



THE BULLETIN

Career Resource Centre

POST SECONDARY NEWS

Week of October 31, 2011

NEW **BC POST SECONDARY INFORMATION FAIR** – Who’s coming to PMS for *Careers Day* THIS WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2? Informative presentations and Viewbooks will be offered by:

BCIT	Douglas College	SFU	University of the Fraser Valley
Canadian Forces/Royal Military College	Emily Carr University of Art & Design	Thompson Rivers University	University of Northern BC
Capilano University	Kwantlen Polytechnic University	Trinity Western University	University of Victoria

You’ll have forty minutes to visit the Fair, with sessions beginning at **12:30 pm** - your chance to talk to university and college recruiters - come prepared with questions about admission and programs!

NEW **EMILY CARR UNIVERSITY OF ART & DESIGN: PORTFOLIO REVIEW** – Grade 12 students interested in applying to Emily Carr for 2012 admission are invited to bring their portfolios or works in progress **to the Fair** on *Careers Day, Wednesday, November 2*, for review and advice by Diane Espiritu, Alumni Ambassador for the University.

NEW **ADMISSIONS ON THE SPOT: UNBC** - Grade 12 students interested in applying for admission to UNBC are offered an instant evaluation at Port Moody’s upcoming PSI Mini-Fair, part of **CAREERS DAY** on **Wednesday, November 2**. By completing an application form available from the university recruiter at the Mini-Fair and self-reporting grades, you can immediately find out if you have been conditionally admitted to UNBC for September 2012! On the Spot Admission is available for **Arts, Commerce, Planning and Science**: the application fee is waived for students who participate. Students who apply for admission are automatically considered for numerous entrance awards.

NEW **UBC ENGINEERING EVENTS** – **Explore Engineering Fall 2011** – Check out the fall events offered by UBC Engineering: next event, the **Discover Science & Engineering Evening**, Tuesday, **November 1 from 5 – 9 pm**, designed to explore options at UBC for students who love math & sciences – presented by UBC Sciences, Engineering, Forestry, and Land & Food Systems faculties. Finally, you won’t want to miss the legendary **Engineering Open House Fair** on Saturday **November 26 from 9 am – 4 pm** – your one-stop shop to find out all about Engineering UBC. RSVP for all events at www.engineering.ubc.ca/connects

BCIT BIG INFO SESSION– Explore your career options at BCIT’s Info session & Program Expo: find out how BCIT’S different educational path puts ideas and theories into practice every day. **WEDNESDAY, November 2**, 5-8 pm, at 3700 Willingdon Ave., Burnaby. Ask a question about BCIT on their website – and win a \$1,000 tuition credit! Visit bcit.ca/big info to enter.

JUSTICE INSTITUTE OF BC OPEN HOUSE – Prospective students and their families are invited to attend this informative session on **November 5/11**, from **10 am – 3 pm** at the New Westminster campus, 715 McBride Boulevard. Learn about JIBC’s career programs in public safety, including paramedicine, emergency management, firefighting, law enforcement, and other exciting, hands-on careers.

UBC COMMUNITY INFORMATION SESSIONS– UBC will be offering an additional Tri-Cities community info session on **Monday, November 7 at the Evergreen Cultural Centre**, from **6:30 pm – 8:30 pm**. Student Recruiter-Advisors will be on hand, along with current UBC students and other UBC experts to provide an information-filled event, with plenty of time to answer

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participants' questions. Register online using a **youubc** account – create one (and see other community info sessions) at <https://you.ubc.ca/ubc/events/bc.ezc>

MCGILL AT MOODY! – Don't miss this one! Get answers to all your admissions and programs questions: Montreal's McGill University invites you to join them for an informative 45 - 60 minute session in the Drama Room after school, **WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 9/11.**

NEW **QUEST UNIVERSITY AT PMS** – If you're curious about Western Canada's newest and most innovative university, come to the info session on November 17 after school in the Library. Find out if Quest is a good fit for you: learn more about the unique one-course-at-a-time block program and the academic curriculum.

UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO PMS INFO SESSION - The U of T will visit **PMS MONDAY, NOVEMBER 21** in the Drama room after school **starting at 3:10** – your chance to hear and ask questions about admissions and programs, plus collect Viewbooks for all 3 U of T campuses.

NEW **U OF T COMMUNITY INFO SESSIONS** – Join **Engineering** advisors and recruiters from the University of Toronto for their BC info sessions: **Engineering** on **Wednesday, November 30** at the Sheraton Vancouver Guildford Hotel, **Surrey, OR Arts, Science & Business** (all campuses) AND **Engineering** on **Thursday, December 1/2011** at the Vancouver Convention Centre. For information on times, and to register, visit www.discover.utoronto.ca/infoevent

NEW **PMS IB INFO SESSION – UBC** – IB students and their parents should plan on attending this informative session on **November 30 from 6:30 – 8 pm in the Main Gym**. Information on admissions, scholarships and programs as applicable to IB students, both Certificate as well as Diploma, will be covered.

SHAD VALLEY SUMMER 2012 – An academic & leadership pre-university experience with a focus on science, engineering, technology and entrepreneurship for Grades 10, 11 & 12. Students live on a university campus for a month, meet other students from all over Canada, and develop personal, social and intellectual skills in a supportive environment. An enriching extension of the IB program experience, participation at Shad supports CAS, Theory of Knowledge and the Extended Essay. More details and applications in the Career Centre, or visit Shad online at www.shad.ca/apply. **Early intake deadline is December 7/11.**

SIMON FRASER WINTER SUPERTOUR – Attend SFU's Saturday Supertours on **Saturday December 3 & February 18 , from 9 am – 1 pm**. The **SUPERTOURS** are designed to introduce prospective students and their families to SFU programs, the campus, current students and professors, and admissions advising staff. Begin with the Student Life keynote speaker, then tour the campus with student guides, concluding with the Program/Faculty Q & A session and Faculty and Advisor meet & greet. Space fills fast: to register, please visit students.sfu.ca/supertour.html

AWARDS/SCHOLARSHIPS/BURSARIES/CONTESTS: listed in deadline order!

OCTOBER

PMSS SCHOLARSHIP INFO SESSIONS 2011 – So you think you aren't 'scholarship' material? Think again – not only are scholarships offered in Port Moody's Local Scholarship package, there are bursaries and awards that have more to do with who you are, your interests, school and community volunteering, and a whole lot less to do with academics than you might imagine! Don't miss these – get the basics on Scholarships and Bursaries, from National and Entrance scholarships, to the Provincial, District, Local and Community Scholarships offered through Port Moody Secondary's Local Scholarship Package. All meetings are on **Wednesday at 3 pm** in the Multipurpose Room, with meeting #2 on **November 16**, and #3 on **December 15**. Pick up booklets and application forms at these sessions, or see Ms Truax in the Career Centre for more info.

TD CANADA TRUST SCHOLARSHIPS FOR COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP—valued at \$70,000 each, and awarded to Canadian students now in their final year of high school. The key criterion is outstanding community leadership, in balance with the *student's academic performance*. Each scholarship includes up to \$10,000 tuition at any approved university or college in Canada, \$7,500 a year towards living expenses and paid summer employment at TD Canada Trust, as well as mentorship opportunities and invitations to networking events & annual gatherings. Applications and more details in the Career Resource Room and also at www.td.com/scholarship **Deadline for submissions is October 31/11**

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NOVEMBER

UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS and NATIONAL BOOK AWARDS – University of Toronto National Scholarships are awarded to exceptional students who will attend the U of T: the scholarship covers tuition and fees for 4 years, residence support for the first year, and includes an additional renewable monetary award. An additional part of the scholarship program is the National Book Award: a nominated candidate is selected by the school and is also invited to enter the Scholarship Competition as a Nominated Book Award candidate. To apply **directly** for the national scholarship program, applications with transcripts, reference letters and essays must be received by the University of Toronto by **FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2011**. Application materials are online at www.adm.utoronto.ca/ns. More details are in the Career Centre.

DECEMBER

VIOLET RICHARDSON AWARD – recognizes and honours young women **between the ages of 14-17** who demonstrate that they make a difference in their community or school through volunteer efforts, in particular through actions that benefit women and/or girls. Apply for the Violet Richardson Award if you believe in the power of volunteer action! The local winner receives \$1000 for her future education, plus an additional award for her charity of choice, and can move on to win more awards nationally. Details in the Career Centre – application form is **online** at www.pmsblues.net – click on Programs and Services/Career Centre/Financial Aid and Contests. **Deadline is December 1, 2011**

QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY CHANCELLOR'S SCHOLARSHIP AWARD – For students with a 90% + average planning to attend Queen's University, the Chancellor's Scholarship application is submitted using a *nomination* process: Port Moody is permitted two nominations. Nominees not only stand out for their academic excellence, but also for demonstrated leadership and original and creative thought. Students who wish to be nominated for the Scholarship should see Ms Truax in the Career Centre **before October 31**. For more information and to download an application visit: <http://www.queensu.ca/studentawards/financialassistance/admissionscholarships.html> and select the category, *Major Admission Awards*. Application deadline: **December 1/2011**.

JANUARY

UNIVERSITY OF GUELPH ENTRANCE SCHOLARSHIPS – Twelve \$32,000 scholarships, each including a research assistantship position & mentorship by one of Guelph's leading professors, are offered to top students who demonstrate academic excellence, innovation, community and school engagement, and leadership. Nomination by the school principal no longer required; candidates must have a minimum 90% admission average to be considered. Apply online, at www.uoguelph.ca/president/scholars/ Applications are due no later than **January 25/2012**.

FEBRUARY

BCGEU SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM 2011 – Awards of \$2,000 for part-time post –secondary studies, or \$3,000 for full-time post-secondary studies are available to the children of the BC Government and Service Employees Union. Applicants must have a “C” average or better and be entering post-secondary in **Fall 2012**. A separate scholarship is also available for students with an IEP. Applications and more details are at the Career Centre or online at www.bcgeu.ca. **DEADLINE: Must be received by February 29/2012**.

MARCH

NEW

RE/MAX QUEST FOR EXCELLENCE ESSAY BASED BURSARY – RE/MAX of Western Canada is offering (16) \$1000 bursaries to Grade 12 students in Western Canada. Students who are interested may submit their 1,250 word essay **online** for a selected subject: key qualities students should demonstrate in their essay are leadership, motivation and communication skills. The contest is open for submissions from **September 12th 2011 through to March 12th, 2012**. For more information, please visit <http://www.remex-western.ca/quest-excellence> or see the Career Resource Centre. **DEADLINE: MARCH 12/2012**.

VOLUNTEER & CAREER OPPORTUNITIES/TRAINING/COURSES

NEW

DOUGLAS COLLEGE CONCURRENT COURSES – If you are a grade 12 student with good writing skills, **CONCURRENT STUDIES** at Douglas College is for you. Enroll in a first-year university transfer course, with courses starting the first week in January to get a head start on your education. First, fill out the Douglas College Admissions application form, **and** the Concurrent Application Form. Your counselor must recommend you and sign the application form. Send both application forms, along with an interim transcript to Douglas College. Once approval is granted by the college, you will receive a Douglas College student number, and can register for your course on-line in mid-November. See your counselor or the Career Centre for a list of the courses available for *Concurrent Studies*.

NEW

EXPLORING PERSPECTIVES CONCURRENT COURSE, 2012 - Douglas College is offering a **FREE** 3 credit concurrent course for Grade 12 students who are considering future careers in education, psychology, social work, cultural and immigrant studies, and medicine and other health sciences careers. The course will explore current attitudes and societal/cultural perspectives for individuals who live with a variety of disabilities. Orientation at Gleneagle Secondary, **January 31, 3:30 pm**. Classes run from **February 7 to May 29, 2012** (no classes March 13 & 20 during Spring Break) at the Coquitlam campus of Douglas College, Tuesdays from 2:30 – 5:30 pm. Interested students must complete a Douglas College Application form as well as a Douglas College Concurrent Application - available at the Career Centre. Return an interim transcript and the application forms to your counselor for signature and approval by **November 15/2011**.

NEW

RCMP YOUTH ACADEMY - Grade 11 or 12 students interested in a career in policing should consider applying for the “RCMP Youth Academy”, happening **April 3 to April 12, 2012**. Good Friday, Easter Sunday, and Easter Monday will fall during the Academy – students will miss 4 days of school. This 9-day retreat will place you in a simulated RCMP training environment as well as role-playing the realities of policing. Cost to the student: \$375. This program is extremely challenging both mentally & physically: you must be physically fit and in good academic standing. See the Career Centre for details and to pick up an application package. Deadline to submit applications to Ms Truax in the Career Centre: **8:30 am, FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 25**.

NEW

PLANNING ON ATTENDING A UNIVERSITY IN OTTAWA? Work as a Page in the House of Commons for one year while attending university, and earn \$12,571 in 26 equal payments over a 12-month period. You must be fluent in both languages, have an overall academic average of 80% and be a Canadian citizen or permanent resident. More details in the Career Centre, or go to www.parl.gc.ca/hocpage to apply. Application deadline is **Thursday, December 22/2011**.