

Pivotal moments at Capilano

- 2012** The Nat and Flora Bosa Centre for Film and Animation opens at the North Vancouver campus.
- 2010** Dr. Kris Bulcroft becomes president and vice-chancellor of Capilano University (2010 – present).
- 2009** Capilano University receives funding for a new film centre.
- 2008** Capilano College is redesignated a university.

Capilano's president, Dr. Greg Lee, and vice-president, Academic, Jackie Snodgrass, meet with 23 Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities commissioners for a discussion regarding Capilano's candidacy for accreditation. Candidacy for accreditation with the NWCCU is granted. The NWCCU makes four recommendations that Capilano must address before initial accreditation is granted.

- 2007** The self-study required by the NWCCU accreditation process is completed. A 12-member NWCCU accreditation team visits Capilano for a three-day visit to evaluate the self-study to determine if Capilano meets eligibility requirements for accreditation.

Capilano begins a campaign to change its designation to regional university.

- 2005** Capilano submits an application for consideration for accreditation to the NWCCU. The application is accepted and a self-study steering committee is formed.
- 2004** Capilano is named by the provincial government as host of the BC Centre for Tourism Leadership and Innovation (now called LinkBC).
- 2003** Capilano College is authorized by the provincial government on May 16 to become the first college in B.C. to independently grant applied degrees in its own name. The degrees are in Music Therapy, Jazz Studies, Business Administration, and Tourism Management.
- 2002** Capilano leads a campaign to permit B.C. colleges to grant their own degrees.
- 1997** Capilano becomes a charter member of the Tourism degree consortium and sole Lower Mainland transfer destination for Tourism diploma grads seeking degrees in Tourism. The degree is offered in partnership with the B.C. Open University.

1996 The Birch building at the North Vancouver campus is completed. It houses a 375-seat performance theatre, classrooms and student services. It also provides teaching space to accommodate 400 new full-time students.

The new Capilano College Child Care Centre opens. It can accommodate 79 children, from infants to five year olds.

1995 The official opening for the new Squamish campus at 1150 Carson Place is held.

Dr. Greg Lee becomes president of Capilano College (1995 – 2010).

1993 The new Library building opens at the North Vancouver campus, tripling the size of existing library space.

Capilano offers a collaborative degree in Business Administration with the B.C. Open University.

Capilano awards its first associate degrees at a graduation ceremony on May 27. Nineteen students receive either an Associate of Arts or Associate of Science degree.

1992 Capilano offers a collaborative degree in Jazz Studies with the B.C. Open University.

1991 Construction of the Cedar building at the North Vancouver campus is completed. It adds three floors of classroom and faculty office space, plus a 90-seat lecture theatre.

The Sportplex is completed in the fall, marking the beginning of development of the south campus in North Vancouver.

The Horticulture building at the North Vancouver campus opens.

1990 Capilano offers a collaborative degree in Music Therapy with the B.C. Open University.

1987 The Sechelt campus opens a new permanent facility at 5627 Inlet Avenue.

1985 Dr. Douglas Jardine becomes president of Capilano College (1985 – 1995).

1982 The Fir building at the North Vancouver campus opens.

1980 The Sechelt campus moves to a building on Inlet Avenue and offers four credit classes, two vocational programs and several non-credit workshops.

1979 The first Squamish campus opens at 37827 Second Avenue.

1977 The Sunshine Coast School District becomes part of the College's region and the first College classes are offered on the second floor of an office building on Cowrie Street in Sechelt.

Dr. Paul Gallagher is named principal of Capilano College (1977 – 1985).

1976 Dr. Doug Jardine is named acting principal of Capilano College (1976 – 1977).

The Arbutus building at the North Vancouver campus opens.

1974 The Learning Centre in Squamish opens on Cleveland Avenue. It houses the office, student services, and art classes.

Peter Spratt is named principal of Capilano College (1974 – 1976).

1973 The permanent 13-hectare (34-acre) North Vancouver campus opens with 1,965 students in attendance. The first vocational programs are offered in portable buildings brought from West Vancouver Secondary.

The original Library building opens. It is the first permanent structure at the North Vancouver campus.

Two art classes, English, psychology and philosophy classes are offered in the fall in Squamish. Classes are held in the home of Squamish resident, Avrille Gosling.

1972 Construction begins on the North Vancouver campus, then called Lynnmour.

1970 The Capilano College Foundation was created to provide scholarships and bursaries for students.

1968 The provincial government grants approval and Capilano College gets its name selected from approximately 45 submissions made by North Shore residents.

Capilano opens on September 10 with 784 students attending classes after hours at West Vancouver Secondary School.

Alf Glenesk is named principal of Capilano College (1968 – 1974).

1967 The proposal to build a college on the North Shore passes by a plebiscite – 67% by North and West Vancouver and the Howe Sound. The motion was defeated in Sechelt.

1964 The school boards of North and West Vancouver, Howe Sound and Sechelt form a committee to determine the need for a community college to serve the North Shore.