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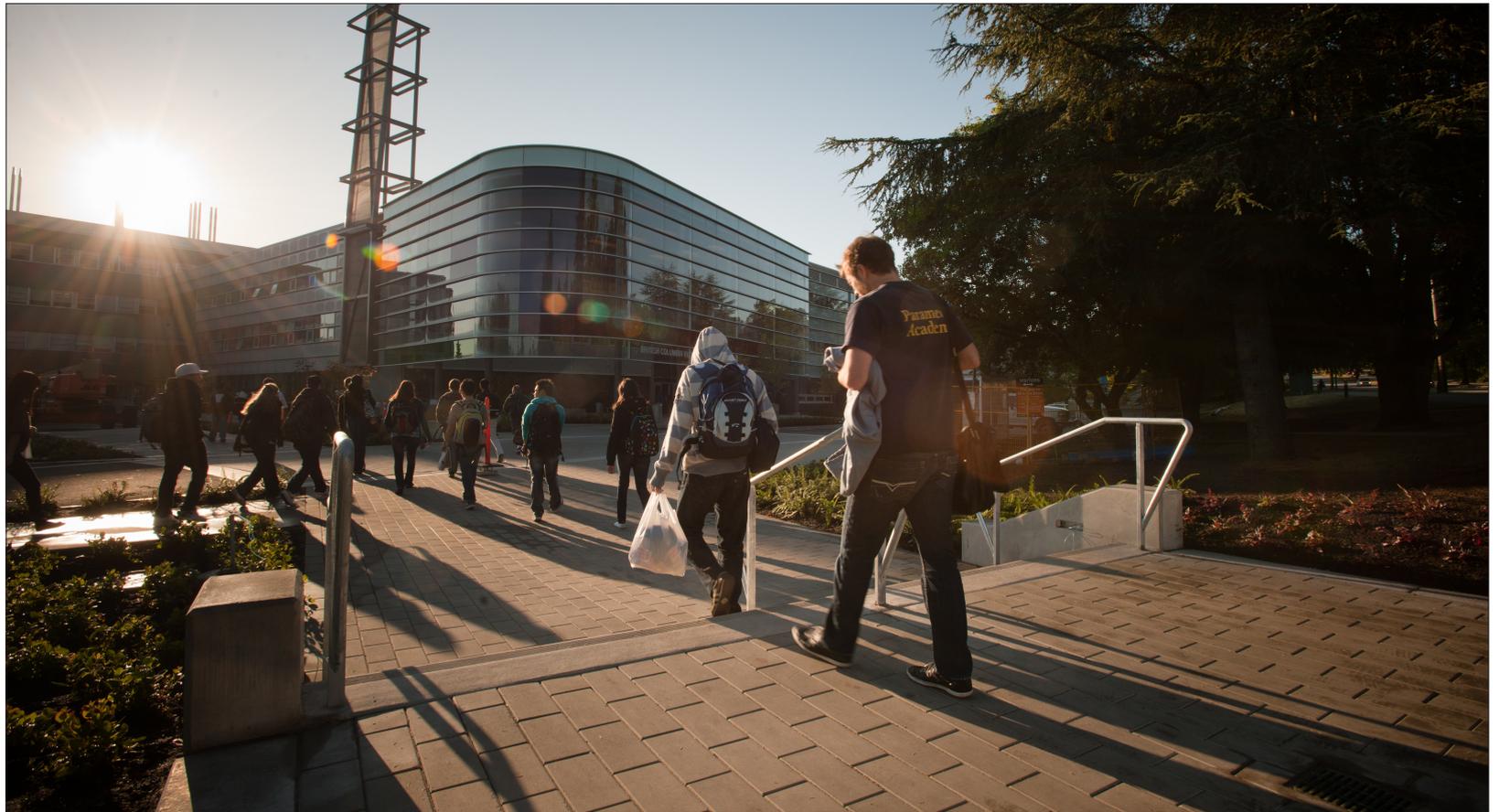
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Students make their way back to campus one early morning.

Scott McAlpine

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CAMPUS QUERY

Do you have any advice for new or returning students?



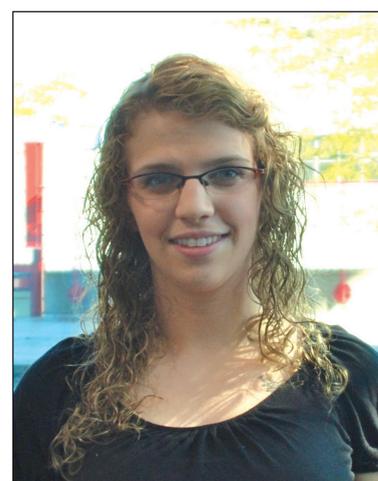
TERI BEAUCHEMIN
Professor Mugs staff

"Do your research. Some people have the misfortune of enrolling in a course or program and then finding out halfway through it's not at all what they wanted, so research is the best thing."



RICK SUH
Aircraft Maintenance Engineering

"Just be focused on what you're doing. Do your job, get your studying going, and be healthy."



MORGAN SOLAR
Interior Design

"Go to all your classes! You don't want to miss assignments or else you'll fall behind and it's not fun."



ALINE ALVES
Marketing Management

"I would tell them to seek financial aid and also talk to an advisor about english requirements and other prerequisites"

Advice for new and returning students

Starting the school year can be overwhelming. Take some advice from those of us who have been there

**THORSTAN GERLACH
& LINK STAFF**

The Link

Don't neglect your U-Pass

Parking at BCIT can be quite expensive and no one wants to deal with Impark and their \$70 tickets. If you get ticketed three times during their rigorous checks, your car will get towed, so why not take the bus? Put that U-Pass that you pay for each month to use. Bus routes have gotten better with more busses in the morning coming in from Patterson and Metrotown, and you might bump into a few classmates on the way, or even squeeze in an emergency study session!

Bring your coffee cup

At every place around campus where you can buy coffee or tea, using your own cup will save you some extra cash and help out the environment. The Stand, Tim Hortons, and Starbucks will all give you a nice little discount if you use your own mugs.

If you have nothing but time on your hands, you're doing something wrong

BCIT is notorious for having a hectic and, at times, brutal workload, so if you find yourself going out every night, you're likely not hitting the books or contributing to your team's projects enough. In the long run, sacrificing a few nights of partying isn't that bad, so if you're out with friends or playing video games all night, you're a lazy bastard. Get studying.

If you have absolutely no time on your hands, you're doing something wrong

Okay, we understand we might seem to be giving contradictory advice here, but as much as you should be keeping busy and staying on top of your school work, it's important not to overwork yourself. If you're doing schoolwork 24/7, you're going to burn out.

Make sure you take some time to relax and stay sane. Yes, you'll work hard at BCIT, but it's important to maintain some semblance of balance in your life. Take some time for yourself

Pick up and make use of your agenda

The BCIT Student Association gives student agendas away for free at various locations including

the gym and Uconnect Resource Centre at the Burnaby campus. They're a good tool to for staying organized. Write down due dates and appointments before you get overwhelmed. Trust us, you'll thank us later.

Take advantage of your health plan while you can

Not our sexiest piece of advice, we'll admit, but the extended health and dental plan for students in programs 16+ weeks long is pretty great. Make sure you get your teeth cleaned while you can because unless you land a job with benefits, you'll be paying out the nose for dental work after you leave school.

Write for *The Link*

If you think we're above shameless self-promotion, you are dead wrong. New and returning students alike, your campus cred will instantly rise by writing for *The Link*. The campus newspaper offers great opportunities for growth and exposure. You will enjoy perks that not everyone is privileged to, like recognition by your peers, payment for your articles and photos (see below!), and the notoriety of being part of the baddest people on campus – well, that last one is debatable. So don't be shy, get in touch with *The Link*!



Pick up a copy of the agenda to get yourself organized.

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CLUBSTEP

5 REASONS TO JOIN A CLUB

Resume building

Club memberships look great on resumes and job applications. They can represent both leadership and social skills. Have something more to say in your interview than a BCIT diploma or degree.

Helping hands

Clubs share your interest, provide mentorship, teach skills, and build relationships. Learn good study habits and behaviours from fellow second- or third year students to get through that heavy workload. Members of clubs are generally very encouraging and supportive.

Bromance

Also known as group synergy, club membership can lead to life-long friendships. Share your

valuable experience, advice, and contacts with others like you over a nice cold drink at Professor Mugs Pub.

Career

Use this opportunity to network with people in a similar line of work. Get exposure to real life experiences in the subject that you're interested in. Practice your management and control skills by exercising leadership and proving your own abilities in a group.

Social

Perhaps most important, you should have fun while going to BCIT. Involvement will ensure you get access to the best parties and events that BCIT has to offer. Get out there, get involved and meet people outside your set.

**Is your club doing something awesome?
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Members the BCIT Marketing Association buddy up at the American Marketing Association's annual conference in New Orleans.

Photo courtesy of BCITMA

Clubs are a great way to gain experience, make friends, and establish networks for after graduation.

BAILEY McRAE

Link Contributor

With a well-deserved tan and few expectations, the last thing on my mind at the end of last summer was going back to school in. After checking my schedule for the semester ahead, panic struck.

I knew that BCIT wouldn't be just another university, but a class schedule from hell? How was I going to make it through this, what about my friends?

Orientation day came quickly with a cluster of activities and speeches that left me excited for the year ahead. Crammed into a large auditorium, members of some of the biggest student clubs and organizations presented their recruitment pitches to the first year students. It worked.

As a business student, these experienced second- and third-year students looked and spoke in a language that I wanted to be fluent in. In fact, I wanted to be them. As I listened in amazement to their talented speeches in front of hundreds, I knew that I didn't want to sit back and watch my college years pass me by.

Few of us are prepared for

the lifestyle change as we enter into BCIT's intense classroom schedule. As I would later find out, a key factor to remain successful throughout is to enjoy your time here. If you are miserable, then it will most certainly reflect in both your grades and your attitude about the experience.

Joining a club or organization is best way to work on your skills while you become a young professional. As overwhelming as the course syllabi are, take some time to experience the advantages of joining a club.

A key factor to remain successful is to enjoy your time here.

We've all heard it. The big V word – *volunteer*. No, you are not being paid. Let's be honest, it looks great to have something other than "BCIT diploma" on your resume and job applications. Fill in the experience spaces with project management positions, member awards, and executive positions. To say that being in a club helps academically would not do it justice. The many lessons learned will guide you through your professional life as well.

What are your hobbies and interests? Incorporating these things into your academic life will prove to be more enjoyable and help you set goals and work toward achievement in many disciplines. Start by looking for clubs and student organizations that fit with your values and interests. Being an active member in a club can give you the sense of achievement you may be looking for.

There is a variety of special interest and departmental campus clubs and student organizations for students to join. You are under no obligation to join the group if you attend a meeting – it's simply a chance to interact and see if you'd fit in.

If you can't find something you like, you should establish your own club! Chances are, if you're interested in something, there are plenty of other BCIT students interested too.

The moral of the story is that you should go out there and participate! This is the first step to finding success in the professional world. Make opportunities for yourself. You owe it to yourself to at least try.

If you have any questions or would be interested in joining one of the clubs or organization or would like to start a club or organization, contact the BCITSA's clubs coordinator at clubscordinator@bcitsa.ca.

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CLUBS 101:

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Read about some of the established clubs currently available. Want to start your own club? Email clubscordinator@bcitsa.ca for more information.

PROFESSIONAL

BCIT-UBC Biotech Club

The Biotech Club unites BCIT and UBC biotechnology students through social and networking events.

Crime Analysis and Investigations Association (CAIA)

CAIA members work together on researching and exploring crime-related issues in the Lower Mainland. Participants produce advisory reports, threat assessments, and various general articles concerning crime and crime prevention.

Human Resources Association (BCIT HRA)

BCIT HRA provides networking opportunities and professional development events for human re-

sources students. Members meet industry professionals to build and strengthen relationships, and to provide an enhanced educational experience.

Media Club

The BCIT Media Club is comprised of media-savvy students. Members develop media projects for other clubs, media projects may include promotional videos, radio commercials, and press releases.

Real Estate Association (REA)

REA is a group passionate about personal development, learning, and real estate. REA builds learning opportunities and experiences for students through networking and guest speaker events.

RECREATION

BCIT Archery Club

BCIT's Archery Club provides students with an opportunity to learn and practice archery. It is a great place to meet new people and learn a fun, relaxing sport.

Starcraft Club

This club is open to beginner and expert Starcraft enthusiasts. Weekly practice sessions are available, along with a competitive team. No experience or commitment is necessary.

Sunrise Toastmasters International

Toastmasters International helps its members develop confidence and leadership skills. BCIT Sunrise Toastmasters helps members become solid public speakers, presenters, listeners, evaluators, and meeting leaders.

ENGINEERING

Canadian Society for Civil Engineering (CSCE)

The CSCE encourages the development, attainment and exchange of professional knowledge in the area of civil engineering. CSCE promotes civil engineering among public and governmental institutions in Canada and around the world.

Engineering Students' Society (BCIT ESS)

BCIT ESS is a partnership between mechanical, electrical, and civil engineering students. The group organizes social events, interdisciplinary projects and competitions, and professional seminars and conferences.

Engineers Without Borders BCIT (EWB BCIT)

EWB BCIT work to understand the challenges of international development. The group offers an environment where members can contribute to positive change, develop leadership skills, and take action against poverty.

Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE)

IEEE Canada is the Canadian branch of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers along with the basic society of the Engineering Institute of Canada for the technical fields of electrical, electronics, and computer engineering.

Mechanical Engineering Student Society

BCIT's Mechanical Engineering Student Society fosters relationships by uniting mechanical engineering students, faculty and professionals through social, recreational, and academic events.

Women in Engineering (BCIT WiE)

BCIT WiE promotes engineering careers for women at BCIT and in the industry, and provides a support group for women who are studying engineering. Members organize community events, promote at high schools, and organize a mentoring program to increase female engineering enrolment at BCIT.

CAMPUS LIFE

BCIT Legacy Club

BCIT Legacy Club aims to improve and revamp BCIT's Burnaby Campus. The club hopes to empower and connect students who are willing to work on projects that will improve the campus for future generations.

Net Impact

Net Impact BCIT uses business principles to make the world a better place by teaching social and environmental issues in business and building greener campuses.

Technically Queer (TQ)

TQ is a group for members and allies of the LGBT community. They aim to create a welcoming environment for LGBT students where they can socialize, have fun, relax, and meet new people in BCIT's LGBT community.

BUSINESS

Advanced Productivity, Innovation and Competitive Success (APICS)

APICS BCIT caters to students in the Business Operations Management program. The group aims to provide access to real-world business experience for its members by using a range of opportunities available.

Business Information Technology Management (BITMAN)

BITMAN provides networking opportunities among first and second year BITMAN students. Additionally, the club acts as a representative between its members and the industry.

Finance Association

The Finance Association's vision is to build a supportive and interactive club that will help students in their studies and careers. The club connects finance students to one another and potential employers, through company info sessions.

Financial Management Association (FMA)

FMA organizes many networking events, along with offering leadership opportunities within the association and holding information sessions.

Marketing Association

The BCIT Marketing Association builds its members through networking events, marketing competitions, workshops, and other means.

Meeting Professionals International (MPI)

MPI BCIT provides educational and networking prospects for BCIT students. The club aims to connect students through social activities that are fun, creating, challenging, and provide an opportunity to learn and grow as an individual.

Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE) BCIT

SIFE BCIT is a means for BCIT students to develop the skills they gain in class by completing projects in real world situations, providing its members with hands-on experience.

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GOOD EATS

at BCIT Burnaby

—Thorstan Gerlach, amateur foodie

Inglis Café (NE1)

Located in NE1, one of BCIT's biggest buildings, the Inglis Café has the second of BCIT's Coyote Jack's. There is plenty of space to hang out in between classes with 250 seats available, and there are multiple floors where you can enjoy the on-the-go takeout options on offer, including deli items and daily lunch and breakfast offers.

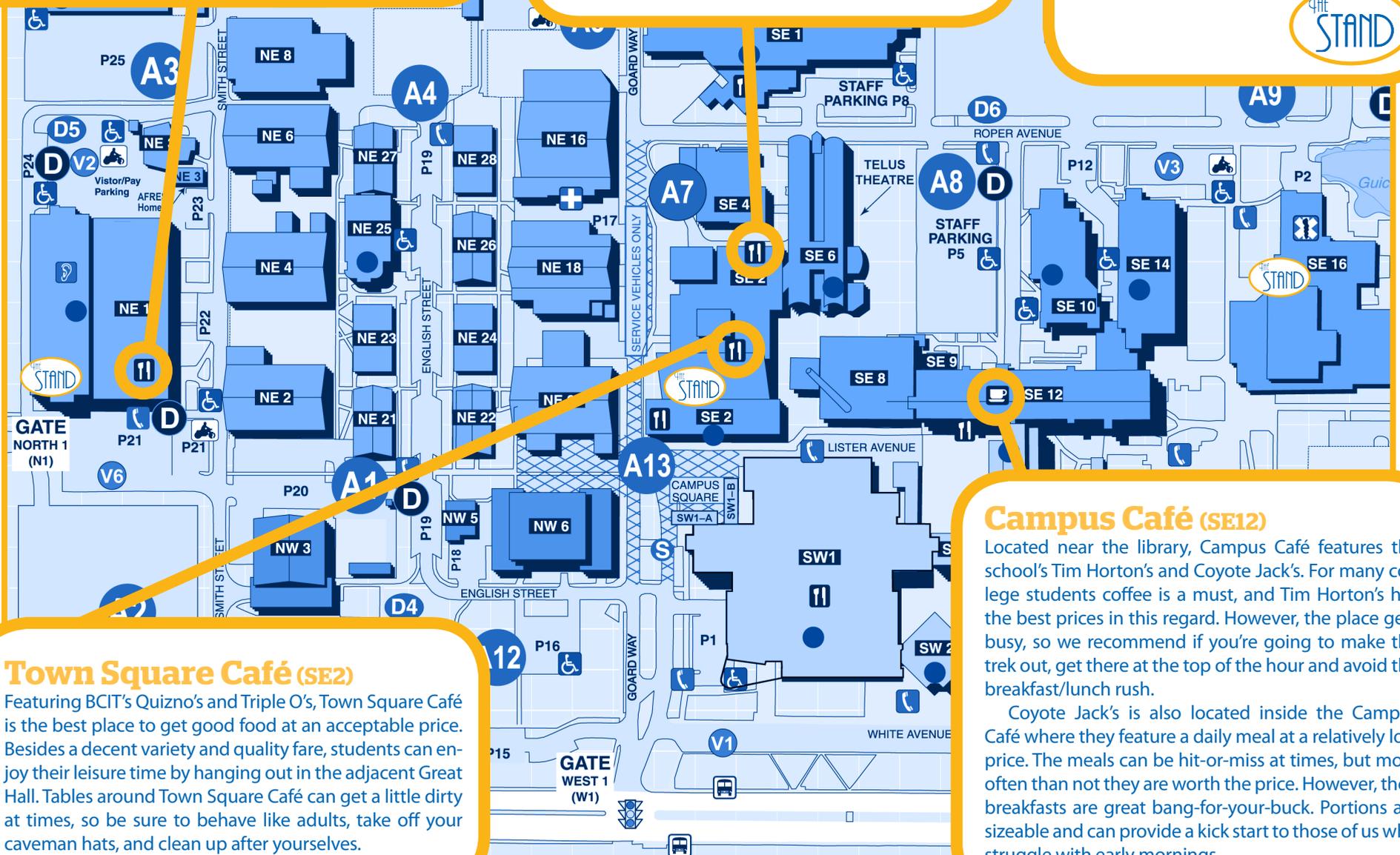
The RIX (SE2)

Aside from being a funky and comfortable hangout, the RIX is home to BCIT's only Starbucks brew as well as sandwiches and baked goods from Bread Garden. We all know Starbucks' prices can be a little ridiculous, but hey, some of us just can't help ourselves. The Bread Garden is also a good place to pick up a snack to tide you over in between classes, but check their prices too; some items mimic Starbucks' in audacity.

One known issue at the Rix is a lack of many power outlets, so pop in to charge up your body, not your laptop.

The Stand (SE2, SE16, NE1)

Students can support their student association by dropping by The Stand and picking up their JJ Bean coffee and well as some snacks for class. If you're in need of a sugar rush, The Stand has got you covered with everything from energy drinks, to chocolate bars and Pocky sticks, and even a small selection of stationery items. There are a number of locations around campus, so Stands should not be hard to find.



Town Square Café (SE2)

Featuring BCIT's Quizno's and Triple O's, Town Square Café is the best place to get good food at an acceptable price. Besides a decent variety and quality fare, students can enjoy their leisure time by hanging out in the adjacent Great Hall. Tables around Town Square Café can get a little dirty at times, so be sure to behave like adults, take off your caveman hats, and clean up after yourselves.

Campus Café (SE12)

Located near the library, Campus Café features the school's Tim Horton's and Coyote Jack's. For many college students coffee is a must, and Tim Horton's has the best prices in this regard. However, the place gets busy, so we recommend if you're going to make the trek out, get there at the top of the hour and avoid the breakfast/lunch rush.

Coyote Jack's is also located inside the Campus Café where they feature a daily meal at a relatively low price. The meals can be hit-or-miss at times, but more often than not they are worth the price. However, their breakfasts are great bang-for-your-buck. Portions are sizeable and can provide a kick start to those of us who struggle with early mornings.



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Post-secondary in film

Check out our top ten college movies, 'cause watching movies about school is *like* doing homework, right?

THORSTAN GERLACH

The Link

The first week of school can be a bit tough; no one wants to trade in the beach for a classroom or their summer clothes for pants and a backpack. Here is a list of some of the best school movies that will hopefully make that transition a little easier and make you remember that some of the best memories you'll have are the ones you make in school.

10. *Dead Man on Campus* (1998)

Directed by: Alan Cohn

Starring: Tom Everett Scott, Mark-Paul Gosselaar, Poppy Montgomery

Underrated movie about two fratboys flunking out of school until they discover on their college charter that any student who commits suicide will receive straight-A's. The two suddenly go on the search for the most depressed and suicidal student they can find. For you Saved by the Bell fans, it's worth a view alone to see Zach Morris as one of the frat boys.

9. *Road Trip* (2000)

Directed by: Todd Phillips

Starring: Breckin Meyer, Seann William Scott, Tom Green

Remember the days when Tom Green used to drink milk from a cows udder? Well, those were the days when Tom Green was on top of his game which is probably what landed him a role in this movie, and believe it or not, he's actually quite funny in this movie. Though uneven at times, the film features enough gross out gags and female nudity to please its intended audience. Even if the plot is morally questionable; but hey, who says college is about morality?

8. *Good Will Hunting* (1997)

D. Gus Van Zandt

Starring: Matt Damon, Robin Williams, Ben Affleck

Matt Damon and Ben Affleck co-scripted this movie about a genius MIT janitor who has the gift of a photographic memory and the love and affection of people involved in his life. This is a better film than most on the list, but is lowered by the fact that the mov-

ie doesn't have a whole lot to do with college. It's just a damn good movie.

7. *Rules of Attraction* (2002)

Directed by: Roger Avary

Starring: James Van Der Beek, Shannyn Sossamon, Jessica Biel

Adapted from the novel by Bret Easton Ellis, the same guy who wrote *American Psycho*, *Rules of Attraction* follows a group of wealthy, amoral, and very attractive college students who indulge in everything under the sun. Roger Avary, Quentin Tarantino's writing partner on *Pulp Fiction*, delivers an unflinching satire that is hard to ignore, even if the characters are douchebags.

6. *National Lampoon's Van Wilder* (2002)

Directed by: Walt Becker

Starring: Ryan Reynolds, Tara Reid, Kal Penn

Sure, this movie is responsible for some god-awful sequels, but it's hard not to like Van Wilder: a spoiled seventh-year senior at Coolidge College with an uncanny ability with the ladies. Though the humour is not for all tastes, there is a reason why Ryan Reynolds became a star soon afterwards.

5. *Wonder Boys* (2000)

Directed by: Curtis Hanson

Starring: Michael Douglas, Tobey Maguire, Frances McDormand

Curtis Hanson puts together a darkly comic film where Michael Douglas befriends a suicidal student in order to get some material for his next book. Douglas gives one of his best performances in this adaptation of Michael Chabon's novel of the same name.

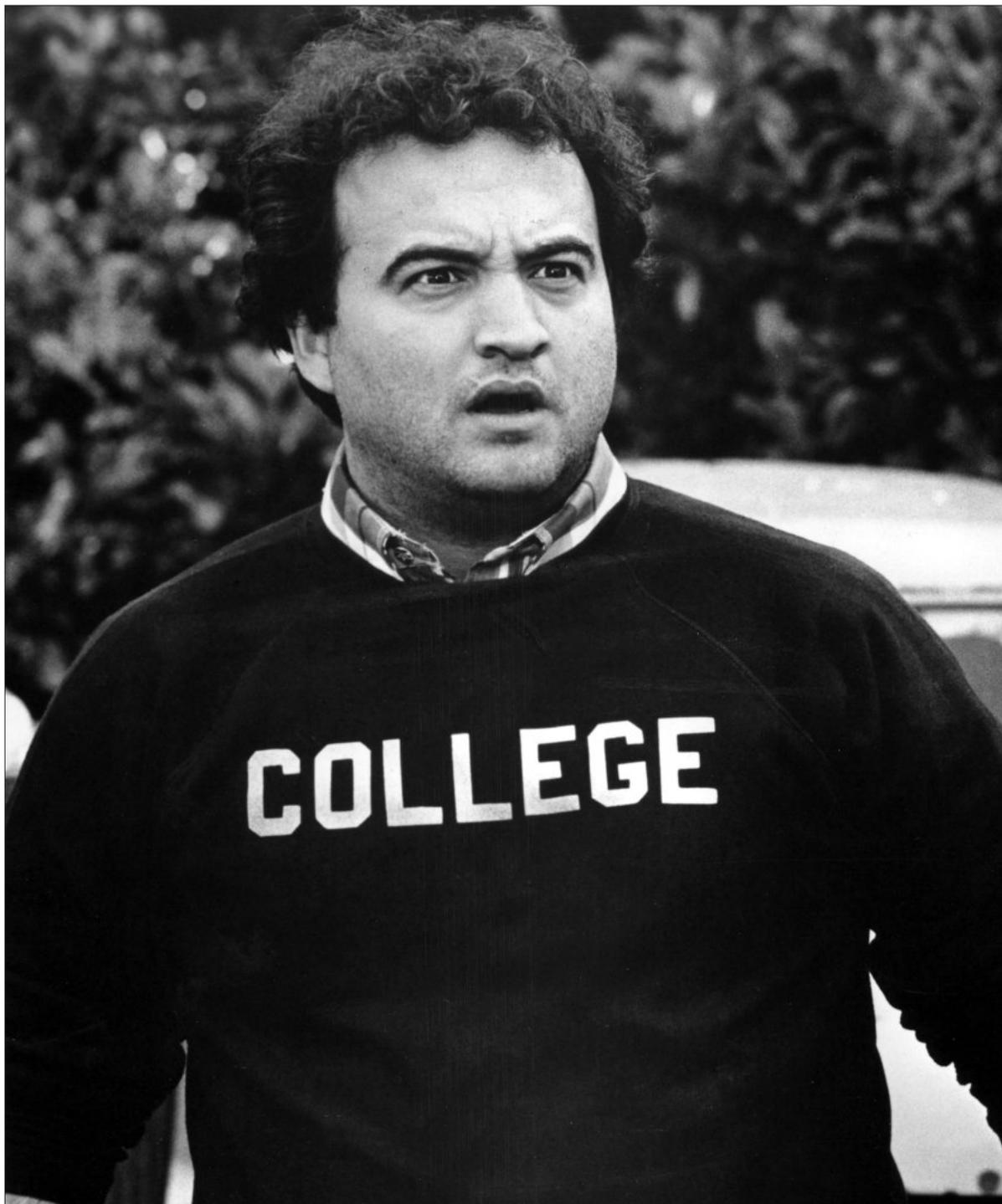
“Roger Avary delivers an unflinching satire that is hard to ignore, even if the characters are douchebags.”

4. *Back to School* (1986)

Directed by: Alan Metter

Starring: Rodney Dangerfield, Sally Kellerman, Robert Downey, Jr.

Rodney Dangerfield was at the top of his game when he made



It's important to have role models.

Courtesy of Universal Pictures

this '80s gem. He plays a self-made millionaire who decides to go back to college, together with his emo son, for a better education – and also to get away from his double-crossing new wife. There isn't much to the plot, but that only gives Dangerfield more room to work in his classic one-liners.

3. *Old School* (2003)

Directed by: Todd Phillips

Starring: Luke Wilson, Vince Vaughn, Will Ferrell

Luke Wilson, Vince Vaughn, and Will Ferrell are a dream team playing three bored men who relive their carefree college years with consistently funny results. Sure, the film reaches for the lowest-common denominator, but who says that can't be funny?

2. *The Social Network* (2010)

Directed by: David Fincher

Starring: Jesse Eisenberg, Andrew Garfield, Justin Timberlake

You can easily make the argument that David Fincher's *The Social Network* is more about the meaning of success and technological innovation than it is about school; however, when you look at these young characters, one cannot help but relate to the pressure each goes through to be a success and to live up to their parents expectations. It's a meditation on college life and what it is to be young in a world of technological innovation and opportunity. Aaron Sorkin's brilliant screenplay matched with Fincher's fine direction make this film a modern masterpiece that defined the 21st century — the good and the ugly.

1. *National Lampoon's Animal House* (1978)

Directed by: John Landis

Starring: John Belushi, Karen Allen, Tim Matheson

There's a reason why this film, more than 30 years after its release, still resonates with college kids and why you'll find a poster of John Belushi in his "COLLEGE" sweater on every frat guys wall. A precursor to sex comedies of the '80s and every college film after, this film is every bit as funny as the first viewing.

The film centers around the Delta House, the fraternity to end all fraternities, and the crusty dean's attempts to have the Deltas expelled and their frat decertified. The final scenes are unforgettable. There's a reason why toga parties and Louie Louie are so popular in college, and you need not look any further than *Animal House*.

BCIT resources at a glance

BCIT offers a variety of services to help students adapt and get the most from their experience. Here are the hits

KEVIN WILLEMSE

The Link

While the BCIT website offers a wealth of information regarding the various services students enjoy whilst enrolled, read on for *The Link's* roundup of those students should be most aware of.

The Uconnect Office

The Uconnect is located on the second floor of SE2 just off the

Great Hall, and serves as the hub for all Student Association (SA) related student services and programming. For details regarding the student health plan, peer tutoring, leadership and volunteer opportunities, bursaries, the advocacy office and more, this should be your first call to get connected as a BCIT student. If you can't pop in, call them between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. at 604.451.7087.

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Program Advising

Making the commitment to a particular course of study, and subsequent career path, is a daunting one. Thankfully, BCIT offer program advisory services to all students who can help you understand the application process, upgrading and course transfer options, costs, transfer credit opportunities, and more to help you make the best decision. They are located in SW1

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Health & Dental Plan

Even though we know you're invincible, the BCITSA Health & Dental Plan is available for all full-time students in programs 16 weeks or longer and includes extended health, dental, pharmaceutical, optical, and travel insurance. Students wanting to add spouses or dependants, or who have an existing extended health-care plan and want to opt out of the plan, can do so within 30 days of their course start date. Contact the Health Plan Coordinator in the Uconnect Resource Centre for any information or to make any plan changes (bring your student card and any existing medical plan details along).

Peer Tutoring

For students needing help with particular courses, peers tutors are available to provide free drop-in sessions in the Library Learning Commons. Additionally, one-on-one tutoring is available for \$16 an hour. Drop by the Uconnect office for a schedule and more details, also available on BCIT's library website.

BCITSA Advocacy Office

Sometimes you just want to know what is going on, what the policies and rules are, and what rights you as a student enjoy and are bound by as a BCIT student. The Advocacy Office is an unbiased, confidential place to raise your concerns, and is located in the Burnaby campus in SE2 Room 286. Drop-ins is welcome, or contact the Advocacy Coordinator at 604.456.1161. Also, should you ever experience harassment, discrimination, disagreement or disrespect from any faculty or student which you feel is inappropriate, support resources and information are available through the Director of Campus Mediation Services/Harassment & Discrimination at 604.451.6721.

Registrar's Office

If you're looking for information regarding admissions, registrations, student records, and international credential evaluation, head on over to the Burnaby

campus in SW1, or the offices in the Downtown and Marine campuses as well. The registrar's office shares detailed information on the above, and also administers the U-Pass.

Student Fitness & Health Services

Student life doesn't have to be all pizza, late nights and Dr. Pepper. OK, it does, so work off the effects of those educational essentials by popping in to the Burnaby campus' Fit Pit to break a sweat, free to all BCIT students. For a more holistic and proactive approach, the student health centre in SE16-128 aims to promote wellness and healthy with an efficient walk-in medical centre, fully staffed with qualified physicians and nurses. The clinic is available for all BCIT students, faculty, and staff and offers emergency care, immunization, travel vaccinations, STD testing, and more.

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This quality biweekly publication you are holding right now serves as the unbiased, student-focused voice of every BCIT student. We are always looking for keen talent to join our team, offering up information, news, opinions, entertainment, cultural events, humour, and more across the entire BCIT population. *The Link* offers writers a freelance rate of \$30 per printed story, so writing can be work your whole. Plus, we're a really funky and good looking bunch. Pop into our offices in the Great Hall (SE2) to say hi and share your ideas with us.

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BCIT offers various other services which add value and convenience to all students who make use of them. These include the 24-hour ehPod study area, audio/visual equipment rental, dedicated computer/research labs, a lost-and-found office, team recreational activities and sports, and even a child care centre. Furthermore, the available services and facilities will be enhanced and expanded during the 2012/2013 year as the Great Hall in SE2 is fully renovated into an expansive, modern student centre.

The BCITSA is dedicated to providing services and facilities to enrich your student life and encourage you to achieve your potential. Take time to explore the various options, and find those which make your life at BCIT memorable and fulfilling!

— With files from the BCIT Reference Guide by the BCITA

date
SEPT. 17 & 18

place
**CAMPUS CENTRE
GREAT HALL**

hours
9 - 7

last day
9-5

► FINE ART
FANTASY ◀
WILDLIFE ◀

► GIANT-SIZED POSTERS
► MUSIC
FRAMES & HANGERS ◀
► FILM

► PHOTOGRAPHY

► 1000s OF POSTERS

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**A message from
BCITSA President
Daniel Huh**

On behalf of the BCIT Student Association, I would like to welcome you and thank you all for joining us this year. My name is Daniel Huh and I am your BCIT Student Association president for the 2012-13 school year.

The BCITSA is here to provide you with services aiming to enhance student life at BCIT. We have numerous programs, services, and events planned for this year and I encourage you to check us out on our website (bcitsa.ca) or social media streams including Facebook and Twitter.

For the new students, if I had to give any advice to offer it would be to try your best to maintain a healthy balance of school and your personal life. You're going to get pretty busy at times, but try and utilize your free time to do the things you enjoy and spend time with friends. This place can get a little stressful and having a good way of venting and getting away from it all can be a big part of your success here at BCIT.

That said, I hope you're having a great start to your year and I really look forward to meeting you. If you have any question or just want to chat, feel free to stop me in the halls, come by the office or you can contact me at president@bcitsa.ca.

WELCOME BACK CELEBRATION

LIVE MUSIC. COLD DRINKS. GOOD FRIENDS.

FROSHFEST 2012

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 7TH

**\$10 EARLY
BIRD TIX INCLUDE:**

- ENTRY
- TWO BEVERAGES
- A BURGER



2PM — 7PM AT THE TENNIS COURTS ON BURNABY CAMPUS

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19+ ONLY. BCIT ID & GOVERNMENT ID REQUIRED.

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