
INFORMATION BULLETIN

CityStudio students present solutions to civic challenges at City Hall

ABBOTSFORD –December 5, 2019: Students participating in CityStudio Abbotsford showcased their projects to Council, City staff at and representatives from University of the Fraser Valley at City Hall for the 4th CityStudio Abbotsford HUBBUB. CityStudio is a partnership program between the City of Abbotsford and the University of the Fraser Valley (UFV) in which university students tackle civic issues and prototype solutions as part of their university degree program curriculum.

4 UFV course programs and 3 Rick Hansen Senior Secondary classes participated in CityStudio Abbotsford between September and December 2019.

The top UFV project was from BIO 410- Plant Ecology: Japanese Knotweed at Douglas Taylor Park: Investigation of Soil Composition and the top Rick Hansen Secondary project was from Careers 10: Diversity and Inclusion in Abbotsford: Multi-Lingual Friendly Transit.

UFV Courses:

BIO 410 – Plant Ecology

- Japanese Knotweed – Douglas Taylor Park
 - Biological and Mechanical Solution
 - Knotweed Invasion
 - Eradicating Knotweed
 - Effects of Knotweed on Biodiversity
 - Investigation of Soil Composition

BIO 310 – Conservation Biology

- Biodiversity at Matsqui Regional Park
 - Project Pond Life
 - Conservation and Education for Gladwin Pond
 - Health and Restoration of Gladwin Pond
 - Gladwin Pond Management Project
 - Increasing Biodiversity of Gladwin Pond
 - Gladwin Pond: A study of Biodiversity
 - A Plan to increase biodiversity

GEOG 360 – Introduction to Regional & Community Planning & Policy

- Bike Share Program Feasibility
 - Freedom of movement: Envisioning Bike Share for Abbotsford
 - Bike Share in Abbotsford: Transportation Conversation...Will it Work?
 - Growing Into a Bike Share: Plan for 200k
 - Bike Sharing in Abbotsford: Transportation Conversation
 - City of Centers

- Bike Share in Abbotsford: A Critical Review

Rick Hansen Senior Secondary Classes:

Careers 10

- Diversity and Inclusion in Abbotsford
 - An Enjoyable Arrival To High School
 - Making High Street Inclusive
 - Multi-Lingual Friendly Transit

Business 12

- Taste of Abbotsford
 - Abby Cook Off

Life Science 11

- Protecting & Improving the environment
 - Unseen Energy
 - Local Climate Committee

Abbotsford Christian School – Pilot Program:

CS: Science 7

- What's In My Backyard – Reimagining the Justice Way Corridor

Background:

CityStudio Abbotsford supports the prototyping of experimental projects as part of an immersive and innovative experiential education program where students connect with City of Abbotsford program staff to research, design, and test solutions to civic challenges. Students not only get to experience an opportunity to potentially shape their community, but they also develop job skills, experience group processes, and network with sector experts.

Associated Links:

CityStudio Abbotsford:

https://www.abbotsford.ca/business_and_development/major_initiatives/innovation_network/citystudio.htm

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