



2017 NEWSLETTER

A note...

Wednesday was a special evening as we honoured our 2017 U SPORTS Honours Award Winners. I want to congratulate Olga Hrycak, Cleve Dheensaw, Coleen Dufresne and the late Adam Zimmerman for their contributions to university sport in Canada - from overseeing our athletic programs, to coaching our student-athletes, telling their stories, and being leaders on our campuses and in the business world.

On behalf the Board and our staff, thank you for attending this year's Annual Meeting and Conference. We look forward to a successful 2017-18 season.

Graham Brown, BHK, MHK
CEO, U SPORTS

A look ahead...

A closer look at Thursday's key events and sessions

- **Keynote Address**
Tricia Smith, Canadian Olympic Committee
- **Governance Address**
Richard Powers, University of Toronto
- **U SPORTS Board of Directors Meeting**
1-5 p.m.
- **SID Meeting with U SPORTS Communications team**
8:30 a.m. – 6 p.m.

“Quoted”

“The difference between the impossible and the possible lies in a person’s determination.”

- Tommy Lasorda

Need to know.

U SPORTS Annual Meeting

8:30 a.m. -12:30 p.m., Hazel
McCallion Ballroom

Today's highlights

1. **U SPORTS Awards Gala, sponsored by Athlex**
Olga Hrycak (Jean-Marie De Koninck Coaching Excellence Award), **Cleve Dheensaw** (Fred Sgambati Media Award), **Coleen Dufresne** (Austin-Matthews Award), **The late Adam Zimmerman** (L.B. “Mike” Pearson Award)
2. **“There is close to 100,000 women playing hockey in this country and right now we are the second-best in the world... The future of women’s hockey resides in Canada through (U SPORTS).”**
- Danièle Sauvageau, Université de Montreal, Team Canada head coach at 2002 Olympic Games
3. **International Programs**
The FISU Universiade is the second-largest sporting event in the world, providing a high-performance pathway towards the Olympics.

- 9 of Canada's 22 medals at Rio 2016 won by former Universiade participants
- 29 U SPORTS schools represented at 2017 Winter Universiade
 - 30 schools represented at 2016 World University Championships

