

**Rachel Baitz**

Rachel Baitz graduated from KPU with a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology in 2011. She is currently enrolled in the PhD program of Human Development, Learning, and Culture program at UBC, where she also completed her Master's degree. Rachel is also an active member of the community, and volunteers with the YWCA and PREVNet (Promoting Relationships and Eliminating Violence Network) in her spare time. As a proud graduate of KPU, Rachel seeks to promote the KPUAA among her fellow alumni, and assist in making alumni programs relevant in an increasing technological age.

**Vikram Bubber**

Vikram Bubber graduated from Kwantlen Polytechnic University in May 2013 with a Bachelor of Business Administration through the Entrepreneurial Leadership program. While completing his degree, he worked as an Administrator with Fruiticana Produce Ltd and as the IT Manager for A.S. Bubber & Associates. He has been working within the local business community for over 10 years. Vikram also has a passion for giving back to the community. He has volunteered with the SPARK program at Kwantlen which helped provide post-secondary educational opportunities through local high schools. He has volunteered the Terry Fox Foundation for almost 20 years and continually advocates for youth and young adults who have been affected by cancer and continues to use his recent education to help work with other charitable organizations. Vikram believes that education is vital to the economic growth in our community and he is presently a director on the alumni association but would like to continue for a full term so he can help the association engage with its membership. Currently, Vikram has his own business Vik's Accounting ([www.viks.ca](http://www.viks.ca)) which offers full service bookkeeping, administrative services, software training and other business services.

**Lindsay Civitarese**

Lindsay Civitarese graduated with a BAA in Psychology and went onto complete a R.HIP designation in Audiology. She currently manages her own hearing clinic in Vancouver and sits on the KPUAA Board of Directors. She is an enthusiastic Alumni Director, who is very passionate about her work with both the KPUAA and her Crystal Hearing clinic in English Bay. She enjoys meeting many of KPU's new grads at awards ceremonies and convocation ceremonies. Lindsay sees endless possibilities for networking, program-related events, and other services for graduates and recognizes that as KPU continues to expand, the Alumni Association needs to be dynamic and provide meaningful support to its' alumni. Lindsay looks forward to working with her fellow board members to help you, as alumni get the most out of your alma mater, KPU.

**David Dryden**



As a recent KPU graduate, I am already seeking a way to get involved and give back to the KPU community. After 6 years as a student, 5 years as a varsity athlete, volunteering in a variety of roles including the President's Ambassadorial Team, Student Leadership Conference committee, Career Day, Open House, and working with KPU's Marketing Department, I want to stay connected and feel I could provide valuable input to the KPUAA. With my diverse experience from KPU, along with serving on Boards for both BC School Sports and Coast Capital Savings, and my current occupation as a Consultant at Investors Group Financial Services, I can benefit the KPUAA with well-rounded experience and commitment to the execution of their strategy.

**Avi Kay**



Avi Kay graduated from KPU in 2005 as a multiple President's honour roll and Foundation award recipient with a BBA in Entrepreneurial Leadership. Upon graduating, Avi began a financial planning career with a chartered bank while attaining his Chartered Investment Manager and Certified Financial Planner designations. In 2010, Avi joined Envision Financial, a division of First West, BC's third largest credit union. Roles in investment management, commercial banking and branch management eventually lead to his present role as branch manager of the Sunshine Hills branch near the KPU Surrey campus.

Now in his final year of pursuing the Certified Management Accountant designation, Avi is excited at the opportunity to contribute to the KPUAA and engage its alumni network. He also sits on the board of READ Surrey/White Rock, a society dedicated to advancing literacy, and both he and Envision Financial firmly believe in giving back to the communities they serve.

**Carmen Lung-Pita**



I applied for this position because I have strong experience in education and I always believed in Kwantlen's traditional educational approach that takes into account the physical, mental, spiritual and emotional growth of a person. When I say Kwantlen, I see great instructors with passion for delivering substantial values, and exceptional front line educators from whom I learned what this country is seeking for and how to look to the roots of the problems. As a mature Kwantlen student with tremendous language barriers at the beginning, I felt encouraged, guided and challenged but always respected, included and fairly rewarded. My current job as a computer instructor for people with mental health issues is part of my journey after graduation from a Bachelor Hon. Degree in Journalism. My work definitely embraces Kwantlen's Native vision "in a cycle with a 4D-perspective"

for the Canadian society meaning “to dream, discover, design and deliver.” For me, the wellness of community is a key factor in society. It requires professional skills, research and a great compatibility between theory and practice; therefore, in my vision, the role of a KPUAA director is to architect the working space between our university and the community in bi-univocal relations, dialog and interests.

### **Jaya Panwar**



Jaya is a proud alumna of KPU having graduated with her BBA in Human Resources Management in 2008. After four amazing years at Ritchie Bros. Auctioneers, the world's largest industrial auctioneer, she is now a Human Resources Manager at TELUS Communications Inc. Jaya's experience at KPU was critical to her success today and feels very strongly that the faculty with real-world experience, in addition to the supported learning environment, are key competitive differentiators. She believes that the KPUAA is an invaluable to an alumni's future success through the ability to expand your network, build life-long relationships and the opportunity to give back to your community. When she's not focused on evolving the people & culture at TELUS, she can be found indulging in wine, planning her next adventure overseas or reading a good book.

### **Tony Shum**

Tony graduated from Kwantlen in 2010 with a BBA in Accounting. He went on to complete his Certified Management Accountant designation in 2014. He started his accounting experience with an insurance company then an auto dealership. Currently, he is working for a multi-million dollar company in Burnaby as an accounting review team lead. He sees great potential for Kwantlen and the alumni association and looks forward to helping it reach its full potential.