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Dear Colleagues,

November brings with it the continued evolution of the Fall season, punctuated by falling leaves and colder temperatures and gradually clearing the path for winter. Each of the seasons serves as a bridge from the previous to the next, just as each semester empowers our learners to transition between who they were and who they will become.

As it is with the seasons, learning is a cycle that we engage in for our whole lives, and our learners' journey at Humber clears the path for future lifelong learning experiences.

In this issue, we'll reflect on the Fall Convocation ceremony that took place on November 2, signifying both an end and a beginning for our graduates as they look ahead to what comes next.

We'll also be profiling the experiences and accomplishments of several of our learners, including recipients of scholarships, restoration projects in the community, design charrette winners, career networking events, and innovative capstone projects. These are but a handful of experiences happening within our Faculty, and we are pleased to share these and other stories that highlight our learners and programs.

It is uplifting and inspiring to hear about the many ways our FAST community has been working together to help our learners continue on their learning journey; our heartfelt gratitude goes out to all of you who continue to make this possible. Thank you for all that you do.

Warm regards,
Carl Oliver
Associate Dean

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CELEBRATING THE FALL CLASS OF 2023

The Humber College community came together to welcome new members to the Humber Alumni family at Fall Convocation!

Congratulations to the next generation of engineers, designers, journey people, makers and technology leaders of tomorrow!



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THE ENGINEERING CONFERENCE

Humber FAST was a proud sponsor of The Engineering Conference – Canada’s largest engineering, diversity and recruitment event hosted by The Ontario Society of Professional Engineers (OSPE).

The one-day conference at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre brought engineers together with industry, academia and government to present and discuss the latest opportunities, challenges and innovations in engineering, and what must be done in Ontario and Canada to remain competitive.





CELEBRATING 30 YEARS AT HUMBER COLLEGE

The Humber College community came together to celebrate Neal Mohammed's 30th anniversary at Humber College!

Neal joined Humber in 1993 as a full-time faculty member and held various positions before his current role as Director of the Barrett Centre for Technology Innovation.

To celebrate Neal's 30-year contribution to the College, let's look back at some historical moments in 1993!

Questions:

1. Which NHL team won the Stanley Cup?
2. Which MBL team won the World Series?
3. What was the Number #1 song in 1993?
4. What was the best-selling vehicle in Canada?
5. What was the #1 movie at the box office?
6. How many students graduated from Humber?



- Answers:
1. The Montreal Canadiens
 2. The Toronto Blue Jays
 3. "I Will Always Love You" by Whitney Houston
 4. The Chevrolet Cavalier
 5. Jurassic Park
 6. 5,846



FAST STUDENT EARNS TOP MARKS AT KEA CHARETTE IN COPENHAGEN, DENMARK

This month, Bryan Eng, a second-year student in our Architectural Technology program participated alongside students from the Faculty of Media & Creative Arts and the Longo Faculty of Business (and students from 10 other institutions around the world) in The KEA Charette 2023 in Copenhagen, Denmark.

A charette is an intensive, collaborative process that brings together students, community members, and professionals to tackle complex issues. The theme of this charrette was “Global Circular Competences with Urban Mining,” and it took place in October.

We are proud to share that Bryan Eng achieved the highest ranking on the final day! Congratulations also go out to FMCA student, Aksha, who also achieved this ranking, showcasing the excellence of Humber College students on a global stage.

Visit [this link](#) for more information about the KEA Charrette.





HORTICULTURE AND LANDSCAPE STUDENTS CONDUCT RESTORATION AT CLAIREVILLE CONSERVATION AREA

Our Landscape Technician Diploma students and faculty returned to volunteer with the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority, Restoration Services (TRCA) to plant trees close to Humber College at the Claireville Dam Restoration site.

This included planting 200 native shrubs; installing mulch mats around each piece; tagging plants with a unique ID number as part of TRCA's Young Tree and Shrub Monitoring and Maintenance Program; and ultimately enhancing a 151 square metre area.





FAST LEARNERS

WIL STUDENT SUCCESS SPOTLIGHT



NAME:

Karandeep Jhamat

PROGRAM OF STUDY:

**Construction Engineering
Technology, Co-op**

GRADUATING YEAR:

Class of 2023

WORK PLACEMENT:

D'Orazio Infrastructure Group

Karandeep was hired at the D'Orazio Infrastructure Group from a job lead posted on the Co-op job board. D'Orazio Infrastructure Group is a respected contractor in the water/wastewater and earth-moving sectors of the construction industry.

WHAT DID YOU DO DURING YOUR CO-OP WORK TERM?

I did two co-op placements at D'Orazio Infrastructure Group. This past summer I was a Project Co-ordinator, which involved working with the Project Manager to ensure deliverables for the job were achieved. I helped other Project Co-ordinators develop a schedule for jobs, and occasionally I assisted the Estimator doing take offs for jobs we were bidding on.

WHAT WERE SOME OF THE MOST IMPORTANT THINGS YOU LEARNED DURING YOUR CO-OP EXPERIENCE?

Working at D'Orazio helped me develop a greater understanding of the construction industry and the hard work involved in completing a job. It helped me develop workplace ethics for the construction industry. My technology skills were enhanced from the exposure I had to different software and applications used such as MS Project, AutoCAD, and Bluebeam.

In addition, I was able to gain knowledge of the labour side and management side of the company. As a Project Co-ordinator I had the opportunity to work with the crew on-site, as well as be part of the meetings with the upper management to discuss next steps for the jobs I was working on.

WHAT ADVICE WOULD YOU GIVE TO OTHER STUDENTS WHO ARE THINKING ABOUT PARTICIPATING IN CO-OP?

I would highly recommend all students participate in co-op as it gives you the opportunity to gain real world experience in the career you are planning to pursue. It gives you a head start for when you are done school and searching for a job. You also get the opportunity to explore different roles in the work force.



FAST LEARNERS

UP CLOSE WITH TWO SCHULICH BUILDERS SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS



NAME:

Luke Schmidt

PROGRAM OF STUDY:

**Industrial Woodworking
Technician Program**

Luke chose to study woodworking because in high school, he had a very positive impact from his woodworking teacher. Before coming to Humber, Luke actually told that teacher, David Metcalf from Sacred Heart Highschool in Walkerton, ON about the impact he's had on Luke's career choices, which made him incredibly happy.

Career wise, after finishing the Industrial Woodworking program, Luke is planning on getting his woodworking ticket/accreditation, and then go back to school for teachers' college with the goal of teaching woodworking at his old high school. He decided to come to Humber after seeing photographs of the workshop and resources available to students. He was considering other colleges that were closer to home but realized that the Humber curriculum went more in-depth than other courses. He wanted to learn the most and felt Humber College would provide that opportunity. Coming to Humber College meant that Luke had to move from Bruce County to the Big City of Toronto—which has been a big adjustment from his small town. His main goal in Toronto is to see himself graduate, but he may be interested in seeing a Leafs game, and watching some Humber Hawks games while he's here.

When Globe and Mail published info about the Schulich Builders Scholarship, he told his parents who were very excited. His mom went out and bought multiple copies of the newspaper!



NAME:

Sophia Talik

PROGRAM OF STUDY:

**Carpentry and Renovation
Technician Diploma**

Sophia's family has been in the trades for most of their lives. She always wanted to work in a hands-on environment and was going back in forth between a few different programs, but ultimately decided to do carpentry and renovation as a gateway into all the different trades. She was especially drawn to carpentry for the creative, designing side, the idea of "making something out of nothing" that she relates to a love of art, a subject she took throughout high school and greatly enjoyed it.

Her sister is a graduate of Humber College and Sophia's goal following graduation is to take an apprenticeship and focus on finding job stability and is considering starting her own business. As she works towards this goal, she already has a personal project in mind—her family is waiting for her to graduate before beginning to renovate their basement, where she will be taking the lead in updating the bathroom, kitchen, and rest of the living space. In the future, she hopes to expand her knowledge in other trades, like "adding another tool" to her toolbelt of skills and be a well-rounded tradesperson.

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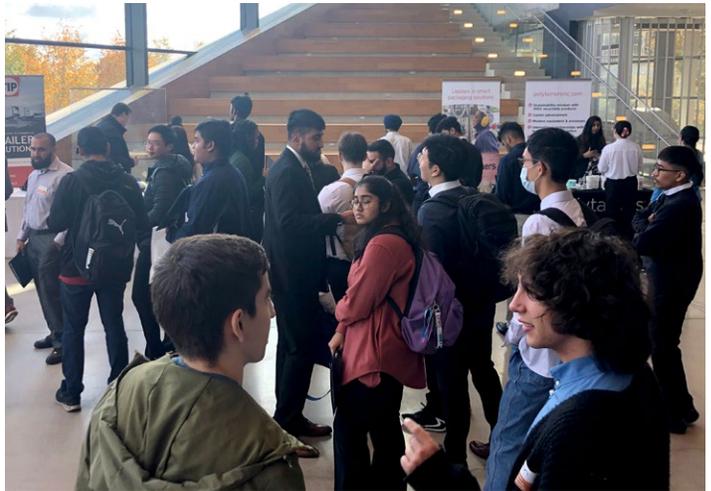
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HOME SWEET HUMBER

CELEBRATING AND SHOWCASING LIFE AT NORTH CAMPUS AND CARRIER DRIVE!

ICT CO-OP CAREER NETWORKING EVENT

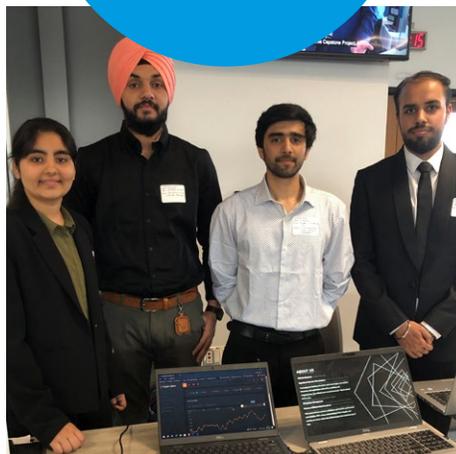




CALL FOR TECH CAPSTONE PROJECTS



Share your life on campus images in the next FAST News issue! Please submit to Jennifer Buchalter: jennifer.buchalter@humber.ca



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ASSOCIATE DEAN JOINS CYBER COUNCIL

Congratulations to Associate Dean, Francis Syms, P.Eng., who was accepted to the Canadian Association of Defence and Security Industries (CADSI) Cyber Council.

As the national voice representing Canada's defence, security and cybersecurity companies to decision-makers in Ottawa and across allied nations, CADSI is the bridge between government and industry. The council monitors and advances policy so members can focus on running businesses that keep Canadians safe.

Thank you, Francis, for your dedication to protecting Canadians' and organizations' computer systems.



UPCOMING EVENTS

NOVEMBER 15 & 16

Level Up – Skilled Trades Show
International Centre

NOVEMBER 18

Fall Open House
10 AM – 2 PM

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

FAST NEWS recognizes and celebrates the achievements of our faculty and students. To share your successes with us, please submit stories and images to the Office of the Senior Dean, Julie Pasquin: julie.pasquin@humber.ca

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