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**Philipp Reichert Receives AIEA's Harold Josephson Award for Professional Promise in International Education**

Washington, DC (February 16, 2021)—At its 2021 Annual Conference, the Association of International Education Administrators (AIEA) recognized Philipp Reichert as the recipient of the Harold Josephson Award for Professional Promise in International Education.

The Josephson Award honors the memory of Dr. Harold Josephson, a long-time leader in AIEA who passed away in 1998. Josephson also served as Associate Vice Chancellor of International Programs at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte. The award recognizes deserving graduate students for outstanding contributions to the field of international education.

The 2021 Josephson Award is presented to Philipp Reichert from University of British Columbia, Okanagan. Reichert completed his doctoral degree in late 2020, and will have completed a series of certificate programs by May of 2021.

A dedicated professional, mentor, and model citizen, Reichert has proven himself to be a key innovator and advocate for international education, at the national and international level, making significant contributions both in his professional positions, and also during his time as a graduate student in his Doctoral Program at the University of Calgary. He is currently the Manager of International Programs and Services (IPS) at the University of British Columbia, Okanagan (UBCO), where he leads a diverse group of international educators providing strategic leadership and guidance to the international programs and services department supporting 2400+ international students. His current portfolio includes leading international student advising (immigration, healthcare, academic progression and the pro-active advising program), cultural events and programming, the Intercultural Development Program, and the Intercultural Career Development Program, as well as the Paragon CELPIP Test Centre and team of CELPIP staff members at UBC's Okanagan campus.



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Reichert completed his Master's degree with honours in International Relations at the University of Leiden in the Netherlands, where he was a Nuffic Huygens scholar, and he recently completed his doctorate at the University of Calgary, where his dissertation focused on the internationalization of higher education and the nexus of government policy, institutional programming, and international student career transitions. His research directly contributed to his design and implementation of the Intercultural Career Development Program, which addresses the key concerns and challenges that face international students in their transition from their university studies to professional career ambitions. In addition, based on his research he has recently published a chapter in the book *Multidisciplinary Perspectives on International Student Experience in Canadian Higher Education*, providing an overview of internationalization efforts and the impact of substantial immigration policy shifts to support, recruit, and retain international students in Canada.

Reichert is a sought-after presenter and workshop facilitator in support of the international education sector in Canada. A regular presenter and workshop facilitator at CBIE and other international education conferences across Canada, he exemplifies good citizenship and contributes to the international student and immigration community, a fact that is most prominent through his volunteer position within CBIE's Immigration Advisory Committee.

AIEA congratulates Philipp Reichert as this year's Josephson Award Recipient.

*About AIEA:*

**The Association of International Education Administrators (AIEA)** is a member organization that equips leaders to shape the future of higher education in a global context.

AIEA advances strategic transformational approaches to internationalization of higher education; empowers those who lead such efforts; convenes global conversation on key issues; and partners with other organizations around the world to develop sustainable, forward-looking perspectives.

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