School of Education Terrace Campus Newsletter September 2014



WELCOME to our New School of Education Chair, Dr. Andrew Kitchenham.

WELCOME back to our B.Ed students as they begin their final year!

WELCOME back from sabbatical, to Dr. Verna McDonald, B.Ed Faculty.

Dr. Andrew Kitchenham, Chair School of Education



Dr. Kitchenham became the Chair of School of Education on September 1, 2014 and will serve until 2017. He has been at UNBC since 2006 when he was hired as an Associate Professor teaching BEd and MEd (Multidisciplinary Leadership [MDL]) courses. He was the academic advisor to the Terrace MDL student who specialized in Special Education. He is now a (Full) Professor and the Coordinator of the Master of Education in Special Education program as well as Chair. He has taught at five universities since 1993 and has thoroughly enjoyed his time at UNBC.

He would like to take this opportunity to welcome the returning BEd Elementary students and looks forward to seeing them in the practica in the near future should the opportunities present themselves. Have a great year.



Haida Language and Culture Program Launched in Skidegate!

Earlier this year, the Skidegate Band Council approached UNBC's Northwest Region about developing a program to get more members of the Haida First Nation into teaching roles in elementary classrooms on Haida Gwaii. The "Devlopmental Standard Term Certificate" program (what a name! we just call it the DSTC for short) fits this need nicely, and had been run successfully by UNBC for other First Nations in northern British Columbia.

Here are its key elements: participants registering in the program progress through several levels of nation-specific language and culture courses, in this case focusing on Haida. The beauty of the program is that it starts with an emphasis on basic scholarship skills and is scheduled at a reasonable pace (typically only three classes per semester) and allows for different levels of program completion. A little after one year, successful students qualify for a First Nations Studies Certificate, and for a Diploma a year after that. While graduates with certificates or diplomas are frequently employed as teaching assistants with a language and culture specialization, they are also encouraged to take a semester to complete some math, history or geography and science classes needed to qualify for admission to a B.Ed. program. Another two years of B.Ed. instruction will then qualify graduates to be classroom teachers.

With that progression in mind, the Skidegate Band Council successfully applied for funding from the Tribal Resources Investment Corporation (Tricorp) to provide seed money for the program and to pay the tuition for Haida students. The class is now up and running in Skidegate, with 19 registered students. Instructors include Dr. Jordan Lachler (Haida Language), Dr. Marianne Ignace (Haida Culture), and Mr. Fraser Earl (Learning Strategies). We wish all the students and instructors well as they embark on this exciting journey of revitalization.

Dr. Phil Burton, Northwest Regional Chair

Physical Education http://canadiansportforlife.ca

"Only 10% of Canadian kids are getting enough daily physical activity". Canadian Sport for Life is part of the shifting paradigm in physical activity and sport. What is Physical Literacy? Check it out.

Science http://www.scienceworld.ca/online-games

Check out the games science world has to offer you and your class.

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Come Join Us On Campus!

Public Presentation

September 24th

Repatriation of Cultural Artifacts and the Stories We Tell: Creating Relevance Through Narrative: Presenter: Darrin Martens, Director, Nisga'a Museum

12:00 – 1:00 pm

October 8th

"Some Downsides to Economic Growth" Presenter: Dr. David Bowering, Former Medical Health Officer, Northwestern BC 12:00 – 1:00 pm

Global Fridays

September 19th

Language Revitalization and
Environmental Knowledge, from Papua
New Guinea to Northern BC.
Presenter: Dr. Christine Schreyer, UBC
Video Conference, Room 138
12:00 – 1:30 pm

October 9th

In our future city: aspiration and the settler future in colonial BC.
Presenter: Dr. Laura Ishiguro, UBC
Video Conference, Room 107
12:00 – 1:30 pm

New Intakes!

Master of Education

Multi-Disciplinary Leadership

Program Start: January 2015 Please contact: teresa.bartel@unbc.ca (250) 615-3322

EDUC 101

Program Start: Winter 2015 NWCC Terrace Please contact: drichey@nwcc.bc.ca (250) 635-6577 ext:5202

Bachelor of Education K-7

Program Start: September 2015 Please contact: lynn.turner@unbc.ca (250) 615-3325