

Important Dates

Friday, February 7

Coffee Party

10:00 – 10:30 a.m. in ED 562

Research Presentation by

Dr. Nourhene Ben Youssef

10:30 – 11:30 a.m. in ED 514

Friday, February 7

Career Development Conference

(CDC 2014) 9:45 am – 2:30 pm

Terrace Building

Tuesday, February 11

CPA Information Booth

10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. on 6th Floor

Thursday, February 13

APT & CUPE Staff Meeting

9:00 – 10:30 a.m. in ED 560

Monday, February 17

Family Day – University Closed

Monday, February 24

Special Presentation by

George Smith, Adjunct Professor
at Queen's University

1:00 – 2:15 p.m. in ED 623

Friday, February 28

Faculty Council Meeting

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon in

Ad Hum 527 (President's Boardroom)

Saturday, March 1

Saturday Sessional Teaching

Workshop **Note: this was

rescheduled from Feb. 15**

Friday, March 7

Coffee Party

10:00 – 10:30 a.m. in ED 562

Research Presentation by

Dr. Andrew Stevens

10:30 – 11:30 a.m. in ED 514

Levene School in Carillon

You may have seen the article in the January 30, 2014 issue of the *Carillon*, entitled "A blatant disregard for ethics." The general tenor of the entire story – that we are entering a partnership with any organization in Israel – is misleading and completely false. It misrepresents the material given to the Carillon in an interview on January 22 regarding our activities. As I have stated to our Faculty on several occasions, we are not pursuing a joint MBA or partnership. Rather, we are considering the possibility of our MBA students taking one or two courses in the public safety stream through another university, which may go toward satisfying the requirements of our MBA degree. Our development of the program has been, and will remain, an academic enquiry. We continue to look for educational opportunities that fit with developmental needs of MBA students pursuing a specialization in public safety management.

Student Conference

Plans are underway for our 4th Annual Career Development Conference which is being held on Friday, February 7. The conference will run from 10:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the Terrace Building, #10 Research Drive. We hope to have over 100 students attend the career-building sessions led by a lineup of outstanding speakers and panelists. Sessions include:

- **Women in Leadership**

- This session will feature high level business women including Rosanne Hill Blaisdell, Pam Klein, Tafaline Wall and Vianne Timmons discussing their experience as women in business.

- **A "Major" Decision: Your Future in Business**

- This session will discuss each of the Faculty's majors and the career opportunities available. Speakers will be members of Leaders Council including Lynette Gillen, Rob Haynes, Betty Hoffart, Richard Kies, Victor Thomas and Jason Zhao.

Please announce the conference in your classes, post on your UR

Courses and encourage students to attend! Student tickets can be purchased for \$5.00 in the Dean's Office (ED 508) until noon on Thursday. Additional conference details can be found on our [website](#).

In the News

Insight speaker and alumnus **Ken Sunquist** was featured in the Leader Post on Monday, February 3 (pg D1).

<http://www.leaderpost.com/business/Diplomat+trade+specialist+Sunquist+shares+tricks+Asian+trade/9461378/story.html>

Important Dates

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Sun. March 9 – Fri. March 14

BSS 5 Days for the Homeless Initiative

Friday, March 14

Teaching Workshop
11:30 – 12:30 in ED 558

Tuesday, March 18

CPA Information Booth
10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. on 6th Floor

Friday, March 21

BSS Keg-a-Rama

Friday, March 28

Faculty Council Meeting
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon in
Ad Hum 527 (President's Boardroom)

Friday, April 4

Coffee Party
10:00 – 10:30 a.m. in ED 562

Friday, April 4

Teaching Workshop
11:30 – 12:30 in ED 514 ****Note:**
this was rescheduled for April 25**

Friday, April 4

BSS Spring Gala

Thursday, April 10

APT & CUPE Staff Meeting
9:00 – 10:30 a.m. in ED 560

Friday, April 11

Faculty Forum
Location tba

Friday, April 11

Research Presentation by
Dr. Armann Ingolfsson
Time & location tba

Walk-Ins

This week's walk-in hours for Faculty and Staff with **Dean Andrew Gaudes** will be:

- Thurs. Feb. 6 @ 9:00 – 1:00 am
- Fri. Feb. 7 @ 8:30 – 9:30 am

Ron Camp is Acting Dean for February 3, 4 and 5.

Coffee Party – February 7

Our next Coffee Party is scheduled for this Friday, February 7 at 10:00 a.m. in ED 560. We hope you can join us!

Research Presentation – February 7

Nourhene Ben Youssef will be presenting at our next Research Presentation:

Date: Friday, February 7

Time: 10:30 – 11:30 a.m.

Location: Education Building, Room 514

The topic of the presentation is "Lie to Us: Restatement Announcements".

Abstract:

Lying, confusing, withholding key information, and/or delaying the release of pertinent explanations are manipulation techniques potentially used by companies to mislead investors. This paper explores whether and why publicly held companies manipulate restatement announcements. Merging accounting literature with Information Manipulation Theory, we developed a disclosure score encompassing the quantity, the quality, the manner and the timing of restatement information released in the Form 8-K and in the press releases (8K_PRs). Based on this score, we found misleading companies tend to do so by withholding critical information (quantity), disclosing inaccurate information (quality) in their 8K_PRs. To understand the reasons companies mislead investors, our findings suggest that some restatement characteristics affect the likelihood of manipulating restatement information in 8K_PRs.

Successful Case Competition

Ace the Case is a two day workshop and competition designed and delivered by KPMG that is geared towards first, second and third year commerce students with a long-term interest in pursuing a CA/CPA designation. The workshop provides students with an opportunity to improve case-writing and analytical skills, as well as presentation skills. The program consists of three stages of competition: Local, National and Global. Our national winning team will represent Canada at International Case Competition (taking place in Brazil this year), competing against students from across 24 participating countries. The majority of students are from the Calgary area, however we always invite about 4 students from other parts of Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba to participate.

Hill Student **Kristen Hudym** was a member of a four person team which competed and performed well in this competition, placing second. Congratulations to Kristen!

Special Guest Speaker – George Smith

Andrew Stevens has made arrangements to have **George Smith** give a special lecture on campus Monday, February 24. George Smith, Fellow, School of Policy Studies at Queen's University, will be presenting, "The Fragile Future of Free Collective Bargaining in Canada". George's talk will focus on developments at the federal level, but his commentary on back-to-work legislation, government intervention in collective bargaining, and essential services will undoubtedly resonate with the labour relations community in Saskatchewan.