

# UBC Student Leadership Conference 2020

Delegate Information Package

(un)leash the Possible



THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

## Tentative Schedule

So what does the day of the SLC actually look like? Provided is the schedule so you can plan accordingly.

Time	Session
9:00 – 10:17	Opening Ceremony
10:30 – 11:20	Panels
11:30 – 12:20	Workshops & Living Libraries
12:30 – 1:20	Lunch
1:30 – 2:20	Workshops & Living Libraries
2:30 – 3:30	Featured Presenters
3:30 – 5:00	Closing Event

## About this Stream

**(un)leash the Possible** - This stream explores how to translate your skills and experiences into career building blocks. You will practice filtering your leadership roles into meaningful stories of personal and professional growth, and learn to translate the skills you're developing now into your future.

### Is this Stream for Me?

This stream is designed for students who are interested in topics of career development, education, and living life post-university (or hope to support students through this process). Speakers will speak to passion as a driving force of career choice, while workshops will offer a means to gain valuable skills.

Mimi Choi

## Featured Presenter

Mimi is a professional makeup artist renowned for her unique artistic style. Since graduating from Blanche Macdonald Centre in 2014, her pioneering illusionary work has garnered international attention and a large following on social media (@mimles). Coupled with her background and previous career as an educator, Mimi now instructs masterclasses and workshops around the globe where she demonstrates her iconic looks. She also freelances as the artistic director for various campaigns and her CV includes collaborations with brands such as Make Up For Ever, MAC, UNICEF, Warner Brothers, Food Network and Samsung to name a few. Since making a name for herself in the makeup industry, Mimi's work has exploded into the pop culture scene as she has been featured on various international television shows, magazines, music videos, and most notably at the 2019 Met Gala where she created the event's most talked about look on actor/model Ezra Miller. Mimi's story will demonstrate that the path to a fulfilling career is not always a direct one. She will also discuss how she turned what was once a debilitating sleep disorder into inspiration for her work and how she chooses to use barriers in her life as motivation.



## Living Libraries

Raji Mangat is the Executive Director of West Coast LEAF, a Vancouver-based non-profit organization committed to systemic legal advocacy to secure gender equality. Prior to becoming the Executive Director, Raji managed the organization's litigation portfolio as the Director of Litigation. Raji feels fortunate to have had a diverse legal practice, taking her from a clerkship with a justice of the Supreme Court of Canada, to private practice at a global commercial law firm in New York City; from working on cases at the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia in The Hague to advocating for robust protection of rights and freedoms under the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms here at home. She holds a bachelor's degree in political science and international relations from the University of British Columbia, a master's in international affairs from Carleton University's Norman Paterson School, and a law degree from the University of Victoria.

Raji Mangat



Freddy Francis,  
Graduate Student Researcher  
Bio + Headshot, Coming Soon...

## Panel

Name: TBA

Topic: Finding a Career that aligns with your values and passions

At this year's Student Leadership Conference I'm excited to share lessons I've learned about the importance of listening to and honoring peers and communities. Community engagement has been embedded in my DNA since I can remember. As a first year at UBC I discovered my interest in politics and policy and spent some time as Vice President Administration and President of the AMS- at that point responsible for supporting a brilliant group of club presidents, opening the AMS student Nest and raising \$50M for a new gym for students. Presently, I work at the intersection of technology and education, advising private sector clients on strategy, operations and community engagement. My spare time is spent on improv comedy, non-competitive basketball and painting.

Ava Nasiri



Arnaud Petitvallet

Arnaud Petitvallet is the co-founder and COO of Wize Monkey. After working on Wize Monkey as a school project in 2013 as part of an International Business Master program in France, he moved to Vancouver to create the company with friend and business associate Max Rivest. The pair eventually met Enrique, their co-founder and coffee farmer during one of their sourcing trips in Nicaragua, and went on to be the first "Earth to Cup" tea company on the market. Arnaud enjoys travelling to Nicaragua to create new blends and tea formulas, and wants ultimately to see the impact created by Wize Monkey spread to all 25 million coffee farmers through the world. Arnaud is one of the recipient of the 2018 BC Business "30 Under 30".



Andrew Coffey

Andrew opened The Hive in 2012 after working in Outdoor & Adventure Education for many years and having witnessed the power Experiential Learning in Challenge Settings.

With The Hive, he strives to Make Life Better for the Vancouver Community by improving Health and Wellness through Climbing, Education and Community.



Ashini Dissanayake

Ashini is a fourth year Biochemistry student. She has been extensively involved with student leadership during her time at UBC as the President of UBC's Women in Science Club, Residence Advisor, Biology Peer Tutor, Imagine Orientation Leader, UBC Welcomes You Peer Leader, and SLC Presenter Ambassador.

She is passionate about public health and health equity, and currently volunteers with Vancouver Coastal Health harm reduction initiatives to combat the opioid crisis in Vancouver's Downtown Eastside. She is also a member of Vancouver City Council's Children, Youth, and Families Advisory Committee, where she advocates for improved mental health support services for children and youth in Vancouver.



## Workshops

Please note that you are allowed to choose workshops outside of your stream.

### Taxes, the One Constant in Life

Presenter: Snigdha Bhardwaj & Prakruti Shah, UBC Tax Assistance Clinic  
for Students

Learn how to be self sufficient, learn how to file your taxes.

### Build Your Impact-Driven Brand

Presenter: Catalina Kim, Uncover Your Brand

As leaders, we are often faced with new challenges that require us to hold responsibility for our actions, words, and beliefs. Whether you know it or not, you have your own brand: your brand is how you are perceived and trusted by others, especially when you are leading a team or connecting with an audience. So, how can we ensure that our impact on others is as authentic as possible and builds trust? As a delegate of this workshop, you will be able to establish your brand purpose, voice, and identity from within, and to take responsibility for the impact and value that is given to your audience. You'll learn what makes a trusted leader, and how to leverage your own story to build your own community.

## Becoming the Wolf of Main Mall: Introduction to Investing

Presenter: Arielle Lynn

Are you curious about investing but don't know where to start? Are you confused about stocks and worry you aren't good enough at math/business/stats/predicting the future? Not a problem, this workshop is designed to give you a basic introduction into the world of investing and the stock market. We will cover the benefits of investing and how to get started. We will explore what the stock market is, why you would buy stocks and who the major investors are. We will teach you how to open that stock app on your phone and understand all the charts and red/green buttons. We will practice stock analysis and how to talk to a financial advisor

## Blue & Gold Student Council - Transform Campus and Shape Your Career

Presenter: Kieran Davey, Alumni Engagement Coordinator

Networks are essential for shaping your career path, but where can we find useful professional connections? How do we use these to actually find a job? Few students know about the amazing opportunities that the UBC alumni network offers. We want to change that.

This session is ideal for current UBC students who want to deepen their campus engagement and build stronger professional connections in the coming years.

## Translating Experiences into Assets for Job Search

Presenter: Malvika Aeron & Yoyo Lee, Career Peer Coaches

Do you ever wonder what employers are looking for walking into an interview? Learn how to translate your experiences into valuable assets that employers seek in our workshop. Through compelling storytelling, unleash your potential to showcase your skills and impress employers. Discover effective techniques to draw powerful connections between your skills and experiences and challenge yourself to seek out leadership opportunities to propel towards your career goals.

## Designing Your Life

Presenter: Kimberley Rawes & Sherry Mahdazad,  
Center for Student Involvement and Careers

Every day is an opportunity to think like a designer - to be curious, try things out, collaborate with others, reflect, and be mindful when making choices. In this workshop, we challenge you to think about the multiple possible futures you can design for your life and career.

## Leveraging LinkedIn

Presenter: Monika Ladosz, Center for Student Involvement and Careers

Bring your laptop to this workshop and you'll identify key elements to an effective profile and get practice building your profile. We will also talk about how to network and research career ideas using alumni and employer profiles.

## Facilitating Community Conversations

Presenter: Michael Denhamer & Shadi Mehrabi, Center for Community Engaged Learning

Participants will learn and develop the skills necessary to facilitate discussions, events, dialogues, consultations, projects, or other engagements with off-campus community members. Topics will include: intent and impact, introductory facilitation skills, and building conscientious and inclusive facilitation strategies. Through this 50 minute workshop, participants will identify the keys to successful facilitation and will have the opportunity to practice with their peers.