

December 2015

President's Report

News



NSERC Industrial Research Chair candidate Dr. Lauchlan Fraser at the Genome BC funding announcement.

First Step Toward Centre for Ecosystem Reclamation

Genome BC has pledged \$250,000 towards the creation of a Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council (NSERC) Industrial Research Chair position at TRU. The chair position will in turn support the creation of a proposed Centre for Ecosystem Reclamation.

<http://inside.tru.ca/2015/12/03/genome-bc-pledges-support-for-a-research-chair-in-ecosystem-reclamation/>

TRUly United is Supporting our Community

This year's combined United Way and internal giving campaign Oct. 19 to Nov. 13 raised \$189,714 to make a difference in our community. A TRUly United reception with the president on Nov. 26 celebrated donors, concluding with the final prize draw. The winners are:

Glenn Read—Free Parking for a Semester

Sherry Murdoch—Extra Vacation Day

Sandra Trawin—Simply Computing \$100 Gift Card

Tourism Students Take First at LinkBC

Bachelor of Tourism Management students won first place at the annual LinkBC Case Competition on Nov. 20—the third year TRU has ranked in the top three.

<http://inside.tru.ca/2015/11/20/tourism-students-take-first-at-annual-linkbc-competitions/>

Signing with Guangzhou QF

A memorandum of understanding for an articulation agreement was signed with Guangzhou QF Education Investment on Nov. 19 in Beijing, witnessed by Canada's Ambassador to China, Mr. Guy Saint-Jacques.

Agreement of Cooperation

TRU signed an agreement of cooperation with Dalian Maple Leaf Educational Systems (MLES) on Nov. 20, which will see 20 MLES graduates annually enrol in the Bachelor of Science program, followed by the Bachelor of Education. BEd grads will have employment opportunities in MLES off-shore BC Education Ministry accredited schools, which teach BC Curriculum.



Justice Abella fields questions on equity, women in law and the Supreme Court from a packed theatre of TRU Law students and alumni at the Barber Centre. Photo by Robert Diab.

Q & A with Justice Abella

Supreme Court Justice Rosalie Silberman Abella, sole commissioner of the 1984 Royal Commission on Equality in Employment and originator of the term "employment equity", visited TRU on Nov. 24 for a question period and reception with law students and alumni.

<http://law.inside.tru.ca/2015/11/27/justice-abella-of-the-supreme-court-of-canada-visits-tru-faculty-of-law/>

NorKam Open House

On Nov. 30 the School of Trades and Technology and School District 73 held an open house for students, parents and the community at the NorKam Trades and Technology Centre, which offers dual credit construction and mechanical trade courses to Grade 10 to 12 students through a partnership between the district and TRU.

Fam Tour 2015

TRU World hosts its annual Agent Familiarization Tour Dec. 13-15. A group of 50+ recruiting agents from 16 countries will meet TRU representatives and students and attend training seminars.



Environmental and Natural Resources Law Club students competed at the UBC Environmental Law Group Negotiation.

Law Wins Environmental Case Competition

TRU Law students argued their way to first of 24 teams in the 12th annual UBC Environmental Law Group Negotiation Competition.

<http://inside.tru.ca/2015/12/02/law-team-argues-way-to-first-in-environmental-competition/>

Achievements

Computing Science students **Mitchell A. Hentges**, **Jennifer N. MacKie** and **Sheldon J. Roddick** competed at the 2015 ACM-ICPC Pacific North West Programming Contest at SFU Surrey campus on Nov. 14. The team was ranked 22nd out of 75 teams in the Division 2 standings, and 6th among Canadian teams.

Respiratory Therapy students led by **Ray Huang** and **Elyse Yaremco** won first place in the Canadian Society of Respiratory Therapists “Best #RTWeek2015” student contest, for promoting and celebrating their profession in the community. CSRT sponsored a pizza party on Nov. 27 for 200 TRU RT students. Also instrumental was **Dave Sahedo**, who represents all RT students in Canada on the CSRT board.

Institutional Planning and Analysis won the Canadian Institutional Research and Planning Association 2015 Best Practices Award for their project, “Enrolment and Headcount Projections – Forecasting at TRU”, led by **Matthew Kennedy**.

Jodi Lundgren, English (OL), published her latest young adult novel, *Gone Wild* (Lorimer 2015), part of the Lorimer SideStreets series of books for reluctant readers.

Let’s Remember

Florian Scharlock, Adventure Studies Department, was an Adventure Guide Diploma alumnus who joined the faculty in 2005, teaching kayaking, swift water rescue, and raft guiding courses. Flo’s students speak of how profoundly his teachings affected them, and their

MBA Completion Reception

The School of Business and Economics held a reception celebrating Master of Business Administration graduates on Dec. 4 with students, faculty and staff.

New Rideshare Program

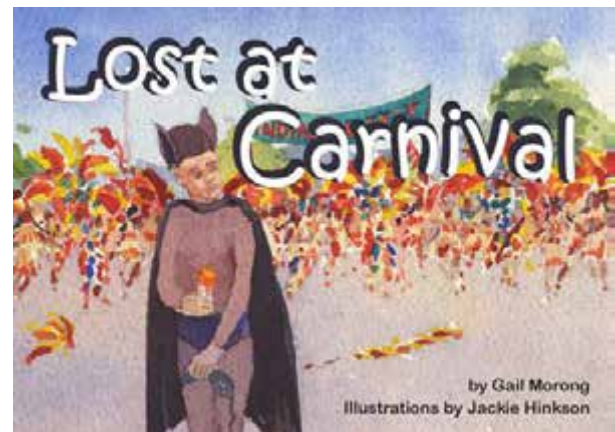
TRU Facilities and the Sustainability office launched the Rideshare program on Nov. 26, a new online carpooling solution for students, faculty and staff.

<http://inside.tru.ca/2015/12/02/new-solution-for-sustainable-commuting/>

Lunch with the President

Lunches with the president were held for students on Nov. 12, 24 and 26.

Gail Morong, Instructional Design, OL, received funding from Trinidad and Tobago’s Ministry of Multiculturalism and the Arts to publish her children’s book, *Lost at Carnival*. Copies will be donated to all libraries in Trinidad and Tobago, as well as to a few elementary schools.



Gail Morong, Instructional Design, OL, was unanimously selected by the Canadian Association of University Teachers to become a member of CAUT’s Equity Committee, from among candidates across Canada.

experiences inspired his Bachelor of Interdisciplinary Studies thesis on the impact of kayaking in shaping students’ sense of self. Flo took “getting outside to play” very seriously, and so many were blessed with the opportunity to do it with him.

Publications

PRESENTATIONS

Alex Church and Dian Henderson, ESL

Church, Alex and Dian Henderson. "Reading Strategies that Transcend." Tri-TESOL 2015 Conference. Des Moines, WA. Oct. 2-3, 2015.

Karen Densky, ESL

Densky, Karen. "Creativity in Language Teaching as a Quality Factor." Plenary. Congreso Internacional en la Enseñanza de Lenguas. Acapulco, Mexico. Nov. 12, 2015.

Densky, Karen. "Conceptualizing Creativity for the Language Classroom: What Is It? Why Use It?" Professional Development Sessions, University of Victoria. Victoria, BC. Dec. 14, 2015.

Densky, Karen. "Engaging with Your Profession." Plenary. Professional Development Sessions, University of Victoria. Victoria, BC. Dec. 14, 2015.

Densky, K. and Y. Ramirez. "How Dramatic! Role Playing and Simulating in Teacher Education." Proceedings of the 42nd MEXTESOL International Convention. Cancun, Mexico. Nov. 5-8, 2015.

Joe Dobson, ESL

Dobson, Joe. "It's all Good in Theory - 10 Tips for Using Technology." TESL Canada 2015 Conference. Lake Louise, AB. Oct. 29-31, 2015.

Dobson, J. and N. Hall. "Elevate and Augment Your Language Class with Free and Accessible Technology." TESL Canada 2015 Pre-conference Symposia. Lake Louise, AB. Oct. 29-31, 2015.

Dobson, J. and N. Hall. "Enhance Your Teaching with Free and Accessible Technology." Tri-TESOL 2015 Conference. Des Moines, WA. Oct. 2-3, 2015.

Joe Dobson and Karen Densky, ESL

Dobson, J., K. Densky, C. Harris and M. Savage. "Exploring Pre-service TESOL Standards Across Borders." Tri-TESOL 2015 Conference. Des Moines, WA. Oct. 2-3, 2015.

Lian Dumouchel, TRU World, and students Alli Buss, Lisa Folk, Simone Grimard, Alexa Morrison & Kenna Sim

Dumouchel, Lian, Alli Buss, Lisa Folk, Simone Grimard, Alexa Morrison and Kenna Sim. "The Study Abroad Ambassador Experience: Insights from the Student Perspective." Canadian Bureau for International Education (CBIE) International Education Conference. Niagara Falls, ON. Nov. 22-25, 2015.

Kyra Garson, Student Development

Garson, Kyra. "Hot Topics in International Education." Plenary. CBIE International Education Conference. Niagara Falls, ON. Nov. 22-25, 2015.

Garson, Kyra, Sonja Knutson and Julie Vaudrin-Charette. "A Pan-Canadian Panel on Indigenous and Inclusive International Education." CBIE International Education Conference. Niagara Falls, ON. Nov. 22-25, 2015.

Kyra Garson and Emma Bourassa, Student Development

Garson, Kyra and Emma Bourassa. "Internationalization of the Curriculum: Indicators of Internationalization." Conference of the Americas for International Education. Quito, Ecuador. Oct. 20-22, 2015.

Kyra Garson, Student Development and Robin Reid, Tourism Management

Garson, Kyra and Robin Reid. "Enhancing the Outcomes of Intercultural Group Work." CBIE International Education Conference. Niagara Falls, ON. Nov. 22-25, 2015.

John Hull, Tourism Management

Kruger, M., M. Saayman and J.S. Hull. "A Motivation-Based Typology for Natural Event Viewers: the Case of the Pacific Salmon Run in British Columbia, Canada." 8th International Congress on Coastal & Marine Tourism. Kailua-Kona, Hawaii. Nov. 10-13, 2015.

John Hull and Anne Terweil, Tourism Management

Gill, S., J.S. Hull and A. Terweil. "Factors Influencing Employee Retention at Mountain Resorts: The Case of Sun Peaks, Canada." International Competence Network for Tourism Research and Education. Sheffield, UK. November, 2015.

Gail Morong, Instructional Design

Morong, Gail. "A Tale of Two OERu Courses: Investigating Pathways to Formal Credentialing." Open Education Conference. Vancouver, BC. Nov. 18-20, 2015.

Morong, G., and D. Desbiens. "Culture and Community Matters: A New Learning Design Direction." Collaboration for Online Higher Education and Research (COHERE) Conference. Victoria, BC. Oct. 22-23, 2015.

Bradford Morse, Law

Morse, Bradford. "The Intersections of Environmental, Indigenous and International Law: Personal Perspectives about Global Opposites." Centre for Environmental Law and Global Sustainability, University of Ottawa. Ottawa, ON. Nov. 4, 2015.

CHAPTERS

Karen Densky, ESL

Densky, Karen. "Conceptualizing Creativity and Culture in Language Teaching." *Creativity in Language Teaching: Perspectives from Research and Practice*. Eds. Rodney H. Jones and Jack C. Richards. New York: Routledge, 2015. 49-62.

Upcoming Events

Dec. 10–22

Exam Period

Study halls at both the Main and House of Learning Libraries will be open until midnight Dec. 9–21. Take a break at the Stress Free Zone on the first floor of the House of Learning, to Dec. 22.

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

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.

BOOKS

Gloria Ramirez, Education

Geva, Esther and Gloria Ramirez. *Focus on Reading*. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2015. Oxford Key Concepts for the Language Classroom.

Jan. 14–16

Philosophy, History & Politics Conference

Explore the past and present at the 9th annual student-organized PHP undergraduate conference.

<http://www.tru.ca/phpconf.html>

Jan. 14

Business Kickstart Speaker Series

Marty Dohm and Richard Weir speak about rising to the top of Vancouver's ultra-competitive commercial real-estate market.

<http://events.tru.ca/event/2015/business-kickstart-speaker-series-marty-dohm-and-richard-weir>

Jan. 28

Career Mentoring: Pan-campus 411

Students and alumni have an opportunity to network with over 40 mentors from various disciplines.

<http://events.tru.ca/event/2015/career-mentoring-pan-campus-networking-411>



Happy Holidays! Planning to send out TRU greeting cards this season? Marketing and Communications has created six different card designs that you can order through Print Services—or send a free, paperless e-greeting. View print and email greeting card options at <http://www.tru.ca/marcom/resources.html#seasonal>