!

Season 2 of our podcast **Beyond the Chalkboard** hosted by Dr. Gordon Cobb is out now. Listen on Anchor.fm or on your favourite podcast app. Episode 1 and 2 are available with more episodes coming out bi-weekly.



Beyond the Chalkboard

Season 2 Out Now!

A space where we aim to build community among faculty, inspire innovation and share new technology based teaching strategies.

Appreciative Inquiry Facilitator Training at KPU, May 4-7

Appreciative Inquiry Facilitator Training (AIFT) will be offered at KPU from May 4-7, 2020. Training is rarely offered in Canada so take advantage and register early! The early bird rate is available until March 13. For more information visit: <https://www.centerforappreciativeinquiry.net/event/appreciative-inquiry-facilitator-training-aift-surrey-british-columbia/>

Open Education Week

Open Education Week is an annual celebration that aims to raise awareness and showcase the impact of open education on teaching and learning worldwide. This year, Open Education will take place from March 2-6, 2020.

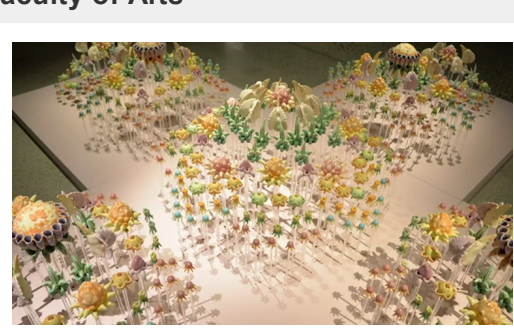
On Wednesday, March 4, 2020, we welcome members of the KPU community and guests from other post-secondary institutions and system partners to join us at the KPU Richmond campus for a special event. The event will include a keynote presentation by Dr. Karen Cangialosi (Keene State College, New Hampshire, USA), lightning talks by open education champions at KPU, workshops on topics ranging from Creative Commons licensing to Open Pedagogy, and hands-on training for a range of open educational technology tools such as Pressbooks and Hypothesis.

Wednesday, March 4, 2020
9:00am-3:00pm
KPU Richmond, Wilson 4900
Free! Registration required

[Register now!](#)
Faculty Spotlight: Rajdeep Gill


We are excited to feature **Dr. Rajdeep Gill** an Interdisciplinary Expressive Arts (IDEA) instructor from the Faculty of Arts.

Dr. Gill has been at KPU since 2014 and has also taught at the University of British Columbia (UBC), Emily Carr University of Art and Design and the University of the Fraser Valley (UFV). Learn about his unique teaching style which involves a dancing icebreaker activity and holding classes outdoors. Curious to know more about this fascinating instructor? Click below.

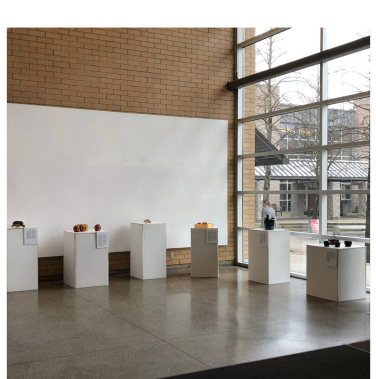
[Read more](#)
More Faculty Stories...
Faculty of Arts


Fine Arts instructor **Ying-Yueh Chuang** currently has two pieces on display at the Museum of Anthropology. Her works are featured alongside 10 other BC artist as part of the *Playing with Fire: Ceramics of the Extraordinary* exhibit running until March 29.

[Read more »](#)
Wilson School of Design

Three Foundation in Design Squamish First Nation students and faculty member, **Natasha Campbell** travelled to Mexico to the Intercultural University of the State of Tabasco as part of the Grant Program for Canadian Indigenous Students supported by the Mexican government. This exchange program focused on an exploration of culture through travel and learned experiences and to enhance awareness of global indigenous practices. The experience for all participating has changed the way they perceive language and design.

The program encouraged students to perform a "deep dive" into their artistic practices handed down over centuries through different expressions. This included experiences that focused on indigenous peoples, considering the cultural practices, language, traditions and social elements in relation to design. The students were able to establish a greater dialogue about design and shared these skills to foster development within the community.


Faculty of Arts


The collaborative exhibit from English instructor **Greg Chan** and Fine Arts instructor **Ying Yueh Chang's** classes displayed in the Library this past December and January will have a new home in a Canadian heritage site. The ceramic pieces from the exhibit, *Maple-Washing: A Disruption*, will be donated to Joy Kogawa House as part of a permanent exhibit in the museum.

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Faculty member, **John Belisle** was asked by Two Worlds Cancer Collaboration to develop an illustration for a year-end campaign to raise money for this year's Rhythms of India program. John worked with his First Year Image Development class and gave them the challenging project of interpreting the story. Two Worlds were so happy with the result they will be using two of the illustrations for the online and print campaign. Students Wen Yan Feng (Sunflower), and Anna Ladd's (Colourful Family) illustrations will be used in the Spring Campaign.

School of Business

Marketing instructor, **Andrea Niosi** spent last summer in Slovenia presenting her OER project which was accepted into UNESCO's 2019 [Open Education for a Better World \(OE4BW\)](#) Mentoring Program. This year, Andrea will be part of the 2020 OE4BW Mentoring Program again as a mentor to a candidate in India. Check out her project from last year an open text book for "Consumer Behaviour" that incorporates some of UNESCO's SDG's, and will be used in a required marketing course for those enrolled in both the marketing diploma and degree programs.

[Read more »](#)

Select KPU Events & Workshops

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

Have suggestions for a workshop topic? Let us know at tcommons@kpu.ca

Designing Assignments | Feb. 20

Instructors often use high-stakes assignments as part of their summative assessment strategy. Designing effective summative assignments requires instructors to consider a number of variables. In this workshop, participants will review an outcomes-based approach to assignment design, explore variables to consider, and learn about specific strategies for designing effective assignments. Participants will also have the opportunity to share their assignments with the group for feedback, and conversely hear about assignments from the group for inspiration.

Student Showcase: UN Sustainable Development Goals Open Pedagogy Fellowship | Feb. 25

Last year KPU launched an open pedagogy fellowship program in which KPU faculty were paired with faculty from Montgomery College (Maryland, USA) to design course assignments that focused on the United Nations sustainable development goals (SDGs). This inter-institutional, inter-disciplinary, and international program led to the creation of 9 "renewable assignments" that will go on to have a larger audience, life, and impact than traditional course assignments. During this student showcase event, you will hear from participating faculty from KPU and (virtually) Montgomery College, along with students from both institutions. For more information about the program and to watch brief video summaries from the KPU faculty participants, visit: <https://www.kpu.ca/open/un-sdg-fellowship>

Engagement 101 | Feb. 24 & 27

Wondering about how to increase student engagement in your classroom? Struggling to successfully engage a diverse community of students? Interested in expanding your pedagogical toolbox? This session will be of interest to you! This dynamic and interactive session will provide participants with an opportunity to:

- Explore common characteristics associated with millennial learners
- Discuss select research on student engagement in learning
- Discover five principles of engaging millennial learners
- Acquire six (or more!) strategies to enhance engagement of millennial learners
- Learn from the successes and challenges of your KPU colleagues!

Accommodations 101 | Mar. 3

Academic accommodations enable access for students with disabilities. Access to courses and programs of study for persons with disabilities in post-secondary institutions is a human right in Canada so from a humanist, legal, and ethical standpoint, it's important to get accommodation planning right. Join me in Accommodations 101 to learn about the ins and outs of access, where to find support, your rights and obligations as an instructor, and how to create harmony around accommodation planning.

[Check our Events Calendar](#)
External Opportunities

March 9-12 | Save the date for the **2020 Society for Teaching and Learning in Higher Education (STLHE) conference** in Ottawa. The call for proposals is open and submissions will close on Monday, January 20, 2020.

[Proposal submission information »](#)

May 3-5 | University of Calgary's North Institute for Teaching and Learning is holding a **Conference on Postsecondary Learning and Teaching**. Early bird registration deadline closes March 5.

[Conference and registration information »](#)

May 11-13 | The **BC Festival of Learning** will be taking place on May 11-13, 2020 in Vancouver. Registration is still open for everyone. Encourage your students to register as students who are currently enrolled in a B.C. Post-Secondary Institution attend this conference for free!

[Registration information »](#)

May 29-31 | The **Teaching Professions Conference 2020** will be taking place, this year in Atlanta, Georgia. Join your colleagues for this three-day conference filled with learning, debate, and collaboration. Register now and take advantage of the discounted rate.

[Registration information »](#)

May 30-June 4 | The **CSSE (Canadian Society for the Study of Education)** will be holding their annual conference this year at Western University in London, Ontario. This conference is Canada's largest gathering of researchers, scholars, graduate students, and practitioners in education.

[Conference and proposal submission information »](#)

Aug 25-28 | **S'TENISTOLW Indigenous Adult and Post-Secondary Education Conference** hosted by Camosun College will be held in August. Early bird registration is open until March 14. The conference is a gathering for educators, administrators, helpers and staff in Indigenous programs as well as community leaders, scholars and allies in the field of Indigenous adult and post-secondary education.

[Conference and registration information »](#)

Call for Proposals: KPU-May-Learn Deadline Extended Feb. 28


The deadline to submit a proposal for the upcoming KPU May Learn has been extended until **Friday, February 28 at 5:00 PM**. We invite members of the KPU community to submit their proposals relating to teaching, learning, and research topics. Topics of personal interest can be shared for general PD. For more information and to submit your proposal, click on the button below.

[Call for Proposals](#)
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.

[More information »](#)

Open Educational Resources (OER) Grants

The Open Educational Resources (OER) Grant program provides funding and staff support to KPU faculty members interested in creating, adapting, and adopting OER (or engaging in other forms of Open Pedagogy). Three levels of OER Grants are offered:

1. [OER Adoption Grant](#)
2. [OER Adaptation Grant](#)
3. [OER Creation Grant](#)

