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### Jane Muskens Retiring This Month

The Office of the Registrar will say goodbye to Jane Muskens, Registrar, when she retires on November 23. Please join us on November 22 to send Jane off with warm wishes.

Jane will also be celebrating 25 years with Okanagan College at the annual Employee Recognition ceremony later this month.

Please join us for  
Afternoon Tea to celebrate

*Jane Muskens' Retirement*

We want to say thank you and wish her well  
in her new adventures.

**Thursday, November 22**  
**2:30 - 4 p.m.**  
**Kelowna Campus Boardroom**

RSVP by Nov. 16 to Liz Plamondon  
at [lplamondon@okanagan.bc.ca](mailto:lplamondon@okanagan.bc.ca)

### IEW in Kelowna

Students and staff at the Kelowna campus are invited to attend International Education Week events November 13 - 16. During the week the campus will celebrate the diversity of our College community with food and drink samples from around the world, study abroad presentations, and games and hands-on art projects from the various cultures.

Find all the details at [okanagan.bc.ca/iew](http://okanagan.bc.ca/iew).

### Annual Holiday Party

Tickets are now on sale for the annual Okanagan College Social Committee Holiday Party.

Join us in the Trades atrium, transformed into a winter wonderland, on **Saturday, Dec. 8** between 7 and 11 p.m. for appetizers prepared by Chef Vincent Stufano, inspired cocktails from Urban Distilleries, wine from Indigenous Winery, beer from Firehall Brewery, an OC employee jam session, dancing to Jeff Piattelli, raffle prizes, a winter photo booth and more fun all night.

We're shaking things up this year with a new format and venue and have dropped the price of tickets to \$25 and \$4 drinks. Earn yourself a free drink if you buy your tickets before November 15!

Pick up tickets from: Angie March (Regional Dean's Office), Carlyn Young (Reg Office), Erin Dreyer (Cafeteria), Gerry Born (Co-op), Lara Jennings (Executive Office), Maddy Welsh (Reg Office), Margaret Johnson (Executive Office), Richard McAdam (Alumni).



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### November 2018

#### Education Council News

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

#### New Programs

##### Blockchain Certificate

This program will provide learners with information about Blockchain and how it can be integrated into businesses and organizations.

Proposed date of implementation is January 1, 2019.

##### Tourism Management Diploma

Okanagan College does not currently offer a tourism diploma, only a specialization in the business diploma. Industry is looking for graduates with a tourism diploma.

Proposed date of implementation is September 1, 2019.

#### Program Revisions

##### Water Engineering Technology

The program will undergo a number of course changes as it becomes an integrated curriculum. Changes include course deletions and updated graduation requirements.

Proposed date of implementation is January 1, 2019.

##### Post-Diploma Certificate in Business Administration

The admission requirements will be revised to specify that graduates must have a diploma or degree in Business Administration from Okanagan College.

Proposed date of implementation is November 1, 2018.

#### New Courses

- TOUR 105 - Introduction to Tourism
- TOUR 130 - Tourism Marketing

- TOUR 200 - Tourism Co-op
- TOUR 209 - Tourism Law
- TOUR 215 - Restaurant Management
- TOUR 220 - Hotel Management
- TOUR 230 - Wine and Culinary Tourism
- TOUR 240 - Service Design for Tourism
- TOUR 299 - Conventions Management

#### Course Revisions

- WET 120 - Chlorination
- WET 202 - WET Capstone Project
- WET 225 - Computer Applications for WET
- WET 226 - Advanced Wastewater Treatment
- BUAD 215 - Business Administration
- BUAD 269 - Human Resources Management

#### Course Deletions

- WET 240 - Directed Studies in WET
- BUAD 206 - The Business of Tourism

The next regular Education Council meeting is scheduled for December 6, 2018.

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.*

### Donations for Students

The Kelowna International Department will once again be looking for gently used items to give away during winter orientation events in January. These items will find a second home with students who may have

left behind items or not known what they would need when they moved to Canada. Items needed include: warm clothing, bedding and bathroom items, blankets, kitchen items, school supplies, new toiletries and school bags. Please do not drop off summer clothing.

Items can be dropped off with Cynthia Garcia in the International Office beginning in December. Any items leftover following the event will be donated to the Salvation Army and the Women's Shelter in Kelowna.

### November 2018

- 12** Remembrance Day observed (College closed)
- 13-16** International Education Week (Kelowna campus)
- 16** Coyotes Basketball tailgate event (Kelowna)
- 27** Tis the Season student event (Kelowna)
- 30** Kelowna Education and Career Fair

### December 2018

- 6** Last day of regularly scheduled classes
- 8** Employee Holiday Party
- 8-16** Final exam period
- 17** Fees due for Winter 2019
- 21** Last day to submit final grades
- 24** College closes at 3 p.m.
- 25-Jan 2** Christmas closure

### Recruitment News

#### Penticton

During the month of October, Penticton recruiter, Liana Swedhal and Melanie Wasilenkoff, Business recruiter, visited students and counsellors in Grand Forks, New Denver, Trail, South Slocan, Nelson, and Cranbrook. Upcoming travel for Liana includes visits to Merrit and presentations in local schools in Keremeos and Princeton.

The Penticton campus had a very busy night for the annual Information Night on November 6 with over 250 people attending. Attendees had the opportunity to speak with 23 department representatives, take tours of the campus, attend a Freshman 15 seminar and enter to win the \$5,000 tuition draw. During the night 72 applications were submitted, a big bump up from previous years. Thank you to all of the departments and volunteers who helped make the event a huge success!

Okanagan College has partnered with Penticton Secondary School to support the upcoming AAAA Senior Girls Volleyball Provincials in Penticton this month. Approximately 250 players will receive a branded backpack stuffed with OC materials.

During October there have been many tours of the Penticton campus, including the YMCA Jump Start group. This group of 15 young people are working to complete a 14-week paid program that focuses on gaining skills to find a job in today's market. The tour concluded with a casual presentation covering the top need-to-know items before beginning post-secondary.

#### Kelowna

Blake was busy recruiting this past month across B.C. and Alberta – visiting over 45 high schools and connecting with over 2,500 prospective students. He is now busy preparing for Experience OC, visiting local high schools for presentations, and organizing high school visits to campus. The Kelowna campus has had a surge of Student for a Day visits this year with more than 50 since the beginning of September.

#### Vernon



Recruitment events at the Vernon campus wrapped up for the year this month. The Freshman 15 Seminar, held on October 24, went very well with 71 people attending. The annual Program Open House and Spotlight Sessions on October 29 saw approximately 250 people coming through the campus doors and 108 applications received. Attendees got a chance to attend a program specific spotlight session, take a tour of the campus, check out the new trades facility and enter to win a \$5,000 tuition voucher.

Other events this month for campus recruiter, Tawnya Cameron, include a Student Appreciation Day on November 6, a PSI Community Event in Kamloops on November 15, working at the Education and Career Fair in Kelowna on November 30, attending exit interviews at schools in the region, and coordinating spotlight sessions for a group of students from AL Fortune, who are coming to campus on December 6. Tawnya is also busy

planning the Winter Welcome Back event for students in January.

#### Salmon Arm

Salmon Arm held their annual Counsellors Breakfast October 30 for counsellors and career curriculum instructors from School District 83. Counsellors heard about news from the Salmon Arm campus and the College as a whole, including new programs, changes to programs or new infrastructure.

The Salmon Arm Open House welcomed more than 130 people from the community on November 1. Parents, high school students and those interested in returning to education attended, with 70 people taking advantage of free applications and entering the draw for a \$5,000 Tuition Voucher. They also had the opportunity to attend program spotlights and get in depth information from faculty about the program they are interested in.

