## THOMPSON RIVERS UNIVERSITY

# **President's Report**

## News

#### **▶** Fall Convocation

Photojournalist, mountaineer and environmentalist **Pat Morrow** will receive an honorary doctorate from TRU and deliver an address to graduates when the Fall 2014 Convocation ceremony convenes on Oct. 10 in the TRU Gymnasium.

http://events.tru.ca/event/2014/fall-convocation-0

## ► Aboriginal Research Forum

Research and Graduate Studies in partnership with the Secwepemc Health Caucus hosted the Interior Nations Research Forum Sept. 12-13 at TRU. The forum aimed to improve relationships among the Interior Nations with academics and universities in relation to Indigenous research, and began shaping the Interior Nation's Research Agenda with a focus on wellness components. http://inside.tru.ca/2014/09/11/forum-brings-54-chiefs-together-to-shape-wellness-research/

## ► New Dean for Faculty of Law

**Bradford Morse**, a Canadian leader in social justice and Indigenous law issues, was named dean for the Faculty of Law on June 19. Dean Morse joins the faculty this fall. http://inside.tru.ca/2014/06/19/new-dean-named-to-tru-faculty-of-law/

## ► TRU's Economic Impact

TRU's latest economic and social impact study, released at a luncheon on June 10, estimates the 1,400 full-time equivalent staff positions spin-off into 2,110 jobs locally, and nearly 3,202 jobs province-wide.

http://inside.tru.ca/2014/06/10/tru-measures-its-economic-and-social-impacts-to-province-and-region/

## ► Trades Funding for LNG Industry

The provincial government announced funding for 52 trades training seats in occupations key to the liquified natural gas industry on July 31.

http://inside.tru.ca/2014/07/31/money-for-trades-key-to-Ing-industry/

## **▶** JD Program Nationally Accredited

The Faculty of Law juris doctor program has been approved by the National Approval Committee on Accreditation. The approval on June 5 comes ahead of the 2015 deadline for other Canadian law schools.

http://inside.tru.ca/2014/06/05/tru-law-degree-accredited-by-federation-of-law-societies-in-canada/

## ► New Leader for CSELI

**Dr. Tracy Penny Light** joined TRU as the new executive director for the Centre for Student Engagement and Learning Innovation (CSELI) on Sept. 1.

http://inside.tru.ca/2014/09/08/executive-director-named-for-centre-at-the-heart-of-it-all/

## **▶** Sustainability Town Hall

The department of Environmental Sustainability held a town hall June 19 to collect input for its new Campus Sustainability Action Plan.

http://inside.tru.ca/2014/06/04/town-hall-campus-sustainability-action-plan-2/

## ▶ Live at TRU! Begins 40th Season

The Live at TRU! series kicked off its 2014/2015 season with the music of Alpha Yaya Diallo.

http://inside.tru.ca/2014/09/04/live-at-tru-series-2014-15/



New Dean for Faculty of Law Bradford Morse



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## **News** continued

## **▶** Students Welcomed Back to Campus

The 27th annual Back to School BBQ on Sept. 5 capped two weeks of events and activities welcoming students back to campus, with a resource fair, free food and live music. New student orientation events promoted personal and academic success, including TRU Discover on Sept. 2, a welcome for new international students on Aug. 29, and *Sekúsen't* activities for new Aboriginal students Aug. 29 and Sept. 1. The Faculty of Law also introduced a new cohort with a mix-and-mingle reception on Sept. 2.

## **▶** China Convocations

President Shaver and others from TRU attended convocations in China for students in Bachelor of Business Administration joint degree programs: 67 students graduated at Shanghai Institute of Technology (SIT) on June 25, and 250 students graduated at Tianjin University of Technology (TUT) June 27. While in China, Dr. Shaver also attended the opening of the TRU/Xian Polytechnic University joint research centre in mathematics on June 30, and met with Canada's Ambassador to China, Mr. Guy Saint-Jacques on July 2.

## **►** Tourism Educators Conference

Hosted by TRU June 4-6, the Tourism Educators Conference focused on what happens inside the classroom through pedagogy, innovative teaching practices, and the psycho-demographics of students.

http://www.tru.ca/tec2014.html

## ► Faculty of Law Opening and First Graduating Class

Spring Convocation June 11-14 concluded with the graduation of the first class of the Faculty of Law. The Class of 2014 also took part in the official opening of Law's new space in Old Main on June 13.

http://inside.tru.ca/2014/06/05/main-attraction/

#### ► Territorial Marker Installed

A First Nations territorial marker was installed in Old Main, recognizing the deep relationship between the Secwepemc people and the traditional lands on which TRU resides.

http://inside.tru.ca/2014/06/19/territorial-marker-installed/

## **▶** Theatre for Homelessness

No Straight Lines, a research and performance collaboration by TRU faculty and a variety of community organizations to help end homelessness, presented Home/Less/Mess Aug. 13-16, a play co-written and performed by people at risk of or formerly homeless in the Kamloops community. http://research.inside.tru.ca/2014/09/04/homelessmess-asuccess-on-all-fronts/

#### **▶** Business of Education Dinner

**Baihua Chadwick**, AVP International, joined senior leaders from education institutions across BC at the Canada-India Education Council's Business of Education event in Vancouver June 6. The event examined the confluence of business with education, and provided more information on BC's new Education Quality Assurance (EQA) standards as they apply to international students.

## ► Clean Air Campaign

An updated Smoking/Tobacco Policy announced Sept. 3 will lead to a safer and healthier learning and working environment. Smoking is now limited to nine designated smoking areas on campus.

http://inside.tru.ca/2014/09/15/making-clean-air-a-priority/

## ► Canada Council Funds Camera Obscura

The SSHRC-Funded "Camera Obscura" project by **Don Lawrence**, Visual Arts, has been awarded a \$13,700 grant from the Canada Council for the Arts. The funds will go toward Dawson City's Klondike Institute of Art and Culture, the project's lead community partner, to support research activities. Planning is underway for next year's Midnight Sun Camera Obscura Festival in Dawson City.

## **▶** Soccer Joins Canadian Interuniversity Sport

On Sept. 12 the WolfPack women's and men's soccer teams played their first home games in their first season in the CIS league, Canada's highest level of varsity athletics.



The Faculty of Law celebrated its first graduating class and the official opening of its new space June 13 & 14.



Secwepemc artists created the new First Nations territorial marker in Old Main.



WolfPack soccer teams joined CIS, Canada's top league in varsity athletics.

## **Achievements**

- ▶ Roger H. Barnsley, founding president of TRU, was recognized with the Order of British Columbia for his work as an educator. The investiture ceremony for 2014 recipients will be held in Victoria on Nov. 6.
- ➤ Shari Caputo, Nursing, received the Dr. Margaret Allemang Scholarship from the Canadian Association of History of Nursing for "A Social History Study on Licensed Practical Nurse Development in Western Canada."
- ▶ Naowarat (Ann) Cheeptham, Biological Sciences, was interviewed in July by CBC television's *The Nature of Things* about her research on cave bacteria as sources for new antibiotics. The program will air in February 2015. Ann has received an invitation to give two talks on cave microbiology to graduate students at her alma mater, Hokkaido University in Sapporo, Japan, in October.
- ➤ Karen Densky, ESL, received the 2014 Nan Poliakoff Memorial Award from the BC Association of Teachers of English as an Additional Language (BC TEAL) for service to the profession and involvement in disseminating research related to teacher education.
- ▶ Avninder Gill, Management, was awarded Best Paper in the Management Science division of the Administrative Sciences Association of Canada (ASAC) 2014 Conference.
- ➤ A 2011 book edited by Judy Harris, Mignonne Breier and Christine Wihak of Open Learning's Prior Learning International Research Centre, called Researching the Recognition of Prior Learning: International Perspectives, has been translated into Chinese and published by the Open University of Shanghai.
- ▶ Rosalie Hilde, Business, won the "Best Dissertation" award for her doctorate in Business Administration at the Academy of Management, and received the "Highest GPA in Class" award from Athabasca University.



**The Nature of Things** was on campus to film Naorwarat (Ann) Cheeptham in her lab for a February 2015 episode.

- ▶ Wendy Hulko, Social Work, was awarded a certificate of reviewing excellence by Elsevier and the Journal of Aging Studies in June. She was also selected to be a consulting editor for Affilia: Journal of Women & Social Work.
- ▶ Rajiv Jhangiani, Psychology, was selected by BCcampus as one of three Faculty Fellows with the BC Open Textbook Project.
- ▶ The Honourable Terry Lake, Minister of Health, (on leave from Animal Health Technology), was recognized with a University of Saskatchewan Alumni Association Achievement Award for his dedicated public service and community leadership.
- ▶ Jodi Lundgren, Journalism, Communication, and New Media, received an honorable mention in *Geist Magazine*'s 10th annual Literal Literary Postcard Story Contest, for "Pomegranate".
- ▶ **Penny MacCourt**, Social Work and Human Service, received the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal for her national work with caregivers.
- ➤ **Colin Madland**, E-learning Facilitator, OL, has been given an award from Athabasca University's Tim Byrne Memorial Scholarship Fund, recognizing academic excellence and an outstanding project/thesis in the Master of Distance Education Program.
- ▶ The Honourable Leonard Marchand, who received an honorary degree from TRU in 1999, was recognized with the Order of British Columbia as a parliamentarian and advocate for justice for First Nations. The investiture ceremony for 2014 recipients will be held in Victoria on Nov. 6.
- ▶ TRU Honourary Doctorate Captain Charles Moore was given the 2014 Peter Benchley Hero of the Seas Award at the 7th Annual California Academy of Sciences Blue Frontier Award dinner in San Francisco.
- ▶ Charles Mossop, TRU World (retired), was recognized with an International Education Lifetime Achievement Award from the BC Council for International Education (BCCIE) in June for his contributions to the development of TRU World, spanning 30 years.
- ▶ Matthew Reudink (Biological Sciences) and Mark Paetkau (Physical Sciences) will visit the Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences (SLU) for a week this fall through the Broderna Edlunds Donationsfond to establish a research and teaching partnership. They will apply the radio frequency identification (RFID) technology they have been developing for bluebirds to Swedish songbirds. Adriaan de Jong of SLU's Wildlife, Fish and Environmental Studies department cited TRU's "level of cross-discipline cooperation" as a model for development in his application for the funding to bring Matthew and Mark to Sweden.
- ▶ Duane Seibel, Student and Judicial Affairs has been seconded to the role of Acting Executive Director of the Canadian Mental Health Association in Kamloops for a six-month interim position starting Sept. 8. Marge Huntley takes on the leadership role in his absence.

## Achievements continued

- ▶ Kate Strangway (BSc 2014) received the Undergraduate Student Regional Award from the Canadian Botanical Association for her presentation of her UREAP research findings at TRU's Undergraduate Research and Innovation Conference in March.
- ▶ Laurel Wale, VP Administration and Finance Office, has obtained an Information Access and Protection of Privacy Certificate from the University of Alberta, obtained her Associate Access and Privacy Professional (AAPP) credential through the Privacy and Access Council of Canada, and is CIAPP certified as an Access and Privacy Professional through the Canadian Institute of Access and Privacy Professionals.

## **CREDENTIALS EARNED**

Congratulations to TRU faculty and Staff who received their master's or PhD in the past two years. If you know someone who has achieved theirs please email the name of the recipient, title of degree and institution to president@tru.ca.

- ▶ **Ruby Dhand**, Law: PhD in Law, Osgoode Hall, York University.
- ► Laura Doan, Early Childhood Education: Doctor of Education, Leadership in the Post-Secondary Setting, University of Calgary.
- ► **Colin Madland**, Open Learning: MEd, Distance Education, Athabasca University.

## **Publications**

#### **PRESENTATIONS**

► Kelvin Booth, Philosophy Booth, Kelvin. "Royce, Reinhabitation, and the Wild." 41st Annual Meeting of the Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy. Denver, CO. March 6-8, 2014.

► Adrian Conradi, TRU World

Conradi, Adrian. "Support for International Students on a Path to Permanence." Plenary address, National Metropolis Conference, Citizenship and Immigration Canada. Gatineau, QC. March 13, 2014.

► Tesh Dagne, Law

Dagne, Tesh W. "From the Public Domain to Proprietary Protection of Traditional Knowledge." Second Thematic Conference on Knowledge Commons, NYU School of Law. New York, NY. Sept. 4-6, 2014.

▶ Karen Densky, ESL

Densky, Karen. "Feeding it Forward: Revitalizing and Renewing the Teacher Observation Process." TESOL Annual Convention. Portland, OR. March, 2014.

▶ Laura Doan, Early Childhood Education Doan, Laura. "The Early Years: Beginning Early Childhood Educators Induction Experiences and Needs in British Columbia." Doctoral Defense, University of Calgary. Calgary, AB. June 5, 2014.

Doan, Laura. "The Early Years: Beginning Early Childhood Educators Induction Experiences and Needs in British Columbia." 2014 Canadian Society for the Study of Education. St. Catharines, ON. May 28, 2014.

Doan, Laura. "The Early Years: Beginning Early Childhood Educators Induction Experiences and Needs in British Columbia." 2014 Language, Culture, and Community Research Institute. Kamloops, BC. July 5, 2014. ► Kathy Gaynor and Elizabeth Rennie, Library Gaynor, K. & Rennie, E. "Dropping a Few Balls: Juggling for Relevancy." 2014 American Library Association Annual Conference. Las Vegas, NV. June 26-July 1, 2014.

Gaynor, K. & Rennie, E. (2014, May). "Beyond the Walls: Meeting Library Learners Outside of Traditional Spaces." Canadian Network for Innovation in Education Conference. Kamloops, BC. May 13-16, 2014.

## ► Rod McCormick, Education

McCormick, Rod. "Dying to Belong? Understanding Aboriginal Suicide." 75th Annual Canadian Psychological Association Convention. Vancouver, BC. June 5-7, 2014.

McCormick, Rod. Keynote Address. "Fostering Compassion", BC Ministry of Child and Family Development Conference. Kamloops, BC. May-28, 2014.

McCormick, Rod. "Truth and Re-conceal-iation: What Happened to the Healing?" Keynote. Indigenizing Psychology: Education and Healing Symposium, Fourth Annual OISE Indigenous Education Network Mental Health Conference. Yellowknife, NWT. May 22-23, 2014.

► Elizabeth Rennie, Library, Nancy Flood, Biological Sciences, and Heidi Verwey, Theatre

Rennie, Elizabeth, Nancy Flood and Heidi Verwey. "Undergraduate Conference Culture: Creating Places for the Exchange of Ideas." Canadian Network for Innovation in Education Conference. Kamloops, BC. May 13-16, 2014.

► Elizabeth Rennie, Library and Ginny Ratsoy, English and Modern Languages

Rennie, Elizabeth and Ginny Ratsoy. "A Snapshot of Undergraduate Research at Thompson Rivers University." 10th Annual Learning Conference. University of British Columbia-Okanagan, Kelowna, BC. May 7-8, 2014.

## Publications continued

## ► Kathie Ross, Accounting

Ross, Kathie. "The Interaction of Continuing Professional Development Experiences and Identity: Women Professional Accountants in Canada." Emerging Scholars Colloquium, Critical Perspectives on Accounting (CPA) Conference. Toronto, ON. July 6, 2014.

Ross, Kathie. "Using an Oral History Method in Accounting Research." Dialogue and Debates in Qualitative Research, Northern Advanced Research Training Initiative Doctoral Conference. Keele, Staffordshire, UK. June 10, 2014.

#### **JOURNALS**

## ► Tesh Dagne, Law

Dagne, Tesh W. "The Identity of Geographical Indications and their Relation to Traditional Knowledge in Intellectual Property Law." World Intellectual Property Organization Journal. 5:2 (2014).

## ► Wendy Hulko, Social Work

Hulko, Wendy, Jessica Kent and Danielle Wilson. "A Good Day for Grandma (*Kyé7e*) and Me." *Spirit Magazine*. Winter (2014): 19-20.

Purves, B., A. Phinney, W. Hulko, G. Puurveen & A. Astell. "Developing CIRCA-BC and Exploring the Role of the Computer as a Third Participant in Conversation." *American Journal of Alzheimer's Disease & Other Dementias*. (2014): 1-7. Web.

## ► Laura Kreissl, Accounting and Finance

Kreissl, Laura Jean and Darlene Pulliam. "Home Builder Properly Reported Income Under Completed Contract Method." Journal of Accountancy. 217.6 (2014): 70-71.

## **▶ Jackie Stokes**, Social Work

Stokes, Jackie and Julie Taylor. "Does Type of Harm Matter? A Factorial Survey Examining the Influence of Child Neglect on Child Protection Decision-making." *Child Care in Practice*. 20.4 (2014): n. pag. Web.

## **CHAPTERS**

## ► Wendy Hulko, Social Work

Hulko, Wendy. "Digging Up the Roots: Nature and Dementia for First Nation Elders." *Creating Culturally Appropriate Outside Spaces and Experiences for People with Dementia*. Ed. Mary Marshall and Jane Gilliard. London: Jessica Kingsley, 2014. 96-104.

Hulko, Wendy. "Operationalizing Intersectionality in Feminist Social Work Research: Reflections and Techniques from Research with Equity-seeking Groups." Feminisms in Social Work Research: Promise and Possibilities for Justice-Based Knowledge. Ed. Stéphanie Wahab, Ben Anderson-Nathe, and Christina Gringeri. London: Routledge Press, 2014. 69-89.

## ► Rod McCormick, Education

McCormick, Rod, Sharon Thira, Marla Arvay, and Sophia Rinaldis. "The Facilitation of Healing for Indigenous Youth Who Are Suicidal: A Retrospective Exploratory Study." Routledge International Handbook of Clinical Suicide Research. Ed. John R. Cutcliffe, José Santos, Paul S. Links, Juveria Zaheer, Henry G. Harder, Frank Campbell, Rod McCormick, Kari Harder, Yvonne Bergmans, and Rahel Eynan. New York: Routledge, 2014. 351-363.

## ► Rod McCormick, Elder Mike Arnouse,

and Patrick Walton, Education

McCormick, Rod, Mike Arnouse, and Patrick Walton. "Aboriginal Men: Reclaiming Our Place." *Journey to Healing: Aboriginal People with Addiction and Mental Health Issues.* Ed. Peter Menzies and Lynn F. Lavallée. Toronto: Centre for Addiction and Mental Health, 2014. 147-160.

## ▶ **Don Noakes**, Mathematics and Statistics

Noakes, D. J. "Overview of Cage Culture and its Importance in the 21st Century." *Diseases and Disorders of Finfish in Cage Culture.* Ed. Patrick T.K. Woo and David Bruno. 2nd ed. Wallingford, UK: CABI. 2014. 1 – 14.

## **BOOKS**

## ► Rod McCormick, Education

Cutcliffe, John R., José Santos, Paul S. Links, Juveria Zaheer, Henry G. Harder, Frank Campbell, Rod McCormick, Kari Harder, Yvonne Bergmans, and Rahel Eynan, eds. *Routledge International Handbook of Clinical Suicide Research*. New York: Routledge, 2014.



## **Upcoming Events**

## ➤ Sept. 25

## **Athletic Scholarship Breakfast**

Kamloops-born National Basketball Association player Kelly Olynyk (Boston Celtics) delivers the keynote address at the WolfPack's fundraising event.

http://events.tru.ca/event/2014/kelly-olynyk-boston-celtics

## ➤ Sept. 25

## **Science Seminar Series: Lee Bergstrand**

BSc student Lee Bergstrand presents "Software Engineering in the Life Sciences: Developing Bioinformatic Tools for Mapping the Distribution of Homologous Gene Clusters across Multiple Bacterial Genomes."

http://events.tru.ca/event/2014/science-seminar-series

## ➤ Sept. 26

## The Tsilhqot'in Land Title Decision: A Landmark Case

The TRUFA Human Rights Committee and the Shuswap Nation Tribal Council present an information session and guest panel with Chief Joseph Alphonse of the Tsilhqot'in Nation, Chief Wayne Christian (Splatsín), Chief Ron Ignace (Skeetchestn) and law faculty member Nicole Schabus.

http://events.tru.ca/event/2014/tsilhqot%E2%80%99-land-title-decision-landmark-case

## Oct. 9-11, 16-18

#### Live Theatre: Patience

Actors Workshop Theatre kicks off its 2014-15 season with a production of Jason Sherman's *Patience*, directed by Wesley Eccleston.

http://events.tru.ca/event/2014/live-theatre-patience

## ▶ Oct. 10

## **Fall Convocation**

Celebrate with students their successful graduation from a range of programs.

http://events.tru.ca/event/2014/fall-convocation-0

## ▶ Oct. 13

## **Thanksgiving**

Campus closed for the Thanksgiving statutory holiday. http://events.tru.ca/event/2014/tru-campus-closed-thanksgiving

#### ▶ Oct. 15

## **Alumni Entrepreneur Panel**

Featuring grads from a variety of industries who are working for themselves.

http://events.tru.ca/event/2014/alumni-entrepreneur-panel

## ▶ Oct. 16

## Live at TRU! Series: Servantes

Latin-flamenco-jazz guitar player Servantes plays at the Alumni Theatre.

http://events.tru.ca/event/2014/live-tru-servantes

## ▶ Oct. 24

## **Fall Open House**

Open House is an opportunity for prospective students, parents, and the general public to learn more about TRU and what it has to offer.

http://events.tru.ca/event/2014/fall-open-house

## ▶ Oct. 25

## **Volleyball Alumni and Friends Event**

This alumni event is an opportunity to network and reconnect.

http://events.tru.ca/event/2014/volleyball-alumni-friends-event

#### ▶ Oct. 29

## **Tourism Alumni and Friends Event**

This alumni event is an opportunity to network and reconnect.

http://events.tru.ca/event/2014/tourism-alumni-friends-event

## ▶ Oct. 30

## Science Seminar Series: Dr. Jeff F. Dunn

http://events.tru.ca/event/2014/science-seminar-series-0