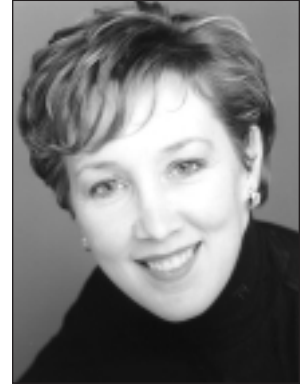


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## Putting their Heads Together

**M**any conveyancing firms are feeling the burn as existing staff resources are being stretched to meet the demands of increased real estate sales activity. Non-conveyancing staff members are being asked to redirect their efforts or ramp up their skills to mitigate the overtime being demanded of the more experienced hands on deck.

Anticipation of just such a scenario is precisely what led to an entrepreneurial joint venture between Vancouver Community College (VCC) and Dye & Durham (D & D), who have pooled their respective contacts and expertise for the benefit of the legal community. Together, Karen Shortt, VCC Office and Legal Administration Department Head, and Rita Scott, D & D Educational Division Manager, have redesigned the established conveyancing credit course and made it available in the evenings to already employed legal support staff.

Tailored to the participants, course

instruction combines VCC written materials with current and relevant input from Notaries, solicitors, and other experts in a variety of related professions. D & D contributes technical information on registrations, charges, and advances in electronic filing.

Although the course was originally designed specifically for legal support staff, it is of interest to note that many in attendance are sponsored by their employers and a number of lawyers themselves are also enrolled. Interested? Rita (604 713-7166) or Karen (604 443-8525) would be pleased to provide you with additional information. ▲

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