Access support for applied research projects on the College’s website

One of the Key Directions of Okanagan College's new strategic plan is Excelling in Teaching, Programming, and Applied Research. Okanagan College continues to advance its applied research agenda, thanks to the inspired work of employees and students across its campuses and learning centres.

Applied research builds and stewards the College’s strong relationships with industry and the community, and there exists a growing number of applied research collaborations involving community partners, organizations, and other institutions. These projects also provide extensive opportunity for students to transfer the theory from their studies into real-life skills and knowledge in their chosen fields.

"Applied research provides students with enhanced real-world, hands-on learning experiences and it deepens the learning and teaching experiences that employees extend to students," says Okanagan College Vice President Education Dr. Andrew Hay.

A recent example came in March with the announcement of $750,000 in funding for a project led by Okanagan College Computer Science department Chair Dr. Youry Khmelevsky; that project aims to improve action-to-reaction communication for gamers across the world. Five Okanagan College students from the Computer Information Systems (bachelor and diploma) and the Network and Telecommunications Engineering Technology diploma programs will gain hands-on experience through the project.

Learn more about the services and support that Okanagan College provides to potential industry partners and researchers on applied research projects on the website.