



UNIVERSITY OF  
CALGARY

# WERKLUND SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

Summer Student Newsletter

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### DIANNE GERELUK, ASSOCIATE DEAN

I want to extend a warm welcome to all new and returning students. We are excited to host first and second year Community-Based Students from across the province, and those students who will be embarking on a journey beyond Canada with the Teaching Across Borders programs in Fall 2015. It is fitting that these two pathways within the Bachelor of Education are converging; both aim to build bridges between localities and regions bringing people together with their stories and their past, to a place where we collectively envision the next generation of teachers and the next generation for our children. Please do take the chance to meet other students within your courses and across the Werklund School of Education. You will find that together your experience and expertise will create a stronger community of teaching professionals. You may even meet your future principal or superintendent from the graduate program who are also attending courses over the course of July!

### MICHELE JACOBSEN, ASSOCIATE DEAN

Summer is one of our favorite semesters in Graduate Programs in Education (GPE) because we get to engage with hundreds of graduate students who are immersed in a summer residency in the Werklund School of Education. We look forward to welcoming our graduate students who will be traveling from near and far to Calgary and the beautiful University of Calgary Campus this Summer! Each of our graduate programs and courses have been designed to engage graduate students in research-informed and research-active learning experiences in dynamic learning contexts and communities. Look forward to GPE's slate of new professional learning opportunities, orientations and social gatherings daily from July 11- 22 that will build and extend upon your coursework, your collaborations in your cohort and your individual scholarly work. The entire schedule of graduate seminars and learning events for July will be posted at [www.werklund.ucalgary.ca/summerstudents](http://www.werklund.ucalgary.ca/summerstudents) and sent in the GPE Newsletters, so stay tuned! I look forward to greeting you all in person @UCalgaryEduc this Summer at our GPE Lunch on July 13!

### ANURADHA SENGUPTA, ASSOCIATE DEAN

On behalf of the faculty and staff of the International Foundations Program I would like to congratulate you on your decision to join the International Foundations Program (IFP) at the University of Calgary. IFP provides its students with a unique opportunity to "live and breathe" academic English in an active university environment. Our goals are not only to educate our students in and about academic English but to provide the best academic, cultural, and social context for their English language skills to grow as their confidence in their abilities strengthen. We hope that during your spring or summer session programs with us, that your learning experiences with IFP engage you on a variety of levels. While here in Calgary, we hope you take the time to explore our great city and the hospitality of Southern Alberta. Most of all, we wish you a language and Canadian cultural learning experience like no other. Looking forward to meeting each and every IFP student!

## Finding your way

Welcome to the campus of the University of Calgary!

We know you'll find your stay to be a good one, and to make it even more successful, we'd like to share with you some information about the campus, the immediate area and some places further afield, and some tips on how best to get around. This info comes to use through a variety of sources—but most importantly, it comes from those who have spent time on campus before you and, as a result of their experiences, know what you'll be asking.

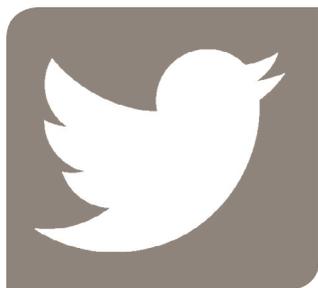
First, some things to know about on campus:

Here's a link to the campus map: [www.ucalgary.ca/map](http://www.ucalgary.ca/map). You'll see this map posted in

several locations around campus as well.

Here's a link to the parking map, should you have a car with you, or rent one for a time while you are here; please remember to obey all posted signs regarding where and when you can park: [www.ucalgary.ca/parking](http://www.ucalgary.ca/parking)

You may also notice that summer is construction season on campus, and the Education Tower and Classroom Block are no exception. Please keep an eye out for construction signage and areas, and take care!



Remember, if you Tweet, use **#EducSummer16** to connect with your fellow students!

## Looking for some things to do when you're not in class?

- Check out the Glenbow Museum [www.Glenbow.org](http://www.Glenbow.org);
- Take a ride to the top of the Calgary Tower [www.calgarytower.com](http://www.calgarytower.com);
- Keep in mind the University of Calgary has a downtown location (906 8th Avenue, SW, at the corner of 8th & 8th)...open during weekday business hours, so if you find yourself downtown during the week, stop in and take a look! [www.conted.ucalgary.ca/dtc](http://www.conted.ucalgary.ca/dtc);
- Devonian Gardens [www.calgary.ca/CSPS/Parks/Pages/Locations/Downtown-parks/Devonian-Gardens.aspx](http://www.calgary.ca/CSPS/Parks/Pages/Locations/Downtown-parks/Devonian-Gardens.aspx);
- Do some shopping along the Stephen Avenue pedestrian mall, in Banker's Hall, Scotia Centre, and the Core [www.calgarydowntown.com/index.html](http://www.calgarydowntown.com/index.html);
- Wander over to the Eau Claire area and take a stroll into Prince's Island Park or along the Bow River [www.eauclairemarket.com](http://www.eauclairemarket.com);
- Visit the Calgary Zoo: [www.calgaryzoo.com](http://www.calgaryzoo.com);
- Check out Calgary's history at Fort Calgary [www.fortcalgary.com](http://www.fortcalgary.com) and Heritage Park (where they put on an excellent Sunday brunch) [www.heritagepark.ca](http://www.heritagepark.ca);
- Jump on a bobsled or the bungee line, play a round of mini-golf or visit the hiking and biking trails and the Sports Hall of Fame at Canada Olympic Park: [www.winsportcanada.ca](http://www.winsportcanada.ca);
- Visit any one of Calgary's 5300 (yes, 5300—not a typo!) parks: [www.cocnmp.com/parks](http://www.cocnmp.com/parks)
- Wander the neighborhoods of Inglewood: [www.calgary-inglewood.com](http://www.calgary-inglewood.com), 17th Avenue Southwest: [www.17thave.ca](http://www.17thave.ca), or Kensington: [www.visitkensington.com](http://www.visitkensington.com);
- Shop till you drop at Market Mall (closest mall to campus): [www.marketmall.ca](http://www.marketmall.ca), Chinook Centre: [www.chinookcentre.com](http://www.chinookcentre.com), Cross Iron Mills Outlet Mall: [www.crossironmills.com](http://www.crossironmills.com);
- Grab a bite at one of Calgary's fantastic restaurants—there are hundreds, to choose from, serving every type of food you can think of: [www.visitcalgary.com](http://www.visitcalgary.com)

There are a lot of quirky facts about Calgary. For instance, did you know:

- The city's Plus 15 network (those skybridges over the streets of downtown) is the world's most extensive pedestrian skywalk system, covering over more than 16 kilometers and consisting of 59 bridges that connect more than 100 buildings to each other? Did you also know that they're called Plus 15's because they sit...wait for it.....15 feet off the ground? There are also Plus 30s, and we hear there are even Plus 45s, but we haven't seen any.....
- Calgary is Canada's sunniest major city, with an average of 2300 hours of sunshine a year;
- Biking around Calgary is great—there are an estimated 550 kilometers of pathways, and another 260 kilometers of street bikeways;
- Calgary City Police take jaywalking seriously, and, while most people think of jaywalking as crossing the street in the middle of the block, here in Calgary, that's jaywalking too. But so is crossing the street on a **don't walk** sign—even if you are at an intersection and no vehicles are coming at you. Be careful—if you're caught, you can and will get a ticket for this!
- The Calgary Stampeders play just down the street from campus at McMahon Stadium? Go to [www.stampeders.com](http://www.stampeders.com) for tickets;
- Throughout the summer months, there's at least one festival or street fair every weekend, and countless free and low-cost activities taking place all over the city. Visit [www.visitcalgary.com/things-to-do/events-calendar](http://www.visitcalgary.com/things-to-do/events-calendar) and/or [www.calgaryartsdevelopment.com/events/](http://www.calgaryartsdevelopment.com/events/) to get the latest information on all the happenings around town!

## Useful websites and numbers:

Main UCalgary switchboard: 403-220-5110

Campus Security: 403-220-5333

Main UCalgary website:

[www.ucalgary.ca](http://www.ucalgary.ca)

Werklund School of Education

Main website:

[www.werklund.ucalgary.ca](http://www.werklund.ucalgary.ca)

Undergraduate Programs in Education:

403-220-5639

Website:

[www.werklund.ucalgary.ca/upe](http://www.werklund.ucalgary.ca/upe)

Graduate Programs in Education: 403-220-5675

Website: [www.werklund.ucalgary.ca/gpe](http://www.werklund.ucalgary.ca/gpe)

International Foundations Program: 403-220-3277

Website: [www.werklund.ucalgary.ca/ifp](http://www.werklund.ucalgary.ca/ifp)

## Thinking of going off-campus, but don't have any wheels?

Check with Calgary Transit before you head out for buses and trains: [www.calgarytransit.com](http://www.calgarytransit.com)

Rather take a cab? Here are a few local companies you can contact:  
Checker: 299-9999    Associated 299-1111    Mayfair 255-5655

## A little further afield

- A short drive will take you to one of the nearby communities of Bragg Creek [www.visitbraggcreek.com](http://www.visitbraggcreek.com), Black Diamond [www.town.blackdiamond.ab.ca](http://www.town.blackdiamond.ab.ca), or Cochrane [www.cochrane.ca](http://www.cochrane.ca) for a glimpse of small town life
- Must sees: Banff and Lake Louise: [www.banfflakelouise.com](http://www.banfflakelouise.com) or [www.travelalberta.com](http://www.travelalberta.com)
- Kananaskis Country hosted the downhill ski events in the '88 Olympics: [www.kananaskis.com](http://www.kananaskis.com)
- Want to know more about the dinosaurs and what they mean to Alberta? Take a drive to Drumheller and the Badlands: [www.traveldrumheller.com](http://www.traveldrumheller.com)
- UNESCO World Heritage Site Head Smashed in Buffalo Jump brings you one part of the story of Canada's First Nations peoples: [www.history.alberta.ca/headsmashedin](http://www.history.alberta.ca/headsmashedin)
- Frank Slide: Take a look at the destructive power of a mountain rock slide: [www.history.alberta.ca/frankslide](http://www.history.alberta.ca/frankslide)
- Check out the beauty of Waterton-Glacier International Peace Park: [www.pc.gc.ca/eng/pn-np/ab/waterton/index.aspx](http://www.pc.gc.ca/eng/pn-np/ab/waterton/index.aspx)