

February 2016

President's Report

News

Culinary Apprenticeship Pilot

The Cook Workplace Apprenticeship program is piloting a flexible delivery method in partnership with Earls Kitchen and Bar, enabling students to work toward their Apprenticeship Level I certification while remaining employed in Kamloops.

Funding Supports Training for Aboriginal Learners

TRU and community partners Alexis Creek First Nation and Northern Shuswap Tribal Council will receive BC Ministry of Advanced Education funding to deliver training programs to 27 Aboriginal learners.

Finance Programs Acknowledged by CFA Institute

TRU's Bachelor of Business Administration finance major and Post-Baccalaureate Diploma in Finance have been acknowledged by the CFA Institute as preparing students well to become chartered financial analysts (CFAs).

Mining and Minerals Diploma

An agreement for a pilot project was signed with BCIT and the BC Centre of Training Excellence in Mining (CTEM), enabling students to complete BCIT's Diploma in Mineral Exploration and Mining Technology at TRU.

Old Main Wins Wood Design Award

The expansion of Old Main, which features extensive use of wood in both the exterior upgrade and the Faculty of Law's interior, received international recognition at the 2015 Wood Design Awards.

Faculty of Education and Social Work

Approved by Senate on Jan. 25, the Faculty of Human, Social and Educational Development has been renamed the Faculty of Education and Social Work.

Researchers Lead Team to Nepal

Natural Resource Science faculty members **John Karakatsoulis** and **Wendy Gardner** are leading a team to Nepal this month to help develop forest fire management strategies, part of a two-year project.

Determining Access Conference

Supported by a \$25,000 SSHRC Connection Grant, Law faculty **Janna Promislow** and **Nicole Schabus** organized a conference to address the implementation and impact of the Tsilhqot'in Nation Aboriginal title declaration.



Culinary students can continue to work while learning the trade thanks to a new pilot program in partnership with Earls.



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Co-op Student of the Year

Fourth-year Bachelor of Science student **Carlee Poleschuk** is TRU's Co-op Student of 2015. The chemical biology major spent two terms conducting cancer research with the nuclear medicine team at TRIUMF.

Increasing Safety Awareness

TRU's first annual Safety Awareness Week featured displays on Student Street, in Trades and in Science to highlight safety issues, and offered workshops for faculty and staff on ergonomics and incident reporting.

Teaching Practices Colloquium

Faculty presented best practices in teaching on the theme "Building Connections, Strengthening Relationships" at the 12th annual conference on Feb. 15.

Privacy and Information Security Conference

Participants at the second annual conference on Jan. 28 learned best practices, trends and forecasts in the fields of privacy and information security.

Homework Club

A new initiative in partnership with School District 73 enables local high school students to access volunteer tutors at the University Prep Centre twice a week.

Living Wall Replaced

Construction began in late January to replace the living wall in the House of Learning with wood panelling, due to temperature and humidity control issues that made maintenance difficult and costly.

Inservice Day

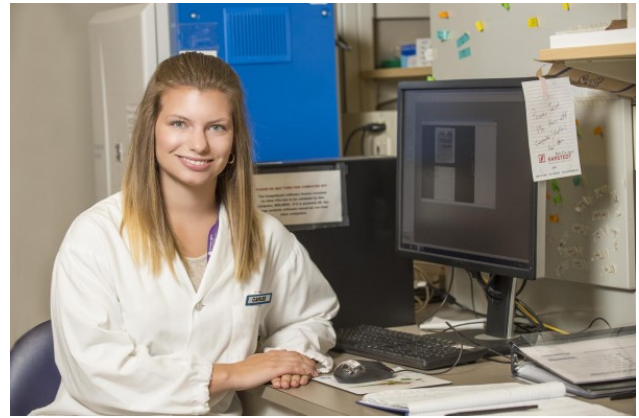
TRU's annual Inservice Day for staff and faculty on Feb. 17 featured a keynote address by lawyer Lesra Martin and sessions on the TRU brand, Leave for Change, Volunteer Kamloops and other topics.

Economics for Success Event

Junior Achievement BC's annual event on Feb. 18 brought local Grade 8 to 10 students and volunteers to campus to focus on key skills students will need in the future.

Chinese New Year

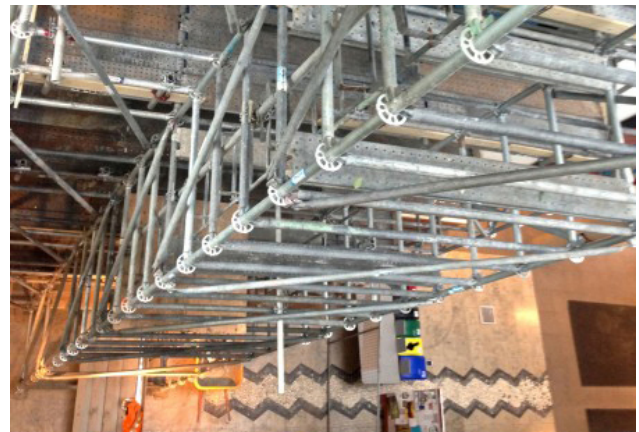
The TRUSU Chinese Students and Scholars Club hosted a Chinese New Year celebration on Feb. 5, featuring cultural exhibits, food and performances.



TRU Co-op Student of the Year Carlee Poleschuk at TRIUMF, Canada's national laboratory for nuclear and particle physics.



Health & Safety Officer Gordon Maurits shares ergonomics tips during TRU's first annual Safety Awareness Week.



The living wall in the House of Learning foyer is being replaced with wood panelling this month.

Achievements

Kelsey Gilker, an alumna of TRU's theatre program, received the 2016 Emerging Artist Award at Kamloops' Mayor's Gala for the Arts on Jan. 30.



2016 Emerging Artist Kelsey Gilker (right) in the 2011 Actors Workshop Theatre production of *Antigone*.

Steve Ross, Nursing, has been appointed to the Kamloops YMCA/YWCA board of directors, and nominated as a non-Aboriginal board member of the Aboriginal Nurses Association of Canada. He was also invited to be a reviewer for the *World Journal of Social Science Research*.

Christopher Seguin, VP Advancement, helped raise over \$90,000 for Developing World Connections to build a school in Sierra Leone when he and a group of Kamloops residents successfully climbed Africa's highest peak—a 16,001 ft. climb—in the Mt. Kilimanjaro Challenge.

The School of Trades & Technology's **Training House** is a finalist in the 24th annual Georgie Awards of the Canadian Home Builders' Association of BC, in the Best Public-Private Partnership category.

Let's Remember

Jeff Skosnik, adjunct professor in the School of Trades and Technology and CEO of the Line Contractors Association of BC, was instrumental in leading TRU to become the first public training school in BC to offer the Power Line Technician program. He also worked with Aboriginal learners to help them gain the knowledge and skills necessary to transition into trades training. Jeff felt that TRU's "accessible university" approach was the way to help all people become what they wanted to be.

Publications

PRESENTATIONS

Alejandro Campos-Garcia, Sociology
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Jhangiani, Rajiv S. and Erin E. Hardin. "Skill Development in Introductory Psychology." *Scholarship of Teaching and Learning in Psychology*. 1:4 (2015). 362-376.

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Fahinde, Charles, Alexis Abodohou, Muhammad Mohiuddin and Zhan Su. "External Financial Inflows and Domestic Investment in the Economies of WAEMU: Crowding-out versus Crowding-in Effects." *Journal of Developing Areas*. 49:3 (2015). 229-248.

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Witcher, C. S. G., N. Holt, W. Young, C. Blanchard, D. Murnaghan and J. C. Spence. "Physical Activity Perceptions and Influences among Older Adults in Rural Nova Scotia." *Canadian Journal on Aging*. (2016). 1-15. Web.

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Peter Murphy, English & Modern Languages
Murphy, P.J. and Nick Pawliuk, eds. *Beckett in Popular Culture: Essays on a Postmodern Icon*. Burlington, NC: McFarland & Co., 2016.

Upcoming Events

Feb. 23

Business Kickstart Series: Kevin Jardine

Learn more about the man behind the Sport Mart success story and how since selling the chain in 2001, he has become a significant figure in the consumer sector.

Feb. 25

Science Seminar: Dr. Alexandre Brolo

Dr. Brolo (UVic) discusses using spectroscopy to investigate processes at surfaces and non-structures.

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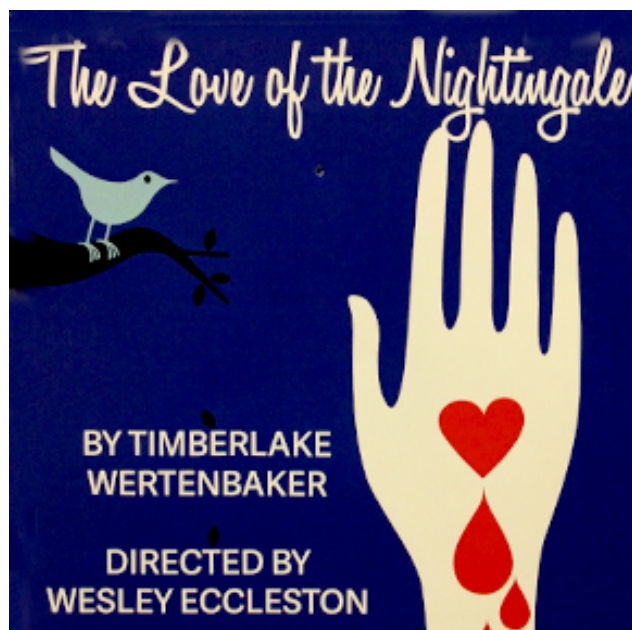
Environmental Science Seminar: Dr. Xing-Fang Li

Dr. Li (U of Alberta) presents "Drinking Water Safety: Analytical Challenges and Opportunities".

Feb. 25-27, Mar. 3-5

The Love of the Nightingale

Actors Workshop Theatre students present an adaptation of Ovid's ancient legend of King Tereus, Philomena, and her sister Procne. Directed by **Wesley Eccleston**.



The Actors Workshop Theatre presentation of The Love of the Nightingale runs Feb. 25-27 and Mar. 3-5 at 7:30pm in the Black Box Theatre. Tickets \$14.

Feb. 26

Networking 411 for Graduate Students

Students in graduate programs have a chance to interact with alumni and others working in a variety of disciplines.

Feb. 29-Mar. 4

Aboriginal Awareness Week

The annual event includes exhibits, performances, and an Elders Luncheon on Mar. 1.

Mar. 3

TRU Job Fair

The annual Job Fair brings dozens of organizations from a range of industries looking to network with students.

Mar. 3

Environmental Science Presentations

Short research presentations by students in the Master of Science in Environmental Science program. Part of the Environmental Science Seminar Series.

Mar. 3-4

Long Night Against Procrastination

The overnight study event at the main Library offers students study sessions, tutoring and wellness activities, midnight pizza and a Survivor's Breakfast, 8pm – 8am.

Mar. 4

Skills Canada Cariboo Regional Finals & Try-a-Trade

Trades students in high school and post-secondary compete to enter the provincial championship. Try-A-Trade invites youth and the public to learn more about trades at the School of Trades and Technology.

Mar. 5

Popsicle Stick Bridge Contest

The 13th annual event tests the skills of elementary school students up to engineering professionals.

Mar. 10

Environmental Science Seminar

Drs. **Matt Reudink**, **Mark Paetkau** and **David Hill** present "Smart Bird Feeders and the New Tweet".

Mar. 11-12

Model UN Conference

The TRUSU Model UN Club presents a networking and learning experience.

Mar. 11-13

Body Eclectic Colloquium

Keynotes, panels and workshops will discuss the topic of embodiment and phenomenological experience.



TRU honorary degree recipient Craig Kielburger, shown here with valedictorian Sarah Corless at Spring Convocation 2014, will give the keynote address at IDays on Mar. 15.

Mar. 15-18

IDays 2016

Four days of intercultural events kick off with a keynote by **Craig Kielburger** of Me to We and Free the Children, and conclude with the popular International Showcase.

Mar. 17

Environmental Science Seminar

Dr. Barry Robinson of Parks Canada presents “Foraging Ecology of the Arctic Peregrine Falcon”.

Mar. 18

3 Minute Thesis (3MT) TRU Finals

Graduate students compete to present their research engagingly to the public in three minutes or less. The winner will advance to the western Canadian final.

Mar. 18-19

Undergraduate Research & Innovation Conference

TRU’s 11th annual showcase of undergraduate research includes a poster exhibit and 15-minute lectures.

Mar. 19-20

TRU Powwow

The sixth annual powwow features performances from local and regional participants.

Mar. 24

Science Seminar

Alumna **Megan MacGillvray**, a medical student at U of Calgary, discusses the medical school application process.

Mar. 25-28

Easter

TRU campuses will be closed for the statutory holidays on Good Friday and Easter Monday.

Mar. 31

Environmental Science Seminar

Dr. Carol McAusland (UBC) presents “Carbon Footprint Taxes and Carbon Rerouting”.

April 2

Spring Open House

Students and their families will learn more about classes and campus life through information sessions, a resource fair, tours and more.



IDays runs Mar. 15-18, 2016. Visit tru.ca/idadays for the complete schedule of speakers, performances, workshops and other events.