

# The Werklund Wire



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## A Word from the Associate Dean

Welcome Students!

It is wonderful to be able to welcome you to the Werklund School of Education. I think it is fair to say, we have been living through some unprecedented times, and while it may not be business as usual just yet, I remain hopeful that this year will allow us to move forward in new and exciting ways. We aspire to honour all of those pieces of the Bachelor of Education program that we enjoyed pre-COVID while also learning from the past 18 months, and keeping some of the innovations that were required in the moment.

As always, I encourage you to approach your studies with hope and excitement. Be curious and confident. Be the teacher now that you wish to be in the future and approach every learning opportunity in the way you hope your students will approach the learning opportunities you present to them. Here is to a wonderful year ahead, and I wish you all the best!

*-Dr. Amy Burns, Associate Dean*

## ESA Membership:

Membership to the Education Students' Association is now open for applications! Signup here: <https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=7KAJxuOIMUaWhhkigL2RUVxCACFJs7tPi3avqZ7LgxZUNFZPSzA1MzY5WkFRSjBYN1BQTUjYUzQ1TC4u>

Membership costs \$20 (payable through e-transfer to [esafinance@ucalgary.ca](mailto:esafinance@ucalgary.ca)) or in-person at the ESA office (EDT 202B). The fee includes student membership with the Alberta Teacher's Association and access to many events, professional development sessions, resources, & discounts. A full list of membership benefits can be found here:

<http://ucalgaryesa.weebly.com/membership.html>

For 2021-22, there are roughly 70 professional development sessions planned, social events, suicide prevention workshops, alternative careers in Ed panel, wellness events, School Board information sessions, interview strategies workshops, graduation celebration, Teacher's Convention & MANY more!

## Student Welcome Back Series

Are you an upper-year student joining us on campus for the first time, or looking for a refresher on student resources? Register for all sessions or a selection of sessions on topics of interest for you. See details here:

<https://live-ucalgary.ucalgary.ca/student-services/orientation/arriving/welcome-back-series>



## UPE's Summer Adventures

Curious about what the office got up to this summer? Leanne, Will, Caitlin, and Angie (some of the team from the UPE office) share moments that made this unusual summer a memorable one.



Leanne Barham: "One of my favourite hobbies is playing board games with friends & family. My current favourites include Castles of Burgundy, Terraforming Mars, and Brass Birmingham (shown)."



William Dobie: "During the summer I was able to bike along the close Highway 1A to Johnston Canyon with a friend. The mountains were beautiful - we had a fantastic time."

## Send us your Selfie!

Attending your academic advising session on a kayak? Zooming into class in a Spiderman costume? Send us your pics from the most unusual place you've attended class or advising session, or highlights from your class Zooms over the past year. **The best 3 submissions will win a Tim Horton's gift card**, and be shared in our next Werklund Wire edition published in November!

Submit your photos in .jpeg format to [upe@ucalgary.ca](mailto:upe@ucalgary.ca) by **October 15<sup>th</sup>**, including a short caption for the photo and a sentence confirming that you consent to having your selfie and caption published on our Werklund Wire newsletter, which is published on our website and in our Student Resources D2L site.



Caitlin Kane: "This summer, I got to spend some time out in BC with my family, and we took our two year old to the Enchanted Forest out by Revelstoke. It was wonderful to just hang out in the trees with some fairy tale characters!"

Angie Crowley: "It was great to get out this summer and experience the 'Art in Nature Trail' that follows the banks of the Bow River in Banff. Grades 1-3 students from one of our Partner Schools, Banff Elementary, displayed their creativity along this trail - so awesome!"







## Ed Students in Conversation Podcast

*From Astrid Kendrick, Director of Field Experience (Community-based)*

Two UCalgary BEd students, Carolyn and Melanie, interview the brilliant Wab Kinew to discuss his new book, *Go Show the World*, and approaches to writing. [https://voiced.ca/podcast\\_episode\\_post/time-out-with-carolyn-and-melanie-featuring-wab-kinew/](https://voiced.ca/podcast_episode_post/time-out-with-carolyn-and-melanie-featuring-wab-kinew/)

This podcast series was recorded as part of a SoTL grant provided to Dr. Astrid Kendrick and Dr. David Scott. **Check out the full series here:** <https://voiced.ca/project/ed-students-in-conversation/>

A podcast bringing pre-service teachers in conversation with leading scholars in the field of education.

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## Experiential Learning Updates

Caitlin Kane is our Experiential Learning Facilitator in Werklund, and works to further develop your extra-curricular experiences and skills to support your career as an educator. While COVID-19 continues to affect some of the opportunities offered, we have a number of returning and new opportunities for you to participate in.

Some important dates and links:

**Tutoring Application opens:** Sept. 1, 2021

**Mentorship applications open:** Sept. 1, 2021

**Service-Learning applications open:** Sept. 10, 2021

**Experiential Learning Services Fair:** Sept. 17, 2021

**TAB Info Session #1:** Sept. 24, 2021

**TAB Info Session #2:** Oct. 25, 2021

**Teaching Across Borders (TAB) apps open:** Nov. 15, 2021

**TAB Info Session #3:** Nov. 15, 2021

More [Professional Learning](#) and [Land-Based](#) opportunities will be announced in the coming weeks too, so stay tuned!

More questions? Contact Caitlin: [wse.experiential@ucalgary.ca](mailto:wse.experiential@ucalgary.ca)

## Important Dates

**Oct 12-22:** Field 1 (ED 400s)

**Nov 1-Dec 10:** Field 3 (ED 500s)

## Career Events – to come!

The UPE Field Experience and Career team is looking forward to sharing the details of their Career and Professional Development events and resources with students this Fall. Please watch the D2L Undergraduate Programs in Education – Student Resource Shell for updates!