

TYDE Newsletter

TYDE Featured at UBC Day on the Hill!

Earlier this year, Dr. Rachele Hole, TYDE Project Lead, was selected as one of four UBC featured researchers to have their work highlighted for “Spotlight on UBC Research in Ottawa.” On February 5th, Dr. Hole and Sue-Sterling Bur (PhD Student/Research Assistant for the TYDE Project) travelled to Parliament Hill in Ottawa for the event. The event was attended by UBC administration, students, alumni, as well as a number of Ministers, MPs and their government staff. TYDE received lots of positive praise and feedback from event attendees.



Pictured (Left to Right): Sue-Sterling Bur, Rachele Hole



Pictured (Left to Right): Gord Binsted (Dean; Faculty of Health and Social Development, UBCO), Rachele Hole, Sue Sterling-Bur, Lindsay Doucet (Government Relations Officer; UBC), Deborah Buszard (Deputy Vice-Chancellor and Principal, UBCO)

Here’s some examples of feedback we received:

“The work that TYDE is doing is for the betterment of all people, not just people with disabilities.”

“The positive impact will be far reaching and make better lives for individuals. It is about making lives great.”

TYDE Updates



Since our last newsletter, our TYDE curriculum and development team has been hard at work! Filming has taken place in both Vancouver and Kelowna for our first set of videos for the online tool! We'd like to thank all of our amazing TYDE team members for continuing to work so hard on these videos. Here's a fun moment from our first filming session with TYDE team members Leyton Schnellert and Shameera Rosal!

Why Hire People with Disabilities

In response to the labour shortage in BC, the Presidents Group has developed an infographic outlining the business case for hiring individuals with disabilities. Some of the benefits outlined in the infographic include:

Higher Staff Retention

72%

Higher Attendance

86%

Equal/Better Performance

90%

To access the full infographic, and to learn more about The Presidents Group, please visit:

www.accessibleemployers.ca

Meet Our TYDE Self Advocate Project Consultants!



Meet David!

Hello! My name is David and I am one of the project consultants for the TYDE Project. Over the years, I have had a number of jobs such as prep cook, construction worker, dishwasher, and grocery clerk just to name a few. I have also been nominated and held the role of treasurer for BC People First and currently work for CLBC as a Strategic Initiatives Advisor. Some of my hobbies include 5 pin bowling, curling, 10 pin bowling, downhill skiing, reading books, going to movies, swimming and going on romantic walks with my girlfriend.

What has been your experience with employment?

I am currently working at Community Living British Columbia (CLBC) as a Strategic Initiatives Advisor. For my job, I bring lived experience into decision making to allow CLBC to do things in a better way for the people they serve. I like working because I like helping people with achieving their dreams and working with other people out in the community. With my job, I can show employers the benefit of hiring people with diverse abilities and what they can bring to business.

What are you most excited about for the TYDE Project?

What I'm most excited about for the TYDE Project is that there are so many different projects to work on, and chances for me to learn and educate people.

What is one piece of advice you have for someone transitioning to employment?

Find something that you are passionate in... then you will be very successful in the work force!

Upcoming TYDE Events



Meet Dr. Michael Wehmeyer

The TYDE Team is extremely excited to have Dr. Michael L. Wehmeyer, Distinguished Professor at the University of Kansas, as the keynote speaker for this year's TYDE Annual General Meeting. Read below and into the next page to learn more about Dr. Wehmeyer and his upcoming talk. **Please RSVP to cic.ubc@ubc.ca; seating is limited**

SAVE THE DATE (APRIL 8th, 2019): TYDE Annual General Meeting
Location: Robson Square (UBC Vancouver), Time: 10am-12pm

Michael L. Wehmeyer, PhD, is the Ross and Marianna Beach Distinguished Professor in Special Education; Chairperson in the Department of Special Education; and Director and Senior Scientist at the Beach Center on Disability; all at the University of Kansas. He is the primary/co-author of over 425 peer-reviewed journal articles or book chapters and has authored, co-authored, edited, or co-edited 42 books on disability and education-related issues, including issues pertaining to self-determination, positive psychology and disability, transition to adulthood, the education and inclusion of students with extensive support needs, and technology use by people with cognitive disabilities. Among many other leadership roles, Dr. Wehmeyer is a Fellow and past-president of the American Association on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities, past-president of the Council for Exceptional Children's Division on Career Development and Transition, and is the current president of the CEC Division on Autism and Developmental Disabilities. He is also a Fellow of the American Psychological Association, Division on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities.

List of Dr. Wehmeyer's publications: <https://scholar.google.com/citations?user=iIUhqNgAAAAJ>

Beach Center on Disability: <https://beachcenter.lsi.ku.edu/>



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Career Construction and Life Design: Self-Determination and 21st Century Work-Life Skills

By all indicators, what 21st century learners (and workers) need are skills related to flexibility and adaptability, initiative and self-direction, social and cross-cultural skills, and productivity and accountability skills. Global and economic forces are changing the landscape for the world of work, and will require that young people learn how to self-regulate and self-determine learning so they can “construct” their own careers. This keynote will examine this changing landscape and its implications for youth with autism and intellectual disability. The ideas of career construction (making choices and acting in ways that enable one to “construct” their own career) and life design (lifelong self-construction processes that promote skills and competencies in overall life planning) will be introduced. The important role of self-determination and self-determined learning will be examined, and strategies to promote self-determination and self-determined learning will be discussed.

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