

Office of the President

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Governance and President's Office Professionals
Colleges and Institutes Canada

Dear GPOP members;

On behalf of snəwəyət lələm Langara College I would like to congratulate the Governance and President's Office Professionals (GPOP) group on your 25th anniversary on June 5, 2020. This is a milestone in the evolution and development of GPOP professionals who support the core work of the Presidents and Boards of the colleges and institutes across Canada.

Since the colleges and institutes were founded, as distinct from the research universities, they have continued to grow to become complex organisations educating and training students and supporting the economic and social needs of their communities and provinces. GPOP members have been essential in the evolution of the colleges and institutes from small insular organisations offering certificates and diplomas to large complex institutions offering a wide array of credentials ranging from certificates, diplomas, advanced diplomas, graduate certificates, post-degree diplomas and applied degrees.

The GPOP group has been dedicated to elevating the level of expertise held by the governance and president's office professionals in Canadian post-secondary education institutions with resources and supports. GPOP has provided networking, mentoring and other professional development opportunities that benefit individual members and their institutions. There are three unique grants available to GPOP members: the Hicks Morley Fellowship, the Award for Distinguished Service, and the Award for Professional Achievement. These awards along with the other resources and professional development opportunities have been invaluable for the continued development of office professionals to support the evolution of the colleges and institutes.

Again, congratulations on your 25th anniversary and for the hard work that you have done on behalf of the colleges and institutes like snəwəyət lələm Langara College.

Yours Sincerely,



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