

WINTER 2019

WARUCC UPDATES

Message from the President

Jeff Adams

It has only been a few months since many of us gathered in beautiful Regina for our WARUCC 2019 conference; I hope that you are all having a successful and stress-free fall term!

The WARUCC Executive is in the early stages of reviewing our website in an effort to determine how we might refresh our site to provide a better experience for our members. If you have any ideas or suggestions please let me know.

Although it is still 18 months away conference planning for WARUCC 2021 has begun. The conference will be held June 21-24, 2021 in Winnipeg. Please mark these dates in your calendar.

I hope that you have a happy and healthy holiday season and I wish you all great success in the 2019/20 academic year.

Share Your News

Do you have something to contribute to the next issue for this newsletter? An update on a project, a provincial initiative, an interesting professional development opportunity in past or future, or a personal perspective on an issue? Send your contributions to bcmale@warucc.ca.



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It's a Wrap

James D'Arcy
Past President

Thanks to everyone who supported and attended WARUCC 2019! We had 130 attendees from about 26 institutions.

In review of the feedback we'd say that the conference achieved exactly what it was intended to deliver. A quality professional development experience where we can all share our experience and ideas with each other.

Savvy Simon gave an inspirational keynote opening session with a strong message that inclusiveness can be achieved by incorporating culture in what we do every day. The food was good, the venue and the service was fabulous, the breakout and panels sessions received great reviews, and the networking was phenomenal!

ARUCC Update

Jeff Adams
Western Representative to ARUCC

The Groningen Student Mobility is progressing at an excellent pace and we are making great strides as we work towards creating a national platform. Please visit the ARUCC website for the most up to date information on the project ARUCC Groningen & Student Mobility Project.

Planning for the ARUCC 2020 Biennial Conference is well underway; the conference will take place June 21-24, 2020 in Niagara Falls, ON. The deadline for the call for presentations is December 2nd and I would encourage you to submit a proposal as this is a great opportunity to share some of the amazing things that are taking place at our institutions in western Canada. Please visit the conference website for additional information ARUCC 2020 Conference.



Save the Date

WARUCC 2021
Winnipeg, Manitoba
June 21 - 24, 2021

BC Transfer News

Mike Winseman

**Director, Transfer & Technology
BCCAT**

The BC Council on Admissions and Transfer (BCCAT), as part of their TCS Suite project, is currently working with BC PSI's to import transfer equivalencies from internal transfer tables, to allow BC institutions access to previously made decisions for out of province and international transfer equivalencies. BCCAT recently completed a pilot project with UBC last spring that saw the import of over 45,000 external equivalencies, and has recently completed the import of equivalencies from Douglas College, UNBC, and is in progress with Okanagan College. In total, there have been over 75,000 equivalencies imported today, from over 500 institutions from over 35 countries.

The goals of the TCS Suite project are to:

- Provide institutions a common workflow for all articulation activities, within BC and outside
- Provide access to other institutions on articulation decisions made outside of BC, to share and leverage knowledge
- Eventually, publish the data in the BC transfer guide to establish BC as the destination for transfer students from around the world
- Provide institutions access to BCCAT API's which allows for the establishment of your own transfer credit website (such as UBC's:)

The project is an acknowledgement of the work already being done by institutions in recognition of transfer credit around the world, and provides a platform for this information to be shared to the benefit of post-secondary personnel and students alike.

The Award Goes To...

In May 2019, UBC launched the UBC Transfer Credit Search Tool which allows users to search for transfer credits at UBC from courses completed within BC, across the rest of Canada, the United States, and abroad. The first of its kind in BC, this online transfer credit search tool makes more than 50,000 equivalencies from over 600 institutions publicly available on UBC's websites. It has been well-received by UBC students, staff and faculty, and by colleagues in the BC Transfer System who wish to engage with BCCAT to launch similar collaborative technology projects.

2019 Leadership Award (Joint) BCCAT Transfer Awards Nov. 1, 2019

Debbie Lin

Manager, Transfer Credit, Undergraduate Admissions,
UBC Enrolment Services

UBC Student Communications Services Team:

Patricia (Pat) Siggers, Project Lead
Jonathan (Jon) Tsang, Project Lead
Andy Chipperfield, User Experience Designer
Defne Corbacioglu, Communications Designer
Ariel Lee, User Experience Coordinator
Anna Wang, Web Developer
Connie Yeh, Web Developer



Debbie was a tireless
champion of the project.

*Sam Saini, Associate Registrar,
Undergraduate Admissions and Student Recruitment &
Advising, UBC Enrolment Services*

EducationPlannerBC News

Karen McCredie

Interim Executive Director

EducationPlannerBC

www.educationplannerbc.ca

EducationPlannerBC (EPBC) is the centralized post-secondary application and transcript hub for British Columbia. EPBC also offers sector-wide recruitment and engagement activities for prospective students and their supporters. EducationPlannerBC is organized as a sector-lead, government supported organization to facilitate BC public post-secondary institutions in their receipt of undergraduate electronic applications and the transmission and receipt of electronic transcripts.

We are pleased to have 21 of the 25 public PSIs currently receiving their undergraduate applications through our platform and are working with 2 more for their implementations by Summer 2020.

EPBC is working alongside the Ministry of Education in their transition to a fully XML enabled high school transcript transmission by early 2021. This transition to XML allows high school students to provide earlier and more frequent grade updates to BC PSIs allowing for the option of earlier admission decisions.

EPBC also works with institutions to enable the transfer of transcripts between BC PSIs, supporting admissions and transfer credit decisions and reducing potential instances of fraud. We are also looking to continue our work with other provincial trading partners to further expand transcript exchange across Canada.

In addition to these important projects, we have put our engagement activities into high gear this year - doubling our number of events!

Recognizing the important role that parents play in the discovery and support for high school students we embarked on sessions titled 'Parents as Education and Career Coaches' loosely modelled after the successful Nova Scotia 'Parents as Career Coaches' sessions. We anticipate that by the end of December we will have met with over 600 parents in these sessions.

We have been enthusiastically welcomed in to the Grade 10 Career-Life Education classrooms to present to students as they embark on curriculum-driven post-secondary discussions and planning. We have had several full days of these presentations this year and estimate meeting over 450 students to share the benefits of our shared planning platform and centralized application.

We look forward to continuing to support applicants, their supporters and each of you at your post-secondary institutions!

Conferences

Ellucien Live

April 5-8, 2020
Orlando, FL

AACRAO | American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers

April 5-8, 2020
New Orleans, LA

Canadian SEM Summit

April 19-21, 2020
Toronto, ON

CICan | Colleges and Institutes Canada

May 3 - 5, 2020
Montreal, QC

CACUSS | Canadian Association of College and University Student Services

May 31 - June 3, 2020
Toronto, ON

BCCIE | BC Council for International Education

June 9-12, 2020
Vancouver, BC

CASFAA | Canadian Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators

June 2020
Location TBA

ARUCC | Association of Registrars of the Universities and Colleges of Canada

June 21-24, 2019
Niagara Falls, ON

PCCAT | The Pan-Canadian Consortium on Admissions & Transfer

June 2020
Niagara Falls, ON

CEUG | Canadian Ellucian Users Group

October 2020
Location TBA

National Building Reconciliation Forum

October 2020
Québec

PACRAO | Pacific Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers

November 1-4, 2020
Seattle, WA

SEMM | Strategic Enrolment Marketing & Management Forum

November 2020
Usually in Toronto, ON

CBIE | Canadian Bureau for International Education

November 2020
Location TBA

Groningen Declaration Network

Week May 3, 2021
Ottawa, ON

WARUCC | Western Association of Registrars of the Universities and Colleges of Canada

June 21-24, 2021
Winnipeg, MB

J. David McLeod Assistantship Fund

WARUCC will allocate up to \$5,000 annually to support the professional activities of WARUCC members. WARUCC Assistantships were created in 1991 to assist members undertaking professional development, research, education or other professional activities that will be of benefit to the registrarial profession.

In 2009, the Assistantship was renamed in memory of J. David McLeod, Past President of WARUCC, in honour of his outstanding contributions made to the development of the profession in Western Canada.

The 2019 recipients are:

- Inga Wheeler, Okanagan College
- Laurie Barnas, University of Victoria
- Trish Nuyten, Red Deer College

The deadline for submitting applications for the 2020 assistantships is May 15, 2020.

Application forms can be accessed at the following URL:

<http://www.warucc.ca/Assistantship>

WARUCC Service Awards & Honorary Memberships

In 1993, the Western Association of Registrars of the Universities and Colleges of Canada (WARUCC) began a Service Awards program to recognize exceptional achievement in the field. Service Awards and Honorary Memberships are announced at the biennial general meeting of the association.

Service Awards

This Award is granted to individuals who have provided lengthy and dedicated service as a member of the profession and have retired or resigned from the profession. The 2019 Service Award recipients are:

- Glenda Good, University of Regina
- Mary Jesse, Luther College
- Kathy Larson, Saskatchewan Polytechnic

Honorary Memberships

This award is granted to individuals who have provided lengthy and dedicated service to the profession, have played an active role in the association – either as a member of the Executive or in some other significant way – and have resigned or retired from the profession.

In 2019, Carol Girling was recognized for this award.

Carol worked for many years for Keewatin Community College in The Pas, and oversaw the registrarial aspects of its transition from a college to a university college – University College of the North – in 2004. She was integral in the guidance of the consortium that provided courses from all the Manitoba universities to students in the north – Inter-Universities North (IUN), and more recently Inter-Universities Services (IUS). Carol left the north to come to Winnipeg and serve as Registrar and Director of Student Life at Red River College, where she oversaw great changes and developments in programs and services there for several years.

Carol was Acting Dean of Student Services for a period as well. Carol has also been involved in a number of provincial initiatives, including the transfer credit database project and the credential taxonomy working group. *Continued ...*

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Carol served on the WARUCC Executive as the Member at Large from Manitoba for eight years, from 2007 - 2015. She took a leadership role for a number of past WARUCC biennial meetings, including chairing the Program Committee for WARUCC 2017 in Calgary.

Carol has been a mainstay of Manitoba's REAM group (Registrars, Enrolment Services and Admissions Manitoba), always ready with a hug for old friends and warmly welcoming newcomers to the group, sharing the wisdom derived from many years of dedicated service to students in our challenging profession. Carol has definitely been a leader in the profession in Manitoba and more broadly, and is highly deserving of an Honorary membership in WARUCC.



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