# Monthly Report to the Provost – Faculty of Science

The Faculty of Science (FoS) has the following to report for May 2024:

# Engaging Learners

#### Dr. Stefanie Pizzirani:

- Presented a talk on April 29<sup>th</sup> called "The Future of Food" at Magee Secondary School in Vancouver at a Mercury Rising event led by the Kimberley Foundation
- Hosting a PGES table at Ecole Salish Secondary on May 17<sup>th</sup> as part of their school-wide Environmental awareness event
- Hosting an FAI table at the Inaugural Mayor's Luncheon on May 23rd

## Transforming Lives

## **Building Community**

#### Dr. Stefanie Pizzirani:

- Presented twice at the ConnectEd 2024 conference: a 45-minute talk called "Presenting case studies in a more engaging way for the classroom" and a 15-minute talk called "Building students' relationship with course content: an example from Sustainable Fashion"
- Guest lecturing on May 29<sup>th</sup> in the newly launched Power and Place: Stó:lō Téméxw Responsibility, Reflection, and (Re)Storying associate certificate
- Met with the Arrell Food Institute (University of Guelph) in Toronto on May 1-2 to begin drafting a multi-million-dollar Lab to Market proposal called "Sustainable Food Systems for Canada Innovation Platform".
- Signed the Collaborative Research Agreement for the now secured \$2.5 million grant entitled "The Social Implications of Agri-Genomics: Ensuring Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, and Accessibility in the Transition to Climate-Resilient Agricultural and Food Systems in Canada."
- Met with the Stó:lō Research and Resource Management Centre (SRRMC) and the Ts'elxwéyeqw Tribe Management Ltd on May 10<sup>th</sup> to begin planning the 3<sup>rd</sup> year of collaborative research between them and members of the PGES department (Stefania Pizzirani, Mariano Mapili, Steve Marsh, and several PGES students). The long-term project is called "Forest Systems and Well-being" and to-date has brought in over \$150,000 of funding for our researchers and students.

## List of Publications (UFV student names underlined)

Dring, C., Cremer, A., Glaros, A., **Pizzirani, S.**, Newell, R. & Newman, L. (2024). "Vertical Agriculture Education Workshop Report." The University of the Fraser Valley, Abbotsford, BC.

Lathbl, M. A., Haque, A. E., Hakimi, M. H., Lashin, A., & Qadri, S. M. T. (2024). Organic geochemical characteristics of the Late Cretaceous coal and carbonaceous shale succession from the Taranaki Basin, New Zealand: Implications for sedimentary environmental setting and petroleum generation potential. *Geological Journal*, 1–21. <u>https://doi.org/10.1002/gj.4962</u>