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John's advice to students is to **"Think Lazy."** "Think Lazy" involves learning to do the best possible work with the least amount of effort. The key is the thinking.

John Wilson is a graduate of UBC's (5 year BCOMM) degree. He became a CA in 1976 and received BC's silver medal for results on the Uniform Final Exams. John worked with Cooper Lybrand (now PriceWaterhouseCoopers) for nine years. During this time he specialized in Computer Assisted Auditing and Small Business Clients. John was one of Canada's first designated Computer Information System Auditors (CISA). He joined Capilano University in 1983 as a full-time regular instructor in both Social Sciences and School of Business.

John has taught a wide range of courses including:

- UBC's equivalent to Financial Accounting, Managerial Accounting and Introduction to Business courses
- School of Business courses in Financial Accounting, Intermediate Accounting, Income Taxation, and Accounting Information Systems.

In addition to his teaching duties John is involved in making a contribution to the development of the University through the Faculty Association. He has been a member of the executive for over 20 years in such roles as negotiator, contract administrator and president. John has also served on many University committees and has been a coordinator in the School of Business and a convener of the Commerce program.

John is a strong proponent of the Open Education Resources movement and was instrumental in Capilano University becoming the first Canadian member of the Open Courseware Consortium (OCW). John pursued this interest in graduate studies and UBC and earned his Graduate Certificate in Transactional Based Distributed Learning from UBC (TBDL).

Outside of Capilano University John is active in his local congregation of the United Church of Canada, Shiloh Sixth Avenue United Church. John is also a trustee of the College Pension Plan, a past Chair and Vice Chair of the British Columbia Pension Corporation board of directors, and a director of the British Columbia Investment Management Corporation. In his role as



a director, John has continued to lobby for open and accountable governance improvements. John completed the Institute of Corporate Directors Director's Education Program and has qualified for his ICD.D designation.

John enjoys building and renovating. John has been actively restoring a 1922 board and bat cottage in Point Roberts and enjoys living in an 1892 home in New Westminster – a place where he enjoys great family times. John has two daughters, two sons-in-law and one spouse.