Happy New Year - I hope you had a good holiday and some time to relax! In this issue we have highlighted some of our award winning faculty and staff who have received recognition for their work - we are proud of their accomplishments! We continue to push ahead with a number of new projects and initiatives, which we will be highlighting in upcoming newsletters. We are hopeful that this year will be a good one and look forward to 2022!

- Andre Kushniruk

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Information and News

**Award Winning Faculty and Staff**

Congratulations to [Helen Monkman](#) for on being awarded the 2021 Faculty of Human and Social Development Award for Teaching Excellence and Educational Leadership. This award recognizes excellence in teaching, educational leadership and innovation across key priorities for HSD including multidisciplinary work, community-based learning and teaching and distance education. [Read more](#)
Dr. Alex Kuo has been recognized by the Taiwanese Canadian Association for his contributions to the Canadian community. For his extensive work, he has received the Canadian Taiwanese Community Contribution Award for 2021. Congratulations!

Congratulations to Selina Jorgensen for being awarded the 2021 Co-op & Career Services, Optional and Professional Programs Staff Award. Selina joined HINF in 2016 and celebrated 15 years working at UVic this past Fall. Selina provides support for Co-op and Career and the School of Health Information Science while helping students achieve success through work-integrated learning opportunities.

**Best Paper Awards**

Congratulations to Dr. Monkman and Dr. Kushniruk on receiving Best Paper Awards at the Conference on Context Sensitive Health Informatics 2021, with papers focused on the areas of Design Thinking and Information Chaos during COVID-19!

**Book Publications**

Congratulations to Dr. Scott Macdonald, School of Health Information Science Alumni, for publishing the second edition of his book Cannabis Crashes: Myths and Truths.

**Academic and Practice Leadership**
Simon Minshall has been chosen by the Faculty of Human and Social Development as a representative to the University of Victoria Senate. The Senate’s responsibilities include governance of library instruction, course instruction, and faculties, departments and schools.

Dr. Elizabeth Borycki has joined a panel of nursing experts who have been brought together by the Registered Nurses Association of Ontario (RNAO) to develop a Best Practice Guideline for Clinical Practice in a Digital Health Environment.

Faculty and Student Publications


Professional Development

Learn about Undergraduate and Graduate Programs in Health Informatics -
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0XFzZE6J62A

Learn about the Graduate Certificate Program in Health Information Standards -
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=74QvtlBOtNY&list=PLXhJqFrhMUQnblQmFeOKX7ZM42ipyqdy&index=1

Meet the HINF Staff Members and Advisors

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Model Program

HINF undergraduate students! Check the model program to make sure you are on track!

**BSc - Health Information Science**
**BSc - Combined Major Computer Science and Health Information Science**

Tips For Students!

- Want to take your assignment or class project to the next level? Use the resources available through the [Centre for Academic Communication](#) and the [UVic Libraries Digital Scholarship Commons](#)
- Get personalized help with your research from [Jessica Mussell](#) the Health Information Science librarian by email at [jmussell@uvic.ca](mailto:jmussell@uvic.ca)
- The Student Wellness Centre provides holistic care to support students’ wellbeing. Visit the [Student Wellness Centre](#) online or drop by the new [Health and Wellness (HWB) Building](#)
- [Counselling appointments](#) and [Support Connect](#) are available for mental health support throughout your academic journey. It is common to feel overwhelmed or stressed and very important to seek professional support to get the most out of your university experience.
- The [Office of Student Life](#) is a great resource for student clubs & activities, student conduct and student initiatives such as student mental health, sexualized violence prevention & awareness, bystander intervention, pride week and much more.
- Your emotional, physical and spiritual [well-being](#) are extremely important and resources are available for you.
- We are excited to welcome students from around the world. The [International Centre for Students](#) provides international student services, advising and programs.
- [Student Awards and Financial Aid](#) – is your resource for scholarships, awards, bursaries, work study opportunities, loans, grants and much more.
- The [Computer Help Desk](#) is your primary point of contact for computing service and support.
Educational Program Deadlines

Undergraduate Degree Admission

Learn more about:

- BSc in Health Information Science
- BSc in Health Information Science and Computer Science

Apply by January 31st 2022 for September 2022 entry
Read more and Apply Now

or contact his@uvic.ca for application information

Graduate Degree Admission

Learn more about:

- MSc in Health Informatics
- Master of Nursing and MSc in Health Informatics
- PhD in Health Informatics

Apply by December 1st 2022 for September 2023 entry
Read more and Apply Now

Health Terminology Standards Graduate Certificate

Apply by June 1st 2022 for September 2022 entry
Read more and Apply Now

Academic Year Important Dates

January

- Second term classes begin for all faculties
  Monday, January 10th
- Last day for 100% reduction of second term fees for standard courses
  Sunday, January 23rd
- Last day for graduate students to register in a personal leave in second term
  Sunday, January 23rd
- Last day for adding courses that begin in the second term
  Wednesday, January 26th
- Last day for paying second term fees without penalty
  Monday, January 31st

February

- Last day for 50% reduction of tuition fees for standard courses
  Sunday, February 13th
- Faculty of Graduate Studies deadline to apply to graduate for Spring Convocation
  Tuesday, February 15th
- Family Day
  Monday, February 21st
- Reading Break for all faculties
  Monday, February 21st until Friday, February 25th
- Last day for withdrawing from full year and second term courses without penalty of failure
  Monday, February 28th

March

- Nothing of Note during March 2022

April

- Last day of classes for all faculties
  Thursday, April 7th
- Examinations begin for all faculties
  Monday, April 11th
- Good Friday
  Friday, April 15th
- Easter Monday
  Monday, April 18th
- Examinations end for all faculties
  Friday, April 29th

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