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## Grad Numbers hit Record High

KAMLOOPS - This year's graduating class will be the biggest ever at the University College of the Cariboo. A total of 1,212 students in 82 different program options will be eligible to receive a Certificate, Diploma or Degree at the annual Convocation Ceremony on Saturday, June 12 starting at 1 pm in the UCC Gymnasium.

A record 141 students will be awarded university degrees, an increase of 45 % over last year's graduating class of 97 students. Since 1991, almost 300 students have completed their university degree at UCC in Kamloops.

University of Victoria President David Strong will be the guest speaker at the afternoon ceremony, followed by valedictorians Randi Derdall (Computer Aided Design and Drafting Diploma) and Wendy Forbes (Events and Conventions Management Diploma).

During the ceremonies, medals will be awarded to UCC's top-ranking academic achievers. They include Randi Derdall (Computer Aided Design and Drafting - CADD) who will receive the Governor General's Medal and degree program medal winners, Michael Pond (Bachelor of Social Work), Christopher Gremaud (Bachelor of Business Administration), Jason Cleroux (Bachelor of Science), Evelina Coschizza (Bachelor of Science in Nursing), Debra Krueger (Bachelor of Education) and Susan Gaye Bell (Bachelor of Arts).

On Saturday afternoon, the Association of Science Technologists and Technicians (ASTT) will present their Presidents Award of Excellence to Randi Derdall, at 4:30 pm in the Campus Activity Centre. Randi, CADD graduate and co-valedictorian, graduates from the CADD program with the highest achievable grade point average, and is planning to return to UCC this fall as a lab demonstrator in the two-year CADD technology program.