

The Werklund Wire



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Welcome from the Associate Dean

Dear UPE Students,
Welcome to a year for the history books. While this academic year may not be quite what we are used to, I still know in my heart that this year will be great. It will be filled with unique opportunities to learn with instructors who care deeply about you and about education. You will have many chances to engage with our community and with one another through service and professional learning and to make an impact in the lives of others. Consider joining our new [mentorship](#) program. Consider becoming a tutor for a K-12 student through our tutoring program. Join the [ESA](#). Get involved in the life of the UPE program, and stay connected.

You will see first-hand how innovative and resilient teachers and leaders are as we work together with schools in this unprecedented time. So I encourage you all to embrace what is to come, to communicate regularly with your instructors and fellow students, to see the opportunities that present themselves, and to take care of yourselves as you do so.

As we have all heard many times, we are in this together! I wish you all the best in this academic year.

-Dr. Amy Burns, Associate Dean



New D2L Resource Module Launched

The Undergraduate Programs in Education (UPE) student advising team has been working diligently this summer to fast-track online resources to support Education students in finding course outlines, career and certification supports, how to book in for academic advising, and more. You can find this new module "[Undergraduate Programs in Education – Student Resources](#)" in your D2L courses. While this resource had been planned for a later launch, the impact of Covid-19 emphasized the importance of digital supports available 24/7 for students to access course materials, career development tools, and essential resources. This resource can be found on D2L.

Not sure how to access or use D2L? Check out these [e-learning resources](#).

Notes on Field Experience

Field Experience this year will go ahead with face-to-face placements in schools as planned. Your Werklund UPE Field Directors and office staff are committed to placing students with partner teachers. We ask for your flexibility and patience as both our office and the school district personnel are working very hard to ensure a smooth and safe school year for preservice teachers and K-12 students alike.

Thank you,
The Field Experience Team



Experiential Learning Updates

“Hi everyone, my name is Caitlin Kane and I am the new Experiential Learning Facilitator for the Werklund School of Education! I am excited to be in this role and working on all of these amazing programs and opportunities for you! I am a three-time UCalgary alumna, with a BA in Psychology, a BFA in Drama, and I just finished my MEd from Werklund. I’ve worked at UCalgary in some capacity since 2010, and I’m really happy to be working with Werklund now. My email is always open, so feel free to connect if you have any questions.



I’m happy to say that we do have experiential learning opportunities happening this fall! Our **Service-Learning** and **Tutoring** applications are now open. You can apply here: <https://leadership.ucalgary.ca/werklund>.

We also have a new **Mentorship** program starting this Fall, and that application will be opening in the next week. Of course, **Teaching Across Borders** and some **Professional Learning Opportunities** will also be opening up this fall too. You can find more information about all of our different programs here: <https://werklund.ucalgary.ca/undergraduate-programs/student-opportunities>

If you have any questions, please don’t hesitate to email me at service.learning@ucalgary.ca. Have a great Fall semester!”

Upcoming Fall Dates

- Sept 3rd – Fall orientations
- Sept 21st – Tutoring applications close
- Sept 25th – Service-Learning applications close
- Oct 1st – Mentorship applications close
- Oct 13th – Field 1 begins (Ed 400’s students)
- Nov 2nd – Field 2 begins (Ed 500’s students)

UPE Updates

In addition to UPE’s new Experiential Learning Facilitator, Caitlin Kane, who is replacing Mike Holden in his former role, the UPE office welcomes Lana Pankiw, Student Advisor to the team!

The UPE office now includes:

- Leanne Barham – Student advisor
- William Dobie – Student advisor
- Virginia Rayner – Student advisor
- Lana Pankiw – Student advisor
- Katelyn Oszust – Senior Program Specialist
- Angie Crowley – UPE Manager
 - **Reach the advisors at upe@ucalgary.ca**
- Avril Tatterson – Field advisor
 - **Reach the field team at upefield@ucalgary.ca**
- Caitlin Kane – Experiential Learning Facilitator
 - **Reach her at service.learning@ucalgary.ca**



Congratulations!

In 2019-2020, Werklund School of Education undergraduate students were awarded approximately **\$1,576,771** in scholarships, awards, and bursaries through university-wide awards!

Take a look through the UCalgary Awards website to familiarize yourself with the different types of awards available and their timelines:

www.ucalgary.ca/awards