

Patrick Arnold is a pioneer. He is a graduate of UVic, Pacific and Oriental Studies in 1985, having first moved to Victoria in 1982. He has seen first hand how aspects of his studies and professional life continue to impact the University, the city, the province and our country.

Upon graduation from UVic he went to work at the fledgling Asia Pacific Foundation of Canada in Vancouver. Focus on educational programming and the birth of the Internet eventually led to his representation of Canada at the then brand new Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation forum (APEC). Aspects of the information and communication network he designed and built are still in use in the APEC member economies.

Mr. Arnold joined with Microsoft Corporation next, as a "go to" partner building software solutions and networks for Microsoft strategic customers in Canada and the US. Governments, universities, hospitals and major corporations improved productivity, innovation and collaboration as a result. Microsoft grew.

Patrick was also a founding team member of the Globe Foundation in Vancouver, an international champion of environmental business.

Over the years Mr. Arnold's companies also developed focus and expertise in advanced healthcare workflow solutions benefiting hospitals, patients, doctors and other health professionals. His teams have always built patient-centric solutions.

A 1996 move to Gonzales Bay was a decade ahead of the influx of new capital to Victoria. More recently, Patrick and his wife have rescued a late 19th century Saanich farmhouse, one block from UVic campus.

Pat believes in a balanced approach to institutional governance, where energy, transparency and opportunities for those with merit are most important. He has reported directly to two university Presidents, and many CEOs and senior managers over the years.

To get to where you want to go, you often need a map. Pioneers and trailblazers draw those maps.