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Khusbuben Thakor (KD) MBA, MGM

PCU-WHS Announces Appointment of Associate Director of Admissions, Student Services and Alumni Relations

PCU-WHS is pleased to announce the appointment of Khusbuben Thakor (KD) who joined the academic team in April in the position of Associate Director of Admissions, Student Services, and Alumni Relations.

KD has a wealth of international education and work experience, beginning with an undergraduate degree in Computer Applications from India; a Masters of Business Administration, specializing in Human Resources Management from the University of Sunderland in London, UK; and most recently, a Masters of Global Management from Royal Roads University (RRU) in Victoria, BC. While at RRU, KD was a Student Support Ambassador, assisting many foreign students to settle in, find accommodations, and to adapt to a new cultural environment.

KD has work experience in various industries and brings 8 years of management experience from India, the United Kingdom, and Canada. "Early on in my career, I worked as an Administrative Manager in India and became interested in pursuing a degree in Human Resources. Working as an HR Manager in London, UK has carved my knowledge-base about how the recruitment practices and legislation affected the potential of people with disabilities to be hired or rehired at organizations. Subsequently, working as an HR Manager for the Industrial Equipment Manufacturing Industry exposed me to the dynamics affecting the possibilities of individuals with a physical or mental health impairment to return to work – despite the unionized environment, the reservations, and government policies."

When working as Intern Associate of Research and Internationalization at RRU, KD designed strategies, conducted research, and integrated internationalization practices. "During my tenure with RRU, I obtained certification in Gender-based Analysis Plus from the Government of Canada to eliminate discrimination during recruitment. I also had the opportunity to be a speaker for International Ed-Talk at RRU and encouraged girls to stand up for their right to education. Being an active member of CPHR BC & Yukon engages me in conversations around HR practices and current HR issues in Canada. I am keen to apply my knowledge, expertise, and global experience at PCU-WHS. It is my privilege to work at PCU-WHS with dedication and to be available at your service in my new role. I am looking forward to working with you!

Wolfgang Zimmermann, President of PCU-WHS, said, "Both KD's private and public sector experience, in conjunction with her significant academic achievements, and combined with a strong student support commitment, will be of tremendous value as we work hard in implementing the many educational opportunities made available through the recently awarded BC government grant to NIDMAR.

This grant provides BC residents and workplaces with the opportunity for student scholarships and free continuing education opportunities, and we are very pleased that KD has much enthusiasm in ensuring that BC residents can make the most of this unique opportunity."



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About PCU-WHS

Pacific Coast University for Workplace Health Sciences (PCU-WHS) is a statutory, not-for-profit, post-secondary, degree granting education and research institution for the special purpose of creating and disseminating new knowledge including applied research in the fields of workplace safety, health promotion, return to work and disability management, comprehensive rehabilitation, and disability leadership studies.

In addition to the Bachelor of Disability Management, the University offers an Advanced Certificate in Return to Work as well as numerous continuing education certificate programs and courses for professionals who are already established in the field. The broad curriculum of courses range from 12 hours in duration for an individual continuing education module, up to four years in total for the full Degree program. All options are offered online attracting students from across Canada and around the world.

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