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Brian Storey joins Capilano University as Associate Vice-President, Squamish

NORTH VANCOUVER B.C. March 28, 2024—Capilano University (CapU) is pleased to welcome Brian Storey, PhD, to the inaugural role of associate vice-president, Squamish, effective May 6, 2024.

Storey comes to CapU from Douglas College, where he served in a variety of roles, most recently as the director of global engagement and international student services. Under his leadership, the division translated strong commitment to reconciliation and community collaboration into action, leading the development of the Indigenous Global Learning Collective and mobilizing over \$1 million in external funding to advance equity, diversity and inclusion in student mobility.

“Brian brings over two decades of distinguished leadership experience in the post-secondary sector. His expertise in collaborating with communities he serves will help in his new role as he works to support learners and employees to actualize their passion and potential,” says Laureen Styles, EdD, vice-president, academic & provost. “Brian’s innovative and inclusive vision will shape a distinct university experience at CapU Squamish and will be essential in bringing relevant programming and academics that contribute to the Sea-to-Sky region’s health, economic and cultural wellbeing.”

As the associate vice-president, Squamish, Storey will have overall responsibility for the launch, growth and management of the CapU Squamish campus. He will play a pivotal role in shaping the campus's identity, fostering academic excellence and establishing a creative, vibrant and community-connected university experience.

Storey holds a master's degree in educational psychology and special education from the University of British Columbia and a PhD in curriculum theory and implementation from Simon Fraser University. He was a member of the Science and Technology (S&T) faculty at Douglas College, where he served in multiple leadership roles, including sport science department chair, S&T faculty education council chair and program coordinator for the graduate diploma in physical and health education. During his faculty tenure, Storey received multiple educational impact awards, two program innovation awards and the president’s distinguished service award. A distinguished athlete, Storey also represented Canada in sailing at the 1996 Summer Olympics.



In addition, Storey has served as adjunct faculty at the University of Wales Trinity Saint David where he co-taught research methods and supervised master's degree candidates at their School of Sport, Health and Outdoor Education. His publication and presentation track record include work related to undergraduate curriculum mapping, complexity theory and constraints-led pedagogy in physical and health education, sustainable leadership development for K-12 teachers, and faculty engagement in study abroad.

Outside of work, Storey has served on multiple boards, including Physical and Health Education (PHE) Canada, the Critical Thinking Consortium and Escape Velocity. At PHE Canada, Storey served as both president and interim CEO, seeing the organization through a strategic transition period, including laying the foundation for PHE Canada to become the secretariat for the Canadian Healthy Schools Alliance.

CapU is accepting applications now and will open its Squamish campus to approximately 120 students in September 2024 in the following programs:

- [Adult Basic Education](#)
- [Associate of Arts Degree](#) (curated select courses, including those focused on the environment and sustainability)
- [Bachelor of Arts with a Major in Interdisciplinary Studies](#)
- [Bachelor of Early Childhood Care and Education Degree](#)
- [Early Childhood Care & Education Diploma](#)
- [Tourism Management Co-operative Education Diploma](#)

The University is also in ongoing conversations with Indigenous communities related to programming options specific for Indigenous learners.

About Capilano University

Capilano University is a regional university based in North Vancouver, British Columbia, with additional programming serving the Sunshine Coast and the Sea-to-Sky corridor. With industry-leading instructors, small classes and over 100 programs across five distinctive faculties, CapU is a unique place where students are encouraged to make their mark, in and out of the classroom. Capilano University is named after Sa7plek (Chief Joe Capilano), an important leader of the Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish) Nation of the Coast Salish Peoples. We respectfully acknowledge that our campuses and learning centres are located on the territories of the Lílwat, x^wməθk^wəyəm (Musqueam), shíshálh (Sechelt), Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish) and Səlílwətaʔ/Selilwitulh (Tsleil-Waututh) Nations.

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