

President's Report

News

► TD Funds Aboriginal Mentor Program

TD Bank Group has generously committed \$350,000 to support students in TRU's Aboriginal Mentor Program. Announced Oct. 7, TD's gift will create an endowment allocated over five years for ongoing awards for student mentors. This year's senior student mentor, **Jolene Michel**, was awarded \$5,000 and first-year student **Anastazia Munroe** received \$2,000.

<http://inside.tru.ca/2014/10/07/td-gift-students-in-aboriginal-mentor-program/>

► Researcher Joins College of New Scholars, Artists and Scientists

Cynthia Ross Friedman, Biological Sciences, was named to the College of New Scholars, Artist and Scientists by the Royal Society of Canada Sept. 16. Nominated by 51 Canadian universities and the National Research Council, the 91 inaugural members represent the emerging generation of scholarly, scientific and artistic leadership in Canada.

<http://inside.tru.ca/2014/09/18/royal-society-names-ross-friedman-to-inaugural-group/>

► Cabinet Ministers Tour Y Dream Home

The Honourable Ministers Amrik Virk, Advanced Education, John Rustad, Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation, and Don McRae, Social Development and Social Innovation toured the School of Trades and Technology's 2015 Y Dream Home training house on Sept 17. The ministers met students from Carpentry Foundation and the Women in Trades Training (WITT) program.

<http://inside.tru.ca/2014/10/15/trades-students-mix-with-cabinet-ministers/>



TD supports the Aboriginal Mentorship Program with a gift of \$350,000.

► Discovery Grants Awarded

Five TRU researchers will receive funding from the Natural Sciences and Engineering Council of Canada (NSERC) this year, making it the most successful Discovery Grant competition in TRU history. Funded for the next five years, these researchers will bring more than \$540,000 in new federal research dollars to the university:

> **Richard Brewster**, Mathematics and Statistics

> **Louis Gosselin**, Biological Sciences

> **David Hill**, Geography

> **Jonathan Van Hamme**, Biological Sciences

> **Qinglin (Roger) Yu**, Mathematics and Statistics

<http://inside.tru.ca/2014/09/25/5-faculty-awarded-anserc-discovery-grants/>

► Possible Use of Stuart Wood School

TRU and the City of Kamloops signed a Memorandum of Exploration (MOE) on Oct. 3 regarding possible future use of Stuart Wood Elementary School by TRU. An advisory committee has been formed to support the exploration process and consultations will involve students, faculty and staff.

<http://inside.tru.ca/2014/10/03/tru-may-use-elementary-school/>

► Athletics Scholarship Breakfast

A fundraising breakfast for TRU WolfPack student athletes on Sept. 25, featuring an address by Boston Celtics basketball player Kelly Olynyk, raised \$120,000 for athletics scholarships. A reception for Kamloops-born Olynyk was held Sept 24.

<http://inside.tru.ca/2014/07/28/talk-boston-celtics-player-kelly-olynyk/>



John Rustad, Minister of Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation, speaks with trades student Shavonne Mountain at the Y Dream Home site.

► Unveiling of Neave Wetland

Longtime TRU supporters **Roland** and **Anne Neave** donated a 160-acre parcel of land near Wells Gray Park and the TRU Wells Gray Wilderness Centre to his alma mater. A diverse and sensitive ecosystem, the Neave Family Wetland will expand the existing wilderness research area to benefit students from many different disciplines.

<http://inside.tru.ca/2014/09/29/alumnus-makes-160-acre-wetlands-property-donation/>

► New Executive Director, Aboriginal Education

TRU announced the appointment of **Paul Michel** as Executive Director of Aboriginal Education on Oct. 14, taking over from **Nathan Matthew** effective Dec. 1. From Hust'alen (Adams Lake) First Nation, Michel comes to TRU from UNBC where he was the First Nations Director and adjunct professor in First Nations studies.

<http://inside.tru.ca/2014/10/14/paul-michel-to-head-aboriginal-education/>



► Signing of Protocol of Cooperation with Seoul National University of Education

TRU signed a memorandum of understanding (MOU) with Seoul National University of Education on Oct. 6, to explore cooperation in the areas of academic partnerships, faculty exchange, joint research, short-term intensive study programs, and visiting student programs.

<http://inside.tru.ca/2014/10/15/exploring-ops-with-seoul-nue/>

► Pride Parade 2014

Students, faculty, staff and community members celebrated LGBTQ diversity on campus and in Kamloops at the third annual Pride Parade Sept. 26, organized by the TRU Students' Union Pride Collective. The parade moved this year from April to September. See more photos on TRU's Flickr photostream.

<http://www.flickr.com/photos/thompsonrivers>



TRU's third annual Pride Parade marched across campus Sept. 26.

► President's Reception for Scholarship Students

The annual President's Reception on Oct. 1 was an opportunity for about 50 TRU scholarship students (including SSHRC, NSERC and CIHR recipients, entrance scholarship winners, Undergraduate Research Experience Award Program students, Alvin and Lydia Grunert Scholars, and athlete-scholars) to talk with the President and each other about their TRU experience. Psychology major **Lisa Hodgson** and graduate student **Erika Dufort-Lefrancois** addressed the group.

► Virtual Trades Instruction

The **School of Trades and Technology** is using a state-of-the-art Virtual Classroom Training System (VCTS) to train a group of Haisla First Nations construction students at a liquefied natural gas site in Kitimat. The VCTS is an initiative by Christian Labour Association of Canada (CLAC) and construction contractor Ledcor, using a combination of video meeting software to deliver instruction in short blocks of time, tailored to fit work schedules. <http://inside.tru.ca/2014/09/30/virtual-trades-instruction-to-remote-areas/>

► TRUly United

TRU's United Way Campaign and the I Give Internal Campaign have combined forces into one: the TRUly United Campaign. The fall campaign launched Oct. 20 and runs until Oct. 31. The goal is \$150,000 for the combined causes of the United Way and the TRU Foundation.

► New Staff Orientation Event

On Oct. 8, 45 new staff members attended orientation. The full-day session included opening remarks from Alan Shaver and presentations on topics such as TRU policies, governance structure, marketing and communications, safety and emergency management, health and wellness benefits, payroll and on campus food offerings. Lunch was provided and included enough time to send everyone off on a TRU historical fact find.



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► **Microbes aRt Us**

At the TRU Art Gallery from Oct 2 to 17, “Microbes aRt Us” featured collaborations between TRU microbiology researchers and artists, many of them Aboriginal students. The show expanded on the “Cave Microorganisms and Drug Discovery” exhibit at the Kamloops Art Gallery this spring with more work by students and faculty.

► **Fall Convocation**

TRU celebrated with approximately 250 graduates at the Fall 2014 convocation ceremony on Oct. 10. **Pat Morrow** received an honorary degree and the following retiring faculty were recognized with the Emeritus/Emerita designation:

- > **Robert Androkovich**, Professor Emeritus
- > **Jack Miller**, Professor Emeritus
- > **Jeanette Murray**, Educator Emerita
- > **Zéna Seldon**, Professor Emerita
- > **Cheryl Zawaduk**, Professor Emerita

► **Made-From-Scratch Food Options**

Culinary Arts is offering fresh new eat-in, take-out and take home dining options for students, faculty, staff and the public. The all new Scratch Market, a deli/bakery which opened on Sept. 30 in the Retail Meat Store, and the Culinary Arts cafeteria and Accolades, rebranded as Scratch Café and Scratch Dining, provide made-from-scratch dishes prepared by Culinary Arts students.

<http://inside.tru.ca/2014/10/01/more-made-from-scratch-food-options/>

► **Lunch with the President**

The semester's first Lunch with the President for Faculty and Staff was held on Sept. 22. Watch for invitations for more opportunities for faculty and staff, as well as Lunch with the President for Students.



Retiring faculty Jeanette Murray, Zéna Seldon, Cheryl Zawaduk, Jack Miller and Robert Androkovich were recognized with Emeritus designations at Convocation.

Achievements

- **Sheila Blackstock**, Nursing, received the Isobel Second Graduate Scholarship from the University of Alberta. The scholarship is awarded annually to two students entering PhD programs in Nursing, based on academic and scholarly achievement and the quality of published scholarly work.
- **Ross Cloutier**, Adventure Studies, received the Charles (Reb) Gregg award for exceptional leadership, service, and innovation in wilderness risk management at the National Outdoor Leadership School's 21st Wilderness Risk Management Conference in Atlanta, Georgia on Oct. 1.
- **Warveni Jap**, Marketing and International Business, has been invited by T & S Journal Publications in Adelaide, Australia to become an honorary member of the Advisory Team for their conference on business in July 2015.
- **Tanya Little**, Nursing, received a University of Victoria Graduate award recognizing superior academic and scholarly achievement in doctoral studies
- Tourism student **Pete Schmalz** and teammate Mickey Henry won "Amazing Race Canada" Season 2 on Sept. 21. The pair will split \$250,000 in prize money and each receives free flights on Air Canada for a year, a Chevrolet truck, and free gas for life from Petro-Canada.
- The **School of Trades and Technology** won best Public/Private Partnership at the Canadian Home Builders Association Central Interior's 10th annual Keystone Home Builders Awards, for the 2014 Y Dream Home.
- **Mark Zuehlke** (Communications Media Certificate '74), received the prestigious 2014 Pierre Berton Award from Canada's National History Society for bringing Canadian history to a wider audience with his best-selling *Canadian Battle Series*. The award and \$5,000 prize will be presented by His Excellency the Right Honourable David Johnston, Governor General of Canada on Nov. 3 in Ottawa at Rideau Hall.

CREDENTIALS EARNED

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

- **Daphne Jeyapal**, Social Work: PhD in Social Work, University of Toronto.

Publications

PRESENTATIONS

- **Gary Hunt**, Centre for Teaching and Learning and **Ginny Ratsoy**, English and Modern Languages
Hunt, Gary, and Ginny Ratsoy. "Experiential Learning and Faculty Engagement." Society for Teaching and Learning in Higher Education Conference. Kingston, ON. June 18, 2014.
- **Ginny Ratsoy**, English and Modern Languages
Ratsoy, Ginny. "Heterogeneous Third-Age Learning: Transformation within and beyond the University." Society for Teaching and Learning in Higher Education Conference. Kingston, ON. June 18, 2014.
- **Muhammad Mohiuddin**, Marketing, International Business and Entrepreneurship
Mohiuddin, M. & Z. Su. "Global Value Chain and Competitiveness of Canadian Manufacturing SMEs." *Academy of Taiwan Business Management Review*. 10:2 (2014). 82-92.
Mohiuddin, M., M-H. Regniere, A. Su, and Z. Su. "The Special Economic Zone as a Locomotive for Green Development in China." *Asian Social Science*. 10:18 (2014). 109-121.
- **Cheryl Zawaduk**, Professor Emerita and **Susan Duncan** and **Star Mahara**, Nursing
Zawaduk, C., S. Duncan, S. Mahara, B. Tate, D. Callaghan, D. McCullough, M. Chapman and J. Van Neste-Kenny. "Mission Possible: Twenty-five Years of University and College Collaboration in Baccalaureate Nursing Education". *Journal of Nursing Education*. 53:10 (2014). 580-588.

JOURNALS

- **Raymond Cox**, Finance
Cox, Raymond A. K. and Grace W.-Y. Wang. "Predicting the US Bank Failure: A Discriminant Analysis." *Economic Analysis and Policy*. 44:2 (2014). 202-211.
- **Murat Erogul**, Marketing, International Business and Entrepreneurship
Erogul, M.S. & C. Van Horne. "Entrepreneurial Innovation and Policy Implications in the United Arab Emirates." *Journal of Enterprising Culture*. 22:2 (2014). 185-208.
Erogul, M.S. "Entrepreneurial Activity and Attitude in the United Arab Emirates." *Innovation: Management, Policy and Practice*. 16:2 (2014). 196-212.
- **John Belshaw**, History, OL
Belshaw, John, ed. *Vancouver Confidential*. Vancouver: Anvil Press, 2014.
- **Tesh Dagne**, Law
Dagne, Teshager W. *Intellectual Property and Traditional Knowledge in the Global Economy: Translating Geographical Indications for Development*. New York: Routledge, 2014. Web.

Upcoming Events

- ▶ **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://www.tru.ca/openhouse.html>
- ▶ **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**
Are We Graduating Global Citizens?
Kyra Garson, Centre for Student Engagement and Learning Innovation, presents her research examining whether students completing programs in culturally diverse, regional institutions in BC developed intercultural and global competencies.
<http://events.tru.ca/event/2014/are-we-graduating-global-citizens>
- ▶ **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
Dr. Dunn, Director of the Experimental Imaging Centre at the School of Medicine, University of Calgary, presents "Don't Hold Your Breath – A Look into the Response of the Brain to Hypoxia".
<http://events.tru.ca/event/2014/science-seminar-series-0>
- ▶ **Oct. 30**
Concussions: Why Are They a Major Public Health Concern?
Dr. Jeff Dunn and Ms. Karolina Urban, researchers from the University of Calgary, give a faculty-sponsored presentation on concussion. Learn what happens to the brain, how it recovers, and current monitoring practices.
<http://events.tru.ca/event/2014/concussions-why-are-they-major-public-health-concern>
- ▶ **Oct. 30**
Ebola Public Forum
Learn more about this virus that has made its way to North America.
<http://events.tru.ca/event/2014/ebola-understanding-and-managing-risks>
- ▶ **Nov. 6**
Live at TRU! Series: Lizzy Hoyt
An award-winning Celtic-folk vocalist, violinist, tap dancer, story teller, and more. <http://events.tru.ca/event/2014/live-tru-lizzy-hoyt>
- ▶ **Nov. 11**
Remembrance Day
Campus will be closed for the statutory holiday.
<http://events.tru.ca/event/2014/campus-closed-remembrance-day>
- ▶ **Nov. 20, 7pm**
President's Lecture: Clara Hughes
Decorated athlete and humanitarian Clara Hughes is an Olympic medalist in both cycling and speed skating. This year she completed a 110-day, national tour called Clara's Big Ride to raise awareness about mental illness, speaking at 235 community events and 80 schools.
- ▶ **Nov. 20-22, 27-29**
Actors Workshop Theatre: The Best of Everything
Julie Kramer's 2012 adaptation of Rona Jaffe's 1958 bestselling book about ambitious secretaries working in the typing pool of a New York pulp fiction publishing company. Directed by **Robin Nichol**.

