



THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

# Our Gratitude

DEAN OF EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP AND FACULTY OF EDUCATION BURSARY  
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## GOOD BYE AND THANK YOU

*Dear friends of the Faculty of Education,*

*Before my ten year term as Dean of the Faculty of Education at the University of British Columbia ends this June, I want to express my sincere gratitude to our generous donors who have supported two special funds that exist to support our students.*

*The Dean of Education Scholarship and the Faculty of Education Bursary are celebrating 30 and 35 year anniversaries respectively this year. The total amount awarded to students from these funds is projected to reach an impressive \$1,000,000 later this year.*

*Thanks to your inspired philanthropy, these scholarships and bursaries have profound effects on the educational and career aspirations of the recipients and directly contribute to the success of future educators in our province and beyond.*

*I am sincerely grateful to all of you who have committed to supporting education in this way. Supporting our students helps to create excellent educators and excellent educators improve lives and society as a whole.*

*We couldn't do it without you. Thank you!*

*Dean Blye Frank*

Dean of  
Education  
Scholarship  
&  
Faculty of  
Education  
Bursary

## 533 Students Say "Thank You"

**533**



**TOTAL STUDENT AWARD RECIPIENTS**

(SINCE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE SCHOLARSHIP & BURSARY)

**\$968,725**



**TOTAL AWARDED TO STUDENTS**

(SINCE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE SCHOLARSHIP & BURSARY)

## Our students, their thanks.



### **ASHLEY MOORE, 2020 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT** **PhD, Teaching English as a 2nd language**

Receiving the Dean of Education Scholarship was deeply meaningful to me on a number of levels. Symbolically, it was an act of recognition that told me that the work I've done in the pursuit of queer-inclusive language education is welcome and valued. Materially, the scholarship helped me financially at a time when several programs I would have taught were placed on hold because of the ongoing pandemic. Critically, receiving scholarships like the Dean of Education Scholarship reminds me that while it's important to take stock and celebrate the progress made, there is still more work to be done. **I thank all of the donors who make this and other scholarships and awards possible. Your generosity means a great deal.**



### **EVAN LENDRUM, 2019 BURSARY RECIPIENT** **Bachelor of Education 2020**

I am a grateful recipient of the Faculty of Education Bursary in 2020. After a 20 year career in the arts, I am transitioning to a career in Education, and the Faculty of Education Bursary helped make it possible for me to gain my education, without having to take on significant debt. **This support has been invaluable for me as I mature as a person, explore new professional passions and navigate my way through changes in the world. Thank you for your generous support.**



### **CONNIE CHAN, 2019 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT** **Bachelor of Education 2020**

The Dean of Education Scholarship was meaningful as it allowed me to put aside money to go towards my professional development. In the future, I am looking forward to completing my Masters of Education. Additionally, it is great to see that the Faculty of Education is continuing to create a space that recognizes all of their students. As a Health, Outdoor and Physical Education/Home Economics Teacher, we are still facing certain barriers with advocating the importance of non-academic subjects. **This scholarship was a reinforcement for not only me, but my cohorts and instructors that what we are passionate about has merit and value! Thank you.**



**JILL MORRIS, 2020 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT**  
**PhD, Curriculum Studies**

At the best of times, study and research entails isolation; there are great swathes of time spent bent over books and a laptop — reading into the wee hours, tapping away in solitude. This past year has been particularly challenging: working away from campus, collegial relationships strained by distance and worry — and, for some, worse. In this particularly difficult year, when I received word that I had been awarded a Dean of Education scholarship, I was not only appreciative of the financial support but also of the reminder that I belong to a community of scholars. **I am very grateful for this recognition of my work in our collective effort to bring our best to research in education at UBC.**



**JACQUELINE MALONEY, 2020 BURSARY RECIPIENT**  
**PhD, Human Development, Learning and Culture**

Thanks so much for offering me the opportunity to share how important the Faculty of Education Bursary has been for me and my family. We are SO grateful to have received this extra support during this really challenging time. My dissertation study was underway in schools when they closed due to COVID-19. This set back my timeline for graduation more than a year as I redesigned my dissertation while caring for my three-year old son due to daycare closures. During this time, my four-year SSHRC funding also ran out, and all of my other sources of income from working in a UBC research lab were put on hold due to the closure of the university. A student loan on its own cannot cover the high cost of living in Vancouver, and I was very stressed about how we would be able to make ends meet. **We were so relieved to have received the Faculty of Education bursary. I really don't know what we would have done without it. I'm not sure whether I would have been able to finish my degree.** With the extra assistance of the bursary, I was able to apply my full focus to reworking my dissertation. Presently, I am working on the final chapter.

Thank you, thank you, thank you!

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