



**Alumni NETWORK Newsletter** 

## integrating education with work experience

#### **Co-operative and Career Education**

Co-operative Education is an integrated approach to higher education that enables students to combine post-secondary studies with practical experience.

"Co-op is an educational philosophy of experiential learning," says Larry Iles, Chair of the Co-operative and Career Education Department at UCC.

## "Students alternate periods of full-time study with periods of full-time, paid employment in business, industry or government."

British Columbia has the second largest co-op student population in Canada and UCC is doing its share to keep that number growing. Among the 11,000 students in co-op programs in this province, UCC had 206 placements between September 2001 and August 2002. Ontario has the largest number of students participating in co-ops — about 17,000.

UCC co-operative education has 11 programs with the recent addition of the Bachelor of Business Administration in September and co-op students are now represented in every division except arts. The differences and advantages to participating in co-op versus the regular programs are clear, says lles.

"In co-op the degree students spend an extra year and diploma students spend an extra four or eight months to complete the program. The work experiences directly relate to students' studies so most find the course work more relevant," he says.

#### "The co-op students enter the workforce into full-time employment quicker than non-co-op students. They advance into supervisory positions faster because they have almost two years of work experience when they start a full-time job."

Degree co-op students are required to do a minimum of four work terms and have the option to do five. Diploma students must do a minimum of two work terms, but may choose to do three.

"Work terms are at different times of the year to expose students to seasonal variations," explains lles. "Science students might do two summer terms and one in the winter, giving them an opportunity for field work and then office or laboratory experience."

The success of the program depends upon the co-operative efforts of students, employers and the co-op and instructional faculty and staff.



Larry Iles, Co-op Education

"It is a real team effort that includes the instructors, our five co-op faculty and three support staff, says lles. "The co-ordinators do the behind-the-scenes work for the job search. We find employers whose businesses relate directly to the co-op programs.

"We collect resumes from the students and send them to the employers and then we follow-up to see if that company will be interviewing UCC students. We can also provide the interview space for the employer to come on campus."

Co-op students also take a seminar-based course designed to help them learn career development skills such as resume writing and job interview techniques.

"The co-op coordinators are responsible for the educational component of the student's work term," says lles. "We ensure that the students' learning opportunities relate to their future career goals. We visit all the students halfway through their work terms to ensure their learning objectives are being met."

Co-op alumni such as Alan Dixon (CTEC '97) and Jill Gayfer (BNRS '99) are now in career positions to hire the current co-op students.

"There is a nice synergy with this program because we hope our current students will become our future employer base," says lles.

The future of co-op will be "more international students participating, particularly with the addition of the BBA program this fall," says Iles. "We are also looking towards developing international work opportunities for Canadian students, which will be very exciting."

## Congratulations to Co-op Graduates: 2002

Computer Automated Systems Technician Diploma Neil Joseph Donat Boivin; Jody David Giesbrecht; Karl Kristian Gunderson; Erica Rose Morris; Sean Thomas Rumble

Computer Systems Technician Diploma

**Bachelor of Natural Resource Science Honours** Lita Michelle Gomez; Christa Michelle Perszon; Julia Brigitte Von Krogh

**Bachelor of Natural Resource Science Degree** Darren Francis Bonar; Jo-Ann Marie Fryer; Jonathan Philip Helliwell; Darcy Rhian Hill; Daraleigh Dawn Irving; Tim Edward Larade; Walter John Locke; Kathleen Marguerite Machell; Brent James Meger; Karen Anne Raven; Jill Kassy Robinson; Jennifer June Stewart

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UCC is launching an innovative new program designed to meet the needs of individuals who wish to work towards a degree but cannot attend regularly-scheduled classes due to work, family or other daytime commitments. First courses start in January 2003.

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### Karen Burkell, BSc '01

One way a co-op student can ensure future full-time employment for herself is to save a client hundreds of thousands of dollars while on a work term. That's exactly what environmental chemistry alumna Karen Burkell did to earn a permanent spot on the BTA Oil Analysis team.

Burkell describes the momentous day as "the first time I realized the work I was doing saved companies money."

She was running tests on a compressor when she noticed the system contained a fluid where it should not. After subsequent tests she compared the results to the history of the compressor kept on file.

It turns out that finding water in the system saved the day. Technicians were able to pull the compressor apart and fix it, avoiding damage in the amount of \$250.000.

Since then, Burkell has remained with BTA as a chemist and lab technician. "I like my job. I find it fun. We get to move around to different workstations

so it's more enjoyable.

"A full-time job was pretty much offered after my first work term but was confirmed after my second," says Burkell.

"Once I knew I had a job going back into my last semester of school it made getting through school easier. It made it feel like I was working towards something."

# ucc alumni profiles

by Taylor Zeeq, UCC 4th Year Journalism

The co-op option for the environmental chemistry program consists of three work terms beginning in the third year of studies. Co-op adds an additional year to the degree, but Burkell says it was well worth it because she left the program with a job.

"You need experience to get a job but to get a job you have to have experience. Co-op gets you the experience you need and hopefully the confidence too because you start dealing with issues that you wouldn't deal with at school.'

Now in her second year of full-time employment, her input is sought when co-op students are hired.

"I tour them through the lab and get a general feeling for who they are because it's a very tight space so personalities have to mesh. We like to get an idea of whether or not this is a person we can work with."

Burkell is also back at school on the other side of the laboratory desk. She taught two UCC lab courses in chemistry last year, and this fall is teaching one.

## Jill Gayfer, BNRS'99

Jill Gayfer, works as a silviculture planner for Aspen Planers in Merritt. As a silviculture planner she is responsible for regional surveys, the after-harvest site preparation and tree planting programs.

Gayfer completed six co-op work terms in the Natural Resource Science program. Her first was in Vavenby for Slocan, followed by five work terms with Riverside Forest Products in Armstrong. She worked for a consulting firm in Merritt prior to being hired by Aspen Planers a year ago.

Gayfer's experiences have given her good incites into the co-op experience. This year she hired one second year UCC co-op student.

"We went with students in second year versus third or fourth because we require our students to complete a fairly comprehensive training, so we're hoping they'll come back to Aspen for one or two more seasons," Gayfer explains.

A strength she looks for in co-op students is their willingness to be flexible on where they work.

"Keep your options open. Don't make up your mind on what you want to do right away. I went in thinking I wanted to get into fisheries and I ended up in forestry," she explains. "Co-op is pretty fun if you leave your options open because then you get to experience a lot of different things and you might surprise yourself."

Being a UCC graduate, Gayfer prefers to hire UCC students partly because she is familiar with the BNRS program and partly because she has fond memories of her co-op experience.

"I thought the co-op department was really good," says Gayfer. "They had some courses on resume writing and how to conduct interviews that were really beneficial to me. I didn't have any family or any connections in the industry so the courses were helpful."

Another challenge Gavfer overcame with the help of co-op was how to succeed as a woman in a male-







After almost 25 years of working in the automotive and heavy-duty trades in Alberta, Alan Dixon decided to change careers by entering the world of information technology. He did so by enrolling in UCC's Computer Systems Technician Diploma program (CTEC) in 1994. It proved to be a valuable career move as it led him to Computerwise Consulting Ltd. in Prince George.

After five years at Computerwise, Dixon is now the senior partner and in a position to hire co-op students.

"All the Co-op students we've had - every single one - have been from UCC."

As an IT professional, Dixon appreciates the students' exposure to hardware.

"The students come out of the CTEC program with a good knowledge of hardware. We can always build their software knowledge because that is learned by doing."

When Dixon first started, he wasn't sure if he wanted to work with mainframes or workstations and servers, or both. He suspected workstations and servers would be his forte, but said it wasn't until he worked in both environments that he knew that's what he wanted.

"I had the opportunity to work with both because of my varied co-op work terms."

Dixon's first work term was at Nova in Calgary, primarily doing mainframe work. After a second term of school, he accepted a post at the Ministry of Forests office in Alexis Creek, B.C., overseeing the relocation of a 6o-staff office from a building to trailers. His employers liked his work so much they asked Dixon to return for another work term when it was time to move into their new office. Unfortunately, he was about to graduate and wasn't eligible for a third term, but through special permission, was allowed to extend his graduation date to allow a third co-op term.

"Moving and mapping work stations and an entire administrative work structure from one building to another was really challenging. At that point in my career it was an awful lot of responsibility and I got it done."

The job at Computerwise came later when a friend from the CTEC program phoned him and said there was a position available. Dixon leapt at the opportunity, and has been there ever since.

"To just go to school and try to find work would be quite difficult if you don't have the opportunity to work in a Co-op-type environment. You get a taste of what the real world is like and it helped me both personally and professionally to be successful."

## Kevin Carmichael, BBA'96 - CSOM'00

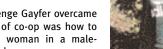
Wanting to enter the field of Information Technology, but lacking the experience to do so, Kevin Carmichael decided to enroll in the Computer Systems Operations and Management (CSOM) program due to its cooperative education option.

"The co-op program was one of the main reasons I wanted to do the computer program at UCC. When I had finished my business degree with a human resources major, I didn't have any work experience in the field so it was very difficult getting a job. One of the key things in my decision to come back to school was to get a job," says Carmichael.

"The co-op program was good that way. You could go out and find your own job and then run it through the co-op program. So that's what I did.

With his foot in the door, the rest is history.

"It worked out well because I impressed them enough







#### dominated field.

"Silviculture is what I ended up in, but my five co-op terms at Riverside were all in engineering, which not very many women are in. I think I had to work harder to prove myself and co-op helped me develop professionally to know how to deal with the stereotype," says Gayfer.

All the hurdles aside, Gayfer attributes her present success to following the co-op path:

"I couldn't imagine coming out of school and getting a job with no experience. I wouldn't have gotten this job if it wasn't for co-op."

"Co-op gave me the work experience I needed to get a full-time position after graduation. That was my main purpose and that's how it worked out."

Carmichael now works as a software developer at Yaletown Technology Group in Vancouver, but his first two placements were with the government in the fields of hardware and networking. Thanks to CSOM's emphasis on software development, the co-op experience gave Carmichael exposure and showed him he could hold his own in an IT environment.

Upon returning from his second work term and thinking ahead to the third and final placement, Carmichael heard good things from other co-op students about Yaletown. He took the initiative and contacted the manager to try and line up his next job.

with my business and IT skills that the company wanted me back," says Carmichael, who has been with Yaletown full-time for a year and a half.

"What's cool at a small company is that you get thrown into all kinds of stuff. You have to do guality assurance, you have to do development, you have to do implementations. You have to do the whole development cycle from beginning to end.

"There are so many interesting people. You learn about other things just working in this environment. Everytime you go into a new company it's always a different culture so you just take in as much as you can and it's really exciting."







# retiring faculty

#### 1. Moe Granger BSc Hon., MSc (UBC), PhD(Cal-Berkeley)

Moe began teaching at UCC in 1970. He says he never foresaw the growth that would occur at this institution. Moe taught Chemistry for 30 of the 32 years he has been at UCC. He was seconded for two years to develop the Science degree

program in the late '80s when Cariboo College was given the mandate to become a university college. In retirement Moe is going to catch up on his reading, do gardening and home renovating, and is contemplating coming back to school to take some courses.

#### 2. Anne Harrison BSc Hon., MSc (Guelph), R.T.

Anne has taught at UCC since 1974 in the Med Lab, microbiology and clinical chemistry programs. She started the academic microbiology course in 1977. Anne says she loves teaching and will continue to teach Anatomy and Physiology part-time. Anne really enjoys her volunteer work with hospice and will now have time to do more furniture refinishing, carpentry and gardening.

#### 3. Denis Morin I.P.(Carp), T.Q. (Joinery), Voc.ID (UBC)

Denis taught all levels of Carpentry apprenticeship for 17 years. The students come for six-week sessions to train to work in the next apprenticeship level. Denis says the people have been great and he has enjoyed teaching at UCC. In retirement he is going to continue, "making sawdust" in his hobby shop, and will do some fishing and golfing.

#### 4. Marilyn Martin RN, PN Dip.(Royal Victoria), ID(UBC)

Marilyn taught at UCC for 24 years in the School of Education. She instructed in Nursing, Human Service programs and Early Childhood Education. Marilyn taught interpersonal communications and had the opportunity to instruct in many programs. Marilyn pioneered the role of harassment/human rights practitioner at UCC, being appointed the Sexual Harassment Advisor in 1990. Since then, she has researched and developed harassment prevention policy and regulations for UCC, community agencies and the post-secondary system in B.C. Prior to retirement Marilyn was the Senior Harassment Advisor reporting directly to UCC's president. Marilyn says she felt privileged to be employed at UCC and will stay in touch. In retirement Marilyn wants to pursue her artistic interests by taking classes in the Visual and Performing Arts department, spend more time with her family and friends and volunteer in the community.

#### 5. David Schalm Voc.ID(UBC), HD Mech TQ, Auto Tech

David taught auto mechanics and heavy-duty mechanics for 30 years. He started teaching in Kamloops in 1971 and moved to Williams Lake a few years later to teach full time. David has been to China, Chile, Jamaica and most recently Romania to work on UCC International education contracts. David was in Romania this spring for six weeks helping to develop curriculum for adult training in automotive trades. David says he has enjoyed teaching very much and would be open to doing more overseas contracts for UCC. David and his family plan to do more camping, travelling and fishing.

#### 6. Peter Nielsen Trade Dip (US), TQ Cook (Wash), ID (VCC)

Peter taught in the Professional Cook Training program at UCC for 15 years. He received UCC Distinguished Service Awards two years in a row, was the Chair of Professional Cook Training for three years and set up the Cook Training Level 1 program in Williams Lake in 1998. That same year Peter received the Kamloops Restaurateur of the Year award. Peter says he has a passion for teaching and he will miss the students very much. In retirement, Peter plans on golfing, enjoying his cabin at Shuswap Lake and travelling.



## 1980s

#### **3ill Gallis**

#### University Transfer '81

Bill transferred to the University of Calgary where he completed a BA in Psychology before starting in the Business faculty, focusing on human resource management. After completing his education, Bill worked in Human Resources for companies in Alberta and BC before quitting to train and qualify as a professional golfer. He is now back in the HR field fulltime, currently as Manager of Human Resources and Safety for Dynasty Motorcar Inc., a manufacturer of electric cars. Bill lives in Kamloops with his wife Marilyn and two sons and commutes to Vancouver and Kelowna. He still plays golf competitively as an amateur.

#### Allen Cameron

#### **Communications Media Certificate, '86**

After completing his certificate, Allen spent nine years with the Nanaimo Daily Free Press in several positions including sports ditor. In 1995, he returned to his home town of Kamloops to fill the sition of sports editor at the Kamloops Daily News. In March 2000, len accepted a position with the Calgary Herald covering curling and le Stampeders football team, which gives him the opportunity to throughout the country. Allen lives in Calgary with his wife Corinne, a teacher, and their two young sons.

## 90s

#### (Elmore) Virdee

#### h Technology, '95

been involved with the Kamloops SPCA as both a volunteer and an nce 1993. Some of her positions there included Volunteer (ennel Keeper and Special Provincial Constable, a position that has y to uphold the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act. She is currently or for the Animal Welfare Certificate, a distance education program As well, Michelle started a home-based business in April 2000 photo preservation and scrap booking. She is married to Sonny and 3 children, Mathew and Andrina.

#### d Design, '97

ned and operated Full C!rcle Des!gns since 1998, specializing in First Ins. His work includes Web sites, logos, newsletters, advertisements, posters, clothing, and billboards and he is now adding GIS mapping to his services. Full C!rcle Des!gns' clients have included the Kamloops Art Gallery, the Interior Indian Friendship Society and School District #73. A design Travis recently did won an aboriginal logo search by BDO Dunwoody Chartered Accountants. Full C!rcle Des!gns is on the Web at http://www.angelfire.com/band/fcd.

#### **Kevin Gayfer**

#### Bachelor of Natural Resource Science, '98

Kevin works at Aspen Planers in Merritt as the Operations Forester. He oversees the development of timber for harvesting and plans the area's logging. He recently received his Registered Professional Forester Designation. Kevin and his wife Jill like to spend their spare time outdoors boating and camping.

#### **Murray Peecock**

#### Bachelor of Natural Resource Science, '98

After completing his degree, Murray spent time in Central America as a volunteer for Pronatura, a non-profit, Mexican civil organization, with a mission is to protect and conserve Mexico's biodiversity. He also lived and worked in Victoria and in Alberta. In December 2001 he completed a diploma in Geographic Information Systems at the College of New Caledonia in Prince George. Murray recently returned from an adventure-filled six-month trip through South America and is currently exploring job prospects.

#### **Scott Baker**

#### Telecommunications Technician Diploma, '99

Since completing his diploma in December 1998, Scott has been employed at the BC Lottery Corporation in Kamloops, where he completed two co-op work terms. He is currently a quality assurance analyst in the casino systems division. Scott has travelled throughout B.C. installing and upgrading casino equipment and made trips to Alberta and Las Vegas for training. In his spare time he enjoys playing and watching hockey, mountain biking, and spending time with his family.

**2000s** 

#### UCC CHAPTER NETWORKS 2002

The UCC Alumni Association is hosting receptions in Kamloops and Williams Lake. Join us to hear about the UCC Alumni Chapter network coming to your area. It's an opportunity for you to get together with fellow alumni for a great social evening. There will be prizes, appetizers, drinks, entertainment and an update on what's happening at UCC from President Roger Barnsley.

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- In Williams Lake: Thursday, Nov. 28, Giorgio's Restaurant, 55–6th Ave. 5–7 p.m. President's welcome is scheduled for 6:00 p.m.

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#### Johanna Ellicott

#### Digital Art and Design, '01

Johanna works in Surrey at tst ink., a marketing strategy and design company that produces print, Web and broadcast material, advertising, and direct marketing programs for a variety of industries. tst ink. is a small company with a staff of just five people who work in a house with a great CD collection. Johanna took sailing lessons on the ocean this summer and enjoys getting out of the city to camp.

#### Neco & Lucas Cockburn

**Neco, Bachelor of Journalism '01,** the 2001 winner of the UCC Medal in Journalism, has continued his schooling at Carleton University in the Masters in Journalism program. Academic and athletic ability obviously run in the family as brother **Lucas, Bachelor of Science '02,** received the 2002 Governor General's Academic Medal for the undergraduate who achieves the highest academic standing upon graduation from a bachelor degree program. Lucas has been accepted to medical school at Queen's University in Ontario. Both brothers were valuable members of the UCC Sun Demons basketball team while at UCC.

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# co-op employers

#### **BTA Oil Analysis**

Joe Kelly, General Manager of BTA Oil Analysis in Kamloops, is a supporter of the co-operative education program at UCC. Since coop's inception in 1991, BTA has hired five students, with three of those being offered and accepting permanent positions after graduation.



BTA, an ISO-registered company with 10 full-time employees,

analyzes oil from plants and heavy industrial equipment for wear, oil degradation and contamination. Companies can save thousands of dollars in costly repairs by performing the routine maintenance and replacements suggested by the analysis. The work is performed in-house, with samples coming from all over B.C. and Alberta, with plans to branch into the U.S.

"If students have enrolled in Co-op, I know they are interested in learning, will have some of the knowledge and skills we are looking for and will do the best job possible," says Kelly. "Hiring Co-op students is an excellent way for us to recruit new employees, while allowing students a chance to see if they would like to work for BTA. It's a trial process for both parties."

Currently, BTA has one chemistry co-op grad on staff, Karen Burkell, and has just recently hired a co-op student from the Computer Systems: Operations and Management program (CSOM) for a four-month work term to assist with programming the specialized computer program BTA uses. Two other former chemistry co-op graduates were hired full-time by BTA, but had to leave when their spouses relocated.

"I appreciate having employees who understand the scientific process and the theory involved. They come into the company ready to problem-solve and can use their own resources to find answers."

For Joe Kelly, co-operative education is the only way to go.

#### Yaletown Technology Group

Yaletown Technology Group (www.yaletech.com) takes its name from the trendy former warehouse section of downtown Vancouver that is home to many of Vancouver's leading high-tech companies.

Founded 12 years ago, Yaletown Technology provides software consultancy in the field of electronic document management to medium and large scale businesses and government.

Kelvin Ng, Director of Operations explains, "We have a specialized product called eCW (e-mail Correspondence Warehouse) that allows automated archiving of email. Issues around accounting practices, such as with Enron Corporation, as well as increased security awareness, have made our product an essential tool for many businesses."

As consultants, Yaletown looks for employees with diverse skill sets. Hiring UCC Computer Systems: Operations and Management diploma student Kevin Carmichael, first as a co-op student, and then as a full-time employee, was a good way to find these diverse skills.

"Students in a diploma program like CSOM typically have a range of backgrounds. They bring more maturity to the job and often have a broader range of skills than students straight out of high school enrolled in a Bachelor of Computer Science degree program," says Ng.

"Kevin specifically was hired because he has his Bachelor of Business Administration degree plus the CSOM diploma. Along with his technical skills, Kevin also has a super personality.

"Our company continues to grow, even during this recent high-tech meltdown so we do keep an eye open with all our Co-op students to see if they're suitable for full-time employment. It is one of the avenues we use for recruiting new employees."



Nancy Plett

## Welcome to the New Alumni Director

The UCC Alumni Association would like to announce the appointment of Nancy Plett as our executive director. Nancy brings to the position 18 years of experience in marketing and communications, event management, fund-raising, and community development for corporate business, non-profit organizations, government, and labour unions. Nancy holds a diploma in arts and science and is a graduate of marketing and communications from Vancouver Community College. She has completed advanced course work at BCIT in writing for media and public relations and in events management.

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