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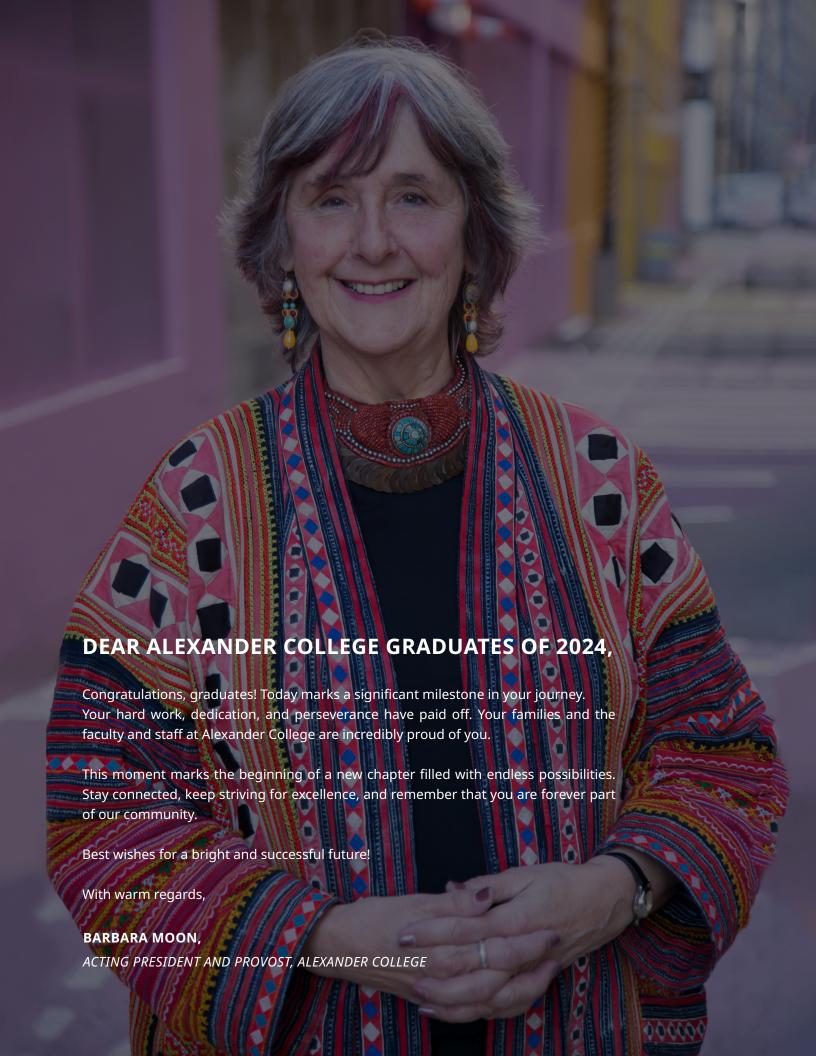
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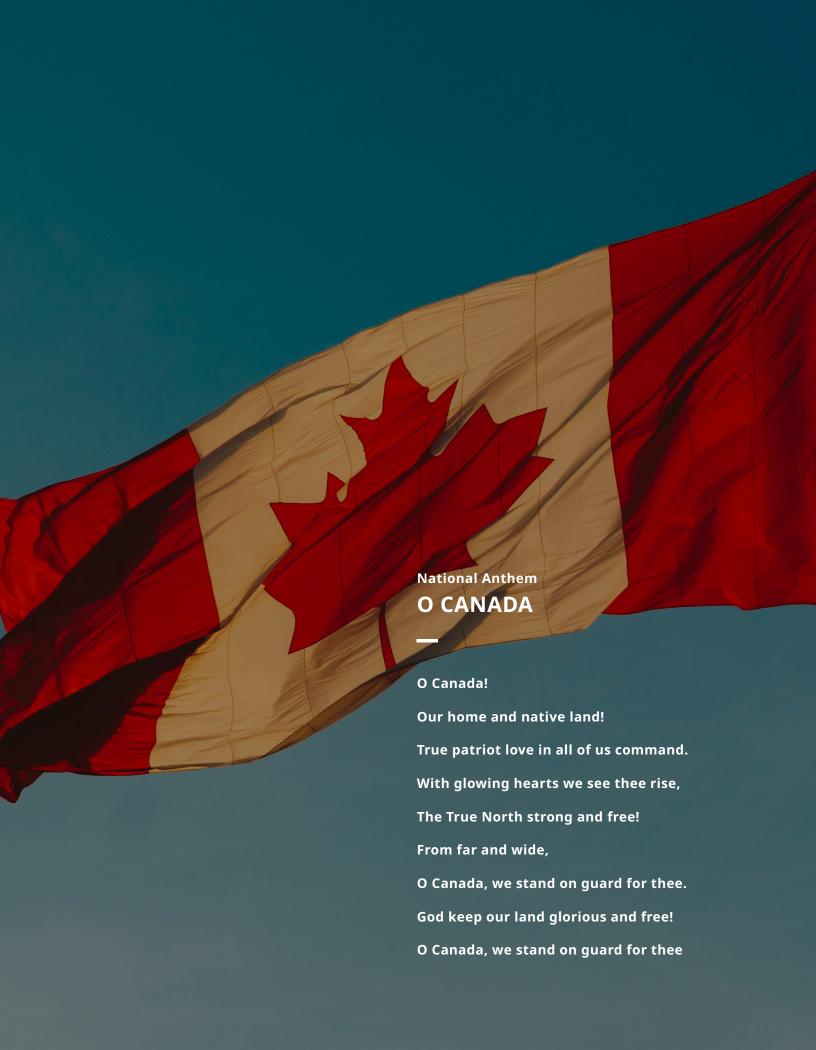


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HISTORY

Established in 2006 under the British Columbia Ministry of Advanced Education, Alexander College consists of two urban campuses. These campuses are located in Burnaby and Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada.

Alexander College first offered University Transfer and English for Academic Purposes programs. From the beginning, we have designed our programs to help first- and second-year undergraduates achieve success in their transition to the post-secondary environment.

This success is facilitated by strong student support and readily available services.

2006

In 2006, Alexander College was approved to offer the Associate of Arts Degree and was later approved to offer the Associate of Science Degree in 2011. We are continually adding specialty Associate Degree concentrations for both Arts and Science.

2009

Inaugural Batch of Graduates

2020

On March 16th, 2020, in concert with all BC post-secondary institutions, Alexander College pivoted to offering all courses virtually due to the Covid-19 pandemic. In addition to offering all courses online, student academic and support services also transitioned to being offered online.

2021

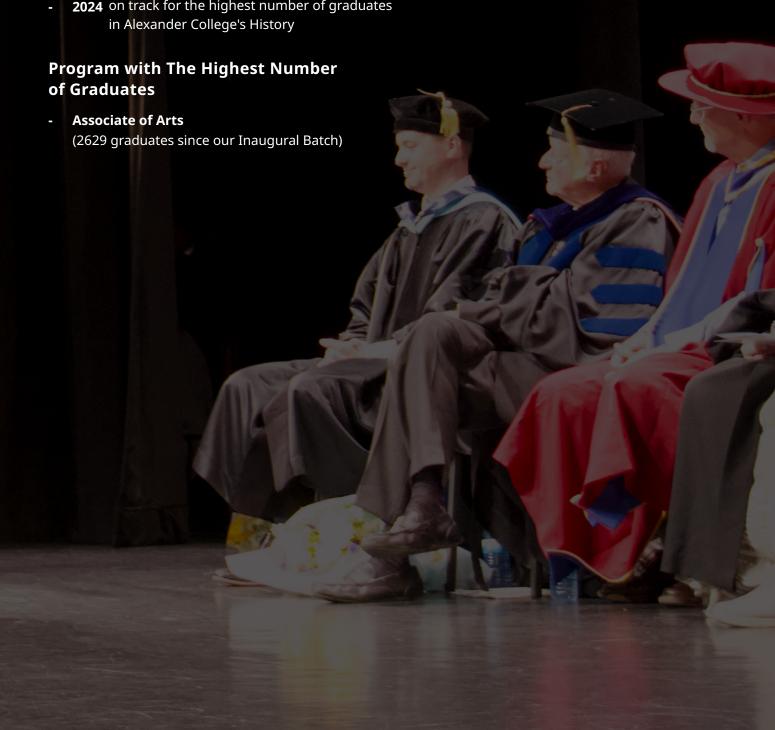
In August 2021 we moved to a larger campus in Burnaby with improved facilities and services. The original plan to open the campus for full face-to-face operations in the Fall 2021 term was compromised by the continuing Covid pandemic.

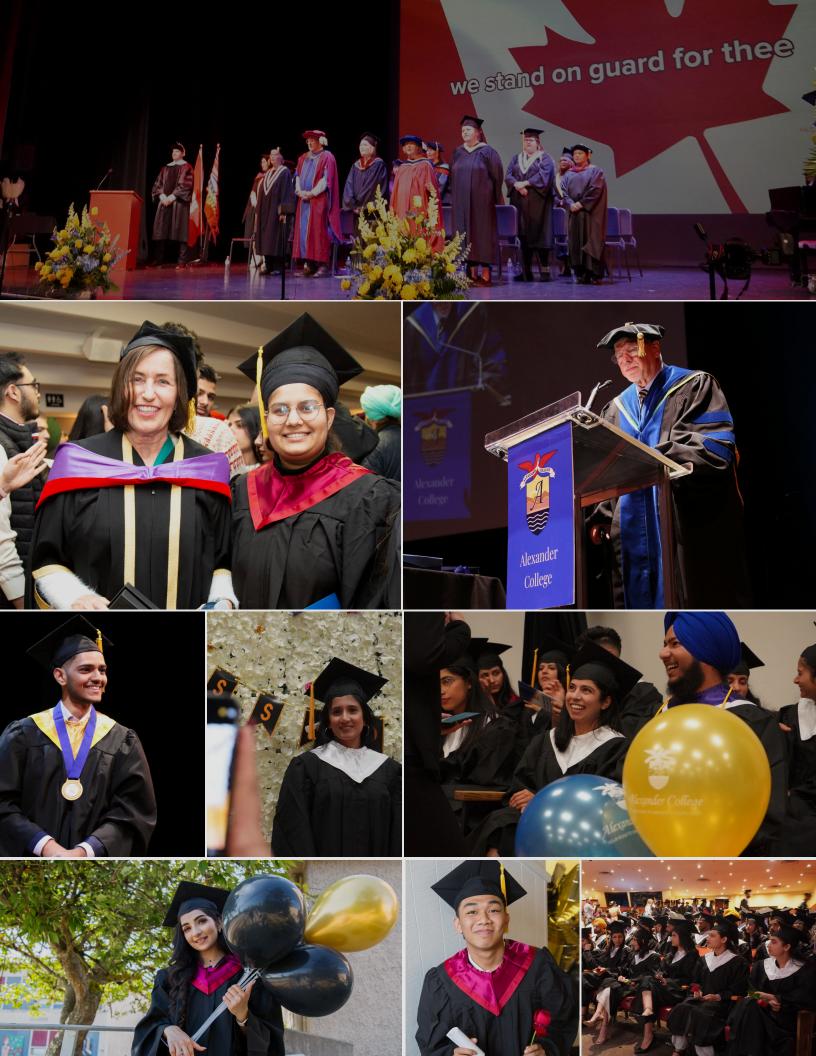
GRADUATION HIGHLIGHTS & FACTS

Since 2009 (Inaugural Batch) to Winter 2024, we have had **3249 graduates**.

Highest Graduate Years

- 2021 (651 grads)
- 2023 (669 grads)
- **2024** on track for the highest number of graduates





SCHEDULE

11:30 AM - 1:00 PM Studio 1C Dressing of Graduates

Studio 2A Dressing of Faculty

1:30 PM - 4:00 PM Theatre Convocation Ceremony

4:00 PM - 5:00 PM Studio 1C Reception and Photographs

CEREMONY SCHEDULE

Introduction and Dr. Graeme Abernethy, PhD, MA

Welcome Speech Department Head of English, Alexander College

National Anthem O Canada

Commencement Hon. Stephen Kelleher, KC, LLB, BA

Speaker Retired Justice, Supreme Court of British Columbia

Faculty of Arts and Dr. Steve Roe, PhD, MA, BA

Science Deans Dean of Arts and Science, Alexander College

Lindsey Bat-Joseph, MA, MAHL, BEd, BA

Associate Dean of Arts and Faculty Development, Alexander College

Dr. Kelly Cheung, PhD, MSc. BASc

Associate Dean of Sciences, Business and Program Assessment, Alexander College

Faculty Awards for Dr. Barbara Moon, PhD

Excellence in Instruction Acting President & Provost, Alexander College

Valedictorian Award Justine Jenn-Ting Ming, Associate of Arts (Psychology)

Awarding of Credentials

Dr. Graeme Abernethy, PhD, MA

Department Head of English Ale

Department Head of English, Alexander College

Presentation of the Graduating Class

Mandie Brooks Registrar

Closing Remarks

Dr. Graeme Abernethy, PhD, MA

Department Head of English, Ale

Department Head of English, Alexander College

ABOUT OUR TRADITIONS

Alexander College Crest

The Alexander College Crest depicts the breathtaking coastal landscape of Vancouver, British Columbia. The background features the dramatic Coast Mountain range, Pacific Ocean, and rising sun, all designed to represent the natural beauty of the College's location.

In the center of the shield, the capital 'A' represents Alexander College standing strong above our natural landscape, the land in which we teach.

Above the shield, a crimson Roc (legendary bird of prey) holds a scroll with the inscription Alexander College and is symbolic of the namesakes of the founders of the institution.





Alexander Mackenzie

Alexander College is named for Alexander Mackenzie, the Scottish-born fur trade adventurer and author who made an arduous overland journey from the east to reach the Pacific Coast at Bella Coola on 22 July 1793.

As the leader of the first expedition on record to cross the North American continent in Canada or the United States, he has a special place in Canadian history.

Mackenzie was ahead of his time in the vision he articulated of an organized trade between Asia and North America via the Pacific.

It is in the spirit of his achievement and vision that Alexander College honours his name.

Academic Stoles

In honour of Alexander McKenzie and the Scottish ancestry of British Columbia, in 2019, Alexander College introduced two official colours for our academic regalia.

The yellow stole for Associate of Arts in Science symbolizes intellectual curiosity and the pursuit of scientific exploration. It reflects the brightness of knowledge and discovery that our graduates have embraced throughout their academic journey.

The white stole for Associate of Arts represents the diversity of disciplines encompassed by this general degree, honoring the broad academic achievement of our graduates across various fields of study.

Honor Cords

Alexander College has always taken pride in recognizing our students' academic achievements. In that spirit, we are pleased to introduce a new tradition to honor exceptional students who achieve a percentile of 97 or higher in their graduating class.

During the convocation ceremony, these students will be presented with a prestigious Honor Cord, which is a gold cord on their stoles, symbolizing their excellent academic dedication and achievement. This tradition serves to inspire and motivate students while recognizing and celebrating their remarkable accomplishments.

FACULTY AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN INSTRUCTION RECIPIENTS (SPRING 2024)

While registering for the Ceremony, graduates are asked to reflect on their time at Alexander College and indicate which instructor they would like to thank most for having a positive impact on their academic career.

The instructors mentioned below are the ones that stood out and received the most votes. They will be presented with an award at the Convocation Ceremony to commemorate their achievements.

Second Faculty Awards for Excellence in Instruction



Dr. Sandra Pena-Diaz, (PhD, BSc) Instructor, Biology

Dr. Sandra Pena-Diaz obtained her PhD in Microbiology and Immunology from the University of British Columbia in Vancouver, BC. During her PhD studies she discovered her passion for teaching and learned the importance of research-based teaching techniques, which she currently applies in her courses to guide students in their learning.



Dr. Jason Mirzaei, (PhD, MSc, BSc) Instructor, Chemistry

Dr. Jason Mirzaei is a chemistry lecturer at Alexander College. He obtained his Ph.D. in Chemistry at the University of Manitoba, for his work on developing functional nanomaterials, followed by a postdoctoral fellowship at UBC. He is especially interested in the use of innovative instructional techniques.



Emre Aydin (MA)
Instructor, Psychology

Emre obtained his Bachelor's Degree in Psychology and a Master's Degree in Psychology with a Comprehensive scholarship from Bilkent University. Emre is currently conducting research in the psychology department at Simon Fraser University, focusing on the intersection between artificial intelligence and language development.



Dr. Swati Mishra (BA, MA, PhD) Instructor, English

Swati Mishra obtained her PhD in English from Rashtrasant Tukdodi Maharaj Nagpur University in India. The corpus of her research concerns itself with the postmodernist theory of 'Multiculturalism' and this has lent her an extensive understanding of multiculturalism, fostering cross-cultural understanding of a diverse student body.

THE GRADUATING CLASS OF FALL 2023 & WINTER 2024

Graduation lists as shown in this program were prepared two weeks prior to Convocation and may therefore not be completely correct—the names of some graduates may be missing.

Associate of Arts Degree

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BAJWA, Tanvir Kaur **BALJINDER SINGH BALPREET KAUR** BANREET SINGH BATH, Jaskaran Singh **BEANT SINGH** BHAWANA

BRAR, Akashdeep Singh BRAR, Hardeep Singh BRAR, Harpinder Singh BRAR, Jashanpreet Singh BRAR, Navjot Kaur BRAR, Ramanpreet Kaur BRAR, Sawaljit Singh CHAHAL, Amandeep Kaur CHAHAL, Lovepreet Kaur CHEEMA, Amritjot CHOU, Tzu-Ling DAMANPREET KAUR DANDIWAL, Mehakdeep DANISHDEEP SINGH DAWINDER SINGH DE FURTADO MARTINS,

Matheus Jose DHALIWAL, Jaskaran Singh DILPREET KAUR DIVYA RANI

EKAMVEER SINGH GAGANDEEP KAUR GAGANDEEP KAUR GAGANDEEP SINGH GARCIA DERNER, Gabriel

GAUTAM

GAZALPREET KAUR GHUMAN, Charanjit Kaur GILL, Harpreet Singh GILL, Sahilpreet Singh **GUNGEET KAUR GURIEET KAUR GURJINDER KAUR GURKANWALJEET KAUR GURKIRAT SINGH GURLAL SINGH GURMEET SINGH GURPEI SINGH GURPINDER KAUR GURPREET KAUR GURSEHAI SINGH GURSHARN KAUR GURSIMRAN KAUR**

GURVEER SINGH

HARDEEP KAUR HARDEEP SINGH HARKAMAL SINGH HARKAMAI PRFFT KALIR HARKIRAN KAUR HARI FEN KALIR HARMAN KAUR HARMAN KAUR HARMANDEEP KAUR HARMANJIT KAUR HARMANIIT SINGH HARMANIOT KAUR HARMANJOT SINGH HARMANPREET KAUR HARMANPREET KAUR HARMANPREET KALIR HARMANPREET SINGH HARMANPREET HARPREET KAUR HARPREET KAUR

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HARPREET SINGH

HARSHDEEP SINGH

HARSHDEEP SINGH

HARSHDEEP SINGH HARVINDER SINGH HAYER, Jaskaran Singh HEMANPREET KAUR HITESH SINGH HOANG, Nguyen Quynh Anh HUSANPREET KAUR

INDERBIR SINGH INDERPREET KAUR INDERVEER SINGH JAGDEEP SINGH JANDA, Ranjoban Preet Singh

JASHANPREET KAUR JASHANPREET KAUR JASHANPREET SINGH JASMANDEEP KAUR JASMEEN KAUR JASMEEN KAUR IASMEEN KAUR JASNEEL

JASPINDER KAUR JASPREET KAUR JASPREET KAUR **JASPREET SINGH** IASPREET

JASSI, Jastinder Singh

JASVIR KAUR JATIN

IYOTI

JATINDER SINGH JUNEJA, Simran

KALER, Mohit KALSI, Manpreet Kaur KAMALIEET KAUR KANCHAN DEVI KANCHAN KANDA, Aryan

KAUR GILL, Mehak Preet

KARANDEEP

KAUR, Amandeep KAUR, Amandeep KAUR, Anmohalpreet KAUR, Gurpreet KAUR, Harpreet KAUR, Jagmeet KAUR, Kiranpreet KAUR, Lovepreet KAUR, Prabhjot KAUR, Prabhjot KAUR, Rajwinder KAUR, Shameen KAUR, Tarveen KHAIRA, Prabhleen Kaur

KHORASANIPOUR, Fatemeh KHUSHKIRAN KAUR **KHUSHNOOR** KHUSHPREET KAUR KHUSHPREET SINGH KINGRA, Sauravdeep Singh KIRANDEEP KAUR

KIRANVEER KAUR

KOMALPREET KAUR

KUI DEEP KAUR LAKHWANT SINGH LAVISH

KOMALPREET KAUR

LEE, Yuna LOPEZ SANTILLAN, Lissette Estefania

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MALHI, Jashardeep Kaur MANGAT, Baldeep Kaur MANINDER SINGH MANJINDER KAUR MANJOT KAUR

MANN, Kanwardeep Singh

MANPREET KAUR MANROJ KAUR MANVEER AKHTRI MANVEER KAUR MANVEER KAUR MANVIR KAUR

MARAHAR, Harminder Singh MAUNG MAUNG, Ingyin MEHAKPREET KAUR MEHAKPREET SINGH

MOHIT

MUNEDA, Natsuko

MUSKAN MUSKAN KAUR NAGASE, Avami NAGPAL, Fiza NARINDER SINGH NAUNIHAL SINGH NAVDEEP KAUR NAVDEEP SINGH NAVJEET KAUR NAVJOT KAUR **NAVJOT SINGH NAVJOT SINGH** NAVNEET KAUR NAVPREET KAUR NAVPREET KAUR NAVPREET SINGH NEHA RANI NIMANPREET KAUR

NITIN KUMAR

PANKAJ KUMAR

PARBHIOT KAUR

PARDEEP SINGH

PARNEET KAUR

PARVEEN KAUR PAWANDEEP KAUR PAWANJOT KAUR PAWANPREET KAUR POWAR, Sukhraj PRABHDEEP KAUR PRABHJOT KAUR PRABHJOT KAUR PRABHJOT SINGH PRAVDEEP KAUR PUNIA, Manjot Singh PUNIA, Sumeet Pal Singh PUSHPINDER KAUR

RAI. Isha RAIPREET KAUR RAMANDEEP KAUR RAMANDEEP KAUR RAMANDEEP KAUR RAMANDEEP KAUR RAMANJEET KAUR RAMANJEET SINGH RAMNEET KAUR **RANBIR SINGH RANJIT SINGH** RASHANDEEP KAUR **RAVINDER SINGH RAVINDER SINGH RAVINDER SINGH** RAVINDERPREET KAUR REENA KAUR

ROMANA, Akashdeep Singh

RUPINDER KAUR RUPINDER KAUR RUPINDER KAUR **RUPINDER SINGH**

ROHAN KUMAR

SACHDEVA, Chhayapreet Kaur

SADIOA

SAGGU, Manpreet Kaur SAJANPREET SINGH SANDEEP SINGH

SANDHU, Komalpreet Kaur SARAN, Amanpreet Singh

SARPREET KAUR SATWINDER KAUR

SCHETTINI GUIMARAES, Gustavo

SEHGAL, Vipandeep SETHI, Ashina SHAHMEET KAUR SHARANJIT KAUR SHARMA, Arjun SHARMA, Kanchi SHARMA, Neerai SHARMA, Neetika SHARMA, Priyanshu SHARMA, Sahil SHUBHPREET KAUR SIDHU, Jashanjit Singh

SIDQ KAUR SIMARJOT SINGH SIMERPREET KAUR

SIDHU, Jobanpreet Singh

SIMRAN

SIMRANJEET KAUR SIMRANJEET KAUR SIMRANJIT KAUR SIMRANPREET KAUR

SINGH, Aditya SINGH, Baljinder SINGH, Gurjant SINGH, Gurjugad SINGH, Gurpinder SINGH, Gurvir SINGH, Hardeep SINGH, Harmanjeet

SINGH, Jagdeep SINGH, Jaspreet SINGH, Karanjot SINGH, Lovepreet SINGH, Raffaella

SINGH, Rupinder

SIYA

SODHI, Harpreet Singh SOHI, Sehajpal Singh SONAM PREET KAUR

SONIA SPADA, Marco SUKHJIT KAUR SUKHMANDEEP KAUR

SUKHMEET SUKHPREET KAUR SUKHPREET KAUR SUKHVEER KAUR SUKHVIR SINGH SUKHWINDER KAUR SUMANPREET KAUR SUMANPREET KAUR SUPREET KAUR TARANPREET KAUR TIWANA, Navkaran Singh VASHISHT, Abhishek

VEERINDERPARTAP SINGH VERMA, Kunal YUVRAJ SINGH YUVRAJ SINGH

Associate of Arts (Business)

Degree

APARDEEP KAUR BIKRAMJEET SINGH CHOI, Bomi DAM, Gia Man HARPREET KAUR JAIN, Deevankshi MASAKI, Saori SHINH, Anmol Singh SINGH, Simarpreet

Associate of Arts (Economics) Degree

CHUNG, Wai Kwan HARSHDEEP KAUR ISHII. Ai KAUR, Harpreet

Associate of Arts (Psychology)

Degree

AMANDEEP KAUR ANUPREET KAUR AVNEET KAUR BALKINDER KAUR

BHULLAR, Simranpreet Kaur DE LIMA SILVA, Maria Eduarda

DHIMAN, Harsh DILPREET KAUR

ESTRADA RAMIREZ, Priscila Fernanda

GREWAL, Loveleen Kaur **GURJIWANJOT KAUR GURMEHAR SINGH GURPREET KAUR**

HIYA

INDERPAL SINGH JASHANPREET KAUR **IASLEEN KAUR** JATANA, Haneet Kaur KARAN SINGH KAUR, Jashan Preet KAUR, Rubalpreet KAUR, Taranpreet KUMAR, Punit MALIK, Anshul MANINDER KAUR MANREET KAUR MANVEER KAUR

NAVDEEP SINGH NAVNEET KAUR PAWANPREET KAUR PRABHJOT KAUR RAMANDEEP KAUR

MING, Justine Jenn-Ting

SANCHEZ SANTABALBINA, Maria

Isabel

SANDHU, Rosepreet Kaur SINGH, Harshvardhan SINGH, Rupinderpreet SUKHDEEP KAUR SUKHMANI KAUR SUPREET KAUR

TOOR, Gursharan Singh

TUSHAR

VANSHDEEP KAUR VERMA, Sanjana

Associate of Science Degree

ANVINDER SINGH ARSHDEEP KAUR ARSHDEEP KAUR CHANA, Gurpreet Singh DIK, Brandon Manlok GURDIAL SINGH HARWINDER KAUR HONG, Seunghan JASPREET KAUR JASPREET KAUR JOSAN, Anshdeep Singh

KAMANREET KAUR

KEHAL, Dushyant Singh MANJINDER KAUR MANPREET KAUR MBATUDDE, Cynthia Faith NGO, Minh Thanh

RAJNEET KAUR

SAPAD, Sahil Kasam SARBJEET SINGH SHARN KAUR SINGH, Brahmpreet SINGH, Rahul

TAHA, Esraa Tarek Hussien

YI CHING

Associate of Science (Computer Science) Degree

AARZOO

DHILLON, Gursimran Singh GURVEER SINGH HARMANVEER KAUR HARPREET KAUR HARSHDEEP SINGH KAUR, Navneet MANNEAIEET SINGH PRABHJOT SINGH SEKHON, Jasmeen Kaur SEO, Jeongin SHIN, Donghoon

Associate of Science (Mathematics) Degree

UPPAL, Shubhreet Kaur

VEERPAL KAUR

JOBANPREET SINGH KAUR. Pawan leet SUBHPREET SINGH

Associate of Arts (Mathematics) Degree

DILRAJ SINGH GILL, Balraj Singh MBALE, Kenneth Mulomba NOKWAL, Maninder Kaur RANDHAWA, Karam Singh

Associate of Arts (International Business) Degree

ALAMDARLOU, Melina

COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER

Hon. Stephen Kelleher

Our convocation speaker today is the Honorable Justice Stephen Kelleher, a retired judge of the Supreme Court of BC. He is a distinguished figure whose remarkable career has left a mark on the legal landscape of British Columbia and beyond. Justice Kelleher's journey is a testament to the power of dedication, intellect, and commitment to justice.

Justice Kelleher earned his BA in Political Science and his LL.B. both from the University of British Columbia. He began his legal career at Munroe Fraser and Kelleher, later known as Fraser, Kelleher, Sigurdson, Watts and Gudmundseth, where he practiced law principally representing employers in labour and human rights matters.

In 1981, Justice Kelleher was appointed Vice-Chair of the Labour Relations Board of BC, and by 1982, he became the Chair of the Board, serving until 1984. He spent nearly two decades as an arbitrator and mediator in labour relations and commercial matters across multiple provinces, including British Columbia, Yukon, Alberta, Saskatchewan, and Ontario.

His expertise also led him to conduct significant studies for the Law Reform Commission of Canada and the Government of Canada.

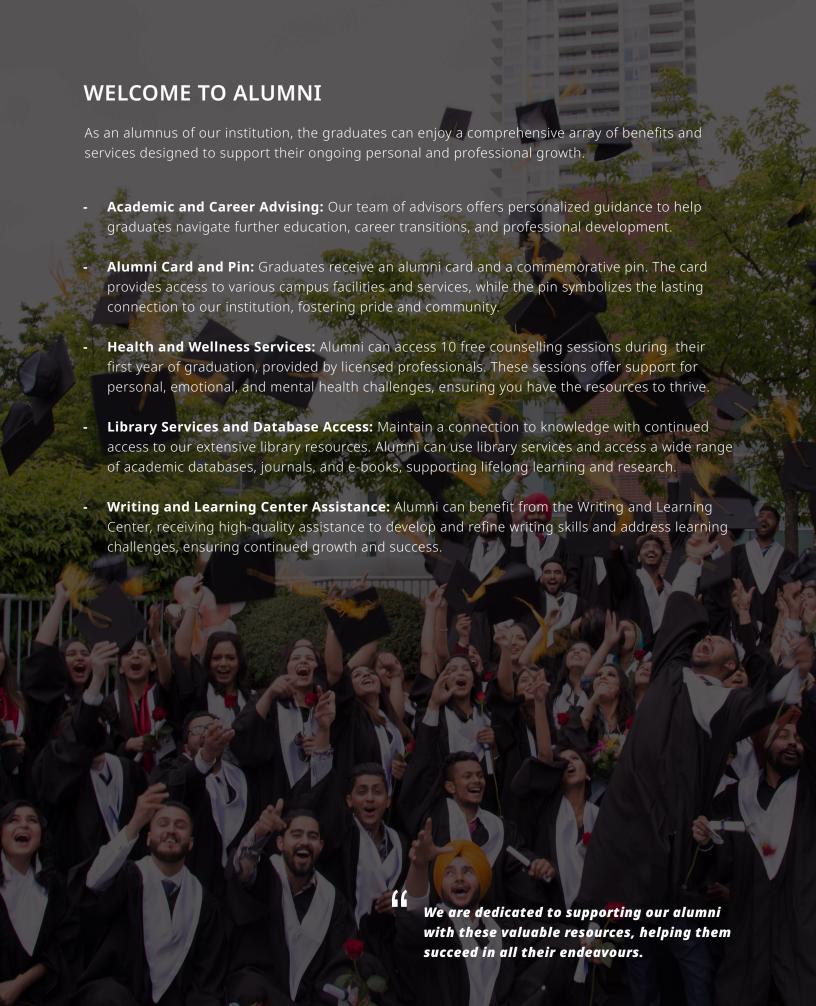
From 2003 to 2020, Justice Kelleher served as a Justice of the Supreme Court of British Columbia, where his judicious decisions and profound understanding of the law earned him widespread respect and admiration.

Beyond his professional achievements, Justice Kelleher has been actively involved in various professional activities and services, including serving as part of the volunteer Board of Governors of the Law Society of BC and an executive member of the Labour Law Subsection of the Canadian Bar Association.

In 2023, he joined the Alexander College Board of Directors, continuing his commitment to education and community service.

Justice Kelleher's illustrious career and his dedication to the principles of fairness and justice make him a true role model for this graduating class. His story is a powerful reminder that with determination and vision, anything is possible.





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