

Another Successful Year at UBC

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As the 2005/2006 academic year draws to a close, the SNAME Student Section at the University of British Columbia (UBC) would like to congratulate all of its naval architecture graduates. We wish them great success in their future.

We would also like to thank Mr. Jon Mikkelsen and Dr. Pete Ostafichuk for their hard work with the NA program this year. Robert Allan Ltd. and Aker Yards Marine Inc. were a great help to all of the students at UBC in the senior design courses.

Two student teams are working hard to prepare for upcoming competitions. The SUBC team will be traveling to San Diego in July to compete in the single person human powered submarine competition. UBC's Sailboat team will also be competing this summer. They will be entering the first ever autonomous and semi-autonomous sailboat competition at Queen's University in June.

Our SNAME Student Section Outgoing Chair, Alicia Lenis, has graduated this year. We would like to thank Alicia for her hard work, enthusiasm and dedication. Mike Burgess will be taking her place as chair.

Alicia and Mike presented together at the SNAME Pacific Northwest Section meeting in North Vancouver, BC on May 11th on the topic of the "*Development of a Dedicated Facility to Monitor the Stability Characteristics of the British Columbian Commercial Fishing Fleet*".

Once again, congratulations to Erik Berzins, Alicia Lenis, Kevin McNally & Monique Staals: UBC's 2006 naval architecture graduates!