

Mrs. Vivian Lucas

Mrs. Vivian Lucas was born in Winnipeg and moved to Burnaby as a young child. She earned her BSc in Nursing from UBC in 1967. She spent three years as a Nursing Instructor with Vancouver General Hospital before moving to Sudbury with her family. In Sudbury and Guelph, where she moved two years later, she taught at two colleges before finally moving to the Sheridan College of Applied Arts and Technology in Mississauga, ON, where she taught for almost thirty years.

At Sheridan College, Mrs. Lucas taught surgical nursing both clinically and in the classroom, as well as continuing education to practicing nurses. Her experiences at UBC and in her career showed her the value of education over training, and upon retirement, when she returned to Vancouver, she got involved with the School of Nursing to help prepare the next generation of students.

Since she returned to Vancouver in 2004, Mrs. Lucas has supported the UBC School of Nursing by bringing her expertise to the Woodward Lecture, attending numerous UBC events, and giving to various scholarships within the School. She has also dedicated her time as a community volunteer with the West Vancouver Police Department, acting as a Victim Service Volunteer with individuals and families.

In 2014, Mrs. Lucas took the next step in supporting UBC with the establishment of the *Vivian Lucas Scholarship in Acute Care* for students in the School of Nursing. This scholarship will be endowed, so that students will benefit from it in perpetuity. Most importantly, numerous patients across BC will also benefit from Mrs. Lucas' generosity and forethought, when nurses who have undertaken their studies with the benefit of the scholarship will graduate and undertake their careers as registered nurses.

