



# WHERE THOUGHT MEETS ACTION



Professions aren't "on paper". An education shouldn't be either. As Canada's only polytechnic university, we focus on hands-on skills in addition to traditional academics.



established in **1981**

 **5**  
**CAMPUSES**  
across Metro Vancouver


over  
**1 million**  
square feet of  
buildings

**20,000+**  
 students  
per year

students served  
**200,000+**

**5,000**   
international  
students per year

inbound & outbound  
**← 130+ →**  
exchange students  
per year

**1,400+**  
faculty  
and staff  
members 

**30+** student  
services  
to help  
students succeed

 **70+**  
active research  
projects

**140+**  
diverse programs

**35 MAX.**  
students per class

over **800** courses  
using ZTC saved  
students over  
**\$5.2 million**

 **\$2**  
**MILLION**  
in scholarships  
and awards

**21** research  
projects, more than  
**\$2.58 million**  
funded externally

**20+**   
languages  
spoken within the  
International Office

international  
students from  
**80+**  
**COUNTRIES**

# MISSION & VISION

KPU's *Academic Plan* and *Vision 2023* outline a future that is built on four pillars: experience, sustainability, creativity, and quality. Here are some of the commitments KPU has made to its partners through its strategic plan:

<b>EXPERIENCE</b>	We will delight our friends in their KPU experience.
<b>SUSTAINABILITY</b>	We will embrace all cultures and promote a renewed, authentic approach to Indigenization.
<b>CREATIVITY</b>	We will embolden creative problem solving.
<b>QUALITY</b>	We will be accountable to our partners, governments and communities.



The **KPU International Office** is one of the largest in Western Canada, with a diverse team of more than 50 professionals and over 20 languages spoken. KPU International's passion and dedication to students and their success is always at the forefront of their efforts.

## MISSION

To foster transformational experiences and international connections that nurture and empower globally minded learners.



## VISION

KPU International is a hub rooted in an inclusive and diverse environment that opens doors to global learning opportunities for all.



# INDIGENIZATION AT KPU

KPU takes its name from the Kwantlen First Nation.

The word 'Kwantlen' means Tireless Runner, and is reflected in the university's motto: *"through tireless effort, knowledge, and understanding."*

We work, study, and live on the unceded traditional and ancestral lands of the Kwantlen, Musqueam, Katzie, Semiahmoo, Tsawwassen, Qayqayt and Kwikwetlem peoples.

With an Aboriginal Gathering Place on campus, an Elder in Residence, a dedicated Indigenous Student Services Office, and through continued involvement with local communities, KPU is committed to meaningful indigenous engagement across its campuses.

engagement



# THE GLOBAL DEVELOPMENT OFFICE

The "matchmakers" of KPU International, the Global Development team builds relationships with institutions and organizations around the world, ultimately co-creating global learning opportunities for KPU students, staff, and faculty with the support of our valued global partners.

The Global Development Office is proud to contribute to the diversification and internationalization of the University through strategic partnerships.

## **GLOBAL LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES INCLUDE:**

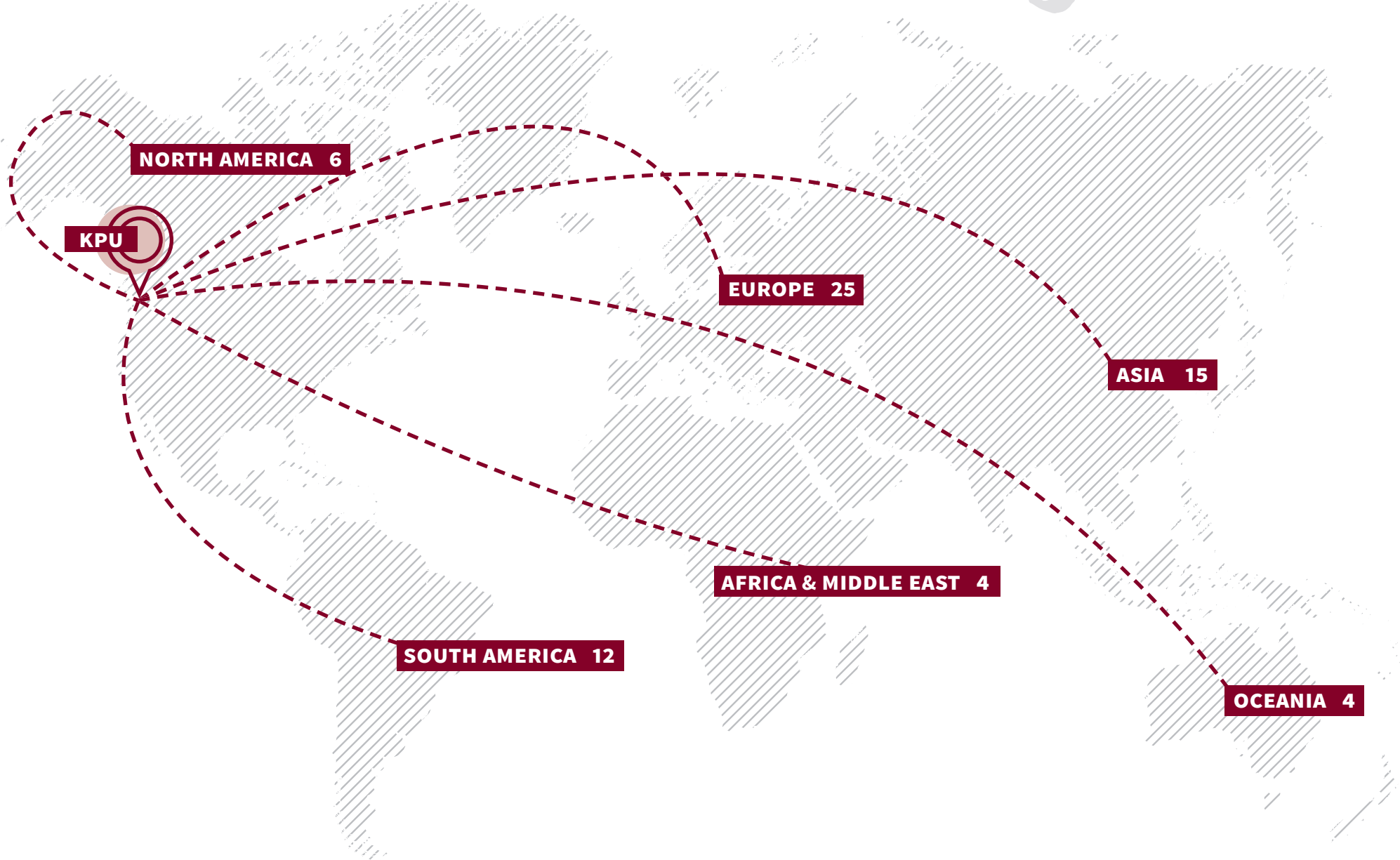
- » Incoming & Outgoing Exchange
- » Field Schools
- » Summer Programs
- » Customized Short Term Programs
- » Canadian Scholarships (Ex: ELAP, ASEAN-SEED)
- » Development Projects (Ex: CiCan)
- » Virtual Exchange (Ex: COIL)
- » Internships
- » and more!



# KPU'S GLOBAL REACH

With over 65 active agreements in all regions of the world, KPU is always looking to expand its reach through both existing and new partnerships.

*global*



# DISCOVER WHAT IS POSSIBLE WITH KPU

With over 140 unique programs – the areas for potential collaboration are just as diverse.

## KPU IS HOME TO:

- » The only agriculture program in Canada that has all its 4-year degree curriculum focused on organic production
- » Fashion and Technology and Product Design Degrees that are unique to Western Canada
- » The only **Brewing Diploma** of its kind in BC and the first brewing program in Canada to be recognized by the Master Brewers Association
- » The first **Interior Design Degree** to be accredited in BC
- » The first public post-secondary institution to offer studies in **Traditional Chinese Medicine-Acupuncture**
- » The **Bachelor of Horticulture Science in Urban Ecosystems**, the only undergraduate degree in North America dedicated to the study of urban ecosystems
- » New minors in **Medicinal Chemistry** and **Indigenous Community Justice**
- » Uniquely green graduate studies, in areas such as **Sustainable Food Systems & Security** and **Green Business Management**



# INTERNATIONALLY RECOGNIZED AND PRIZED PROGRAMS



Best Brewery of the Year, 2019 B.C. Beer Awards  
Best Beers in North America, by a school, Grand National Champion 2019



KPU's Wilson School of Design, Best Overall in Canada, Best Fashion Schools in the World Report by Business of Fashion magazine, 2019



KPU School of Business, Accreditation Council for Business Schools and Programs (ACBSP) accredited since 2016

See a complete list of programs online: [calendar.kpu.ca/programs-az](https://calendar.kpu.ca/programs-az)



# NEW AND EXISTING PARTNERS

As KPU looks towards 2025, the Global Development Office is focused on developing partnerships that help us to internationalize at home and abroad. We are striving to meet our strategic goals of increasing opportunities for faculty exchange, diversifying our classrooms, expanding in areas such as research collaboration, and more.

Please contact one of our Global Development Managers to explore potential areas of collaboration. We are always open to new and emergent ideas — [global.partnerships@kpu.ca](mailto:global.partnerships@kpu.ca).

## NEW OR EXISTING PARTNERS CAN ALSO:

Schedule a campus visit, by submitting a campus visit request form online: [kpu.ca/international/partnerships/visit-request](https://kpu.ca/international/partnerships/visit-request)



Book a virtual meeting. Email us to set up the video call: [global.partnerships@kpu.ca](mailto:global.partnerships@kpu.ca)



# AREAS OF COLLABORATION MAY INCLUDE:

- » Student exchange
- » Faculty exchange for teaching, research, or both
- » Staff exchange
- » Articulation
- » Customized short-term programs
- » Joint seminars and conferences
- » Visiting faculty, staff, or grad students
- » Academic program materials exchange
- » Joint research and publications
- » Collaborative Online International Learning (COIL)
- » Virtual exchange or mobility

*collaboration*





International

**Where thought meets action**



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