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### Note From the Registrar

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank each of you for the warm Okanagan College welcome. You've made my introduction to OC an enriching experience. Now I'm even more excited to be working alongside you. As we move forward, I will use this (and other) forums to share thoughts on issues, ideas, strategies and plans that advance our complex of activities in supporting OC. As they are important to what we do and how we do it, do not hesitate to let me know your thoughts.

Bob Burge, EdD  
Registrar

### Scheduling News

Please note, the Winter 2019 Exam schedule has been posted online at [okanagan.bc.ca/exams](http://okanagan.bc.ca/exams). The Summer 2019 academic schedule is now available in ClassFinder and registration is ongoing.

### Fee Payment Deadlines Posted

The following fee payment deadlines have been posted and can be found online at: [okanagan.bc.ca/feepayment](http://okanagan.bc.ca/feepayment).

Fall 2019: Tuesday, Aug. 13

Winter 2020: Tuesday, Dec. 17

Summer 2020: Tuesday, Apr. 21

Fall 2020: Tuesday, Aug. 18

Winter 2021: Tuesday, Dec. 15

### OCSC Supports Sticks Up Fundraiser

The Okanagan College Social Club is supporting the hockey-themed fundraiser, OC Sticks Up for Aboriginal Students, with their event Kickoff to the Playoffs in the Cafeteria **April 10, 2019 at 4 p.m.** For just \$20 a ticket, you can join in the NHL Playoffs Bracket Challenge and enjoy an appetizer with your colleagues while you watch the opening game of the NHL playoffs. You'll have a choice of either wings, sliders, ribs or nachos as part of your appy ticket and the chance to win door prizes and bid on silent auction items. You'll also feel great knowing a portion of your ticket will help create an Aboriginal Students Award!

Tickets can be purchased from Angie March (Regional Dean's Office), Carlyn Young (Registrar's Office), Gerry Born (Co-op Office), Lara Jennings (Executive Office), or Richard McAdam (Advancement and Alumni Office).

For information about the NHL bracket, contact Bill Wang or Richard McAdam. Not interested in being part of the bracket? You can still join us for an appy for just \$10.



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### Education Council News

Below is a brief update on items approved at Education Council in February and March. Please view the *Items Approved* or *Minutes* for details.

### February 2019

#### Program Revision

##### Post Baccalaureate Diploma in Marketing

The program outline will be revised to include BUAD 200 and move BUAD 266 to the list of electives.

Proposed date of implementation is September 1, 2019.

#### New Course

- GEOG 255 - Geography of Beer

#### Course Revisions

- BUAD 121 - Financial Accounting II
- BUAD 195 - Financial Management
- BUAD 208 - Canadian Income Tax I
- BUAD 236 - Accounting Computer Applications
- BUAD 263 - Intermediate Accounting I
- BUAD 293 - Entrepreneurship
- BUAD 298 - Small Business Management
- BUAD 350 - Capital Markets
- BUAD 365 - Cost Accounting

### March 2019

#### New Programs

##### Post-Baccalaureate Diploma in Marketing and Data Analytics

This program is designed for those who have completed a bachelor degree in any business or science program.

Proposed date of implementation is July 1, 2019.

### Program Revisions

##### Recreational Vehicle Service Technician Foundation

The program is being updated based on the new ITA outline for level one.

Proposed date of implementation is September 1, 2019.

##### Carpenter Foundation

The program is being revised to align with the harmonized ITA outline.

Proposed date of implementation is July 1, 2019.

##### Carpenter and Joiner Foundation

The program is being revised to align with the harmonized ITA outline.

Proposed date of implementation is July 1, 2019.

##### Communications, Culture and Journalism Studies

Changes include revision of courses, changes to graduation requirements and resequencing courses in the program outline.

Proposed date of implementation is September 2, 2019.

##### Electronic Engineering Technology

The Winter semester will be reduced from four extra weeks per year to just two in the first year. Unnecessary content will be removed and relevant content will be added after consultation with industry and Technology Accreditation Canada.

Proposed date of implementation is September 4, 2019.

#### New Courses

- CMNS 215 - Public Speaking
- CMNS 370 - Games in Everyday Life
- ENGR 101 - Engineering Design I
- ENGR 111 - Engineering Design II

- PHYS 126 - Physics for Electronics
  - ELEN 110 - Computer Fluency
  - ELEN 152 - Fabrication II
  - ELEN 153 - Fundamentals of the Internet of Things
  - ELEN 213 - Engineering Project Management
  - ELEN 240 - Fundamentals of Communication Systems
  - ELEN 251 - Digital Communication Systems
  - ELEN 273 - Applications of the Industrial Internet of Things
  - DSCI 100 - Introduction to Data Science I
  - DSCI 101 - Introduction to Data Science 2
  - DSCI 110 - Mathematical Computation
  - DSCI 200 - Introduction to Data Science 3
  - DSCI 390 Data Science Project
- #### Course Revisions
- CMNS 120 - Introduction to Journalism Studies
  - PHYS 215 - Thermodynamics
  - ELEN 116 - Programming and Interfacing
  - ELEN 126 - Digital Electronics
  - ELEN 130 - Electrical Circuits
  - ELEN 140 - Electrical Circuits II
  - ELEN 142 - Fabrication II
  - ELEN 146 - Electronic Circuits
  - ELEN 216 - Microcontroller Technology
  - ELEN 226 - Embedded Systems
  - ELEN 227 - Report and Project
  - ELEN 256 - Analog Digital Signal Processing
  - ELEN 263 - Control Systems
  - MATH 147 - Mathematics for Electronic Engineering Technology II

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- MATH 251 - Introduction to Discrete Structures
- MATH 314 - Calculus and Linear Algebra with Business Applications
- STAT 230 - Elementary Applied Statistics
- STAT 310 - Regression Analysis

The next regular Education Council meeting is scheduled for April 4, 2019.

Details of EdCo approvals can be found at: [www.okanagan.bc.ca/edco](http://www.okanagan.bc.ca/edco).

*Please note that all new programs and all program changes require Board approval.*

### March 2019

- 21 The [Long Night Against Procrastination](#) (Penticton)

### April 2019

- 4 It's a Wrap free student event (Penticton)
- 10 Kickoff to the Playoffs staff event
- 11 It's a Wrap free student event (Kelowna)
- 12 Last day of regularly scheduled classes
- 15-29 Final exams
- 19 Good Friday (College closed)
- 21 Easter Monday (College closed)

## Letter Requests for International Students

Please note, when requested, the following forms should be used for **international students**.

### Confirmation of Enrolment

If needed, find the form required here: [www.okanagan.bc.ca/Programs/Areas\\_of\\_Study/International\\_Education/Student\\_Support/Confirmation\\_of\\_Enrolment\\_Letter\\_Request.html](http://www.okanagan.bc.ca/Programs/Areas_of_Study/International_Education/Student_Support/Confirmation_of_Enrolment_Letter_Request.html) and follow the steps below:

1. Once the request has been checked and verified the request is then sent to registrar@okanagan.bc.ca or Intedapps@okanagan.bc.ca (depending on what type of letter needed).
2. Jill, Sheri or Anita will create a PDF letter and e-mail to the student.
3. The confirmation letter for study permit extensions will include an unofficial transcript. If the student needs an official transcript they need to order it online. The registration office will not be printing these at the student's request. Please let students know it takes a few days for them to be printed.

**Inviting Friends and Family** - find the form [here](#).

### Letter of Program Completion – [www.okanagan.bc.ca/forms](http://www.okanagan.bc.ca/forms)

This letter is for students who will be applying for their post-grad work permit only.

### Co-op – apply at [www.okanagan.bc.ca/coop](http://www.okanagan.bc.ca/coop)

If the student has already applied for co-op and needs a letter confirming their acceptance they must request from the Co-op Office.

For further clarification on Confirmation of Enrolment letters for domestic and international students, staff who have access can find instructions in Enrolment Services > Common Files.

### Recruitment and Event News

#### Salmon Arm

In February, Salmon Arm recruiters resumed office hours in local high schools. In addition to that, they attended the 4th annual Tech Meet Up at Salmon Arm Secondary's Sullivan Campus. This event is a collaboration between School District 83 and the Salmon Arm Economic Development Society, highlighting technology opportunities in Salmon Arm and the educational opportunities to match. More than 800 students attended this event. Special thanks to Dave Williams (EET Chair) and Claudio DiBiase (Electrical Chair) who attended to help promote programs.

March has been a busy career fair month already with OC attending both the North Okanagan Shuswap Job Fair and Business showcase on March 11 as well as the Neskonlith Youth Job and Career Fair on March 15. The Salmon Arm Campus also hosted an information night on March 14 about the Health Care Assistant program.

#### Vernon

At the Vernon campus, Tawnya hosted the Freshman 15 Seminar and Arts, Science and Business spotlight sessions on the evening of March 13. She's also planning and pulling together sessions for the Experience OC event which takes place on May 1. If you can offer a session at the event, please contact Tawnya as soon as possible at [tcameron@okanagan.bc.ca](mailto:tcameron@okanagan.bc.ca).

Tawnya will attend two large career fairs in March, give presentations in local high schools, hold weekly office hours in the schools, and set up lunch time information tables in several schools. In an effort to help address and solve campus retention concerns, Tawnya will be facilitating a focus group with current first-year students who are planning on moving to a different institution next year.

#### Kelowna

Blake would like to send out a huge thank you to everyone who helped out at Experience OC on February 20! More than 600 students chose from 91 sessions run throughout the day. The attendance rate at sessions was the highest yet – over 80%! Adjustments will continue to be made for next year. If you have any feedback, please send it to Blake at [bedwards@okanagan.bc.ca](mailto:bedwards@okanagan.bc.ca).

More than 70 prospective students have attended College classes this semester through the Student for a Day program. Thank you to everyone that has hosted students in their classes.

#### Penticton

Students were invited to participate in fun stress-reducing activities at the Stress Buster event on February 13 at the Penticton campus. Activities included aromatherapy, therapy dogs, crafts, free massages from Melt Mineral Spa.

Students also learned about time management, mindfulness, and the effects of caffeine and alcohol on stress from Practical Nursing students. Students also enjoyed scones, tea, and flavoured water and had the chance to win a ton of prizes including massages, pool passes, and health conscious swag items.

On February 26 Liana presented to all Grade 10 and 11 students at Princeton Secondary School. On February 27, 40 students from Queen's Park Elementary visited the Penticton campus and attended an on-campus Aboriginal Potluck event.

Planning is underway for Experience OC- taking place on May 8 this year. Sessions are still needed in the areas of Health, Trades, and Technology. If you are able to run a session please contact Liana Swedahl at [lswedahl@okanagan.bc.ca](mailto:lswedahl@okanagan.bc.ca).



Students had the opportunity to visit with the therapy dogs again at the February Stress Buster event at the Kelowna campus.