



University
of Victoria

50
YEARS

CELEBRATING

UVic in the Community



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President's message



This September, we launch our 50th anniversary celebrations. This is a wonderful opportunity to recognize all those who have helped build the University of Victoria into what it is today: an internationally recognized university, celebrated for its excellence in teaching and research, its welcoming community and its beautiful campus.

Over our 50-year history, our university has grown in size and stature. UVic is now one of Canada's best research-intensive universities. Just this spring, *Times Higher Education* ranked UVic in the top 200 of all universities in the world and at number 11 globally and first in Canada among universities less than 50 years old.

The provincial act that officially established UVic in 1963 came about thanks to the energy and determination of the people of Greater Victoria, who had called on government to create a university in our region. That community-driven advocacy was complemented by a fundraising drive that demonstrated the commitment and generosity of Victorians from all walks of life.

The campaign to establish UVic was based on the knowledge that a university would be vital for responding to the educational needs of local students and of students from across Canada and around the world, and would be a benefit to our city and our region. Every day, our university works to earn that trust and fulfill that vision.

On behalf of all my colleagues at the University of Victoria, I would like to express our thanks and appreciation. We hope that you will join us in celebrating this great milestone and in building a bright future full of shared successes.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'David H. Turpin'.

David H. Turpin, CM, PhD, FRSC
President and Vice-Chancellor

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COMMUNITY IS OUR CURRICULUM

UVic is recognized around the world for the quality of our teaching, providing engaging, socially relevant instruction that opens minds and encourages creative problem-solving. The range of benefits we bring to our region and our community is as broad as the areas we study and as diverse as the more than 100,000 alumni who have passed through our classrooms in the past 50 years. Nearly one in 10 Greater Victoria residents holds a degree from UVic, helping our area boast the highest concentration of graduate-level degrees in the country and providing a well-educated workforce for the industries and services that make our region a great place to live.



Barbara Fox MSN, NP(F) Family Nurse Practitioner, of UVic's nursing program, is helping train tomorrow's nurses and nurse practitioners to provide reliable, high-quality care for our society. More than 800 of UVic's 20,000 students are enrolled in nursing programs. Health-related education and research spans every one of UVic's faculties and divisions, from physician training at the Island Medical Program, to applied theatre programs that help audiences tackle challenges in health and aging, to our new degree program in biomedical engineering.

Photos clockwise from top: education professor Dr. Helen Raptis; Carving a canoe as part of a course in Indigenous learning; humanities professor Dr. Andrew Rippin is one of the world's pre-eminent authorities in the field of Islamic studies; UVic green mapping initiatives are bringing communities together throughout Vancouver Island, as well as in Cuba.

Fighting adversity with knowledge

The belief that knowledge should truly belong to all is a core value of our university. The University 101 program at UVic is an expression of that belief, and demonstrates that the foundational skills of the humanities and social sciences—reflection and critical thinking—are of substantial benefit to people in all walks of life. Increasing access to those tools and ideas, especially for those who have previously faced barriers to education, is the practical focus of UNI101 as it offers free, non-credit courses in the humanities and social sciences.

UNI101 students bring a deep enthusiasm for learning to the classroom. This passion and engaged learning form the foundation upon which the program is built. One student explains, “I think that as

one learns more, one’s perspective changes, seeing different aspects and questioning actions and processes.”

The program makes education as barrier-free as possible by providing bus tickets, parking passes, meals, childcare subsidies, and all course materials. These practical supports are often critical in addressing the significant barriers to education that participants have faced in the past: financial challenges, unstable housing, the demands of single parenting, mental health diagnoses, or histories of addiction and trauma. After completing UNI101, students often get more involved in their community by writing, participating in politics, volunteering, and taking other courses at UVic and Camosun.

Another student, reflecting on the value of the program, explains “I am no longer just surviving, one foot in front of the other.... This course broke a very strong sense of isolation. So many amazing people here, instructors, students, all participants.”

Through immersion in the humanities, UNI101 keeps a vital conversation alive about the value of intellectual development, and feeds the quest for knowledge among underserved minds in our city. In empowering students, and helping them feel more connected as a part of the Greater Victoria community, the UNI101 program shows the deep links between educated individuals and a healthy, engaged civic body.

uvic.ca/uni101



Programs and technologies to empower people with disabilities

The CanAssist program at UVic helps improve the quality of life for those with disabilities and heightens awareness of disability issues in the community, focusing on developing practical, customized technologies for people with disabilities, as well as providing innovative programs where there is a gap in existing services.

Since its beginning in 1999 as a small volunteer venture, CanAssist has had a direct impact on the quality of life of many thousands of people with disabilities and their families. Today, CanAssist has a core team of about 25 professionals, including engineers, software developers and program coordinators, as well as employing part-time technology testers and assistants (many who live with disabilities) and the help of hundreds of students and volunteers each year.

The wide range of technologies developed by CanAssist is nearly as diverse as the array of people who use them—but several categories stand out:

- Communication and computer access
- Education and therapy
- Employment and home business supports
- Mobility and independence
- Technologies for participating in music and the arts
- Sports and healthy living

CanAssist works closely with businesses, non-profit groups, schools, health-care providers and all levels of government to find new and better ways to increase independence and accessibility for those with disabilities and to promote a fully inclusive society where everyone contributes and belongs. In addition to UVic funding, CanAssist operating costs are covered through service contracts, donations, grants and commercialization opportunities.

canassist.ca



SPEAKERS BUREAU

Sharing expertise and excitement

One long-standing expression of the commitment by faculty, staff and students to contribute to the intellectual, social and cultural development of our region is the UVic Speakers Bureau. For over 30 years, volunteer speakers from among the faculty, staff, graduate students and retirees who teach, conduct research, study and work at UVic have shared their knowledge and enthusiasm with audiences in Greater Victoria.

As the only university-wide bureau of its type in Canada, the UVic Speakers Bureau helps community groups, schools, clubs

and other organizations throughout Greater Victoria and Southern Vancouver Island find experts and knowledgeable individuals from UVic, who make themselves available to speak in community settings. The service is free (although travel expenses may be requested to some locations).

In its first year, the bureau reached a cumulative audience of 4,500 people through 118 talks on an extraordinarily wide range of subjects. Today, the bureau reaches an annual audience of 12,500 people and books up to 450 presentations in the community each year.

The breadth of scholarship represented in the nearly 400 topics offered by Speakers Bureau members is a veritable cornucopia of scientific knowledge, joyful discovery and informed perspective. Groups can request speakers to explain how the iconic polar bear is adapting to climate change, how today’s “apps” can help your child learn math, or to find out more about fetal alcohol spectrum disorders, the benefits of multilingualism, or intercultural conflict resolution, along with hundreds of other topics.

uvic.ca/speakers

MAKING A DIFFERENCE

UVic aspires to be the Canadian university that best integrates outstanding research and scholarship, inspired teaching and real-life involvement—because we recognize that higher education provides tools to help us better understand and improve the world we live in. At UVic, we know that a commitment to civic engagement, getting involved in the life of communities in order to make a difference, and the benefits of real-world experience aren't values bestowed at graduation—they're integral parts of the learning process, starting right where we live and learn. We're serving our community through academically rigorous programs that enhance learning, and through the wide array of student-driven initiatives that address our society's needs. UVic and the community are brought together through shared goals, service and activities.



Clockwise from top: Dr. Francis Lau, a professor in health information sciences, works with VIHA to improve patient care using electronic health records; commerce students Michael Traverse, Linsi Comfort and Anthea Chung bring a carrot mob to a downtown restaurant; linguistics professor Dr. Ewa Czapkowska-Higgins, winner of the 2012 BC Community Achievement Award for collaborative work on a Coast and Straits Salish language revitalization project; psychologist Dr. Bonnie Leadbeater, co-designer of the anti-bullying WITS program, which is taught in many local school districts and is branching out across Canada with the support of the RCMP.



Students in UVic's Business Sustainability Club are helping local businesses fund sustainability initiatives by attracting customers in a carrot mob. "We call it a *buycott*," explains 2011–12 club co-director Michael Traverse (pictured on facing page). "We create awareness, build support and provide resources for businesses to make better decisions about how they conduct their business."

SCIENCE VENTURE

Celebrating science education —with fun!

The nationally recognized Science Venture program has been welcoming youth to the UVic campus since 1991. Started as a summer science, technology and engineering camp, Science Venture now delivers year-round programs that reach over 10,000 youth each year, giving participants behind-the-scenes access to the same university equipment and labs usually used by students, professors and researchers, to get youth participants excited about science.

To ensure that youth from a wide array of cultural and socioeconomic backgrounds have an opportunity to recognize their

potential and actualize their vital role in the world through life-changing science and engineering experiences, Science Venture works extensively with youth-serving organizations in the community. These include science shows with Girl Guide groups, after-school science clubs at T'Sou-ke Nation and Boys and Girls Club, and workshops offered in partnership with the Greater Victoria Public Library, in which Vancouver Island youth explore hands-on science.

In addition to on-campus and local community programming, Science Venture makes it a priority to reach rural,

remote, and Aboriginal youth across Vancouver Island. With a van full of experiments and equipment, Science Venture helps thousands of youth discover, experiment and explore science, and begin to recognize the role of science in their lives today and for the future.

Science Venture received the 2009 Actua and GE Canada Award for leadership and innovation for its Aboriginal outreach activities, for the program's commitment to inspiring youth and for leadership in sharing expertise with other nonprofit science and engineering camps.

scienceventure.ca



THE LAW CENTRE

A practical education in serving our community

Opened in 1977, the Law Centre in downtown Victoria serves as a vital community resource, as well as a training ground for future lawyers, by providing advice, assistance and representation to clients who cannot afford a lawyer. UVic Law students at the centre enhance their clinical and legal education and are trained and supervised in the conduct of legal matters by lawyers who are members of the UVic Faculty of Law. Advocating for clients in this manner deepens students' commitment to community service and helps them develop the skills and knowledge they will need to effectively work on client problems throughout their careers. In 35 years of operations, the Law Centre has grown substantially, and now responds to more than 1,800 requests for legal advice and representation each year. The Law Centre also provides legal education programs to the public. Case and legal education examples include:

- Criminal matters
- Divorce, support and other family law matters
- Human rights complaints
- Civil disputes
- Employment insurance hearings
- Welfare
- Landlord and tenant disputes

The Law Centre also provides:

- First Nations outreach
- Shut-in and hospital legal service
- Inmate legal services
- Pathways—Law Centre family law diagnostic tool
- Human rights clinic

thelawcentre.ca

CENTRE FOR OUTREACH EDUCATION

Providing CORE supports for children's education

In the short year-and-a-half that UVic's Centre for Outreach Education (CORE) has been running, more than 150 children and youth have been assisted by this multidisciplinary centre in the Faculty of Education. Dedicated to helping young learners, CORE draws on the expertise of faculty and students to offer a variety of programs and services from tutoring, to art and music education, to counselling.

It's a win-win situation for children, youth and education students alike. Children and youth receive instructional support and graduate and undergraduate students in education, working as tutors and facilitators, receive valuable experience honing their teaching skills.

CORE's programs are free of charge to support children who may not normally have access to these types of services. A retired primary school teacher's generous bequest provides the supporting funds. The donor's request was that the funds be used, "for the benefit of children's education."

CORE's programs include:

- CORE Club—an on-campus, after-school tutoring program that teams UVic student teachers with elementary and middle school students. Tutors provide additional instruction and learning activities to support students' reading, writing and math skills.
- CORE Mobile—an outreach program providing educational support to students in the community. Currently,

CORE tutors are supporting students in the Songhees First Nation by providing reading and homework support.

- CORE Counselling—an on-campus counselling service offered to UVic students and youth from the community. The program also provides UVic counselling students with practicum opportunities.
- CORE has partnered with, and supported, local community programs such as InclusionWorks!—a program that helps young adults with developmental disabilities make the transition from high school into the work world.

For more information about CORE, or to donate to one of our programs, call 250-721-7862 or visit the CORE website at core.uvic.ca.



FOSTERING EXTRAORDINARY RESEARCH IN OUR REGION

Strong community connections and a shared regard for our spectacular natural environment have helped make UVic one of Canada’s top research-intensive universities. We’re a globally established leader in a range of fields including marine science and technology, clean energy and climate, health, sustainability, creative arts, and physics and astronomy. UVic researchers across a broad spectrum of disciplines are also at work in our community on a wide range of hands-on initiatives—including research partnerships in health, Indigenous education and community-engaged research—that have garnered national recognition for great results right here in Greater Victoria and on Vancouver Island. We integrate our research into the classroom, providing our students with a research-inspired learning environment.



Photos clockwise from top: the ROPOS undersea remote vehicle is prepared for a dive during 2012 equipment upgrades to NEPTUNE Canada, part of UVic’s world-leading ONC Observatory; a researcher with the Institute for Integrated Energy Solutions (IESVic) tests gas dispersion to improve the safety of next-generation hydrogen fuel cell systems; Dr. Michel Lefebvre is just one of dozens of UVic researchers who played a significant part in the development of the Large Hadron Collider in Europe and the discovery of the Higgs boson particle this year; nursing professor Dr. Bernie Pauly is investigating practical solutions to end homelessness.



Joaquin Trapero, manager of UVic’s Knowledge Mobilization Unit, helps governments, nonprofits and community agencies find faculty and graduate students who can conduct research to address their real-world needs. By cultivating close partnerships with the public and the private sectors, UVic ensures that university knowledge is enriched by—and put to work for the benefit of—society.

REACHING OUTWARD AND UPWARD

THE UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA, 1963-2013

By Dr. Ian MacPherson

A visually rich book, including pictures, quotations, and sidebars, *Reaching Outward and Upward* is a story of the communities—on-campus, off-campus, local, national, international, physical and electronic—that together have shaped the University of Victoria.

On the local community's role in the founding of the university:

“Many faculty and students, as well as key leaders in Victoria, rallied to the campaign, making it a cause that “thoroughly united the whole community.” Donating families became known as “university founders.” Students voluntarily canvassed nearby neighbourhoods for contributions. Within less than five years the [fundraising] target had been reached, helping to convince the premier, W.A.C. Bennett, that a university in Victoria made sense. He announced one would be developed when he opened one of the first buildings constructed on the Gordon Head lands in January 1963, a building named after Joseph Clearihue.”



{ On sale now at the UVic Bookstore! }

UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY



Celebrate with us

You're invited to the celebration of UVic's 50th anniversary which runs from September 2012 to June 2013. Over the next 10 months, UVic will host a fun, fabulous calendar of events to mark 50 years of success. You won't want to miss out!

We're launching the anniversary with a fantastic community festival on campus. Look inside to learn more.

50th ANNIVERSARY EVENTS

The festival isn't the only exciting event in the line-up, so get your calendars out! We've planned a full schedule of events, activities and projects to run throughout the anniversary. See some of the upcoming anniversary events below.

The Collections at 50: Building the University of Victoria Art Collections

Until November 24, 2012
Legacy Main and Small Galleries, 630 Yates Street
This exhibition, guest-curated by former gallery director Martin Segger, celebrates more than five decades of art at the University of Victoria.



University of Victoria Art Collections, W.P. Weston, *Arbutus Shedding Bark*, Reproduced with permission

50th Anniversary Signature Event Eve Egoyan, piano

October 13, 2012 | 8 p.m. ticketed | Phillip T. Young Recital Hall
School of Music distinguished alumnus and 50th Anniversary Honorary Cabinet member Eve Egoyan performs *Surface Tension*, a unique collaborative work for Disklavier piano and interactive video. Tickets available at the University Centre ticket office.



Vikes 50 Days of Movement Challenge

September 14, 2012 - April 5, 2013
Ian Stewart Complex and McKinnon Gym
The Vikes challenge you to get moving! Participate in this eight-month health and wellness challenge to move for 20 minutes a day.



UVic Living Stories Project— The Walking Storybook

Starts on September 29, 2012
Meet at the SUB Welcome Totem Pole
10:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m. and 2:30 p.m.
Take an interpretive geo-historical walk around Ring Road and discover the rich environmental and cultural history of UVic's campus.



THIS IS YOUR CELEBRATION

You're part of the remarkable group of community members, staff, students, faculty, retirees and alumni who, together, have shaped UVic over the years to become a vibrant and engaging centre for learning, teaching and research. We thank you for your ongoing support and look forward to seeing you throughout our anniversary celebrations.

Here's to the next 50 years!

50th Anniversary Honorary Cabinet

Throughout our 50th anniversary celebrations, we are privileged to have the support of our Honorary Cabinet—a group of 17 distinguished individuals whose contributions to Canada and the world have been exemplary and reflect the values that have shaped UVic's success.

Co-Chairs: Murray Farmer, UVic Chancellor Julie Payette, OC, CQ

Members:

David Anderson, PC, OC
Tom Brzustowski, OC
Eliza C. H. Chan, JP, BBS
Steve Cloutier
Don Drummond

Eve Egoyan
John deC. Evans
Peter B. Gustavson
Grand Chief Edward John Akile Ch'oh
Ron Lou-Poy, QC, CM

John Mackay
Lorna Marsden, CM, OO
Robert Pearce
Sheridan Scott
Lauren Woolstencroft

Volunteer

We're looking for 50th anniversary volunteers. Sign up at uvic.ca/anniversary

We want to hear your stories about UVic!

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Eight exciting days of academic excellence, public lectures
and community celebrations as part of UVic's 50th anniversary

UVic faculty, students and staff are invited to be a part of Canada's largest academic gathering. Join 7,000 academics and researchers as they share findings, refine ideas and build partnerships that will help shape the Canada of tomorrow.

Free and open to everyone:

- Big Thinking speaker series
- Canada's largest academic book fair
- Daily performances on the outdoor stage
- Artisan fair and exhibits
- Social and cultural events
- Research projects and displays

For more information visit uviccongress2013.ca or contact congress@uvic.ca
To volunteer contact volunteers@uviccongress2013.ca



CAMPUS ATTRACTIONS

As proud as we are of our role in the community, we're also very proud of our campus, rich as it is in diverse cultures, talents and ideas. There's always something going on, and everyone is welcome.



Photo: Darren Stone

Astronomy Open House

Explore the observable universe with the largest on-campus telescope in Canada. This open house is held every Wednesday from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. from October to April and 9 p.m. to 10 p.m. from May to August on top of the Bob Wright Centre.



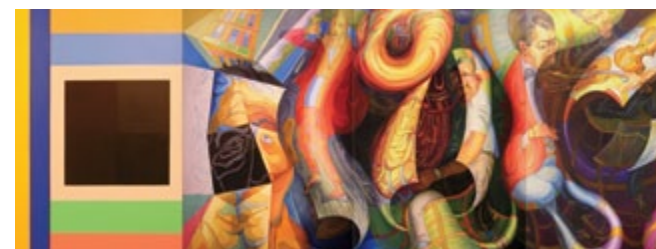
UVic Bookstore

The newly renovated UVic Bookstore is proud to carry the University of Victoria's 50th anniversary merchandise. Items such as golf shirts, mugs, pens and even kids' toys are crested with the anniversary logo. Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Wednesday 8:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. uvicbookstore.ca



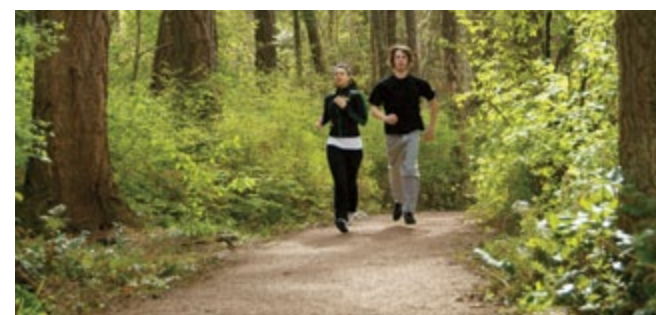
Finnerty Gardens

Come stroll through one of Canada's most spectacular collections of rhododendrons. With over 4,000 different trees and shrubs and more than 1,500 rhododendron and azalea plants, Finnerty Gardens is open to the public every day during daylight hours, with no admission charge. uvic.ca/finnerty



Campus Art Tour

Explore UVic's art collection with our new Campus Art Tour Map. Featuring a series of self-guided tours, this handy map will lead you through our various buildings and help you discover the incredible diversity of art on campus. Spend an hour or spend a day seeing paintings, carvings, sculpture and so much more! bit.ly/uvicartmap



Mystic Vale

UVic is committed to protecting the natural beauty of this sensitive ecosystem, as well as making it an accessible place for teaching and for community use. Mystic Vale is a popular spot for walkers, joggers and anyone with an appreciation of nature. bit.ly/mysticvale

A KEY PART OF OUR VIBRANT CITY

Paired with inquiry and industry, the benefits of UVic-related arts, music, theatre and cultural programming help make Victoria one of the most vibrant and livable small cities in the world—powered by the energy and creativity of faculty, students and alumni alike. On-campus events like plays, concerts, art exhibitions, lectures, films and conferences enhance the intellectual life of our community and help to grow the culture of filmmaking, theatre companies, music and other arts-based production and entrepreneurship that infuses our region. UVic further contributes to the cosmopolitan atmosphere of Greater Victoria by bringing international visitors to study in our city and explore Vancouver Island’s many attractions, year-round.



Photos clockwise from left: students in visual arts work in a range of media; noted Newfoundland trumpet player and recording artist Patrick Boyle heads the School of Music's jazz orchestra and jazz studies program; acclaimed playwright and UVic writing professor Joan McLeod, winner of the 2011 Siminovitch Prize, is also a graduate of the same department in which she now mentors the next generation of Canadian playwrights.



Longtime Phoenix Theatre professor Brian Richmond is also the founder and producing artistic director of the Blue Bridge Repertory Theatre, which has breathed new excitement into downtown's summer theatre scene.

46 years of captivating performances, on and off campus

For nearly 50 years, the Phoenix Theatre has been staging some of Victoria's most exciting and eclectic theatre—while producing theatre grads who enrich the cultural scene in our region and across Canada. At the Phoenix, students learn by doing, and are involved in every aspect of these productions—from acting on stage to the design, creation and management of sets, costumes, props, sound and lighting.

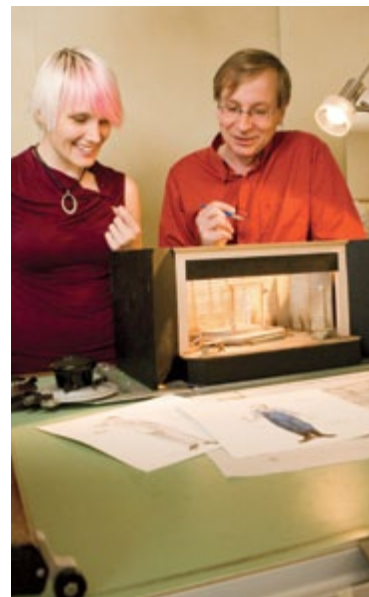
The theatre program keeps nationally recognized faculty circulating their talents into productions by Pacific Opera Victoria and other local companies. And many UVic theatre alumni have also chosen to make this beautiful island city their creative

home, sculpting Victoria's cultural landscape through high production values and an enlivened entrepreneurial spirit that keeps our region buzzing.

A quick glance through Victoria's theatre scene quickly demonstrates the theatre program's influence across the arts: from **Janet Munsil** (BFA '89), the internationally renowned playwright and long-time producer at the heart of Intrepid Theatre, to **Ingrid Hansen** (BFA'09), whose Victoria-based SNAFU Dance Theatre is growing a national fan base at Fringe fests. Production manager **Keith Houghton** (BFA '01) is just one of the UVic theatre alumni who ensure the success of the Belfry Theatre. **Ross Desprez** (BFA '92),

artistic director of The Other Guys Theatre Company, has turned his passion for music and local history into plays that reflect our past to our BC communities. **Matthew Payne** (BFA '93) began Theatre SKAM with three other alumni 17 years ago and it is still pushing the edges of new performance.

Local alumni-run theatre companies like Atomic Vaudeville are making a national impact with their made-in-Victoria hit musical *Ride the Cyclone*. Acclaimed by *The Globe and Mail* as "...probably the most uproarious and outrageous piece of musical theatre Canada has ever produced," the production is now headed Off-Broadway.



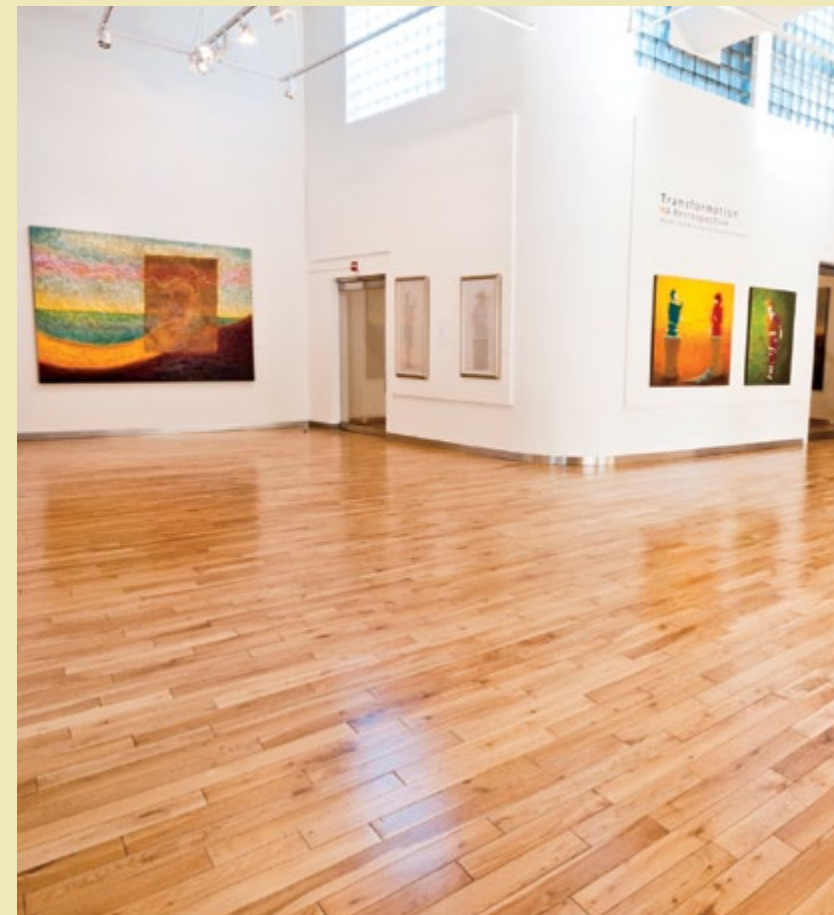
Photos from left to right: UVic theatre alumni and Canadian Comedy Award nominees Peter N' Chris (Chris Wilson and Peter Carlone) will bring their hit play to the Phoenix Theatre this October; careful research on period costume and setting helps graduate student projects, mentored by leading professionals like theatre designer Dr. Allan Stichbury, stand out in Canadian theatre; student-designed sets played a strong supporting role in the 2009 Phoenix staging of *Medea*.

A downtown home for the UVic Art Collections

Opened in 2007, the Legacy Art Gallery at 630 Yates helps fulfill the dream of local philanthropist Michael C. Williams by providing a vibrant home for art in the heart of Victoria's downtown. The gallery showcases works from the Williams Collection, as well as other material from the university's rich and diverse collections in an inviting setting. Admission to the gallery is free to the public.

Recent renovations have transformed the Legacy Art Gallery into the University of Victoria's primary gallery space. Added teaching and research spaces ensure the gallery will continue to function as a lively and engaging centre for art that is easily accessible to the community and enables students to study both art and curatorial practice.

In conjunction with the university's anniversary celebrations, the retrospective exhibit, "Building the University Art Collection: 50 Years", runs through October 27. Curated by recently retired gallery director Martin Segger, this exhibition reflects on collecting and curating the UVic Art Collections over the past 35 years.



Photos from left to right: the recently renovated interior of the Legacy Art Gallery gives downtown visitors better access to leading exhibits; Mary Jo Hughes, director of the University Art Collections, outside the gallery.

Community resources at the UVic Libraries

Digital Collections

UVic Libraries support a variety of digital initiatives to promote wider access to our unique collections. Our digital content ranges from the latest student theses and faculty publications to manuscripts from centuries past. These digital collections bring together rich resources for research and enjoyment by the university and the community. Recent collection highlights include the **Colonial Despatches 1846-71** (bcgenesis.uvic.ca), a digital archive containing correspondence between the governors

of Vancouver Island and the Colonial Office in London, England; the **Fort Victoria Journals 1846-1850** (fortvictoriajournal.ca), where for the first time people can easily read first-hand about daily life in Fort Victoria in the mid-1850s and the **Historical Cartographic Collections** (library.uvic.ca/dig/carto.html), that contain a selection of early BC maps, fire insurance maps and many 19th-century maps of historical significance.



Maltwood Gallery

The Maltwood Prints and Drawings Gallery at the McPherson Library is a university venue that allows a collaborative approach to highlighting university collections. In October 2011, UVic Libraries and Pacific Opera Victoria partnered to showcase an exhibit of First World War materials that were drawn from the extensive military collections found in Special Collections and the University Archives. The exhibit brought the world of *Mary's Wedding* (a new Canadian opera launched by Pacific Opera Victoria on November 11, 2011) to examine the themes of private remembering (letters, diaries, photographs, scrapbooks) collective remembering (the military artifacts of war) and the art of remembering (war art, drama, poetry and music). Historians, researchers and community members with an interest in local history, military history and Canadian history were able to examine these poignant materials that chronicled the home front in Victoria.

Archives and Special Collections

These units serve as a research and teaching resource for students, faculty and the community at large. Located in the lower level of the McPherson Library, in the William C. Mearns Centre for Learning, they share a beautiful and serene location that includes a reading room, classroom, exhibit space and a climate-controlled vault. Collections with a local flavour include: the Artists' Archives where you can find the Limner's Archive that documents the history and activities of this Victoria-based artists' collective; the Seghers Collection, consisting of 4,000 volumes on permanent loan from the Catholic Diocese of Victoria; and the Ted Harrison Archive that documents his extraordinary artistic career. These local collections are invaluable resources that benefit researchers by their immediate availability and relevance to the local community.

CONTINUING STUDIES

Lifelong learning that shapes who you are

Continuing Studies at UVic provides the whole community with access to rich learning opportunities, from individual courses to in-depth programs that perfectly balance theory and practice. Our certificate and diploma programs help thousands of people each year in Greater Victoria develop the critical skills and specialized knowledge that keep them prepared for the course of change across a wide range of careers.

Continuing Studies learners come from all walks of life. Some are career builders or are in pursuit of long-held academic goals. Others learn new things just for fun and to know more about their world.

For more than 30 years, Continuing Studies has also offered a wealth of distance learning opportunities to serve students who live outside Greater Victoria. Our courses maximize the flexibility that online learning offers and make the learning experience engaging, fun and productive. Distance learners enjoy access to our friendly help desk, support for a range of collaborative online teaching and learning tools, and library support.

Through part-time evening, weekend or distance study, you can enjoy small classes and big experiences that will fit into a busy schedule. Continuing Studies courses cover a wide and stimulating range of topics and provide an opportunity to shape the way you look at the world.

For information on what's available now and what's ahead each season, visit www.continuingstudies.uvic.ca or call 250-472-4747.



Photos from left: instructor Wendy Shearer (left), landscape architect and leading national consultant in cultural landscapes with Continuing Studies students Graham Gidden and Michele Sirett; Anne Sam, Shelley Black and Jim Elliott, students in the Certificate Program in Cultural Language Revitalization, enjoy time in one of the courses. The program is offered through Continuing Studies in partnership with Indigenous Education, Department of Linguistics, UVic and the En'owkin Centre.

ENRICHING OUR REGION

As a destination university, UVic draws students, faculty, knowledge and innovative businesses from across Canada and around the world to contribute to a strong economy right here on Vancouver Island. Attracting students, scholars, research projects and high-tech expertise to Victoria, UVic is your local hub in the global economy, as well as a significant engine in our shared prosperity. University-related benefits to our region extend well beyond hard dollars, into a wide range of supports for our region's health and livability. In addition to serving as a key driver in the emerging knowledge economy in BC, the university is also a collecting point for commercial activity and entrepreneurial incubation both within our community and through our Vancouver Island Technology Park (VITP).



Photos clockwise from left: Fiona Nordean became the 10,000th co-op placement for the Gustavson School of Business, working as an administrative coordinator at VITP; electrical engineering student Jessica Bekker worked with the T'Sou-ke Nation helping to evaluate the energy potential and plan for the installation of a large solar panel array; biochemist Dr. Terry Pearson is an international leader in the use of immunological approaches to disease.



Boasting a higher proportion of out-of-province students than any other Canadian university west of Montreal, UVic draws students like Sarah Little, of Calgary, from across Canada and around the world to Victoria. Their influence brings enthusiasm and increased commerce to our region as they study, spend and often settle in our region after graduation.

Setting careers in motion

At UVic, we know that learning extends beyond the classroom. That's why we've worked to build one of Canada's largest university co-operative education programs, integrating academic studies with relevant paid work experience in more than 47 academic areas. Each year, businesses and organizations around Victoria and across the globe hire UVic students to complete more than 2,800 four-month co-op work terms—a win-win situation for employers and students alike.

When local organizations hire UVic students, we all benefit. Employers gain valuable short-term help and a window on future recruitment, while students acquire relevant work experience and invest in the local community and economy. Last year, 345 Greater Victoria employers hired students to complete 1,209 co-op placements, helping to hone the skills and talent base our region needs to secure a prosperous future.

Co-op and Career Services also supports the career development cycle of students—providing one-on-one career coaching, running career preparation and exploration programs, and connecting students and employers through career fairs and other events. A comprehensive online curriculum even helps students develop competencies, plan their career paths and search for work.

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Students Wilson Chung (visual arts) and Rui Fang (commerce) spent co-op work terms in 2012 working with the Victoria Dragon Boat Festival Society to help make this exciting summer festival in the Inner Harbour a success.

Photos clockwise from left: Jen Comer spent her final co-op term as the Ministry of Attorney General's green initiatives coordinator; Kathryn Jones spent a co-op term developing a retail strategy for the Q'ente Textile Revitalization Society, helping weavers in small communities in the Peruvian Andes bring sustainable goods to North American markets; Pramuk (May) Pongpitpitak spent a co-op work term at the Vancouver Island Health Authority, where he was responsible for quality control and managed research on elevator traffic for the new Patient Care Centre at Victoria's Royal Jubilee Hospital.

Building economic opportunity on the Island

UVic owns more technology transfer space than any other BC university, which is great news for its spin-off companies and the graduates and co-op students employed by the Vancouver Island Technology Park's (VITP) tenants. By linking local, provincial, national and international resources with emerging tech companies, UVic's VITP has helped to shape the island's hi-tech industry. Today, the existing 191,000-square-foot facility is home to 30 high-tech companies, supporting 2,100 direct and indirect jobs in the region—contributing more than \$360 million to BC's economy each year.

VITP houses the greatest concentration of high-tech companies on Vancouver Island—providing a supportive environment for business

development as well as opportunities in the cutting-edge companies that make up Victoria's growing high-tech industry sector.

Led by industry and academic leaders who assist in the strategic direction of the park, VITP facilitates the growth of technology on Vancouver Island by providing the physical infrastructure that links provincial, national and international resources with emerging or growing tech companies.

VITP is a major centre for technology activity and has helped Victoria become BC's second-largest high-tech development market. High-tech is Victoria's number one industry, estimated as a \$1.67 billion each year, surpassing the \$1.19 billion activity of local tourism.

VITP's 35 acres house a modern research and technology centre that enhances the creativity and productivity of its tenants by clustering fuel cell, new media, wireless, life science/biotech, ocean technology and ICT companies. The park offers wet lab capability, specialized electrical and venting systems, and the latest data transfer technology. Flexible designs allow for the changing requirements of existing tenants, as well as the needs of new start-up companies. VITP's Phase I has a 97 per cent occupancy rate and has embarked on a master planning exercise to accommodate further growth that is expected in our marketplace.

UVIC INDUSTRY PARTNERSHIPS

From campus innovation to commercial success

UVic faculty and graduate researchers produce a wide variety of revolutionary discoveries and innovations. But the ultimate potential of any breakthrough is

only realized when it's put in the hands of people who need its benefit, and who will use the resulting product to meet their commercial needs. UVic Industry Partnerships (UVic IP) makes this possible, serving as a portal for private sector collaboration and as a commercial launch pad for viable university inventions and concepts. Annually, UVic IP helps create hundreds of contracts between researchers, industry partners and funding agencies to move innovations to the marketplace.

UVic's Thermafloat jacket, patented in 1977, was an early commercial and lifesaving success. Such achievements encouraged the university to open the Innovation and Development Centre (IDC) in 1993 to assist in patenting other

innovative technologies. IDC evolved into UVic IP, with a mandate to strengthen and support academic-industrial relationships.

UVic IP's patenting assistance was key when in 2004, they backed Sophiris (then named Protox Therapeutics) to commercialize cancer therapeutics and become the first UVic spin-off company to be publicly traded. More recently, Biotracker, a patented, ground-breaking, biometric computer security system, is being commercialized with UVic IP's assistance, by Plurilock Security Solutions.

Innovations are vital to our economy and our competitiveness on a global scale. Through UVic IP, the University of Victoria continues to invest in advancing innovation through collaboration.



Dr. Issa Traore and Dr. Youssef Nakkabi, a senior scientist and programmer at Plurilock.

A winning tradition at home and abroad

UVic's Vikes program has a rich history of excellence, dating back to 1967 when the first Vikes teams began interuniversity competition, and it continues to draw top Canadian athletes to Victoria in a range of exciting sports. Affordable tickets to competitive rugby, soccer, field hockey and basketball games provide an opportunity to watch some of the country's top university athletes in action. And community recreation passes make it possible to train like—or alongside—an Olympian.

The Vikes program takes pride in being one of the best university athletics programs in Canada. It has won 70 team national championship titles, placing UVic fourth in overall team championships among the 53 CIS institutions.

Drawing the sporting world to Victoria is a team specialty as well. UVic won the 2011 CIS Men's Soccer Championship, the 2011 Canadian University Rowing Championship title (women's) and the 2008 Women's Field Hockey Championship, all on home turf in Victoria. Looking for another championship win in their own backyard, the Vikes will be hosting this year's CIS Women's Soccer Championship Nov. 8-11 at Centennial Stadium.

The Vikes also continue to grow a tradition of success on the world stage. Over 150 Vikes student-athletes have competed for Canada in Olympic and Paralympic Games—winning 37 gold, 19 silver and eight bronze medals. Six of the nine Vikes athletes who competed in the 2012 London Olympic Games returned home

with a medal. Ryan Cochrane won a silver and Richard Weinberger won a bronze medal in swimming, while the men's and women's eights—featuring former Vikes' rowers Gabe Bergen, Doug Csimá, Rachelle Viinberg and Darcy Marquardt—won silver.

Vikes Recreation also hosts a variety of programs in several of their public-use facilities, giving members of the community the opportunity to work out and get fit.

Vikes season schedules and ticket information

www.govikesgo.com

Vikes recreation: getting active and staying involved

vikesrec.uvic.ca



Photos from left to right: soccer at Centennial Stadium, which plays host to national and international sporting events, as well as regional meets for K-12 students in Greater Victoria; women's rowing practice at Elk Lake, where generations of Olympic rowers have trained as Vikes.



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