December 7th 2012 was an evening of celebration for our students, family members and guests who gathered at Novotel for the 2012 Graduation service of RGIT Australia of Technology (RGIT). The evening was a very appropriate celebration and acknowledgement of the achievements of our graduating students.

The students received a champagne welcome as they mingled with staff and fellow graduates before the ceremony. In an ambient setting, all enjoyed the fine dining service of canapés and beverages provided for this formal event.

It was a graduation to remember for each student, a day to be recognised for all their hard work and integrity throughout the journey of their course. These certificates and awards of achievement will provide them with qualifications to expand further in their chosen professions.

The ceremony was conducted by an enthusiastic emcee, Kaiser, whose humor and professionalism held the attention of all the attendees. The Director of Studies, Lana Harasymiv spoke on her experiences as a student, and of her personal achievements. She provided graduates with insight into the wonderful opportunities ahead, and shared how each of them might harness their qualities for their own success. The Student Administration Manager, Sunny Mali, had a few words of wisdom to offer students.

He congratulated each one on their success and achievements, and thanked them for their contribution as students of RGIT.

The highlight of the evening was a sizzling Bollywood dance performance. The peppy numbers added to the festivities and had the graduates dancing to the current hits.

In the final address, the CEO of RGIT, Mr Chandra Yonzon, while congratulating the graduates, also provided inspiring insight into his personal journey and the determination, hard work and perseverance that is required to achieve your dreams.

Graduation is a time to celebrate success, recognise commitment and prepare students for their “commencement” in a new world. All these graduates have been nurtured by the best of RGIT and are ready to take that next step on their chosen pathways. Ready for the world, we wish all the students the very best in their future endeavors.

Congratulations to the Graduates of 2012.

“There is a good reason they call these ceremonies 'commencement exercises'. Graduation is not the end, it’s the beginning.”

- Orrin Hatch (US Senator)
Message from Director of Studies

Dear All,

The New Year has begun. For all of us it is a time of celebration, a time of new beginnings, and time for reflecting on what has been, and what is to come. I do hope that for each of you 2013 will be a time of many blessings and much happiness.

One of the secrets to happiness is to do small things well, and to do one thing at a time. If you try to do too much at the same time, you often end up doing very little. And the result is frustration and dissatisfaction with the way you use your time.

Hence, my advice to you for this year is - enjoy the moment, do one thing at a time and do not think about what else you could be doing.

Only in concentrating on the activity at hand, no matter how small and insignificant it seems, will you learn to appreciate that even the smallest, seemingly most insignificant of activities holds the key to happiness. For in focusing on the task at hand, and in doing it well, you will realise that happiness is derived not from what you do, but how well you do it.

It is in this sense of dedication to doing a job well, no matter how unimportant it seems, that the door to real happiness is unlocked for us. And it is in this same spirit, this spirit of dedication to doing even small jobs well, that I wish you a very happy and blessed New Year.

Regards,

Lana Harasymiv
Director of Studies
It’s an exciting time for GIT as we move into a brand new year. As we continue to grow, we strive to remain as adaptable, motivated and responsive to our new employees as we are to our students. We pride ourselves on being “open to new ideas” and focused.

Our organisation is confronting a time of many changes and we’re meeting these changes during a time of larger nation-wide and global change. The world of education is an exciting area in which to work, and we’ll continue working to ensure our organisation remains at the cutting edge.

We’re continuously transforming the way we operate and improving our status as an education provider that stands above the crowd, and our employees and partners have continued to meet the challenges of our field and to excel, despite setbacks.

It is with all these thoughts and after considerable deliberation and consultation that we are pleased to announce that GIT will now be known as RGIT- ROYAL GURKHAS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY. We are very proud of where we are today and excited about where we are headed.

RGIT has come a long way since its inception. We have grown in size, as well as in industry recognition. I would also like to take this opportunity to introduce and welcome our new staff.

Mr. Muhammad Tauseef brings 14 years of experience in highly responsible marketing roles within several companies. He also worked for seven years in the University as Lecturer and Assistant Professor for BBA and MBA Courses.

For the past six years, Mr Tauseef has been actively involved in the field of Training and Assessment in Victoria. As a Quality Assurance Manager, his contributions towards the program, policies and procedures of the Skills Victoria program have been significant. He is currently working on his PhD.

Mr. Nicholas Critchell, is a soccer fan and Liverpool supporter who enjoys a game of soccer on the weekends and hopes to move into coaching in the near future.

He comes from the hospitality industry where, over the past fifteen years, he has managed everything from bars and gastro pubs in London, to working in various restaurants and cafes. Nick has been in Australia for nine years now. His stint at the iconic “Misschu” on Exhibition Street has been an enjoyable learning exposure and experience.

After three years as a trainer with Academia International and William Angliss, he is now ready to take on the position and responsibilities as a Hospitality Trainer/coordinator at RGIT.

We believe that each employee contributes directly to RGIT’s growth and success, and we hope you will take pride in being a member of our team. We hope that your experience here will be challenging, rewarding and enjoyable.
Knowledge is one treasure that no one can take away from you. We go to college to learn and gain knowledge which will eventually help us to become professionals.

WHAT IF you no longer needed to spend long periods travelling to a location to attend a course?

WHAT IF you could have access to learning whenever you want it, day or night, wherever you want it (at home, at work, in your local library)?

Royal Gurkhas Institute of Technology (RGIT) is launching its online learning programs in Term 1, 2013. This is a giant leap towards making learning exciting, engaging and compelling and whereby powerful and enduring learning experiences can be achieved. RGIT will offer a portfolio of courses in Business, Management, Accounting, IT and Hospitality through an online interactive learning platform that will:

- Organise and present course material that enables students to learn at their own pace
- Focus on individuals performing better in the workplace and help them build new skills
- Focus on individuals performing better in the workplace, and help them to build new skills, self-confidence and knowledge
- Allow for individual assessment of any student’s work and allow students who demonstrate their mastery of subjects to earn a certificate of completion

RGIT E-learning can take place anytime, anywhere. RGIT E-learning is standardised too, so every learner has access to the same high quality instruction.

RGIT E-learning eliminates problems associated with different instructors teaching slightly different materials on the same subjects.

RGIT expects that its online learning programs will enhance the educational experience of its on-campus students, offering them online tools that supplement and enrich their classroom experiences.

Take advantage of RGIT E-learning courses. We designed it to help you get the best out of your education.
NEW ENTERPRISE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM AT RGIT

RTO Manager is our new enterprise management system that is designed especially for managing and maintaining all the information of international (CRICOS) and domestic students (AVETMISS). This is our online and user-friendly portal that gives our team, our students, our trainers and our agents’ access to RTO Manager anytime, anywhere, and securely, all over the internet. Below are some of the features and capabilities that RTO Manager that cover every element of our daily activities: student management, compliance (AVETMISS & CRICOS), marketing, finance, course materials, trainer schedules, agent relationships and many more.

Features and Capabilities:
- Manage student enrollments, courses, student information and many more.
- Enhances student experience.
- Enhances communication capabilities.
- Gives students control and access to administration and course materials.
- Efficient information delivery.
- Online enrolment by student himself/herself.

Benefits to Students:
- Online enrolment Track assessment due dates.
- Upload assessment onto system.
- Automated confirmation the assessment has been received.
- Access feedback from assessors online.
RGIT AUSTRALIA SECURES LINKS WITH UNIVERSITIES FOR 2013

As a result of a great deal of hard work during 2012, Royal Gurkhas Institute of Technology (RGIT) has now established articulation arrangements with several Australian universities. These arrangements will provide RGIT students with access to university courses along with a reduced length of study for students wishing to complete university degrees.

Universities included in our new arrangements include Central Queensland University (CQU), Charles Sturt University (CSU), Griffith University and the Australian Technical and Management College (ATMC) based in Melbourne, Geelong and Ballarat. The arrangements with Griffith University are a little different from the others in that they simply contain credit exemptions for any RGIT students who will apply to Griffith University with Diploma and Advanced Diploma qualifications from RGIT.

Basically, the higher the level of study achieved at RGIT, the greater the saving of study duration for a degree at one of the universities.

**Central Queensland University (CQU)**
CQU articulations include RGIT Advanced Diploma of Hospitality being accepted as multiple-subject credit entry to the Bachelor of Business and Bachelor of Hospitality Management, as well as the Diploma of Hospitality being accepted for the same courses (with fewer subject credits). The Advanced Diploma of Accounting has subject credits for the Bachelor of Accounting and Bachelor of Business (10 units), and the Diploma of Information Technology (Software) has subject credits into the Bachelor of Information Technology at CQU. In summary, Advanced Diploma standing from RGIT provides a one year credit exemption into CQU.

**Griffith University**
Griffith University will grant credit exemptions for up to one year of the course for RGIT courses such as the Diploma of Business. In the case of several other courses in Business, Accounting, Information Technology and Hospitality, students will gain a minimum of six months’ credit, up to one of credit, depending on the course completed and the course being applied for at Griffith University.

**Charles Sturt University (CSU)**
Course credits reduce study time and provide entry for RGIT students undertaking the following CSU courses:

1. Bachelor of Computer Science ( normally 3 years) reduced by 1.5 terms with RGIT Diploma in Information Technology

**Total points credited to RGIT students for this Course = 24**

2. Bachelor of Computer Studies (Business) (3 years) reduced by 1.5 terms with RGIT Diploma in Information Technology

**Total points credited to RGIT students for this Course = 24 (1.5 terms)**

3. Bachelor of Information Technology (Business Services) (4 years) reduced by three terms with RGIT Diploma in Information technology.

**Total points credited to RGIT students for this Course: 48 (3 terms)**

4. Bachelor of Information Technology (3 years) reduced by one year with RGIT Diploma in Information technology.

**Total points credited to RGIT students for this Course: 64 (1 year)**

Students with grades averaging at 80% or higher are eligible for a CSU scholarship.

**ATMC, Ballarat University and Charles Darwin University**
Through our association with ATMC, RGIT students will be able to articulate into these universities also in the near future. Negotiations regarding these arrangements are still under way but an “in principle” agreement has been reached.