



Weekly Bulletin for Department & Program Heads

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Academic searches

Here, in tabular form, is the status of our searches as of this morning.

Department	Search	Status	Appointed
ANTH	Tenure-track	Complete	Dr S Kuehling
ECON	Tenure-track	Complete	Dr J Childs
ECON	Tenure-track	Formal appointment offered	
ECON	Tenure-track	Search failed; term search closes 30 April	
ENGL	Tenure-track	Complete	Ms C Nazarian
ENGL	Tenure-track	Complete	Dr H Meek
ENGL	Term	Closes 30 April	
JRN	Tenure-track	Term appointment in process	
JS	Tenure-track	Complete	Dr A Patenaude
PSCI	Term	Formal appointment offered	
RLST	Tenure-track	Complete	Mr K Bond
SOC	Term	Complete	Mr A Magnan
SOC	Term	Complete	Mr S Alfaro



Long service awards

Please congratulate the following Arts faculty and staff who were recognized last week by the University for their years of service:

10 years

Gayleen Bailey *Student Services*
Ron Bourgeault *Sociology & Social Studies*
Milagros Charriez *Dean's Office*
Tomoko Lamb *International Languages*
Claire Polster *Sociology & Social Studies*
Stacey Sallenback *Sociology & Social Studies*
Don Sharpe *Psychology*
Michael Trussler *English*

15 years

Hafiz Akhand *Economics*
Lois Barlow-Wilson *French*
Peter Campbell *Philosophy & Classics*
Marilyn Friesen *English*
JoAnn Jaffe *Sociology & Social Studies*
Evan Morris *Sociology & Social Studies*
Diane Mullan *Student Services*

20 years

Dennis Alfano *Psychology*
 Sandra Bingaman *English*
 Joanne Bonneville *French*
 Ian Germani *History*
 Bernard Thraves *Geography*

25 years

Phillip Hansen *Philosophy & Classics*
 Kenneth Probert *English*
 Nicholas Ruddick *English*
 David Sauchyn *Geography*
 Gary Tompkins *Economics*

30 years

Alison Hayford *Sociology & Social Studies*

35 years

Bette Fiege *English*
 Linda Paul *Geography*

40 years

Annabel Robinson *Philosophy & Classics*



News of faculty members

On 8 April, **Patricia Miller-Schroeder (WMST)** participated in a panel discussion entitled “Examining the Pay Equity Challenge: Forgotten but not Resolved” ... despite progress made during the 1980s to reduce the wage gap between men and women, recent statistics show that this gap has since increased dramatically, particularly between university educated men and women, where the wage gap is reported to be 32%. ... the discussion focused on the contributing factors and the efforts needed to resolve the injustice ... **Peter Bisson (RLST/Campion)** has been named director of the Jesuit Forum for Social Faith and Justice in Toronto, a small NGO that facilitates religious contributions to social justice work ... the Forum opened in October 2007, and he is to direct it from his academic post at Campion College ... **Mark Anderson (Luther)** published an article entitled “Civilization and Barbarism in Canada’s Press, 1873” in the *Argentinean Journal of Canadian Studies* 1 (2007) ... **Mary Hampton (PSYC/Luther)** is a co-applicant on a \$25,000 research grant from SSHRC for a project entitled “Capturing the Outcomes and Impacts of Publicly Funded Research”...



Fall 2008 course enrolments

If you haven’t done so already, please be sure to review the enrolments in your Department’s or program's upcoming fall courses. A few courses are already at their ceilings. It is time to begin thinking about whether to raise the ceilings for, and/or lay on additional sections of, these courses. As always, we want to do everything possible to meet student demand for Arts courses. If there is clear need for additional sections, or for marking support in sections of increased size, please let us know. At the other extreme, please also keep an eye out for sections with very low enrolments. In such cases you should think seriously about cancelling the classes now rather than later and, if the course is being taught by a permanent member of staff, reassigning those resources elsewhere if possible.



Absence from campus

Dr Kler will be Acting Dean on Thursday 17 and Friday 18 April. Dr Chase will be in Rosetown for a student recruitment session on Thursday, and in Saskatoon on Friday.



Conference: missing women

In August, 2008, Women's Studies (University of Regina and Luther College) will host an international conference to examine the consistent and alarming rise of missing indigenous women in Canada and Mexico. The conference will bring together academics, activists, mothers of some of the missing women, Elders, writers, journalists, artists, and filmmakers from across Canada, the United States and Mexico who are addressing the violence of femicide.

Some of the confirmed speakers are Maria Campbell, Lourdes Portillo, Marta Perez, Isabel Arvide, Cynthia Bejaranoes, Bev Jacobs, and Morningstar Mercredi. Adrian Stimson, aboriginal curator at the Mendel Art Gallery in Saskatoon has designed a memorial sculpture that will be unveiled during the conference near the First Nations University Healing Gardens. The Native Women's Association of Canada intends to launch their five-year project of a database on murdered and missing indigenous women in Canada at our conference.

The conference is entitled "Missing Women: Decolonization, Third Wave Feminisms, and Indigenous People of Canada and Mexico" and it will be held 14-17 August at the Conexus Arts Centre in Regina.

The goals of the conference are:

- to raise public awareness about violence against indigenous women on a global context, but specifically in Canada and Mexico;
- to participate in the ongoing development of a critical analysis of systemic sexualized racism;
- to create a forum for multi-disciplinary organizations to meet and discuss both the theoretical and the grassroots activist work that needs to happen to stem this tide of violence;
- to facilitate support and activist networks for family members of missing women.

Anticipated outcomes include:

- a public presentation of a nation-wide petition for a full investigation into and resolution of this injustice;
- documentation of the event in the form of a DVD and a written account for secondary and post-secondary educators;
- establish resolutions for change, which include the formation of an international network;
- preparations to host a second conference in another two years to discuss the progress made towards a healthy and safe Aboriginal community

Further information can be found at: www.missingwomenregina.com. Women's Studies welcomes any donations. Sponsoring departments will be acknowledged on the sponsorship wall.



Killam Prize nominations: deadline 16 June 2008

See www.canadacouncil.ca/prizes/killam/

The Canada Council for the Arts is pleased to announce the opening of nominations for the 2009 Killam Prizes. The FIVE Killam Prizes are worth \$100,000 each. One is awarded in each field: social sciences, humanities, natural sciences, health sciences and engineering.

An individual may not put forward his or her own nomination. Candidates must be nominated. Nominations and related documentation must be submitted directly to the Canada Council for the Arts by the deadline dates specified on the information sheet: all materials must be postmarked no later than 16 June 2008.

The winners of these awards are normally announced publicly by the end of May 2009. Results of the 2008 Killam Prizes will be announced publicly by the end of March 2008.

Holidays

As we near the season when people begin to think of holidays, Heads should remind their members of the need to make known their plans in writing. Article 23.2.2 of the *Collective Agreement* deals with the use of vacation time for members of the academic staff. Section 4.5.2 of the *Faculty Handbook* is also germane:

Faculty members (Department Heads) who will be absent from campus on vacation are to make appropriate arrangements with their Department Head (Dean) and confirm them in writing, indicating the period of absence and where they can be contacted. It is the responsibility of the Department to keep accurate records of vacation use and entitlement.

Heads are therefore asked to ensure that their members are aware of these provisions, and that written records are kept in the Department office.

2007-08 SIPP student public policy essay contest

Students at the University of Regina, the University of Saskatchewan, and First Nations University of Canada are invited to submit papers they have written for a course, along with a recommendation from the course professor. A panel of judges evaluates all submissions. The winning graduate and undergraduate papers are published and distributed across Canada. The winning authors receive \$500.00 each.

Deadline for submissions is 30 April 2008. All papers written between 1 May 2007 and 30 April 2008 will be considered. Submissions must include contact information and university details (student's name, year of schooling, student number, mailing address, e-mail address, faculty, and area of study). Papers will not be returned to authors. Only one paper per student per contest year will be accepted.

Entries must

- address an issue of public policy, such as social policy, economic policy, health studies, rural studies, Aboriginal policy, environmental policy, governance, or citizenship;
- be between 3,000 and 6,000 words and be submitted in Microsoft Word format;
- result from a course assignment and must include a brief written recommendation from the course instructor (the recommendation should reference the course name and number)
- be fully sourced and footnoted appropriately

Entries may be submitted to the attention of Karen Jaster-Laforge at sipp@uregina.ca. For more information, please contact SIPP at sipp@uregina.ca or 585.5869. Details, and a downloadable version of this year's poster, are available on SIPP's website at www.uregina.ca/sipp.



President's Fund and SSHRC General Research Grant Fund Deadline: 1 May 2008
Website: http://www.uregina.ca/research/internal_grants/sshrc.shtml

The President's Fund and SSHRC General Research Grant Fund awards are provided bi-annually, on a competitive basis, to promote research and scholarly work at the University of Regina. Please refer to the Office of Research Services website for further information regarding eligibility, application procedures and other related details: www.uregina.ca/research/internal_grants/sshrc.shtml. All first time applicants are strongly encouraged to contact Sarah.Savage@uregina.ca for advice in preparing their application. Application forms and guidelines are available for download at the following URLs:

Conference Travel:

www.uregina.ca/research/internal_grants/Pres_SSHRC_Application-travel08.doc

Research Support:

www.uregina.ca/research/internal_grants/Pres_SSHRC_Application-Research08.doc



Calendar of upcoming events

Date	Time	Place	Event
MAY			
Saturday 10	All day	College Avenue Campus	Harry Potter and the Queen City Muggles (sponsored by Arts, Education, CCE, HRI, and the Regina Public Library)
JUNE			
Wednesday 4 Thursday 5 Friday 6	1:30	Conexus Centre	Spring convocation



Studying aging of the elderly
 By PAMELA COWAN
Leader-Post (Friday 11 April 2008)

A multi-million-dollar grant given to a team of University of Regina researchers could relieve some of the pain of aging.

The Saskatchewan Health Research Foundation has awarded \$2.4 million over five years to Dr. Thomas Hadjistavropoulos and his team to improve the quality of life for seniors who live in long-term care facilities.

“This will become one of the largest research programs in long-term care anywhere in the world,” said Hadjistavropoulos, director of the Centre on Aging and Health at the U of R and leader of the Research and Community Alliance for Quality of Life in Long Term Care.

SHRF is the provincial agency that funds and facilitates health research and is the lead agency for the provincial Health Research Strategy. Funding was announced to two teams by SHRF through its Health Research Team and Research Group Development programs.

Also receiving \$2.4 million from the foundation was Dr. Andrew Potter, who leads the Research Alliance for the Prevention of Infectious Disease at the University of Saskatchewan.

“It’s the biggest grant that we give out and it’s a very new program — this is only the second competition that we’ve had,” said SHRF CEO June Bold. “Dr. Hadjistavropoulos is the first Regina researcher to be leading a team that’s been approved in our competition... We’re pretty proud of Thomas because we funded him when he first came to the province.”

Teams applying for the grants have their proposals reviewed by a panel of experts who make a recommendation to SHRF.

“The teams need to be really strong, established individuals who are coming together to work on an important health issue for Saskatchewan and their work needs to really have synergy so that they can work together to do something better as a group than they can as individuals,” Bold said.

Work that focuses on the aging population is a priority with SHRF, she said.

It’s estimated that 80 per cent of seniors living in North American nursing homes suffer from significant pain problems and 25 per cent are depressed. Falls are also very common for seniors.

The grant will allow the team to study how to improve nutrition, prevent falls, develop exercise programs and improve pain assessment and management.

The team includes experts in clinical psychology, nursing, physical therapy, geriatric psychiatry, family medicine, cell biology, clinical nutrition, administrators from the two health regions and neuropsychology.

Working with occupational and physical therapists in long-term facilities, the experts will educate staff about assessing and managing pain.

“In prior studies, nurses have indicated they need more knowledge of pain management.”

The team will also examine how to improve communication between nurses and physicians so residents receive improved pain management.

“We’re also looking at ways of assessing pain that is practical, user friendly and quick that can be used on a wide scale,” Hadjistavropoulos said.

He hopes to work with as many facilities in Regina and Saskatoon as possible. Once the research is complete, the team will return to the participating homes and demonstrate to staff how to implement the research findings in their day-to-day practice.

“The goal is to make a real difference in people’s lives and in the functioning of the homes — something that’s going to be perceived as being very positive, not only by the residents and their families but by staff.”