Check out our highlights from a busy fall term & learn how to get involved this winter!

**Highlights**

**Check out the International Indigenous Student Knowledge Fair**

This two-day virtual showcase spotlighted and encouraged respectful engagement with students on their culminating projects for the International Indigenous Student Exchange Program. This Program is an academic space for dialogue and collaboration between Indigenous students at York and their peers located in Australia, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Mexico and the Philippines which took place from September to December 2021. Learn more and watch the recordings.

**YorkU signs MOU with Ulsan National Institute of Science and Technology**

York University Provost & Vice President Academic Lisa Philpps and Ulsan National Institute of Science and Technology (UNIST) of South Korea Vice President Jaiyoon Lee signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) in a virtual ceremony on December 6, 2021 (December 7 South Korea time) to promote collaboration between the two institutions in the field of Natural Science. York University Faculty of Science Dean Rui Wang and UNIST College of Natural Science Dean Dong-su Ryu also attended the ceremony and signed the MOU.

**York University launches The Go Global SDGs in Action: Student Challenge this January 2022**

With the support of the Global Skills Opportunity Fund, provided by the government of Canada, the program seeks to bring together and empower York students and their peers around the world as leaders of positive change towards the SDGs. Through facilitated discussions, mentorship, and skill-building workshops, students will develop the necessary skills, competencies, and global connections to create action on SDGs. For more details, check out the SDGs in Action website.

**President Rhonda Lenton elected as Board Member of the Hemispheric University Consortium**

York University’s President Dr. Rhonda Lenton will serve on the Hemispheric University Consortium (HUC) Executive Committee alongside Rector Diego Quiroga of Universidad San Francisco de Quito per nominations at the September 2021 HUC General Assembly. York joined HUC in 2019 and is the only Canadian member university of the Consortium. Among York collaborations with HUC members are the HUC COIL/Globally Networked Learning (GNL), HUC Innovation Observatory and Libraries initiatives, and the International Indigenous Student Exchange.

**President Lenton hosts Ambassadors of Malaysia and Vietnam**

York President Rhonda Lenton hosted Her Excellency Anizan Siti Hajjar, High Commissioner of Malaysia in Canada and His Excellency Pham Cao Phong, Ambassador of Vietnam in Canada. The meetings served as opportunity for President Lenton to introduce the recently appointed diplomatic leaders to York University as well as discuss opportunities for academic and research partnerships, faculty and student mobilities and student recruitment. Relevant York units joined President Lenton in the delegation meetings including YCAR, Provost’s and the Registrar’s Office facilitated and coordinated by York International.

**Achievements**

**Lassonde student’s invention wins bronze medal at the International Invention and Innovation Competition**

**York University drives SDG-focused interdisciplinary research with $3.5M investment**

**Osgoode Professional Development launches new entrance awards to support internationally trained students**

**York University and Qatar University collaborate to launch the first-ever International Cardiac Rehabilitation Registry**
Global Engagement Opportunities

Globally Networked Learning Launches Information Sessions and Training Winter 2022

The GNL approach engages faculty and students in collaborative joint lectures and class discussions, assignments or research projects through innovative pedagogies and the use of online communication and information technologies. In addition to innovative pedagogical approaches, GNL fosters intercultural learning and global engagement for both faculties and students. This year, the GNL team at York will be hosting information sessions and training for York University faculty members as well as external faculty and staff.

Apply for the International Development Research Centre (IDRC) Research Awards 2022-2023

If your research proposal is selected, you will join IDRC as a research award recipient for a period of 12 months from 1 May 2022 to 30 April 2023 with a salary in Canadian dollars between CA$42,033 to CA$48,659 to undertake research on the topic you have submitted. You will receive hands-on experience in research and program management and support, grant administration, and the creation, dissemination, and use of knowledge from an international perspective. The deadline for applications is February 1, 2022. To apply, please visit the IDRC website.

Request for proposals: Equitable Partnerships Toolkit

The Association of Commonwealth Universities (ACU) are seeking a higher education professional(s) to develop a toolkit that supports our members in the development, delivery, and sustainability of equitable partnerships in international higher education. The post-holder will design and deliver this toolkit, engaging with best practice and key literature, while also working in partnership with key ACU teams and our Supporting Research Community (SRC) Steering Committee to solicit input from our diverse membership. Find out more and apply by February 21, 2022.

Read the 2021 President’s Report: Righting the Future

For more information about global engagement and partnerships, connect with York International.