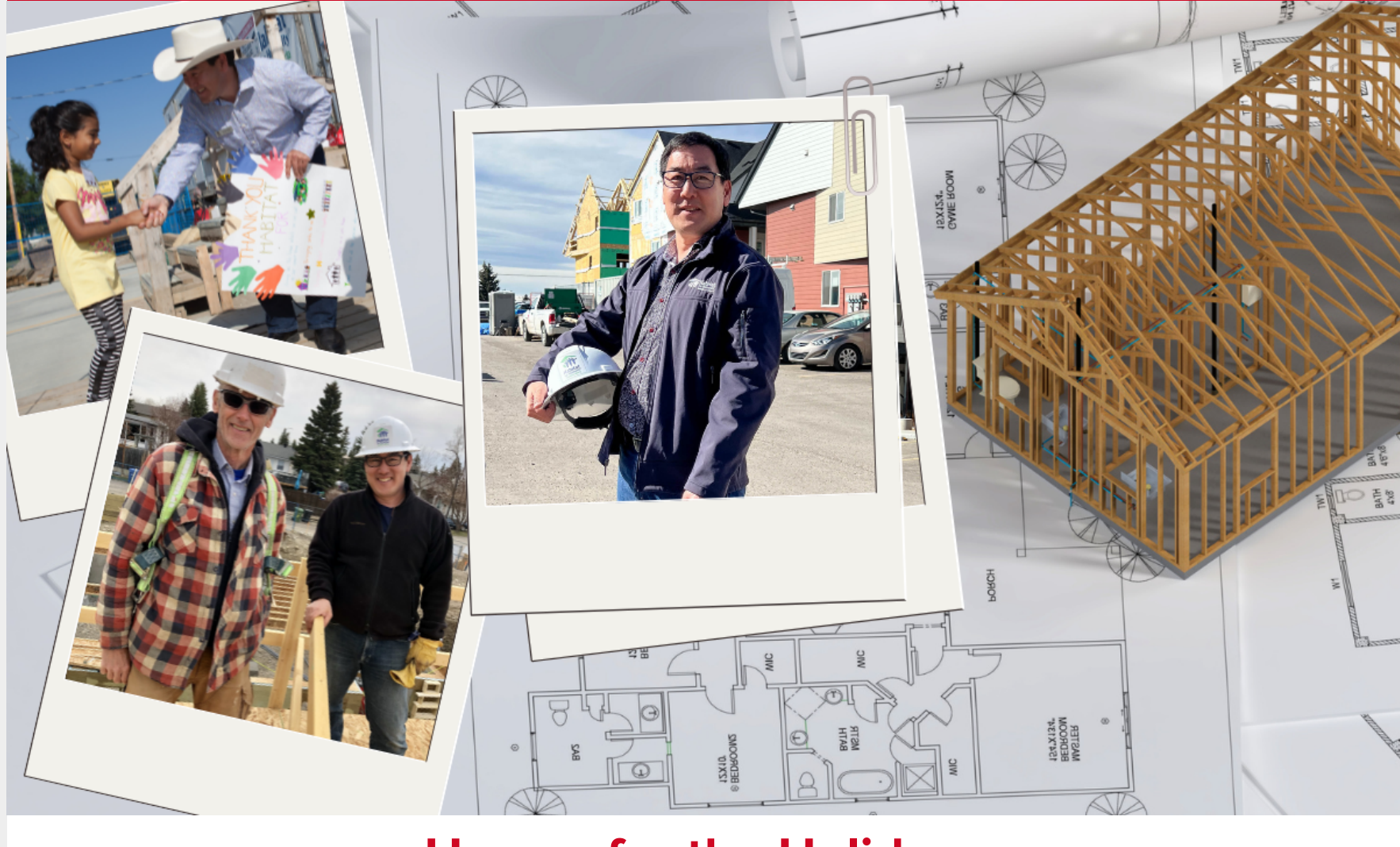




Alumni Engagement



Homes for the Holidays

During the holiday season, the idea of home carries a special meaning. Yet for many families in Southern Alberta, stable housing remains out of reach. Habitat for Humanity Southern Alberta is working to change that, supported by the leadership of **Gerrad Oishi, MBA'99**. In our December feature, Oishi reflects on his cross-disciplinary journey from engineering to business to social enterprise and how it prepared him for the work he leads today. He shares how Habitat is helping families build lasting stability and why this year's efforts could give more than eighty children their first Christmas in a home of their own.

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Alumni Features



2025 Alumni Built Business Holiday Shopping Guide

Support UCalgary Entrepreneurs! Our 2025 Alumni Holiday Shopping Guide features a curated mix of handcrafted goods, sweet indulgences, outdoor experiences, creative services and thoughtful professional offerings, all created by talented alumni across disciplines. Whether you're shopping for family, friends or colleagues, you'll find meaningful gift ideas that both delight and make a difference.

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UCalgary Claims Top Five Spot in National Research Rankings

The University of Calgary is the youngest top five research university in Canada, according to the ReSearch Infosource Canada's Top 50 Research Universities rankings. In this opinion piece, UCalgary President Ed McCauley shares why research excellence matters far beyond campus. From innovation to economic growth, the impact reaches every corner of the community.

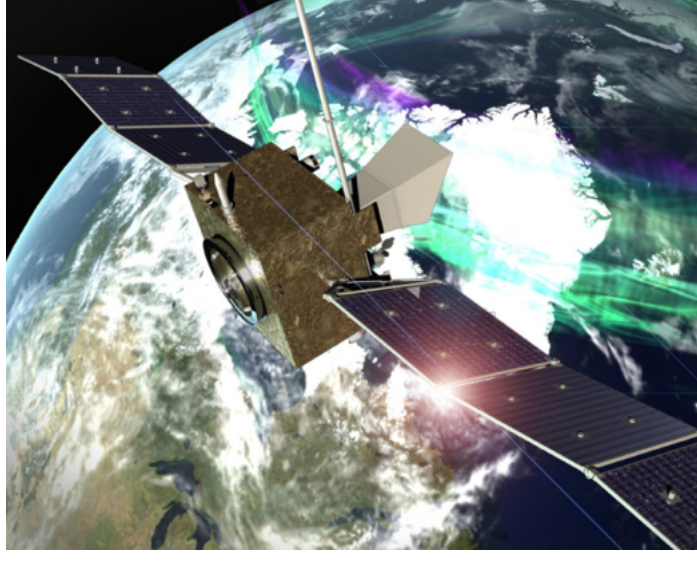
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Ep.3 Now Innovating: Circular Plastics Live Panel

Host **Julia MacGregor** sits down with **Tammy Schwass, BA'10** (Alberta Plastics Recycling Association), **Dr. Rohen Prinsloo, PhD'22**, **Dr. Daniel Castañeda Mogollón, PhD'22**, and **Eric Tang** (Triple Three Trading Ltd.) for a focused conversation on circular plastics. This episode was recorded live during **Alumni All-Access 2025** in collaboration with the university's Industry Liaison Office (Research).



UCalgary60 Stories



UCalgary's Legacy of Space Science Innovation

It has never been more critical to understand the fundamental properties and behaviour of the Earth-Space environment. UCalgary space scientists, alongside long-held partners such as NASA, the Canadian Space Agency, and the European Space Agency, define the frontier of space science. It's a legacy that's been decades in the making.

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There is Still Time to Share Your UCalgary60 Story

In just 60 years, UCalgary has become one of Canada's top research universities, a community defined by bold ambition, entrepreneurial spirit and global impact. UCalgary60 celebrates the people and stories that shaped our past while inspiring an even more innovative future. Have a story to share? Submit your UCalgary60 story through our form!

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What's on Deck?



January is Mentorship Month | Jan.1-31

As a UCalgary grad, you have the opportunity to make a difference in the lives of current students through **MentorLINC**. This digital platform facilitates connections between alumni and students, fostering informal mentorship activities such as career conversations, professional development advice, industry insights, and networking.

[More Information](#)

Mentorship Webinar | Jan.26

Don't know where to start? We can guarantee that no matter where you are in your personal or career journey, you have something valuable to offer students and peers. Join our webinar to hear from a panel of mentors in different life stages and career journeys to find out what makes a great mentor, the benefits of mentoring, and some tips on becoming a mentor yourself.

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Alumni Field Trip: CATE Centre | Jan.22

Join us for a behind-the-scenes look at the Cybersecurity Assessment, Training and Experimentation (CATE) Centre! At this hands-on tour, you'll hear from experts at ENFOCOM Cyber, as well as the Calgary Police Service. Learn tips and tricks to stay safe from cybercrime, test the strength of your password and even try your hand at some (simulated) hacking!

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UCalgary Seeking Next Chancellor

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Campus Connect

Indigenous-led Climate Action Initiatives in Partnership with UCalgary

UCalgary is partnering with Indigenous communities through the Mobilizing Alberta Climate Action Grant program, investing \$720,000 in 20 projects that blend traditional knowledge with scientific research. From buffalo and plant colouring books to youth-led water stewardship, these initiatives foster reconciliation, sustainability and climate resilience across Alberta.

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Posting in the Shadows: The Impact of Visibility Reduction on Social Media

Researchers at UCalgary are exploring how shadow banning and algorithmic visibility reduction affect online discourse and user engagement. The study sheds light on the ethical and psychological implications of these practices, sparking conversations about transparency, fairness and the future of digital platforms.

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Bridging Business and Tech: Dual-Degree Student Thrives at Calgary-Based Tech Company

Combining business acumen with technical expertise, UCalgary dual-degree student Sukriti Badhwar is making an impact at a local tech firm while completing studies in commerce and computer science. This unique program equips graduates to lead in fast-evolving industries, blending innovation with strategy to drive Calgary's growing tech ecosystem.

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IndigeSTEAM Provides High School Students Hands-on Learning at UCalgary's Working Ranch

Through the IndigeSTEAM program, Indigenous youth explore science, technology, engineering, arts, and math in a unique setting — the university's working ranch. Students gain hands-on experience with sustainable agriculture and land stewardship while connecting cultural knowledge to modern practices, inspiring future careers in STEM and environmental leadership.

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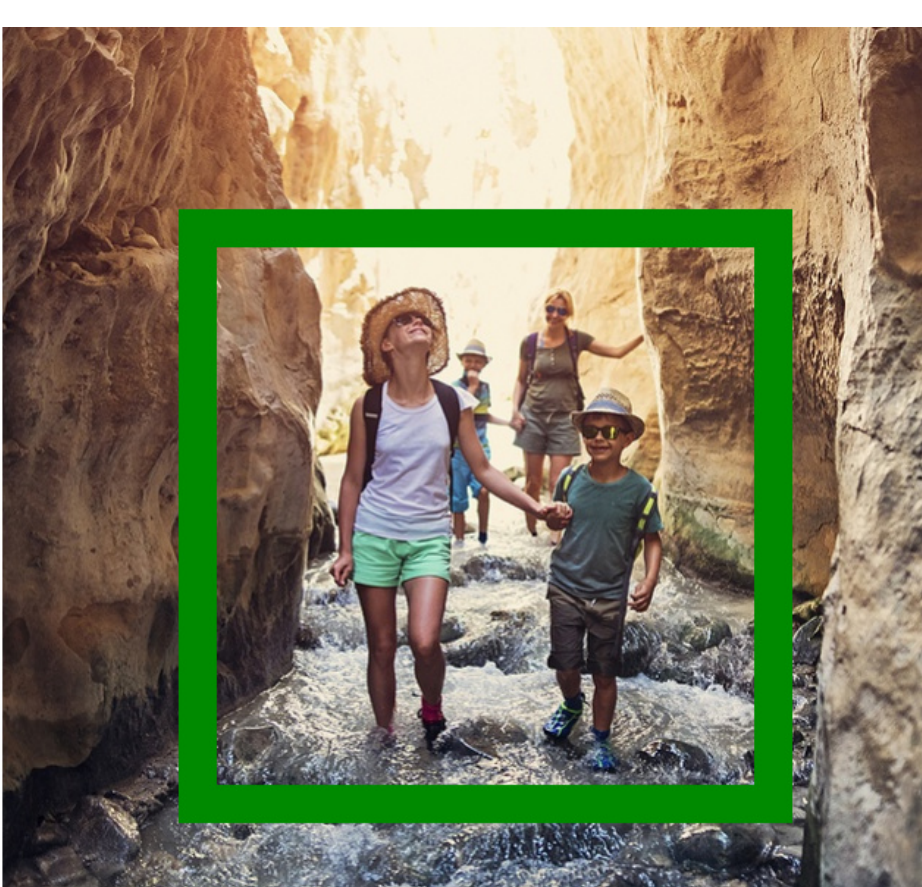
Upcoming Events and Programs

Dec.9 | Alumni Career Workshop: Career Change
Dec.9 | Alumni Career Workshop: Networking
Dec.10 | Alumni Wellness Workshop: Understanding Anxiety
Dec.25-Jan.1 | UCalgary Holiday Closure
Jan.1-31 | Mentorship Month
Jan.22 | Alumni Field Trip: CATE Centre
Jan.26 | Webinar: Mentoring is for Everyone



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