

Bissett School of Business dominates national awards

Mount Royal College Press Release

May 14, 2004 - Students and faculty from the Bissett School of Business at Mount Royal College dominated the Advancing Canadian Entrepreneurship (ACE) Awards this week in Toronto beating some of the leading business schools in the country.

Competing against 41 other universities and colleges, including Wilfrid Laurier, University of Toronto, Queen's and the University of Calgary, Mount Royal won seven major individual and team awards including Student Entrepreneur of the Year and Dean of the Year (see list below).

Amanda Harburn, a fourth-year Bachelor of Applied Business and Entrepreneurship student and proprietor of the Prestige Dance Academy, was named 2004 CIBC Student Entrepreneur of the Year. Wendelin Fraser, Dean of the Bissett School of Business, won the award for Dean of the Year after being nominated by students.

"Amanda is but one of many outstanding students who are taking their dreams to fruition," says Fraser. "I am so proud to work with this team of students who have done so well at distinguishing themselves. We hope to continue highlighting these students who have the right attitude, drive and passion."

The Mount Royal ACE student group claimed the prize as Magna International Fair Enterprise Champion and instructor Vance Gough won two awards as faculty advisor. Mount Royal also won in the category of Most Improved Campus and was the runner-up to Wilfrid Laurier in the category of Ventures National Champion.

"For us to have competed with the best universities in Canada and won is a great tribute to our students, faculty and staff," says Fraser.

The Bissett School of Business provides relevant and responsive business education to over 1,400 students annually. Mount Royal College, one of Canada's leading undergraduate institutions, has been offering business education for decades and launched the first applied degree in Small Business and Entrepreneurship in the country in 1995. In 2002, the school was named after David Bissett in honour of his unprecedented \$5-million donation to the business school.

Programs include four-year applied degrees (Bachelor of Applied Business Administration - Accounting; Bachelor of Applied Business and Entrepreneurship - International Business, Small Business, Sport and Recreation; Bachelor of Applied Computer Information Systems and Business; Bachelor of Applied Financial Services; and Bachelor of Applied International Business and Supply Chain Management), diplomas in Aviation, Business Administration and Insurance and a Bachelor of Commerce university transfer program.

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