



Welcome to Digital Human Library

Canada's premier digital experiential learning library

# Experiential Learning in 2018-2019

## Challenge and Experience followed by Reflection leading to Learning and Growth

~ Association for Experiential Education

Experiential learning is the now and future of education.

Experiential education, which takes students into the community, or at dHL, brings the community into your classroom, helps students make connections between classroom study and life in the 'real' world, while also transforming new learning into applied knowledge.

Learning-by-doing requires students to use critical thinking, problem solving and decision making skills, which moves them beyond theory into practice, accelerating learning and helping students retain concepts and ideas. EL has been proven to increase engagement levels with a high focus on collaborative relationships, while also producing demonstrable changes in mindset. With endless opportunities to personal the EL experience for students, we have the privilege of empowering learners to be designers and creators of their own experiences that extend learning beyond life at school.

EL at Digital Human Library focuses on helping students build relationships necessary for learning, while at the same time helping students develop global competencies through collaborative programs, mentorships, and networking opportunities with Experts from around the world. Who will your students meet to experience the world of learning that exists beyond the walls of your classroom?

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# New Programs Coming Soon!

## OnEdMentors Connect - a Collaborative Inquiry Project -

ONedMentors Connect is a collaborative inquiry into the impact of a 1:1 self-directed mentorship experience on professional development and improved student achievement. Beginning with new teachers in Phase 1, and extending the experience to include any teacher interested in a mentorship in Phase 3, we are creating opportunities for educators to reach out to others they feel comfortable approaching who can help them develop their skills and improve their practice.

Mentors can play an active role in professional learning by collaborating with teachers on just about anything that leads to building capacity for improved student engagement, well-being, and achievement.

The goal of ONedMentors Connect is to support and empower teachers to find mentors in personalized and self-directed ways. 1:1 mentorships can help teachers move forward in their learning continuum in order to reach and teach their learners. ONedMentors is personalized professional development.

**Learn more and get involved!**

**web:** [digitalhumanlibrary.org/onedmentors-connect](http://digitalhumanlibrary.org/onedmentors-connect)

**tweeps:** #OEMConnect



## Meet the Ontario Provincial Library Curators

Our Curator Partnership Training Program is currently being developed by some of the most innovative and influential Teacher Librarians in Ontario. Meet the Ontario Provincial Library Curators:

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## Curator Partnership Program

The Digital Human library is in the process of designing a NEW Curator Partnership Program for Teacher Librarians and educators passionate about libraries. Our team of innovative Provincial Library Curators are passionate about elevating the role of Teacher Librarian, and positioning the school library at the heart of learning in every Ontario school. The Curator Partnership Program provides select Teacher Librarians in Ontario with training, access to the dHL platform, membership with a new PLN, and support to curate your own regional collections of community experts to support students learning virtually in your schools, regions, and beyond.

**STAY TUNED!**

Digital Human Library will be announcing the release of our Partnership Training Program in the fall of 2018!





# Get Inspired!

## Why Use Digital Human Library?

Support student inquiry with access to hundreds of industry leaders, experts and organizations in every subject area of the curriculum from grades K-12. Offer your students the opportunity to learn something new by introducing them to new people, places, and experiences. Create opportunities for your students to build relationships and competencies by connecting with a variety of global learning partners. Provide your students with a better understanding of their learning as it applies in the world beyond the school, while also helping them develop the interpersonal skills they need to be successful. Why? Because connecting with others and building relationships is how we learn.

*"I wish we could video conference everyday. It's really exciting to meet new people. I like when we get to see animals up close. My favourite video conference was the time we learned about bats. I didn't know there were bat experts in the world who help protect them. Maybe I will do that job one day.*

~ Shyla, Grade 2

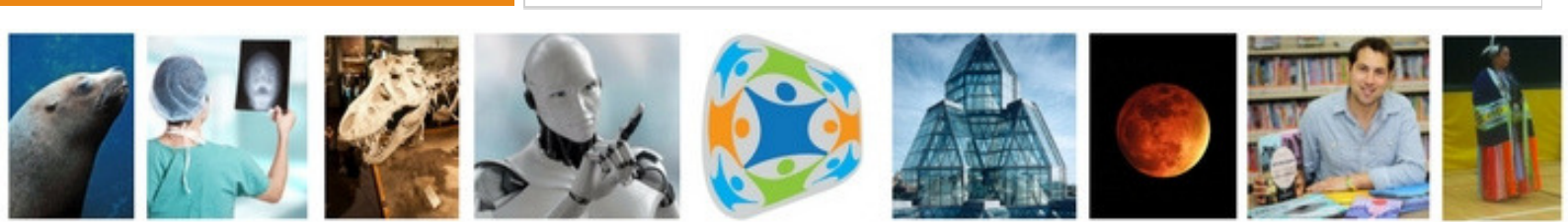
## #Learn2Connect #Connect2Learn

Visit with a Planetary Scientist and travel to space to learn about Mars. Explore coding and robotics with D&D Automation's TechKnow Crew. Want to take a class trip to the North Carolina Zoo? Or chat with an award-winning Children's Author? How about visiting the Old Jail Art Centre for an art history lesson? Or brush up on your photography skills with a lesson from a Professional Photographer. Build Scribblebots with the Forth Worth Museum of Science and History to learn the scientific concepts of electricity, force and motion with a wildly creative outcome?

## Meet the Experts!

Meet a few of our talented Experts and organizations available to connect and collaborate with your K-12 students. Curious? Register and login to dHL to browse our full Video Conferencing Catalogue where you will find hundreds more!

[DIGITALHUMANLIBRARY.ORG](http://DIGITALHUMANLIBRARY.ORG)



# Volunteer With Us!

The important work we do at Digital Human Library would not be possible without our 30+ incredible volunteers and B.Ed student interns.

Volunteering to improve the kinds of educational experiences offered in schools is one of the most fulfilling ways to be part of your community. At Digital Human Library, we know that caring members of a community are essential to our success, providing invaluable contributions to children in our schools.

As dHL continues to grow, so does our need for volunteers. If you are looking for opportunities to make a long-lasting, positive difference in the lives of students in your community, across Canada, and around the world, then we need you! **Contact us to learn more: [digitalhumanlibrary.org/about/contact](http://digitalhumanlibrary.org/about/contact)**

*"Working with and for the incredible dHL provided me with opportunities to build invaluable skills and relationships. Never before would I have thought I'd be the one creating experiences and activities for thousands of teachers and students across Canada. Watching my work come to life was more than I ever could have asked for!"*

~ Aniya Kaeja, Intern 2016

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