# **President's Report**

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### News

### Barret Lecture on Future of Health Care

**Roy Romanow**, former Premier of Saskatchewan, delivered the 5th Dave Barrett Lecture on Oct. 16. Romanow is best known for producing the Romanow Report while heading up the Royal Commission on the Future of Health Care in Canada. Organized by the School of Social Work and Human Service, the lecture was free to the public.

### Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services

President and Vice-Chancellor **Alan Shaver** and Board of Governor's Vice-Chair **Paul Dagg** appeared before the Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services on Sept. 25 requesting support from the government to fund graduate seats, capital projects, and to restore the university's ability to borrow funds for P3 projects.

### Xi'an Polytechnic University, Shaaxi, China

President **Gao Yang**, **Dean Xue Hong**, School of Science, Director Hu Weihua, International Office of Xi'an Polytechnic University and **Ms. Aimin Li**, New Ark College were on campus on Oct. 2 &3 to discuss a 2+2 Articulation Agreement: Bachelor of Science, Major in Mathematics. A Protocol of Cooperation was signed, agreeing to further explore the programming opportunity.

### President's Lecture Series: Chris Hadfield

Canadian astronaut Chris Hadfield addressed an eager crowd of 1,300 people in the Campus Activity Centre for the President's Lecture on October 4. Sharing stories and perspectives from his time aboard the International Space Station, Hadfield entertained his rapt audience in the Grand Hall and by live feed to guests in the Terrace and the Mountain Room as well as to an additional 30 taking part in Williams Lake. Children and their families were also treated to a special broadcast across town at the Big Little Science Centre. Earlier in the afternoon students from School District #73 and TRU enjoyed a talk, music, and question period with the guitar-toting astronaut at the Alumni Theatre. As Commander of the International Space Station for five months in 2013. Hadfield captured imaginations around the world by sharing his experience through social media.

### ► Fall Convocation

Friends, families, faculty and staff were on hand on October 11 as 250 students were eligible to celebrate the completion of their certificates, diplomas, and degrees at TRU's Fall Convocation ceremony. Many students and families who were not able to attend the ceremony in person tuned in for the live broadcast. A video of the broadcast will be available soon on *livestream.com/livetru* 

▶ Province Funds Additional Health Care Assistant Seats The School of Nursing will offer an additional intake in March 2014 for the Health Care Assistant (HCA) program thanks to funding from the Ministry of Advanced Education of \$252,800 to add a third cohort of 32 students. HCAs are in demand in BC to work in residential care and assisted living facilities.

http://inside.tru.ca/2013/09/24/tru-funded-to-offer-thirdintake-for-heath-care-assistant

### Romanowski Lecture Series Comes to TRU

**Dr. Catherine Potvin** of McGill University, a world leader in the study of global change biology, delivered the Romanowski Lecture on Sept. 26, as the 2013 recipient of the Miroslaw Romanowski Medal. This is the first time the lecture series has stopped at TRU. View Dr. Potvin's presentation, "Halting Deforestation in the Tropics: Once Piece of the Climate Change Mitigation Puzzle" in its entirety on the Newsroom:

http://inside.tru.ca/2013/10/10/romanowski-lecture-seriesdr-catherine-potvin

- Strategic Priorities Advisory Committee Members Announced On August 28, TRU announced a comprehensive process to develop our Strategic Priorities for the next five years. A call for nominations to a new Strategic Priorities Advisory Committee closed September 13, and the appointees were announced on September 26. The committee will oversee the Strategic Priorities consultation process this fall. tru.ca/president/strategicpriorities
- New Wells Gray Research Facility Breaks Ground Renowned painter and naturalist Robert Bateman was on hand October 4 to celebrate the re-launch of TRU's



Canadian astronaut Chris Hadfield delivers the President's Lecture to a capacity crowd.



The Province is funding an extra 32 seats in TRU's Health Care Assistant Program in 2014.



A ground-breaking ceremony Oct. 4 launched construction of a new facility for TRU's Wells Gray Wilderness Research Centre, designed by ARET student Blake St. Peter.

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Wells Gray Wilderness Research Centre and break ground for construction of the new 2,100 square foot facility. The launch was part of TRU's year-long series of events promoting Wells Gray for World Heritage Site status. http://inside.tru.ca/2013/10/09/ground-breaks-onwilderness-and-research-centre

### Pride On Campus

A **rainbow crosswalk** was installed on campus on September 16 through a TRU Students' Union (TRUSU) initiative supporting lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and questioning (LGBTQ) pride. Only the second permanent rainbow crosswalk in the country, it affirms TRU's support of diversity and declares the campus a positive space for the LGBTQ community.

http://inside.tru.ca/2013/09/19/rainbow-crosswalk-signalspositive-spaces

## Achievements

### Undergraduate Research

Eight TRU students received Undergraduate Student Research Awards from the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC) in July. The \$4500 awards will support Katie Bennett, Rolena de Bruyn, Katie DeGroot, Thomas Giroday, Orrie Greaves, Sarah McArthur, Garrett Paluck and Eric Spilker to gain research experience in the fields of natural sciences and engineering with a supervising faculty member.

- ► Ann Cheeptham, Biological Sciences, was interviewed by CBC Radio's Daybreak regarding her research into new sources of antibiotics from cave bacteria. http://inside.tru.ca/2013/09/24/drugdiscovery
- ▶ Jeanette Robertson, Social Work, has received a Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) Café Scientifique Program Grant to explore the role spirituality and spiritual care may play in the health and welfare of healthcare consumers. Café Scientifiques: Spirituality and Healing in Healthcare, which will be facilitated off campus in the spring, will stimulate cross-cultural discussion and awareness amongst the general public and various stakeholders in healthcare.
- ▶ Cynthia Ross Friedman, Biological Sciences, has received a Research Tools and Instruments grant of \$73,173 from the National Sciences and Engineering Research Council (NSERC) to acquire an ultramicrotome. The equipment will further her study of dwarf mistletoe anatomy and reproductive development, by enabling the preparation of thin and ultrathin samples used in light and electron microscopy.
- Duane Seibel, Judicial Affairs, was recognized by Terry Lake, Minister of Health for the Province of British Columbia, for his contributions to disaster recovery efforts in southern

► Lecture on Indigenous Property Ownership TRU and the Tulo Centre of Indigenous Economics presented well-known Peruvian economist Hernando de Soto from the Institute of Liberty and Democracy (ILD) for a free lecture on October 4. The best-selling author shared his research and insights into property rights and economic development. http://inside.tru.ca/2013/09/27/indigenousland-ownership-and-economic-develoment

### President's Reception for Scholarship Students

The 150 top TRU scholarship students at the reception on Sept. 24 in the Culinary Arts Centre included Athletic All Canadians, Natural Science Engineering Research Council (NSERC) and Social Science Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) recipients as well as entrance scholarship winners and Alvin and Lydia Grunert Scholars.

Alberta after the flooding in late June. As part of the British Columbia Disaster Psychosocial Program, which has been recognized for support in BC emergencies, Duane deployed to Alberta on behalf of BC to provide disaster psychosocial services for flood evacuees and responders. Minister Lake thanked Duane for his personal contributions and role in enhancing BC's preparedness for future emergencies that require cross-border support.

► Anne Terwiel, Tourism, was recognized as part of an interuniversity, interdisciplinary snowsport research team based at the University of Canberra, Australia, in the September/ October issue of the University of Canberra National Institute of Sports Studies (UCNISS) newsletter. The newsletter highlighted the team's conference presentations in Argentina and Canada, and publication of three articles, including one co-written by Anne in the Australian Journal of Outdoor Education.

http://us7.campaign-archive1.com/?u=5789865cbdd870670 918433d0&id=dcd02eb8ba&e=3deac01dc9

The School of Trades and Technology won two gold awards at the Canadian Home Builders' Association Central Interior (CHBA CI) 9th annual Keystone Home Builders Awards of Excellence for the 2013 Y Dream Home. TRU won both the Fortis BC Building Energy Efficiency Award and Best Public/ Private Partnership.

http://inside.tru.ca/2013/09/30/gold-for-y-dream-home

Richard Wagamese, TRU Honorary Doctorate (2010), has won the Burt Award for First Nations, Metis and Inuit Literature, a unique literary award that will ensure thousands of Aboriginal youth across Canada have access to culturally-relevant, engaging books. Wagamese received the first prize of \$12,000 for Indian Horse (published by Douglas and McIntyre).





#### From left:

Kitchen from the 2013 Y Dream Home, the Training House for TRU construction trades, electrical and plumbing students in partnership with CHBA CI. (CHBA CI Photo.)

Duane Seibel, Judicial Affairs, was recognized for his contributions to disaster recovery efforts in Alberta.

# **Publications**

### ▶ Presentations

- Marion Hannaford, Admissions and Records Hannaford, Marion. "Pre-requisite Checking: Whatever Happened to Uncomplicated?" Canadian Ellucian Users Group Conference. Vancouver, BC. September 23-25, 2013.
- > Melodie Hull, Nursing Hull, Melodie. Invited speaker, "The Code White Nurse Takes the Lead in Incidents of Aggression and Violence," and "Forensic Psychiatric Nursing: A Distinct Field." Horatio: European Psychiatric Nursing Congress. Istanbul, Turkey. October 31 – November 2, 2013.
- > Cindy James, Student Development

James, C.L. "Testing Data: An invaluable source of information for guiding practice." National College Testing Association (NCTA) Annual Conference. Nashville, TN. July 31 – August 3, 2013.

James, C.L. "Profiling the Emotional Intelligence of Law Students." 4th International Congress on Emotional Intelligence. New York, NY. September 8-10, 2013.

James, C.L. and L. Andres. "Changes in the Emotional Intelligence of First Year University Students." 4th International Congress on Emotional Intelligence. New York, NY. September 8-10, 2013.

James, C.L. and E. Templeman. "Emotional Intelligence and Leadership Effectiveness of University Students." 4th International Congress on Emotional Intelligence. New York, NY. September 8-10, 2013.

> Sylvie Veilleux, Advancement and Anna Machaj, IT Services

Veilleux, Sylvie, and Anna Machaj. "Successful Banner Advancement Implementation at TRU." Canadian Ellucian Users Group Conference. Vancouver, BC. September 23-25, 2013.

President's Scholarship Reception 2013-14.

 Heather Wilsa, Academic Advising, Wendy Krauza and Jim Hu, ESL
Wilsa, Heather, Wendy Krauza and Jim Hu. "Impact of

Service-Learning on ESL Students." Canadian Association of Applied Linguistics Annual Conference. Victoria, BC. June 5, 2013. Paper presentation.

> Eric Youd, Admissions and Enrollment Services Youd, Eric. "Teaching Banner to 'TAP' Dance and 'Finalize' Grades." Canadian Ellucian Users Group Conference. Vancouver, BC. September 23-25, 2013.

### Journals

- > Bruce Baugh, Philosophy, History and Politics Baugh, Bruce. "Jean Hyppolite and French Kierkegaard." Pli: The Warwick Journal of Philosophy. 24 (2013).
- > Michelle Seibel, Nursing

Seibel, Michelle. "For Us or Against Us? Perceptions of Faculty Bullying During Undergraduate Nursing Education Clinical Experiences." *Nurse Education in Practice*. (2013) In press.

### Chapters

> Melodie Hull, Nursing Hull, Melodie. "Anger, Aggression and Violence." Varcarolis's Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing: A Clinical Approach. First Canadian Edition. Margaret Jordan Halter. Eds. Cheryl L. Pollard, Susan L. Ray and Mary Haase. Toronto: Elsevier Canada, 2013.



# **Upcoming Events**

### ▶ Oct. 28

# Career Mentoring Networking 411 Event—Tourism and Culinary Arts

This event will provide the opportunity to meet, network, and discuss careers with industry professionals and TRU Alumni with backgrounds in Tourism and Culinary Arts. *tru.ca/mentoring/events* 

### ▶ Oct. 29

**Career Mentoring Networking 411 Event—Pan Campus** This event will provide the opportunity to meet, network, and discuss careers with industry professionals and TRU Alumni with backgrounds in all programs. *tru.ca/mentoring/events* 

### Oct. 31 - Nov. 1

# OERu International Partners Meeting, Presentation & Launch

TRU hosts the second meeting and launch of Open Educational Resource University (OERu). Keynote Sir John Daniel will also give a public presentation titled "Open Educational Resources and MOOCs in a Time of Economic Crisis".

### Nov. 7 & 21

### **Science Seminar Series**

Warren Hare of UBC-O presents "Using Optimization to Mitigate Earthquake Damage" Nov. 7. Fourth-year Physics student Natascha Hedrich presents "Summer research internship in Switzerland at the CERN's Large Hadron Collider" Nov. 21.

tru.ca/science/happening/seminars

### Nov. 7 & 14

Environmental Sciences Seminar Series with Dr. Miranda Hart on Nov. 7 and Dr. David Hill on Nov. 14. *tru.ca/science/programs/msces/mscseminar* 

### Nov. 7, 13 & 20

### SoBE's Business Kickstart 101 Series—Career Path Information Sessions

Learn more about the business world from a working professional. Nov. 7 features one or more representatives from BC Lottery Corporation, Nov. 13 from Valley First (credit union), and Nov. 20 from NRI Distribution. *tru.ca/business/news/kickstart/careerinfo* 

Learn more about the other components making up the Business Kickstart 101 Series: *tru.ca/business/news/kickstart* 

### Nov. 8, 18, 19 & 25

**Study Abroad Information Sessions** Learn more about Study Abroad: *truworld.ca/exchange* 

### Nov. 8

**Campuswide Remembrance Day ceremony** http://events.tru.ca/event/2013/remembranceday-ceremony

### Nov. 11

### **Remembrance Day—Campus closed** http://events.tru.ca/event/2013/tru-closed-

remembrance-day

### Nov. 14

### Live at TRU! Series presents Josh Hyslop

Josh Hyslop is a modern folk musician, an amalgam of influence in the classically romantic tradition of Damien Rice, Ryan Adams, Iron and Wine, and Sufjan Stevens. http://inside.tru.ca/2013/08/02/2013-14-live-at-truseries-announced

### Nov. 14

**Career Mentoring Networking 411 Event—Business** This Business Career Mentoring Networking 411 event will provide the opportunity to meet, network, and discuss careers with industry professionals and TRU Alumni with backgrounds in Business Administration, and Management. *tru.ca/mentoring/events* 

### Nov. 14 & 28

Arts Colloquium Series presents Monica Sanchez of Sociology on Nov. 14 and Ginny Ratsoy of English and Modern Languages on Nov. 28. *tru.ca/arts/happening* 

### Nov. 14-16, Nov. 21-23

Actors Workshop Theatre—Enemy of the People Written by Henrik Ibsen and directed by TRU faculty member Wesley Eccleston. When Dr. Stockmann learns that the famous and financially successful baths in her hometown are contaminated, she insists they be shut down for expensive repairs. Ridiculed and persecuted by the townsfolk for her honesty, she is declared "an enemy of the people".

http://inside.tru.ca/2013/10/07/actors-workshop-theatre-2013-14-season

### Nov. 20

### Career Mentoring Networking 411 Event— Adventure Tourism

This event will provide the opportunity to meet, network, and discuss careers with industry professionals and TRU Alumni with backgrounds in Adventure Tourism. *tru.ca/mentoring/events* 

### Nov. 21

### **Science Information Night**

This is an opportunity for Grade 11 and 12 high school students from School District 73 to learn more about the Science offerings at TRU by hearing short presentations from faculty, departments, and current students. http://events.tru.ca/event/2013/science-information-night

### Nov. 25

**Regular meeting of Senate** *tru.ca/senate/meeting\_schedule* 

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