## From the Editors

We are thrilled to present the first issue of *Alight*, a new initiative in the English department at KPU that celebrates the exemplary written work of our undergraduate students. This journal has been slowly taking shape over many months, and we are excited to see this finished version. We hope this is the first of many issues to come.

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Above all, we would like to acknowledge the students who are sharing their work in this new endeavour. The range of their interests, together with their unique voices and insights, are what make our department such a vibrant place in which to exchange ideas.

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