

AlumniNews

A monthly newsletter for UCalgary alumni and friends



Dozens of Not-So-Last-Minute Gifts for the Holidays

Sometimes the best things come in the smallest packages. Fun, useful and wallet-friendly — that's what you'll find in our 2021 roundup of stocking stuffers. Plus, a purchase of any one of these gifts will help support UCalgary alumni.

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Alumni Exclusives



Yule Love These . . . Holiday Traditions

Alumni, the world over, celebrate the next month in memorable ways. From lighting spectacles and latkes to marzipan pigs and loksa, UCalgary grads give us a peek into the diverse world of holidays.

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Hey, Hey, My, My: Retire Like a Rock Star

Redefining retirement the rock star way isn't about tuning out, but amping up — according to retired engineer Scott Diehl, MEng'95. Let's just say that a Florida time-share is nowhere on Diehl's wishlist. He's got too many songs to write, albums to cut and concerts to play.

[Get Your Groove On!](#)



Celebrate with Santa

'Tis the season to give. Whether you want to support the Student Union Campus Food Bank or a student athlete, you'll get mittfuls in return for your present — whatever the size.

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Events and Programs



Virtual Interviews 101

Virtual interviews have become more common, with a particular move towards asynchronous video interviews (AVIs). This Dec. 14 (today) webinar will leave you better prepared for AVIs as well as other virtual-format interviews.

[Register NOW!](#)



Stay in Touch to Win Big

It's a snap. Just update your contact information and you could win a \$1,500 WestJet travel voucher for anywhere they fly, a two-night getaway at the Fairmont Chateau Lake Louise, or a Breathe Outdoors gift card.

[Update Your Info NOW!](#)



New Mayor, New Year, New Vision

Ever wanted to submit the mayor a question? Alumni are invited to ask Dr. Jyoti Gondek, MA'03, PhD'13, anything they wish in advance of the Jan. 18 webinar that Chancellor Deborah Yedlin is hosting. Questions due: Jan. 5.

[Ask NOW and Register!](#)

University News

The Outdoor Centre Turns 45 and Remains Future-focused

What began as a low-key gear swap back in the '70s is now the largest university outdoor centre in North America. Part of Active Living, you'll find a gym, climbing walls and a full-service repair shop for bikes, skis and snowboards. Plus 10,000 rental items as well as a team of certified instructors that offer programs ranging from kids' summer camps to outdoor leadership training. Alumni get 50% off their first Active Living membership and after that it's a 10% discount for life.

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Better Aging With Pets

Should animal companionship be a privilege or a health-care imperative? If having an animal companion makes people feel better and prospectively support their health, shouldn't such partnerships have a bigger place on the age-friendly agenda?

UCalgary researcher Dr. Ann Toohey believes so.

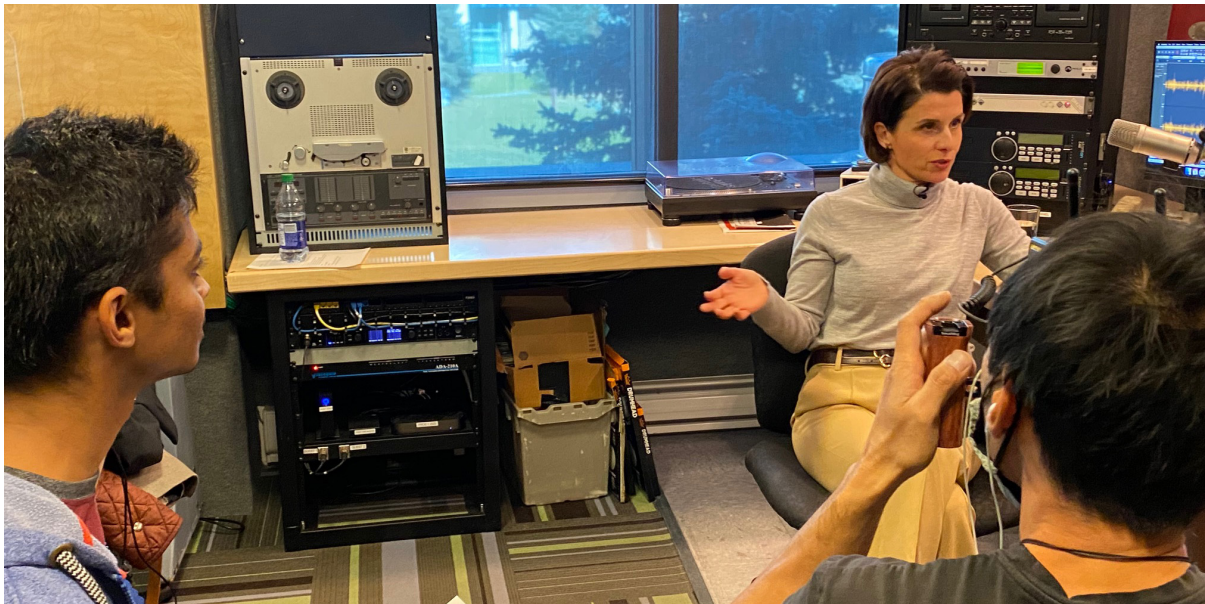
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Theses and Dissertations Digitization Project

UCalgary theses and dissertations from 1966 – 2012 are about to be digitized and made publicly accessible. Contact Libraries and Cultural Resources by Feb. 1, 2022, if you wish to exclude your work.

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CBC Journalist Rosa Marchitelli, BA'95, Shares Career Hacks for New Grads



Step inside the studio with the co-host of CBC News' investigative segment *Go Public*. From career advice and campus memories to the thrill of breaking a story, join Marchitelli as she shares personal details on what it took to land her high-profile job.

[Watch the Interview](#)

More Events & Programs

Dec. 20 | International Human Solidarity Day

Dec. 24-Jan.3 | UCalgary Holidays

Jan. 18 | Community Engagement Webinar with Mayor Jyoti Gondek

Jan. 21-Feb. 27 | Chinook Blast

Jan. 26 | Bell Let's Talk

Behind the Scenes of a UCeed Health Venture



Entrepreneurial U

Ever wonder what it takes to launch a start-up? Co-founder of Illucidx, Cody Doolan, tells us, candidly, the circuitous journey it took to get this biotech social enterprise out of the lab. Being a dual citizen means he could have taken his idea to the U.S. but he didn't.

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