

# President's Report

## News

### Rising STARS

The Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education (AASHE) has recognized TRU with a Rising STARS distinction. Our performance on our 2015 Sustainability Tracking, Assessment, and Rating System (STARS) submission moved up from silver to gold.

<http://inside.tru.ca/2015/10/28/rising-stars-distinction-in-environment-and-sustainability/>



*Jim Gudjonson, Director of Environment & Sustainability, seen here climbing a peak in Patagonia, was featured in a BC Hydro article on Oct. 19 about his successes in increasing sustainability at TRU.*

### Transitions to Postsecondary Day

Aboriginal high school students from District 73 and area learned about TRU programs and supports available to help them transition to university life at the annual event on Nov. 17. The day included a student panel, tours and engagement activities.

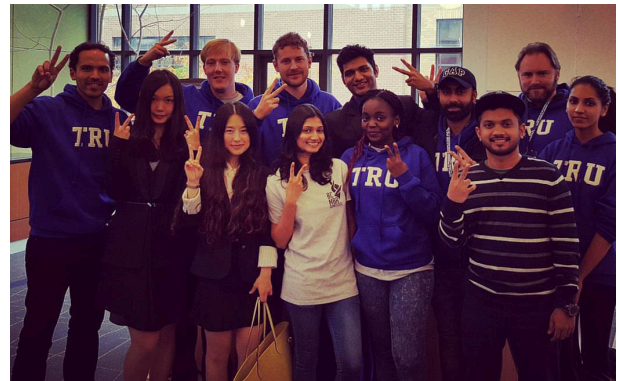
### Foundation Awards Ceremony

Thanks to the generosity of our donors, 602 students received financial awards this semester. Many of these students had an opportunity to meet their donors at the annual Foundation Awards Ceremony on Nov. 19. A total of \$729,589 has been awarded this fall.

### Inspiring Research

The Office of Research and Graduate Studies' third annual report on research, *Knowledge that Inspires*, highlights and celebrates the world-class research being conducted by TRU faculty across all disciplines.

<http://inside.tru.ca/2015/11/02/research-report/>



*Master of Business Administration students win silver at the inaugural BC MBA Games. Photo: Kenneth Glass*

### MBA Students Take Silver at Games

TRU's team won silver in the first ever BC MBA Games held at Vancouver Island University in Nanaimo Oct. 16-18. Twelve Master of Business Administration students competed in a fundraising challenge for autism, a "pecha kucha" presentation and two other case competitions, and sporting events. TRU's second place finish was remarkable given that the four other teams from VIU, UBC, SFU and UVic had 25 members to TRU's 12.

<http://inside.tru.ca/2015/11/12/mba-students-place-second-in-b-c-competition/>

### Remembrance Day

TRU held its annual ceremony of remembrance on Nov. 10, featuring guest speaker Lt.-Col. Kevin Tyler. The campus was closed for Remembrance Day on Nov. 11.



*The Horticulture program and grounds-keeping staff collaborated on a TRU Halloween pumpkin patch.*

## Achievements

Business Administration students **Ed Blakeborough, Ryan Oliverius** and **Erik Prytula** were accepted into the 2015-16 Ch'nook Scholars Program, which recognizes leadership potential and provides an opportunity to learn about current business issues affecting First Nations.

**Brent Dixon** ('14) received honourable mention in the 2015 Aboriginal Arts and Stories youth arts competition. The BFA grad's artwork titled "Please Stand By" was exhibited in the Toronto Public Library for the summer, and featured on the Historica Canada website.

**Timothy Edge**, Arts student, was awarded a bursary prize for Best Blog Entry in the Canadian Wind Energy Association's Power of Wind contest in October. His post captured why wind power is important to Canada's energy future.

**Florriann Fehr**, Nursing, was one of 12 Canadian nurses selected as a volunteer item writer for the National Council of State Boards of Nursing Licensure Examination (NCLEX).

## Publications

### PRESENTATIONS

**Dawn Farough**, Sociology  
Farough, Dawn. "Theatre and Spectatorship: Audience Engagement in the Home/Less/Mess Project and Play." 24th Annual Conference of the German Society for Contemporary Theatre and Drama in English (CDE). Barcelona, Spain. June 5, 2015.

**Jim Hu**, ESL  
Hu, Jim. "Conferencing for Simultaneous Oral-Written Feedback on ESL Academic Writing." TRI-TESOL Conference. Des Moines, WA. Oct. 2-3, 2015.

Hu, Jim. "ESL Employees' Views on Writing Accuracy for the Workplace." TRI-TESOL Conference. Des Moines, WA. Oct. 2-3, 2015.

Hu, Jim and M. Balachandran. "Teacher vs. Student Preferences on Writing Error Feedback." Poster presentation. TRI-TESOL Conference. Des Moines, WA. Oct. 2-3, 2015.

**Warveni Jap**, Marketing, International Business and Entrepreneurship  
Jap, Warveni. "Brand Management." Session chair. 2015 China Marketing International Conference, Xi'an Jiaotong University. Xi'an, China. July, 2015.

**Tatiana Little**, Nursing, received the 2015/16 University of Victoria Graduate Award for PhD Studies, bestowed annually on the basis of academic and scholarly merit.

**Cohord Mason** ('15) won a 2015 Canadian Society of Microbiologists (CSM) Undergraduate Student Award in June, making him one of the top six undergraduate microbiologists in the country.

**Muhammad Mohiuddin**, International Business, was interviewed by the *Globe and Mail* about offshoring activities of small Canadian manufacturing firms for the article "Thai Tailors Helped Entrepreneur Dress for Success".

**Havovie Suraliwalla** ('13) was named to the Professional Convention Management Association's "20 in their Twenties" program, recognizing emerging leaders in the meetings industry. The Bachelor of Tourism Management grad will be mentored by an industry leader, and attend the PCMA's 2016 conference.

### JOURNALS

**Derek Pyne**, Economics  
Pyne, Derek. "Can Early Release Both Reduce Prison Costs and Increase Deterrence?" *Economics Letters*. 135 (2015): 69-71.

**Steven Ross**, Nursing  
Ross, S., L. Jeffery, L. Duffy, D. Bulman, and M. Amirault. "Barriers to Meaningful Involvement in AIDS Service Organizations in Three Maritime Provinces." *International Journal of Social Work*. 2.2 (2015): 81-98.

### CHAPTERS

**Rosalie Hilde**, Business, Open Learning  
Porter, Janet and Rosalie Hilde. "Challenges and Opportunities: Contextual Approaches to Diversity Research and Practice." *The Oxford Handbook of Diversity in Organizations*. Eds. Regine Bendl et al. London, UK: Oxford University. N. pag.

### BOOKS

**Ruby Dhand**, Law  
Hiltz, D'Arcy J., Anita Szigeti and Ruby Dhand, eds. *Halsbury's Laws of Canada: Mental Health (2015 Reissue)*. Toronto: LexisNexis Canada, 2015.

## Upcoming Events

**Nov. 26**

### Mugs for Hugs

Bring your travel mug to Student Street from 9 to 2 and help reduce single-use paper cup waste at TRU.

<http://sustain.inside.tru.ca/mugs-for-hugs/>

**Nov. 26**

### Live at TRU!: Gordie MacKeeman and His Rhythm Boys

Upbeat folk sounds from Prince Edward Island, winners of the 2014 East Coast Music Award for Roots Traditional Group Recording of the Year.

<http://events.tru.ca/event/2015/live-tru-gordie-mackeeman-and-his-rhythm-boys>

**Nov. 26**

### Environmental Science Seminar

The fall seminar series continues with ecologist Dr. Gary Bradfield, UBC Department of Botany.

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

**Nov. 26**

### Science Program Info Night

Grade 10, 11 and 12 students are invited to learn about the many programs—and career options—in Science.

<http://events.tru.ca/event/2015/science-program-info-night>



**Nov. 26-28 and Dec. 3-5**

### Actors Workshop Theatre: *The Mail Order Bride*

The struggle many Canadian settlers faced—to find a wife—is illuminated in Robert Clinton's portrait spanning three generations. Directed by **Heidi Verwey**.

<http://events.tru.ca/event/2015/actors-workshop-theatre-mail-order-bride>

**Nov. 30**

### Arts Colloquium Series: San Francisco's Filbert Street

This project by Visual Arts faculty member **Ernie Kroeger** combines walking, photography and writing.

<http://events.tru.ca/event/2015/arts-colloquium-series-san-franciscos-steep-filbert-street>

**Dec. 1–22**

### Stress Free Zone at House of Learning

Take a break from studying with stress-busting games and healthy snacks. Presented by the Library, Counselling Services and the Wellness Centre.

<http://librarynews.inside.tru.ca/2015/11/12/stress-relief-and-bubble-wrap-is-on-the-way/>



**Dec. 10–22**

### Exam Period

Study halls at both the Main and House of Learning Libraries will be open until midnight during exams, Dec. 9–21.

**Dec. 17**

### President's Annual Holiday Reception

Join TRU colleagues to celebrate the coming festive season with an afternoon social, 3–5 p.m. at the CAC.

**Dec. 24–Jan. 3**

### Holiday Closure

TRU is closed for the holidays as of 4:30 p.m. on Dec. 23, supporting more environmentally sustainable maintenance of our premises over the holidays.