



Official Statement

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Statement on the Death of KPU Student Kiran Dhesi

SURREY, BC – It is with deep sadness that we share the news of the death of KPU student, Kiran Dhesi, this week. And it is with great anger that we condemn the violence surrounding her death. Violence against women is tragically still one of the leading causes of death of women aged 15 to 44 in Canada, with six women dying each day by intimate partner violence alone.

On behalf of the Kwantlen Student Association and the KPU community, we offer our sincere condolences to Kiran’s family and friends.

For anyone at KPU in need of support we encourage you to contact KPU Counselling Services on your campus. Additionally, students on the KSA Health & Dental Plan have mental health and wellness benefits available to them.

KPU Counselling

KPU Langley	KPU Surrey	KPU Richmond	KPU Tech
Room 1075	Main Building Room 160	Room 1560	Room 1120A
604.599.3213	604.599.2044	604.599.2600	604.598.6044

VictimLinkBC: Call 1-800-563-0808. This number is a toll-free, confidential, multilingual telephone service available across B.C. and the Yukon 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. It provides information and referral services to all victims of crime and immediate crisis support to victims of family and sexual violence, including victims of human trafficking exploited for labour or sexual services.

BC Mental Health Support Line: Call 310-6789 (do not add 604, 778 or 250 before the number). This number will connect you to your local BC crisis line without a wait or busy signal, 24 hours a day. Crisis line workers are trained to help provide emotional support as well as mental health information and resources.

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The Kwantlen Student Association represents over 19,000 students enrolled at the four Metro Vancouver campuses of Kwantlen Polytechnic University.