

Created in 2017 as part of the 100th year of *alumni UBC*, the Alumni Builder Awards recognize a cross-section of alumni representing both campuses who have significantly contributed to the university and enriched the lives of others. In doing so, they have supported *alumni UBC's* vision of a global alumni community for an exceptional UBC and a better world. This year, the Faculty of Applied Science nominated Nursing's double-alumnus, Kristyna Gustavson. Kris was one of 13 alumni across the university to receive this award, and it was our pleasure to present the award at the 2024 Gala.

Kris epitomizes excellence in nursing leadership. As a Fellow of the Canadian Academy of Nurses (FCAN), a Fellow of the International Society for Quality in Healthcare (FISQua), and as Adjunct Professor and past co-chair of the Nursing Alumni Committee here in the School, Kris actively connects academia and service.

She has been a surveyor for Accreditation Canada, supporting health care quality improvement on six continents.

Kris has served on numerous boards and advisory committees locally, provincially and nationally.

With enthusiasm, she takes on leadership roles, mentoring and inspiring both students and alumni.

Her behind-the-scenes work, in fundraising for student bursaries and supporting alumni engagement, reflects her deep commitment to making an impact.