Message from the Vice-President – Research, Innovation & International, UOIT

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Welcome to the University of Ontario Institute of Education and our Faculty of Education, to the City of Oshawa and the Region of Durham, and, for our international guests, to Canada.

The University of Ontario Institute of Technology (UOIT) is pleased to host The International Council on Education for Teaching (ICET) 58th World Assembly.

As I reviewed the program for your conference, I was much impressed by the scope and content of the papers and plenary sessions. You are addressing issues that are critical for improving the quality of education today and, importantly, issues that will shape the future of our educational systems.

I wish to thank Dr. Shirley Van Nuland and the organizing committee to coordinating such an inspiring program and to the delegates for your thoughtful consideration of challenging practical concerns affecting teacher education and professional development, curriculum development and implementation, inclusion and social justice, and student retention and engagement.

I look forward to attending some of the sessions and learning from you.

I trust that you will take this opportunity to build professional and research partnerships as well as last personal friendship. Take time to enjoy the many cultural and entertainment opportunities in Oshawa, the Region of Durham and the Greater Toronto Area.

All the best for your stay in Oshawa and at the University of Ontario Institute of Technology and safe travels home.