

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE CCCU'S CANADIAN INSTITUTIONS

SHIRLEY'S SNAPSHOT

These twice-monthly emails to CCCU presidents from President Shirley Hoogstra are an excellent way to stay connected and up-to-date on the work of the CCCU. These also include a regular feature of introducing our international presidents and giving them an opportunity to share how their campuses are doing in the wake of the pandemic. In 2020, we **introduced 10 Canadian presidents** through four Snapshots. This is a unique way to foster connections among our global network of presidential peers, some of whom may not have had an opportunity to meet other CCCU colleagues in person.

ADVANCE AND eADVANCE



Our semi-annual publication, <u>Advance</u>, is always published online with both links to individual articles as well as a PDF of the full print version. Through this magazine, you will receive timely articles about Christian higher education, scholarly research, and reviews of influential books. Leaders from CCCU institutions across the globe regularly contribute to the magazine. In the past year, the *Advance* featured essays from **Tyndale University** (Toronto, Ontario) and **Crandall University** (Moncton, New Brunswick), which highlighted Christian higher education's **response to the COVID-19 pandemic in Canada**. The *eAdvance* arrives in your inbox each month with links to valuable resources, updates on upcoming professional development opportunities, and the latest CCCU news. (Those who are on the *eAdvance* mailing list will automatically

receive an email after the publication of every issue of Advance.)

CAMPUS GRANTS

As a valuable member service, we offer a wide variety of grant opportunities for CCCU campuses, many of which are open to Canadian institutions. In the past five years, the CCCU has distributed Templeton-funded grants to three institutions and four faculty members. Since 2016, Canadian institutions and faculty have also received **nearly \$50,000 in Networking Grants**.

Another program available to Canadian members is our <u>Dellenback Fellowship</u>, which connects experienced academic administrators from the U.S. and Canada who have an interest in developing Christian higher education abroad with CCCU international affiliates who request assistance. Past Dellenback Fellows have traveled to Bolivia, Ecuador, Haiti, Kenya, Korea, Russia, Taiwan, and Uganda. Currently, **two Dellenback Fellows** are in residence in Lithuania LCC International University. You can find more information on our <u>Grants page</u> on our website.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

All of the CCCU's professional development opportunities, including the Leadership Development Institutes, the New Presidents and New Faculty Institutes, and any peer conferences for CCCU leaders, are open to leaders from CCCU institutions in Canada. In the past five years, Canadian member institutions have sent 13 participants to the CCCU's Leadership Development Institute. For a full list of current opportunities, visit our events page; our next planned in-person gathering will be the 2022 International Forum in Dallas, Texas, February 11-13, 2022.

Since July 2020, we hosted or co-hosted **more than 30 webinar events** for leaders during this time of social distancing, which your leadership team may find of use for your own development. You can find those videos (as well as a number of videos from speakers at past in-person conferences) on our YouTube <u>page</u>.

ONLINE EDUCATION

The CCCU has partnered with the education technology company CampusEDU to provide state-of-the-art online education. CampusEDU works directly with campuses to create online courses and provide them with a suite of tools to connect with and reach this generation of learners. Their innovative platform seeks to transform the online education world by creating a compelling virtual learning environment for students. CampusEDU is **actively connecting with Canadian universities** and adding partners. For more information, contact Mark Shepherd at mshepherd@campusedu.com.

ONLINE COURSE SHARING CONSORTIUM

As of March 2021, over 60 CCCU institutions, including **three Canadian institutions**, are part of the collaboration with <u>Acadeum</u> that helps CCCU institutions share unfilled seats in online courses. This enables campuses to maximize efficiency and profitability for their online courses as well as supplement their own programs with high-quality coursework from Christ-centered partner institutions. Canadian institutions are able to take advantage of this opportunity; if you are interested in learning more, contact Rick Ostrander at <u>rick@acadeum.com</u>.

PROVIDING VITAL INFORMATION AND COLLABORATION

In the midst of unprecedented disruption, the CCCU has been able to help campus leaders stay up-to-date on the latest news and utilize its listserv platforms to help campus leaders share ideas, communicate issues, and envision ways to adapt and flourish in these times. These listservs are open to all institutions, including Canadian institutions, and there is a listserv for every key leadership position, including presidents. To learn more, visit our <u>website</u> or email Gabriel Fornaresio at <u>gfornaresio@cccu.org</u>.

RACIAL & ETHNIC DIVERSITY RESOURCE DATABASE



In February 2021, the CCCU launched a dedicated website featuring a database of racial and ethnic diversity resources for the Christian higher education community: diversity.cccu.org. CCCU institutions care deeply about racial justice and racial reconciliation, and the CCCU seeks to support campus efforts to identify how racism has affected and shaped the work of Christian higher education. While the database has an orientation toward the U.S. context, there are many transferrable concepts within this database for Canadian schools and their work with indigenous people. We are also looking for resources from Canadian institutions to add to this list. Campuses or individuals who are interested in suggesting new resources for future consideration may do so via the embedded submission

form on the bottom of the homepage. Submitted resources will be reviewed by the CCCU's Commission on Diversity and Inclusion, and the website will be updated on a quarterly basis. This creates a unique opportunity for our Canadian members to share resources and insights from within their own context for the education of the entire CCCU community.

ADDITIONAL MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

- Certificate of Membership to display on your campus or in your office.
- Display the CCCU name and logo on your institution's website.
- Institution listed on the CCCU website for prospective students.
- **Social Media updates** allow you to track the work of the CCCU. Follow us on <u>Facebook</u> and <u>Twitter</u> for daily articles and updates.
- CCCU Career Center connects passionate people with meaningful careers in Christian higher education, church ministry, and at faith-based nonprofits. CCCU institutions receive discounted job posting pricing. Learn more at www.cccu.org/career-center. In the past year, seven Canadian institutions posted a total of 25 jobs.
- CCCU GlobalEd acts as an extension of your campus to foster students' intellectual, cultural, vocational, and spiritual growth across the globe. Your students can apply for any <u>CCCU GlobalEd</u> program on a space-available basis: American Studies Program in Washington, D.C.; Middle East Studies Program in Amman, Jordan; and Scholarship & Christianity in Oxford, England. Since 2015, over 40 students from four Canadian institutions have participated in CCCU GlobalEd experiential education programs.