



# BURNABY BUSINESS SUMMIT PROGRAM SEMINAR

Trans – Formation

From High School to Post Secondary

**“How to Thrive Not Just Survive”**

Representatives from BCIT, Douglas College, SFU and UBC

Date: Wednesday, May 17, 2017 7:00pm – 9:00pm

Place: Burnaby South Multi-purpose Room  
5455 Rumble Street, Burnaby

*Did you know that attrition rates after first year Post Secondary vary from institution to institution but can be as high as 25%.*

*Are you interested in learning about skills that lead to a successful and balanced academic life at Post Secondary school?*

*Would you like to hear about student’s post secondary experiences?*

*Would you like to learn about how to access academic support at post secondary?*

Come and spend an evening with Post Secondary representatives and alumni from BCIT, Douglas College, Simon Fraser University and UBC who will present information that will assist students with their transition to post-secondary programs and institutions. This is your opportunity to have an informal discussion with Andrew Gemino, Associate Dean of Undergraduate Programs from SFU’s Beedie School of Business or Chris Rogerson, Director of Student Services, BCIT and so many more.

The seminar will focus on sharing knowledge and skills that will help students bridge their transition from high school to post secondary. A guest presenter, Sam Thiara, will discuss tips on “how to thrive and not just survive your first year”. This will be followed by a panel of administrators, and current and former alumni who will share information that will help guide and support students in making a successful transition. At the end of the seminar, students and parents will have the opportunity to have an informal and personal conversation with the presenters and alumni to ask specific questions about their transition process.

A limited number of seats are available to **Grade 12 Business Summit Program** students from each of Burnaby’s 8 secondary schools. Students are encouraged to bring one parent/guardian. **Pre-registration is required.** Contact Mr. Kamiya at your school to obtain a registration form. Registration deadline is Wednesday, April 26, 2017.



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### **Keynote: Sam Thiara**

Sam Thiara is an educator, speaker, and author. Sam's passion is to inspire and motivate others in their personal and professional development through his many adventures and reflections on life's journeys. In 2014, Sam published his book, *Personal Storytelling: Discover the Extraordinary in the Ordinary*. Since 2004, Sam has found his calling at the Beedie School of Business at Simon Fraser University in student engagement, community relations and more recently as a lecturer. Apart from other academic programs involving teaching and human resources, Sam has been involved with 30+ non-profit organizations. For his commitment to helping students and young professionals, Sam received the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal and the Governor General's Caring Canadian Award. Sam received his Masters in Leadership from the University of Exeter and his BBA from Simon Fraser University.

### **Panel presentation:**

**1 of 4**

### **SFU: Andrew Gemino – Associate Dean, Undergraduate Programs, Beedie School of Business**

Dr. Andrew Gemino is an award-winning teacher who has twice received the Canada Trust Distinguished Teacher award from the Beedie School of Business and also received two teaching awards during his years at the University of British Columbia. Andrew's academic research focuses on information technology project management, business systems analysis and the design of technology-mediated collaborative environments that includes examining how corporate teams can best collaborate using technologies such as instant messaging. Andrew holds a National Sciences and Research Council of Canada (NSERC) grant to study the effective communication of information system requirements. He is also the co-founder of a software company that develops commercial software for professional sports teams in the NHL and NBA, as well as automated employee scheduling for sports and entertainment companies. Andrew also provides his expertise to the Surgeon Information System Working Group for the Provincial Surgical Oncology Council which is affiliated with the BC Cancer Agency. An accomplished bass and piano player, Andrew played for many years in a local rock and roll band, a gig he says was imore than funî.



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## ***REGISTRATION FORM***

SCHOOL \_\_\_\_\_

Student's name \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone number \_\_\_\_\_

email \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/guardian's name \_\_\_\_\_

email \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** Wednesday, May 17, 2017

**Time:** 7:00pm – 9:00pm

**Location:** Burnaby South Secondary School  
5455 Rumble Street, Burnaby  
Multi-purpose Room (2<sup>nd</sup> floor)

10 seats are available for Grade 12 Business Summit Program students from each of Burnaby's 8 secondary schools. Students can register to bring one parent/guardian with them to the seminar. ***Pre-registration is required.***

Please complete this form and submit it to (x) in (location) by Wednesday, April 26, 2017. You will receive confirmation of your registration by email.

- I will be attending with ONE of my parents.
- I will be attending on my own.
- I will **NOT** be attending.



**PARENTAL CONSENT FORM**  
**PHOTOGRAPHS/VIDEO/WEBSITE**

In accordance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, the Burnaby School District requires parental consent to use children's personal information for purposes unrelated to instructional programs.

While photographs and videos add to the community life of the school, they are not always required for educational purposes. As such, the School District requests your permission to use photographs and/or videotapes of your child or children participating in a school activity, and also the work they produce, such as creative writing and artwork. These photographs and/or videos may be used for external public viewing, on the school or district website, in promotional materials and by news media for school and student related stories.

If you consent to have your child's personal information used as noted above, please complete the form below and return this entire form to the school administration office. If you have any questions, please contact us directly.

Thank you for your attention to this information.

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**PLEASE COMPLETE THIS FORM**

I understand that my child or I may appear in photos or video while participating in a school activity. These items (in addition to the work they created in school) may be used publicly on printed materials or in electronic media (such as media and the school and district websites) for promotional purposes.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

School Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Legal Guardian's Name (Printed):  
\_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Legal Guardian's Name (Signature)  
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