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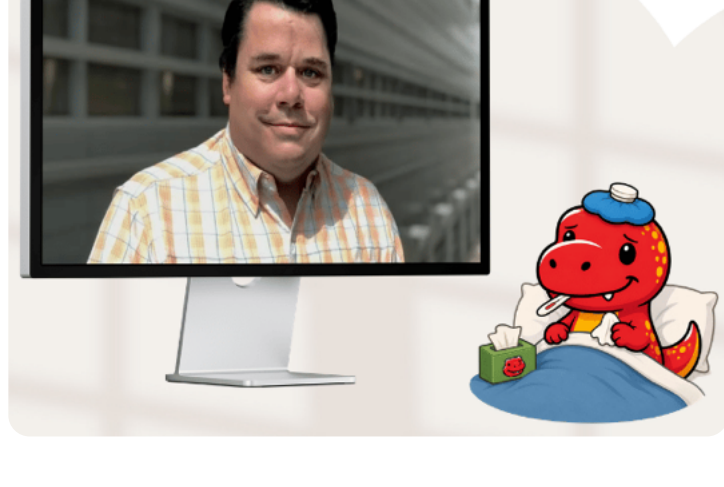
Alumni Engagement



What Neurodivergent Thinking Can Teach Us About A.I.

Artificial intelligence can do more than draft an email or save a few minutes. For **Madelaine Robillard, BSW'20, MSW'22**, the founder and CEO of Revolution Therapy & Wellness, it can also be an accessibility tool. Drawing on her professional expertise and lived experience as a neurodivergent professional, Robillard shares how A.I. can reduce everyday friction, organize a busy brain and support different ways of thinking and working. And while these strategies are grounded in neurodivergent experience, they can help all of us work a little smarter. Discover practical takeaways for working with your brain rather than against it, plus three prompts you can try for yourself.

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Alumni All-Access

Don't Let Cold and Flu Season Catch You Off Guard

As temperatures drop and we spend more time indoors, cold and flu season isn't far behind. We asked infectious disease expert, **Dr. Craig Jenne, PhD'05**, for some simple things you can do now to help protect yourself plus some of the science behind what to keep in mind as respiratory virus season approaches.

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It's Almost Time for Alumni All-Access!

Our annual celebration of all things UCalgary returns this October. Everyone is invited to join us for 11 exciting days filled with amazing experiences, opportunities to discover new ideas and a chance to explore UCalgary programs. This is a guide to the first half of this year's Alumni All-Access (AAA).

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WATCH: Every journey started as a first step



From advancing groundbreaking research to strengthening communities and creating opportunities for future generations, the report highlights the many ways UCalgary is shaping the future through innovation, collaboration and purpose-driven work. UCalgary is a place to Start Something.

WHAT'S ON DECK?



Science in the Cinema: *Death Becomes Her* | Oct.20

Get ready for Halloween with the spooky cult classic *Death Becomes Her* at the Calgary Central Library, then stay for a fascinating Q&A exploring human organoid research, immortality and just how close science may be to the fountain of youth. Free admission and popcorn included.

[Register](#)



Keeping Pets Healthy: Antibiotics & Your Pet | Oct. 21

Learn how everyday choices can keep your pets healthy and help combat antibiotic resistance. UCalgary veterinary expert, **Dr. Alvaro Guzman**, will share practical tips on pet hygiene, nutrition and explain how simple decisions can help protect your pets, family and community.

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Alumni LEGO Challenge | Oct. 25

Join LEGO Masters Season 3 runners-up **Stephen Joo, BSc'97**, and **Stephen Cassley, BA'07**, for a fast-paced building competition packed with creative challenges and LEGO glory. Put your skills to the test in the 3rd annual Alumni LEGO Challenge and become a LEGO Master yourself!

[Register](#)

ALUMNI EXCLUSIVE OFFERS



Bring Your Squad to Cheer on the Dinos, on us! | Sept. 25

Join your fellow alumni and the UCalgary community to cheer for some Dinos Football vs University of Alberta Golden Bears on Sept. 25. **FREE tickets for alumni and up to four guests!**

[Register for Tickets](#)



Faculty & Friends Music Concert Series, featuring Carter Johnson | Oct. 23

Experience an unforgettable evening of live music on Oct. 23 as acclaimed Canadian pianist **Carter Johnson** takes the stage. Settle in for a captivating solo recital and enjoy **exclusive alumni ticket pricing (50% off)** for you and a guest.

[Register for Tickets](#)

UCAA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING



University of Calgary Alumni Association Annual General Meeting | Sept. 15

All UCalgary alumni are invited to the 2026 Annual General Meeting of the UCalgary Alumni Association (UCAA) on **Sept. 15 at NOON**. Follow the link for notice and to register.

[More Information](#)

CAMPUS CONNECT

Eddie Goldenberg Research Chairs of Canada

On Aug. 27, the **Hon. Mélanie Joly**, Minister of Industry and Minister responsible for Canada Economic Development for Quebec Regions, announced more than \$541 million in research funding for Intake 1 of the **Eddie Goldenberg Research Chairs of Canada program** and the Canada Impact+ Emerging Leaders programs. Launched in December 2025, the Eddie Goldenberg Research Chairs of Canada program is the centrepiece of the \$1.7-billion **Canada Global Impact+ Research Talent Initiative**. (Impact+)

UCalgary selected by Government of Canada to lead nation's first Quantum Defence Innovation Secure Hub

In August, the **Hon. David J. McGuinty**, Minister of National Defence, announced an investment of more than \$ 20.3M over two years to support a University of Calgary-led consortium in establishing the **Quantum Defence Innovation Secure Hub (DISH)**, a flagship **Bureau of Research, Engineering and Advanced Leadership in Innovation and Science (BOREALIS)**, to be operated by UCalgary's Quantum City.

From the Q Centre to Queerposium, Student-led Community is Shaping Pride at UCalgary

From the Students' Union's Q Centre to faculty-based groups and the Queer Research Hub, students like **Josiah Lansang, BSc'24**, and **Aylan Vincent** are helping create spaces where queer and trans students can connect, find support and feel a sense of belonging.

UCalgary receives significant investment from multiple levels of government to upgrade Olympic Oval

For 16 days in 1988, the Olympic Oval was reserved for the world's sporting elite and, for the 39 years since, the University of Calgary's famous speedskating arena has been welcoming the entire community. In July a \$52-million investment, split between the Federal and Provincial governments, was announced to fund the rehabilitation and modernization plan for the storied Oval.

UPCOMING EVENTS AND PROGRAMS

- Sept. 13 | Dino Dash
- Sept. 14 | Alumni Career Workshop: Career Change?
- Sept. 15 | UCAA Annual General Meeting
- Sept. 15 | Alumni Career Workshop: Resume Resources
- Sept. 18 | Cy Frank Legacy Lectureship
- Sept. 21 | Alumni Career Workshop: Career Planning
- Sept. 23 | SAPL: West End Whirlwind
- Sept. 24 | Alumni Career Workshop: Networking for Success
- Sept. 25 | Dinos Football vs Golden Bears (Free Ticket Offer)
- Sept. 26 | Taking it to the Streets: Stories of Resilience, Connection, and Living Well with Dementia
- Sept. 28 | Alumni Career Workshop: Resume Resources
- Oct. 3 | 2026 Marguerite Schumacher Memorial Alumni Lecture
- Oct. 15 | Arch Awards
- Oct. 15 - 25 | Alumni All Access (Full Program)



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