

What's Next: Finding Your Future – talk to employers now.

Are you a student looking to the future? Are you looking to re-enter the workforce or looking for a career change? Do you know what resources and services are provided in our community? Would you like to hear first hand from employers where the work is, and what skills and abilities they look for in an employee. This event is for you!

The Okanagan College Alumni Association is hosting “What's Next: Finding Your Future – talk to employers now” on Wednesday March 8, from 3:00pm to 7:30 pm at the Okanagan College Kalamalka Campus. This is a **student focused** information venue with the goal of providing an opportunity to enhance awareness of programs and services being offered in the community, and provide information on the immediate and future needs of employers in a variety of industries. We will be offering students and the community real world experience, timely advice and suggestions from employers and community groups on topics such as; where is the work, what kind of work is it, how can I get a job in the industry, what are employers looking for in an employee and whatever timely and relevant information can be offered regarding jobs and careers. The end result is to build sustainable bridges between the community, employers, Okanagan College and students.

We are fortunate and blessed to live in an area with a Community College that offers a timely and relevant world class education; an area that has numerous career and employment agencies with every service available to help you with your job search; a broad and diverse industry and employer base, and most of all talented, willing and able employees and potential employees to lead us into the future.

Four amazing skills workshops will be provided by employment industry professionals including: Networking: What is it and How do you do it; Create a Killer resume; Beyond the application – attitude is everything, and WOW them in your interview – Getting to “You're Hired.” Employer information sessions are hosted by: Tolko Industries Inc. and KPMG; Ensign Energy Services; RCMP, and Interior Health Authority.

Industry participants include: Connections Career Centre, Employment Options, Community Futures Development Corporation – North Okanagan, Career & Business Development Network (CBD), Greater Vernon Chamber of Commerce, Interior Health Authority, Ensign Energy Services Inc., RCMP, Tolko Industries Inc, KPMG, Okanagan College and the host, the Okanagan College Alumni Association. Admission is free (Donations to the food bank would be appreciated). We encourage you to come out and see what your community has to offer and visit with the industry representatives.

We invite you to register for the workshops and employer sessions online at www.okanagan.bc.ca/whatsnext, in person at the Kal Campus Administration Office or by phone by calling 545-7291.

Come on up, ask lots of questions and check this out. This event is for you!
Compliments of your Okanagan College Alumni Association and Okanagan College.

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