

THE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF THE CARIBOO



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UCC Enrolments Buck the Trend

Despite waning enrolment numbers at post-secondary institutions around the province, enrolments are up 3% at UCC. Figures presented to the UCC Board on September 21st show 5,709 students currently registered in credit programs, an increase of almost 200 students over last year's fall total.

These numbers include over 3,600 students in university degree programs; 1000 students in Career/Technology programs; over 400 students in College Preparation; and almost 800 students in trades and vocational programs.

UCC's Williams Lake campus also shows an increase of 2%, with fall registrations totalling 419 students. The second largest increase is in the College Preparation Department, where an 11% increase may reflect increasing numbers of BC Benefits clients returning to upgrade their education.

The largest percentage gain is in the International Education Department, with a 26% increase in enrolments. This increase is due in part to the recent raising of UCC's quota for international student enrolments, and to increased international recruitment efforts on the part of UCC, which have combined to put UCC on the international post-secondary map as one of a handful of BC post-secondary institutions with a truly internationalized campus.

New Vision

This year, UCC, along with other BC post-secondary institutions, will develop a three-year plan. On October 9, a group of faculty, students, administration and support staff met with Don Norris, co-author of Transforming Higher Education: A Vision for the 21st Century, to develop a process that will involve participation from all members of the UCC campus community. This multi-stakeholder group will develop a vision, or visions, for UCC which will form the basis for a new three-year educational planning process.

Distance Diploma

UCC just graduated a student in St. John's, Newfoundland, with an Anesthesia Technology diploma. This was done by distance education, with a clinical rotation set up through the Anesthesia Department at Memorial University.



Partnerships

UCC Vice-President Instruction, Neil Russell, met with UNBC Vice-President Deborah Poff last month to discuss potential initiatives. Three potential projects will be discussed in the next couple of months, including a Masters in Community Health for Kamloops with telecommunication linkages to Williams Lake and Quesnel; a ladderred degree program in Natural Resource Management for the Shuswap Nation; and a locally delivered BA program in Williams Lake.

Also in September, UCC Associate Dean of Science Colin James and VP Neil Russell met with the College of New Caledonia's Vice-President and Science Chair to discuss the feasibility of a Forestry Technology program for Williams Lake. A meeting with industry representatives and potential funding agencies to discuss partnership possibilities will be held at the end of October.

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Karen Abbott and **Sharon Simpson** presented a paper entitled "Nursing Students: Being Prepared to Respond to New Environments" at the 87th Annual Conference of the Canadian Public Health Association in July.

Peter Tsigaris presented two papers this summer: "The Deadweight Loss of Capital Income Taxation in a Portfolio/Savings Model" at the 2nd Public Policy Meetings held in Quebec City in June, and "The Riskiness of Tax Revenues and Government Outlays: How Big is the Free Lunch?" at the Canadian Economic Association meetings in St. Catharines.

Surinder Dhanjal presented a paper entitled "Artificial Neural Networks in Speech Processing" on August 6 at the University of Windsor.

Will Garrett-Petts, along with UCC Media Services, produced a video, entitled "Writing Your Self Into the Discipline," featuring interviews and discussion between 3rd year English students and three area-specialists: Dr. John Belshaw, Dr. Linda Deutschmann, and Dr. Henry Hubert.

Robert MacKinnon replaces Maria MacIntosh on the Board of Directors of the UCC Foundation.

Brenda Mathews was nominated to the Board of Directors for the Centre for Curriculum Transfer and Technology.

David Scheffel will have his film, "If Only I Were an Indian" presented at the 20th Anniversary Margaret Mead Film and Video Festival. Dr. Scheffel's film was chosen from some 600 entries, and will be screened with about 60 other documentary films from around the world during the Festival, which runs from November 8 to 14.

Michelle Marginet, husband Ray, and son Carr have a new family member: Lana Kathleen, born Friday, September 13.

Bruce Baugh has been invited to present a paper at the University of Western Australia in Perth this December. The paper is an article recently published in *Gilles Deleuze—Fluchtlinien der Philosophie*.

Richard Sigurdson has recently had an article—"The British Columbia New Democratic Party: Does It Make A Difference?" published in *Politics, Policy and Government in British Columbia*.

Joan Bryans presented her paper, "The Need for Conversational Context in the Explanation of Action" at the 5th International Pragmatics Conference, Mexico City, July 1996.

Tom Friedman recently co-edited a book of essays, and contributed an article, on the teaching of Margaret Atwood's works, just published by the Modern Language Association as part of its *Approaches to Teaching World Literature* series. The book is entitled *Approaches to Teaching 'Atwood's The Handmaid's Tale and Other Works*.

Joanne Gysel, David Sheets, Les Matthews, Sharon Simpson and **Star Mahara** ran in the 10 km Terry Fox Run, raising \$340 to support cancer research.

WINNERS

The following were lucky winners in the Chapter 2000 raffle:

Mel McIntyre—Chandelier
Gordon Tarzwell—Three-day houseboat trip
Maureen McKinlay—Trip for two to Las Vegas
Linda Thompson/Lynn Morrison—Ladies' Diamond Ring
Peter Baron—Grand Prize trip for two to Orlando, Florida

The following were lucky winners in the Counselling Department draw at the Welcome Back BBQ:

Rachel Clark—Personal Career Planning Workshop
Leanne Bennett—Strong Interest Inventory

A LETTER FROM ROSE

A Big Warm Thank You and Hug to all my dear friends at UCC: Thank you so much for all the cards, warm wishes, and kind, encouraging words during my illness. You are all very special and you mean so much to me. This is what makes me heal—knowing that I have so many good friends at UCC, who love and care for me. The feeling is mutual. I'm still being treated for my illness and it will take some time, but I will be back and look forward to seeing you all soon!

All my Love
 Rose Mantello

ANOTHER FIRST FOR UCC

The University College of the Cariboo is the first degree-granting university college in British Columbia to gain institutional membership in the Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada (AUCC). The AUCC is an umbrella organization for degree-granting institutions in Canada, and its admittance of UCC to its ranks lends an additional level of credibility to UCC degrees.

The President of the University College of Cape Breton, the only other university college in Canada to have membership in the AUCC, was the first institution to send a congratulatory message.

In sharing the good news, UCC President Jim Wright stated that "this is a significant achievement for UCC and for university colleges in British Columbia. It provides a new level of credibility to our academic programs, provides our faculty with access to a wider range of research funds and, perhaps most importantly, it ensures that our degree recipients will be accepted across Canada and beyond."

Wanted

Animal Health needs donations of large warm blankets, towels, etc., to keep the critters warm in winter. Please call Robina Kay at 5193.

Auto Parts

The UCC Auto Parts Store (Room B112) has specials on: batteries, gasoline antifreeze, Pennzoil 10w30, thermostats 190 and 180 degrees, headlight beams and bulbs, and radiator coolant. Check it out, and help a Partsperson student learn at the same time!

Status of Women

The UCC Status of Women committee meets Tuesdays at noon in Room B125. For more information, please call Linda Deutschmann at 5699.

Welcome Wagon

Instructors, please let new colleagues and students know that Welcome Wagon has free gifts and information about our city and businesses. Call: 372-7900.

Bible Studies

All staff and faculty are invited to attend investigative Bible studies.

Bi-weekly-Tuesdays at noon in CAC room 209, hosted by Jim Michals.

Weekly-Wednesdays at noon in CAC room 312, hosted by Narayan Mitra.

Aerobics

Classes every day at noon at the Gymnasium. \$3 drop-in charge, or buy a punch card good for 10 classes for \$10 at the Gym concession.

Sport Swap

1st Annual Ski and Winter Sport Swap will be held Saturday, November 2, from 9am to 5pm at the Campus Activity Centre. Any type of winter sports item (including clothing) could earn you extra cash! Consignment items will be accepted on Friday, November 1 from 10am to 8pm, and donated items may be dropped off anytime at the Cariboo Student Society in the CAC. Admission is \$1 for this event, which will hopefully raise money for both the UCC Winter Sports Club and the Canadian Ski Patrol. For more information, please call 372-5882.

PD

The Kamloops Chapter of the HRMA presents "Human Resource Management and the Internet" on Tuesday, October 29 from 6:30 to 9:30 pm at the Computer Access Centre, 151-63 West Victoria St. Registration costs \$45 for non-members, and is limited to 15 people. To register, call 5039 or 828-1916.



Help Wanted

- Canadian friends (students, staff or community members) to act as cultural interpreters and companions for international students. All it takes is a phone call or a visit a week to make an international student's stay so much more enjoyable and enlightening. Please call Helen Chin at 5164 for more information.

- Volunteers to help with the successful staging of the National Conference on Research at Small Universities, to be hosted by UCC in May, 1998. For more information, or to sign up, please contact Maryanne Bower at 5019.

- Volunteers to organize a film festival in Kamloops. First meeting: Wednesday, October 23 at 7pm in the Grand Hall, CAC. For more information, please contact Brian Mitchell at 5142.

Education Council

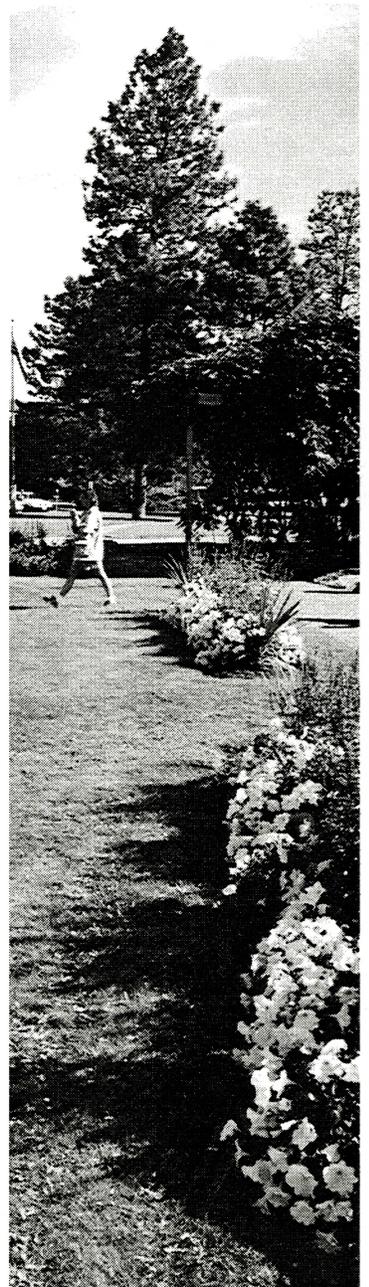
Next meeting: 3pm, October 23, Room A126.

Ring Hockey

The UCC community is invited to come out for friendly games of ring hockey Fridays at noon in the Gymnasium. All you need are gym or court shoes, and some type of glove. All sticks, pucks and nets supplied. Teams are made up randomly from the players present each week. For more information, please call Jim Totten at 5227.

Thank You

Thank you to all who generously donated money to a fund set up for the family of Cindy Parolin, the UCC BSW graduate killed in a cougar attack near Princeton. The School of Social Work has received donations of about \$1250 from students, alumni and faculty.

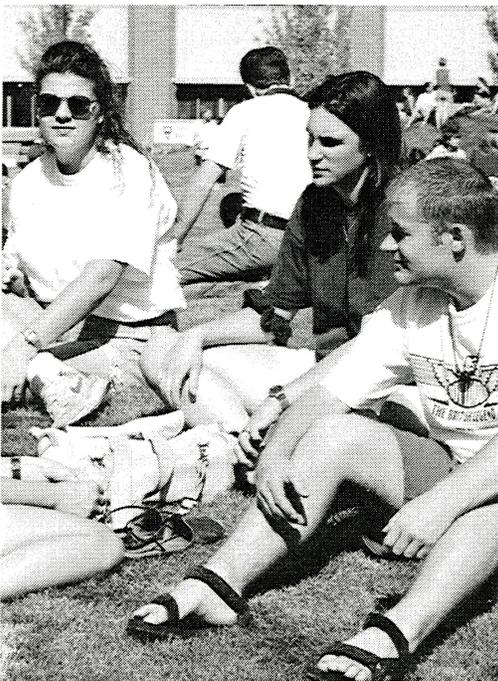


Future Plans

Beginning this Fall, the Senate Subcommittee on Post Secondary Education will seek solutions to the many challenges faced by post-secondary institutions in Canada. The Subcommittee will hear from individual students and presidents, organizations and unions, researchers and teachers, parents and CEOs.

"I believe the time has come for action, for a cross-Canada debate on the future of post-secondary education in this country," states Senator Lorne Bonnell, sponsor of last spring's Senate's Inquiry into the serious state of post-secondary education in Canada.

As well as listening to ideas related to maintaining quality post-secondary educational opportunities for Canadians, the Subcommittee will investigate the creation of national guidelines for post-secondary education. The Subcommittee has already come up with a list of values for higher education in Canada, which includes partnerships, affordability, accessibility, transferability, and comprehensiveness.



Coming Up

Wednesday, October 23

6pm: Science Building: Science Night, presented by UCC Sciences and Health Sciences. A fun night with hands-on displays for ages one to one hundred. Don't miss it!

Thursday, October 24

12:30pm: Alumni Theatre: Trent Arterberry—mime from Massachusetts, presented by the UCC Cultural Events Committee.

8pm: Heroes Pub: Visce Beathe

Friday, October 25

Noon: Room AE108: "Land Claims and Treaty Negotiations" presented by the UCC/UBC Lecture Series and featuring Marilyn James, UCC First Nations Coordinator.

Tuesday, October 29

8pm: Heroes Pub: Kevin Kain (formerly of Grapes of Wrath).

Thurs., Oct. 31 to Sat., Nov. 2

8pm: Alumni Theatre, Clocktower Building: The UCC Actor's Workshop presents Caffe, an uproariously funny play that satirizes coffee shops, performance artists and art in general. Filled with outrageous characters who hang out in their favourite "hip" establishment and seem to do little else, Caffe promises a laughter filled evening for all. Tickets are \$7 each and can be purchased in advance at Bookie's or at the door.

Friday, November 1

Noon: Room AE108: "Archaeological Science and the Socio-Politics of Resource Management: The Case of the Atlantic Salmon Fishery" presented by the UCC/UBC Lecture Series and featuring Dr. Catherine Carlson, UCC Anthropology.

Saturday, November 2

2 pm: Room A222: Investment Opportunities: China's Open Door Policy.

6-9:30 pm: CAC Grand Hall: Buffet Dinner and Illustrated Talk on Feng Shui—A Chinese Practice of Living in

Harmony with Nature. \$35 per person. This is a fundraiser, with money raised going toward the UCC Library Campaign and the KCCA operational fund. For more information, please call Vera Wojna at 5529.

Thursday, November 7

9:15pm: Northhills Theatre: "I Shot Andy Warhol" (USA 1996), a Kamloops Film Society presentation that examines in detail the flamboyant, decadent world of Warhol's 1960s, centering around lesbian feminist Valerie Solanas. Admission \$5 at the door. For more information, please call Brian Mitchell at 5141.

Friday, November 8

Noon: AE108: "Beauties and Beasts: Queer Youth Disrupt the Rule of Gatekeepers, Nay-Sayers and Henchmen" presented by the UCC/UBC Lecture Series, featuring Dr. Becky Ross, UBC Sociology.

Thursday, November 14

12:30pm: Alumni Theatre: Foothills Brass, a quintet from Calgary, presented by the UCC Cultural Events Committee.

Friday, November 15

Noon: Room AE108: "Life 25: The Impossible Sentence" presented by the UCC/UBC Lecture Series, featuring Dr. Peter Murphy, UCC English and Modern Languages.

Thursday, November 21

9:15 pm: Northhills Theatre: "Wild Reeds (Les Roseaux Sauvages)" (France 1994), a Kamloops Film Society presentation that received an Academy Award nomination for best foreign language film. "Wild Reeds" is a thoughtful and sparkingly fresh coming-of-age story that takes place in 1962 when France's colonial battle with Algeria is ending. Admission \$5 at the door.

7pm: ABC Restaurant: "Inside the Canadian Intelligence Establishment" presented by the Canadian Club, featuring former CSE spy Mike Frost.