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Training Course for New REALTORS® Wins International Award

Vancouver, BC – September 14, 2015. The British Columbia Real Estate Association (BCREA) is pleased to announce that the Residential Trading Services Applied Practice Course it developed and operates on behalf of the Real Estate Council of British Columbia has won an Education Award in the Post-Licensing / Continuing Education Course category from the Association of Real Estate License Law Officials (ARELLO®).

The course is designed to provide practical training in real estate to new real estate licensees to enable them to confidently and effectively serve the public's real estate needs in a professional manner. BCREA administers the course, which is a requirement for all new licensees, on behalf of the Real Estate Council of British Columbia (RECBC) and it forms part of the total real estate licensing process.

"This award demonstrates what great things can be produced when the Real Estate Council and BCREA collaborate to enhance professionalism. This is a good news story for both consumers and real estate licensees in BC," said Robert Laing, Chief Executive Officer, BCREA.

Completely redesigned and relaunched in 2015, the course is a unique, interactive combination of classroom and online learning, practical training exercises and mentorship that provides new real estate licensees opportunities to apply and practice their regulatory obligations and demonstrate their competence. Almost 1500 new licensees are expected to take the course in 2015.

"The Council is extremely pleased that the new Applied Practice Course has been recognized by ARELLO®. The course is the culmination of outstanding work and collaboration by many wonderful individuals and sets an excellent standard for education in the real estate industry," said Robert O. Fawcett, Chief Executive Officers, RECBC.

ARELLO® presented the award at its Annual Conference in Washington, DC last week. ARELLO® is an international organization, dedicated to supporting jurisdictions in the administration and enforcement of real estate license laws to promote and protect the public interest.

BCREA is the professional association for over 19,000 REALTORS® in BC, focusing on provincial issues that impact real estate. Working with the province's 11 real estate boards, BCREA provides continuing professional education, advocacy, economic research and standard forms to help REALTORS® provide value for their clients.

To demonstrate the profession's commitment to improving [Quality of Life](#) in BC communities, BCREA supports policies that help ensure economic vitality, provide housing opportunities, preserve the

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environment, protect property owners and build better communities with good schools and safe neighbourhoods.

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