

Filip Krol

Student Pinnacle Award

Vancouver Campus

Filip Krol was born in Brno, in today's Czech Republic (Czechoslovakia at the time) on the 28th of October, 1984. When he was a little over one year old, he and his parents left Czechoslovakia as refugees for Munich, Germany, and subsequently moved to Vancouver, Canada, in 1989.

Here, Filip went to elementary and secondary school. He started practicing karate shortly after arriving in Vancouver, which he has continued to practice to this day. He also took swimming lessons to almost a life guard level, and classes in capoeira, judo, and hapkido. In his secondary school years, he started to travel and has since visited nearly 30 countries.

However, his late adolescent years were not his best, as they were riddled with academic troubles and other personal difficulties. He began working in his last years of high school in various customer service positions. When he was 20, he met his wife, and after meeting her, everything else started to fall into place. She encouraged him to enroll at FDU-Vancouver, where he started to disprove all the negative forecasts about him.

He became a founder and the president of the Student Association, and led it to incorporation a year later. He raised nearly \$12,000 in books and cash for the Student Association through the book rental program he developed. After two years, he resigned from the Student Association to pursue other leadership opportunities such as the treasurer for the Rotaract Club of Vancouver – Yaletown, joined the Vancouver Board of Trade through the Leaders of Tomorrow program. Currently, Filip is in the process of setting up a company in international trade with his wife.

Filip earned an impressive GPR of 3.9 and he has made the Honors Roll six times. He was awarded a 75% scholarship. Filip has been invited to join The International Honor Society

Beta Gamma Sigma. Membership is the highest recognition a business student anywhere in the world can receive in an undergraduate, master's or doctoral program at a school accredited by AACSB International. He has also been invited to join the New Jersey Collegiate Business Administration Honor Society. Each year, the top 1% of undergraduate students pursuing degrees in business are inducted into this unique state-wide honors society.