Happy Pride 2021!
Today we mark the beginning of Pride Month, a time to celebrate 2SLGBTQIA communities and honour their continued struggle for equality. While we may not be able to celebrate together in person, we still have the opportunity to recognize Pride Month and to affirm our dedication to creating a more diverse and inclusive society. Learn more about the Pride events taking place in the York community this month.

CAMPUS NEWS

Flags on campus will fly at half-mast for 215 hours
The discovery last week of the mass grave of 215 Indigenous children at the Kamloops Indian Residential School is a tragic reminder that this history is still felt today through intergenerational trauma and that there is still a long road toward reconciliation. Read the full statement.

AWARENESS DAYS

National Indigenous History Month
June provides an opportunity for settlers to deepen their understanding and awareness of the history, heritage and diversity of the Indigenous peoples in Canada and commit to learning about the lasting impacts of colonization.
**CAMPUS NEWS**

**UN Leadership Training Centre opening at York**
York University and the UN Institute for Training and Research are proud to announce the establishment of Canada’s first Centre International de Formation des Acteurs Locaux (CIFAL). Learn more about the first Canadian CIFAL Training Centre.

**CAMPUS NEWS**

**New School of Medicine**
York is moving forward with plans to establish a new School of Medicine that will focus on training family and community doctors in an integrated setting, building upon the University’s history of leadership in health education and research. Learn more about the proposed School of Medicine.

**ALUMNI NEWS**

**Vaccine Hunters Canada**
Alumnus Jonathan Clodman (BEd ’19, BA ’19, MEd ’20) is a full-time teacher and one of four official members behind Vaccine Hunters Canada, a group that is providing thousands of Canadians with assistance navigating the COVID-19 vaccine rollout. Learn more about Jonathan and Vaccine Hunters Canada.

**FACULTY NEWS**

**The Las Nubes Project presents documentary film ‘More than Migrants’**
Four Faculty of Health alumni helped produce the documentary film about the lives and challenges of Nicaraguan migrant workers in Costa Rica. Register for the film screening.

**YORK MAGAZINE**

**One is the loneliest number**
On your own? You’re not alone. Self-isolation has exacerbated feelings of vulnerability in all of us, but perhaps most of all in those who live alone. Find out why this clinical psychologist says that forced isolation is a blessing in disguise – if a difficult one.
RESEARCH

York University celebrates its researchers
The event, which took place on May 11, was an opportunity for the York community to celebrate 140 research award recipients from 2019 and 2020. Learn more about the Research Awards.

ALUMNI NEWS

Spring graduation ceremony
Join us on Tuesday, June 29 to celebrate the achievements and success of graduating students and welcome them into the York alumni community. Join the conversation online with #YorkUConvo or watch the ceremony.

ALUMNI BENEFITS

TD Home and Auto Insurance
TD Insurance for alumni is more than just car and home insurance! Thinking about hitting the open road this season? Get a quote on motorcycle or RV insurance.

Diploma Frames
Looking for the perfect gift for your spring 2021 grad? Help them show off their hard-earned diploma in a York University frame, available online through Tempo Framing.

Stock up on groceries and rewards.

Reward yourself! With the MBNA Rewards® credit card, you could get the flexibility to earn and redeem points for what you want, when you want. Learn more.
May 28 to June 4 | Alumni Networks: Las Nubes Silent Auction
The Las Nubes Alumni Network in partnership with the Las Nubes Student Association invites you to participate in their annual Virtual Silent Auction! All proceeds will support the Casita Azul (a local library) and Expo-Cobas festival.

June 9 | 12pm ET | Scholars’ Hub @ Home
What is the historical impact of the military as an infectious disease vector? We'll discuss why it has has largely overlooked in the formulation of global health prevention policy from the 19th century to present day, and the implications for global health equity.

June 23 | 12pm ET | Scholars’ Hub @ Home
This year is the 40th anniversary of both the Toronto bathhouse raids and the founding of Pride Toronto. This presentation will reflect on the connections between the resistance to the bathhouse raids and the forgotten histories of Pride Toronto.

June - TBA | Alumni Networks: A conversation on Indigeneity and student success
In recognition of Indigenous History Month, the Indigenous Alumni Network invites you to a virtual panel discussion on Indigeneity, identity, and academic and career success. For more information or to join the Indigenous Alumni Network, please contact Habibah Haque.

July 7 | 12pm ET | Scholars’ Hub @ Home
What role do video games play in our lives? This talk will focus on the benefits and opportunities presented by gaming during the pandemic and will discuss these social, creative, and intellectual possibilities as well as positive outcomes in terms of health and wellbeing.

Check our event listings page throughout the month for more Pride and National Indigenous History Month events. To ensure you stay in the know on Indigenous Alumni Network and Pride Alumni Network activities, email Habibah Haque, Alumni Engagement Officer.