

# President's Report

## News

### ► Strategic Research Plan Identifies Emerging Strengths

TRU has released its new five-year Strategic Research Plan (SRP), which identifies specific objectives and development in five key areas: education, health and diversity; community and cultural engagement; sustainability, environment and the physical world; Aboriginal understanding; and technology and optimization. The SRP was informed by faculty and student surveys, a community advisory group, a focus group, departmental consultations, and three town hall meetings.

<http://inside.tru.ca/2015/02/19/strategic-research-plan-identifies-emerging-strengths/>

### ► International Days

TRU's annual celebration of cultural diversity took place Mar. 10 to 13. Students, faculty, staff, and community members enjoyed music, food, art, performances, workshops and distinguished guest speakers including Wade Davis, who gave the keynote address on the world's indigenous cultures.

<http://inside.tru.ca/2015/02/27/idades-2015-many-cultures-one-community/>

### ► Aboriginal Awareness Week

From Mar. 1 to 7 TRU showcased some of the diverse cultures of First Nations and Aboriginal communities. Activities included kayak framing, storytelling, beading, a traditional medicines and survival techniques workshop, a singing workshop and performance, and a Round Dance.

<http://inside.tru.ca/2015/03/04/celebrating-ways-and-culture-during-aboriginal-awareness-week/>

### ► 3MT Western Canadian Final Coming to TRU

TRU will host the Three Minute Thesis (3MT) Western Regional Championship on Apr. 30, where up to 16 of Western Canada's grad students will present their research in the competition. This is TRU's second time participating in 3MT.

<http://inside.tru.ca/2015/02/10/3mts-western-canadian-final-coming-to-tru/>

### ► Distinguished Alumni Award Winners Announced

The 2015 Distinguished Alumni Awards ceremony on April 10 will recognize the following individuals for their outstanding contributions and achievements:

- **Kevin Loring** (Arts University Transfer, '97)  
Arts & Culture Award
- **Jokull Bergmann** (Adventure Guide, '05)  
Young Alumni Award
- **Daley & Company**  
Milestone Achievement Award
- **Dylan Robinson** (Bachelor of Arts '15)  
Neil Russell Student Leadership Award

<http://inside.tru.ca/2015/03/12/2015-distinguished-alumni/>

### ► Norkam Trades Centre Official Opening

The Norkam Trades and Technology Centre, a collaboration between TRU and School District 73, officially opened on Mar. 13. Sampler courses that offer dual credits in construction and mechanical trades will be taught by TRU faculty to eligible students in Grades 10 through 12.

### ► Minister Visits for Social Work Week

To celebrate Social Work Week the Minister of Children and Family Development, Stephanie Cadieux, addressed students and faculty from Social Work and Human Service on Mar. 16. After the talk the Minister held a brief question and answer session with students.

### ► Master of Science in Environmental Science Showcase

MSc students showcased their research through posters and presentations at TRU on Mar. 5, including topics like "Developing New Drugs for Bad Bugs" and "Social License and the Mining Sector".

<http://research.inside.tru.ca/2015/03/09/msc-success/>

### ► Faculty of Law Launches Satellite Information Service

TRU's Faculty of Law launched a satellite location of its free information service at the Centre for Seniors Information at the Brock Shopping Centre on Mar. 6. Upper year law students will connect the community with legal information and materials.

<http://inside.tru.ca/2015/03/02/laws-free-information-service-to-help-navigate-the-legal-system/>



Playwright Kevin Loring, 2015 Distinguished Alumni

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## News



*TRU Law's first win in the BC Appeal Moot Court.*

### ► Law Students Argue their Way to Moot Court Win

Five TRU law students won the BC Appeal Moot Court competition held Feb. 13 to 15. It was TRU Law's first win and the second time it has participated.

<http://inside.tru.ca/2015/02/17/law-students-argue-their-way-to-moot-court-win/>

### ► New Tourism Double Degree Partnership with Netherlands

TRU has recently partnered with NHVT Breda University of Applied Sciences in the Netherlands to offer a double degree in Tourism Management. Students will complete three years at TRU, and finish their fourth year at NHVT to earn a second credential.

<http://inside.tru.ca/2015/03/06/one-year-in-the-netherlands-doubles-the-tourism-degree/>

### ► Elder's Luncheon

Over 400 students, staff, faculty, administrators, and Elders from various regions attended a luncheon hosted by Aboriginal Education and the Gathering Place on Mar. 3. Guests were entertained by singing, Métis and Bonaparte performances, and traditional drumming.

### ► Job Fair

On Mar. 5 more than 50 organizations from a range of industries gathered in the Campus Activity Centre to discuss career opportunities with students who attended throughout the day.

### ► Regional Skills Competition and Try-A-Trade

During the Cariboo Regional Skills Competition at TRU on Feb. 27, high school students from all over the region competed for a chance to enter the provincial skills competition. Students explored the tools of the trade at the School of Trades and Technology Try-a-Trade event.

[http://www.tru.ca/trades/about/skills\\_canada](http://www.tru.ca/trades/about/skills_canada)

### ► Economics for Success

Over 600 high school students visited TRU on Feb. 19 to participate in Junior Achievement BC's Economics for Success program, which encourages students to explore their post-secondary and career goals.



*A delicious dessert to top off the TRU Foundation Gala.*

### ► An Evening in Wonderland

The 23rd annual TRU Foundation Gala on Feb. 14 delighted guests with An Evening in Wonderland, including live scenes from *Alice's Adventures in Wonderland* performed by Project X actors and a Wonderland-themed dinner. The Gala evening raised \$70,000 and celebrated the contributors to \$1 million in student awards and bursaries this year.

### ► BCCAT Meeting Hosted by Provost's Office

The spring meeting of the BC Council on Admissions and Transfers (BCCAT), which oversees the BC Transfer System, was hosted on campus Mar. 6. It has been 9 years since TRU last hosted the meeting.

### ► 2015 Chinese New Year Celebration

The TRUSU Chinese Students and Scholars Association hosted the 2015 Chinese New Year Dinner and Dance Celebration on Feb. 27, which included performances, fireworks, a fashion show, and a mock Chinese wedding.

### ► Law Mentorship and Awards Reception

The Faculty of Law recognized the accomplishment of students, thanked donors, and welcomed new Dean of Law **Bradford Morse** to TRU on Mar. 16 at the Law Mentorship and Awards Reception.

### ► Lunch with the President

Lunch with the President for Faculty and Staff was held on Mar. 6. Lunches with the President for Students were held on Mar. 2, 9 and 16.

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## Achievements

► **Salvador Barragan**, Management, was appointed as divisional editor of the Gender and Diversity in Organizations division for the 2015 Administrative Association of Canada.

► First-year player **Michelle Bos** was named to the 2014-2015 Canada West All-Rookie Team in women's basketball on Feb. 25.

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## Achievements

- ▶ Respiratory Therapist alumni **Mark Carolan** ('14) and **Bhavjinder (Bobby) Hara** ('14) received the gold and bronze medals respectively in January for achieving the highest marks nationally on the 2015 Canadian Board of Respiratory Care (CBRC) credentialing exam.
- ▶ Fifth-year player **Jorri Duxbury** was named to the 2014-2015 Canada West Second Team All-Stars in women's basketball on Feb. 25.
- ▶ **Murat Eroglu**, Marketing, International Business and Entrepreneurship, has been invited to join the Global Entrepreneurship Monitor (GEM) Canada National Team for 2014-2020.
- ▶ Fourth-year player **Brad Gunter** was named to the 2014-2015 Canadian Interuniversity Sport (CIS) First Team All-Canadian in men's volleyball on Feb. 25.
- ▶ First-year player **Josh Mayorga** was named to the 2014-2015 Canada West All-Rookie Team in men's basketball on Feb. 25.
- ▶ **Muhammad Mohiuddin**, Marketing, International Business and Entrepreneurship, was interviewed by the *Globe and Mail* to speak to the topic of outsourcing of Canadian small manufacturing firms in the article "When Does It Pay to Outsource Your Production?" on Jan. 22.
- ▶ The **TRU Nursing Undergrad Society** made a financial contribution of \$460 to the BC Children's Hospital Foundation on Jan. 23 in memory of **Sam Price**, who was a third year student in the BSN program.
- ▶ Fourth-year player **Iuliia Pakhomenko** was named to the 2014-2015 CIS Second Team All-Canadian in women's volleyball on Feb. 25.
- ▶ **Scott Reeves**, Athletics, was named as the 2014-2015 Canada West Women's Basketball Coach of the Year on Feb. 25.
- ▶ **Shanthi Sente**, Law, was selected to participate as a junior faculty co-teacher for the Corporation in Global Society workshop by Harvard Law School's Institute for Global Law and Policy.
- ▶ **WolfPack Curling** won the Western Canadian University Women's Curling Championships in February, earning a spot in the CIS Curling Championships Mar. 18 to 21.
- ▶ Fourth-year player **Josh Wolfram** was named to the 2014-2015 Canada West First Team All-Stars in men's basketball on Feb. 25.
- ▶ Fourth-year player **Taiysa Worsfold** was named to the 2014-2015 Canada West Third Team All-Stars in women's basketball on Feb. 25.

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## Publications

### PRESENTATIONS

- ▶ **Tesh Dagne**, Law  
Dagne, Tesh. "Intellectual Property and 3D Printing: Challenges and Prospects for Intellectual Property Law." Social Justice Monday Workshop. Seattle University School of Law. Seattle, WA. February 9, 2015.  
Dagne, Tesh. "The Theoretical Conceptualization of GIs in Intellectual Property Law." Pacific Intellectual Property Scholars Conference III. Seattle, WA. February 6, 2015.
  - ▶ **Karen Densky**, English as a Second Language  
Densky, Karen. "What Leads Us to Become Engaged in our Profession?" Keynote address. BC Teachers of English as an Additional Language (TEAL) Vancouver Island Regional Conference. Victoria, BC. February 21, 2015.
  - ▶ **Susanna Fawkes**, English as a Second Language  
Fawkes, Susanna. "Experiential Learning as a Language Teaching/Learning Strategy." *Proceedings of the 3rd Annual Meeting on English Language Teaching*. Montreal, QC. April 25, 2014.
  - ▶ **Mary Hemmings**, Law  
Hemmings, Mary. "Utilizing Lawyer-Run Websites and Blogs to Streamline Your Practice." 5th Annual Women Lawyers Forum. Kamloops, BC. February 28-March 1, 2015.
  - ▶ **John Prpić**, Business  
Prpić, John, Jean-François Lemoine, Prashant Shukla, and Yannig Roth. "A Geography of Participation in IT-Mediated Crowds." *Proceedings of the 48th Hawaii International Conference on System Sciences*. Kauai, HI. January 5-8, 2015.
  - Prpić, John, Prashant Shukla, and Pradeep Singh. "Crowd Capital in Governance Contexts." Internet, Politics, and Policy Conference, Oxford Internet Institute. Oxford, UK. September 25-26, 2014.
  - Prpić, John, Araz Taeihagh, and James Melton Jr. "Experiments on Crowdsourcing Policy." Internet, Politics, and Policy Conference, Oxford Internet Institute. Oxford, UK. September 25-26, 2014.
  - Prpić, John, Araz Taeihagh, and James Melton Jr. "A Framework for Policy Crowdsourcing." Internet, Politics, and Policy Conference, Oxford Internet Institute. Oxford, UK. September 25-26, 2014.
- ### JOURNALS
- ▶ **Tracy Christianson** and **Tracy Hoot**, Nursing  
Christianson, Tracy, and Tracy Hoot. "Best Practices: An Online Doctoral Learning Experience." *Online Journal of Distance Education and e-Learning*. 2.4 (2015): 92-102.
  - ▶ **Rolena deBruyn** ('14), **Mark Paetkau**, Physical Sciences, and **Cynthia Ross Friedman**, Biological Sciences  
deBruyn, Rolena A.J, Mark Paetkau, Kelly A. Ross, David V. Godfrey, and Cynthia Ross Friedman. "Thermogenesis-Triggered Seed Dispersal in Dwarf Mistletoe." *Nature Communications*. 6 (2015): n. pag. Web.
  - ▶ **Haytham El Miligi**, Computing Sciences  
Morgan, Ahmed A., Haytham Elmiligi, M. Watheq El-Kharashi, and Fayez Gebali. "Networks-On-Chip Architecture Customization using Network Partitioning: A System-Level Performance Evaluation." *International Journal of Computing and Digital Systems*. 4.1 (2015).



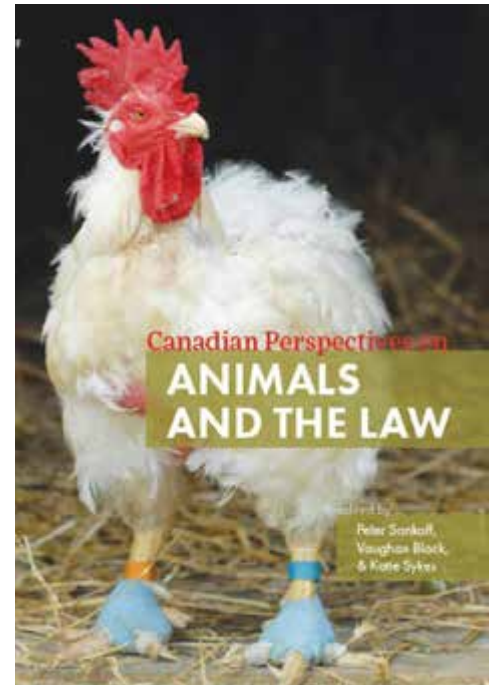
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## Publications

- **Rob Higgins**, Biological Sciences  
Higgins, R. J., and B.S. Lindgren. "Seral Changes in Ant (Hymenoptera: *Formicidae*) Assemblages in the Sub-Boreal Forests of British Columbia." *Insect Conservation and Diversity*. (2015): n. pag. Web.
- **Dennis Olson**, Accounting and Finance  
Olson, Dennis, Charles Mossman, and Nan-Ting Chou. "The Evolution of the Weekend Effect in US Markets." *Quarterly Review of Economics and Finance*. (2015): n. pag. Web.
- **John Prpić**, Business  
Prpić, John, Prashant P. Shukla, Jan H. Kietzmann, and Ian P. McCarthy. "How to Work a Crowd: Developing Crown Capital through Crowdsourcing." *Business Horizons*. 58.1 (2015): 77-85.
- **Hafiz Rahman**, Economics  
Bose, Shekar, and Hafizur Rahman. "Examining the Relationship between Stock Return Volatility and Trading Volume: New Evidence from an Emerging Economy." *Applied Economics*. 47.18 (2015): 1899-1908.
- **Mridula Sharma and Haytham El Miligi**, Computing Sciences  
Sharma, Mridula, Haytham Elmiligi and Fayez Gebali. "Performance Evaluation of Real-Time Systems." *International Journal of Computing and Digital Systems*. 4.1 (2015): n. pag. Web.

## BOOKS

- **Karin Sykes**, Law  
Sankoff, Peter, Vaughan Black, and Katie Sykes, eds. *Canadian Perspectives on Animals and the Law*. Toronto: Irwin Law, 2015.



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## Upcoming Events

- **Mar. 25**  
**Research Across the Disciplines: Renewable Energy**  
"Renewable Energy: Community Electricity, Social Innovation, And Sustainability" presented by **Michael Mehta** will focus on renewable energy projects.  
<http://events.tru.ca/event/2015/research-across-disciplines-renewable-energy>
- **Mar. 26**  
**Multi-Faith Space Opening**  
The TRU Multi-Faith Space officially opens in Old Main with two private rooms for students, faculty and staff to reflect, pray and meditate, and flexible scheduling for group bookings.  
<http://events.tru.ca/event/2015/multi-faith-space-opening>
- **Mar. 26**  
**Science Seminar Series: Dr. Herbert H. Tsang**  
Herbert H. Tsang, Associate Professor of Trinity Western University, will present "Computational Intelligence and Bioinformatics".  
<http://www.tru.ca/science/news/seminars.html>
- **Mar. 26**  
**Environmental Sciences Seminar Series: Dr. Delphis Levia**  
Delphis Levia from the University of Delaware will present "Effects of Forests on Water and Biogeochemical Cycles".  
<http://www.tru.ca/science/programs/msces/mscseminar.html>
- **Mar. 27**  
**Spring Open House**  
The Spring Open House offers prospective students and the general public a chance to tour the campus and learn more about TRU programs and services.  
<http://events.tru.ca/event/2015/spring-open-house>
- **Mar. 28**  
**TRU Williams Lake 2015 Gala**  
Guys and Dolls is the theme for the annual Williams Lake Gala fundraiser for student awards, scholarships and bursaries.  
<http://events.tru.ca/event/2015/tru-williams-lake-gala>
- **Mar. 27**  
**2015 3MT TRU Competition**  
Graduate students present their research to a live audience in TRU's local 3 Minute Thesis competition to earn a spot in the 3MT Regionals in April.  
[http://www.tru.ca/research/grad\\_studies/3mt/3mt\\_2015\\_schedule.html](http://www.tru.ca/research/grad_studies/3mt/3mt_2015_schedule.html)
- **Mar. 28**  
**Relay for Life at TRU**  
The Residence and TRU WolfPack host TRU's first Relay for Life event in collaboration with the Canadian Cancer Society, overnight from 7pm to 7am.  
<http://events.tru.ca/event/2015/relay-life-tru>

## Upcoming Events

### ► Apr. 2

#### **Environmental Sciences Seminar Series: Dr. Francis Juanes**

Francis Juanes from the University of Victoria will present "Listening to Fish: Passive Acoustics Applied to Fisheries and Aquatic Conservation".

<http://www.tru.ca/science/programs/msces/mscseminar.html>

### ► Apr. 9

#### **Environmental Sciences Seminar Series: Dr. Cori Lausen**

Cori Lausen from the Wildlife Conservation Society will present "Preparing Western Canada for the Arrival of White Nose Syndrome in Bats".

<http://www.tru.ca/science/programs/msces/mscseminar.html>

### ► Apr. 10

#### **Experiential Learning Series: Biology Meets Computing Science**

**Joanne Urban** (Biology) and **Mila Kwiatkowska** (Computing) present "Experiential Learning in a Multidisciplinary Course: Biology Meets Computing Science".

<http://events.tru.ca/event/2015/biology-meets-computing-science>

### ► Apr. 17

#### **Experiential Learning Series: World Café**

**Melissa Jakubec** presents "World Café: Teaching and Learning Successes and Challenges".

<http://events.tru.ca/event/2015/teaching-and-learning-successes-and-challenges>

### ► Apr. 30

#### **2015 Three Minute Thesis (3MT) Western Regional Championship**

Graduate students from universities across western Canada will test their ability to explain their research to a live audience.

[http://www.tru.ca/research/grad\\_studies/3mt.html](http://www.tru.ca/research/grad_studies/3mt.html)

