

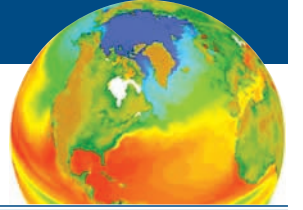


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## Applications on the rise

By CELIA RUSSELL

Applications to Queen's from Ontario and across the country and internationally are on the rise.

At Queen's, applications from Ontario high school students have increased by seven per cent over the same period last year, supporting a province-wide trend. This represents an increase of 1,564 applications over last year. Total applications received to

date, through the OUAC Reporting Centre in Guelph, are 23,766.

"We are seeing growth in the number of applications from Ontario students as well as students outside the Ontario school system, including those from other Canadian provinces and international applicants," says Stuart Pinchin, Associate University Registrar – Undergraduate Admissions.

Another welcome trend is the seven per cent increase in applicants who have designated Queen's as their first choice.

The developments are being seen across the university, with all faculties showing a significant year over year increase in applications, Mr. Pinchin notes. The biggest increase in applications from Ontario high schools appears to be to Engineering,

Commerce, Nursing and the new programs in Kinesiology and Health Studies.

The deadline for applications from non-Ontario high school students is later in February.

The marked increase in applications to post-secondary institutions is an Ontario-wide phenomenon. As of the Jan. 11 deadline, 79,568 secondary school students had applied for first-year admission to

Ontario universities for fall 2007. This is an increase of 3,908 applicants or 5.2 per cent over 2006.

This significant growth comes on top of major increases in applications in recent years, even after the double-cohort had been accommodated. This year's applications represent an increase of nine per cent over 2005 levels and 11.7 per cent over 2004.

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## Public health in spotlight

A special forum will take place Friday, Feb. 9 to update the university community on the progress of Queen's Population and Public Health Initiative, which includes both an institute and the development of a school of public health.

The Forum on Population and Public Health aims to engage Queen's community members in discussions about a proposed curriculum for a master's in public health and planning for the development of a school of public health.

Special Advisor to the Principal for the Queen's Population and Public Health Initiative John Hoey struck a curriculum committee last fall to devise a master's of public health degree, to be reviewed by the School of Graduate Studies and Research. If Queen's and the Ontario Council on Graduate Studies approve the initiative, it could start as early as September 2008.

"We are extremely pleased about the progress to date as well

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### SNOW KIDDING



CELIA RUSSELL

The balmy spring-like weather is no more. Students contend with snow and cold while changing classes. The electronic sign outside the John Deutsch University Centre, advertising a summer job fair, serves as a reminder that warmer weather is a few short months away.

## Post-docs to benefit from gift

By ALISSA DELEY

As a graduate and post-doctoral professor in the Department of Geography for the past 31 years, Robert Gilbert knows how difficult it is for students to obtain funding for a post-doctoral fellowship.

At a total cost of \$40-\$50,000 per year, students are forced to scramble to secure funding for their fellowships.

While external funding sources exist such as the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC), the average grant is only \$23 thousand per year. And naturally, given the highly competitive nature of most funding sources, the demand for post-doctoral fellows in the Department of Geography exceeds the availability of funding by a significant margin.

With this in mind, Dr. Gilbert decided to donate \$1.26 million to establish a post-doctoral fellowship in the Geography Department. Directed to scholars in the field of Earth system science, it may include any of the traditional disciplines of physical geography, environmental research, or the impact of human activity on the Earth system.

"In a time of otherwise limited funding for PDFs, I am pleased to offer this opportunity to young scholars in Earth Systems and Environmental Science," says Dr. Gilbert. "I anticipate it will contribute long into the future to the already dynamic research and learning environment of the Department of Geography."

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## A Golden Gael comes "home" to Queen's

By KEN CUTHBERTSON

Leslie Dal Cin felt "very much at home" when she arrived on campus just before Christmas to start her new job as Chair of Athletics and Recreation. No, she isn't a Queen's graduate or a native Kingstonian. She isn't of Gaelic heritage; her distinctive surname is Italian. She's never worked at Queen's before.

Her instant affinity stems from the fact she was once a Golden Gael. Confused? Well, the puzzle has a simple answer.

"I attended Sir Oliver Mowat Collegiate Institute in Scarborough, where the sports teams also are nicknamed the Golden Gaels," the Toronto native explains with a laugh. "So when I arrived at Queen's, I felt as if I'd come full circle."

The circle she speaks of is a large one indeed. Ms. Dal Cin's 24-year career as a coach and sports administrator has taken her literally around the world.

"I've had some varied experiences to this point in my life,"

she says with modest understatement.

When her Golden Gaels days at Sir Oliver Mowat ended, she studied business management at George Brown College in Toronto and Law Enforcement at Seneca College in nearby Willowdale, eventually attending York University and earning her BA and certificate in advanced coaching in the early 1980s. Ms. Dal Cin played varsity basketball at George Brown, Seneca, and York.

From 1982 to 1986, she was assistant women's basketball coach at York and Laurentian and was later head coach at Waterloo for three years, and assisted the Women's Interuniversity Coordinator. From 1990 to 1997, Ms. Dal Cin was executive director and technical director of Basketball Ontario and worked four seasons (1990-94) as assistant women's hoops coach at the University of Toronto. She then spent six years as executive director of Canada Basketball

before resigning in early 2004 to pursue an independent consulting business. Basketball New Zealand contacted her about a consulting gig.

One thing led to another and in March 2005, she was offered the job of general manager of the Performance Group with Basketball New Zealand.

"It proved to be an amazing experience," she says.

Ms. Dal Cin was responsible for the men's and women's national basketball teams, coaching, athlete development, and all athlete support services. Despite having a population of just 4.1 million, the Kiwis more than hold their own in international competition. The men finished ninth at the 2006 world championships. Both the men's and women's teams, the Tall Blacks and the Tall Ferns, qualified for the Olympics in 2000 and 2004. And there's a good chance both will be going to the 2008 games in Beijing.

This kind of success brings a smile to Ms. Dal Cin's face.

"My background is about coming from and developing a winning culture and winning teams," she says.

Queen's desire and commitment to move to an excellence-based athletic program prompted her to apply for the job.

"There's a wonderful opportunity to do some really exciting things within an excellence-based athletics and recreation program. The key will be to make that all fit in with the new Queen's Centre. I'm really excited to be part of it all."

She knows she faces some big challenges. In succeeding John McFarlane, who retired at the end of November, Ms. Dal Cin became the first woman to serve in this post in the 98 years since 1918, when the near-legendary Jimmy Bews became "physical director" at Queen's. She says this is no big deal.

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"There are a number of talented and successful women to have come before me and who

are currently involved in Queen's athletics and recreation," she says. "Besides, I'd prefer to be known for the job I do rather than for my gender."

With that in mind, she's hit

the ground running...an apt metaphor indeed in this case.

Ms. Dal Cin says she's been "blown away" by the passion many people have for Queen's and its varsity teams. She spent her first month on the job talking with alumni, staff, and students about the university's athletics and recreation programs.

"I've thrown everything on the table and asked why and how we do whatever it is that we do. My goal is to keep what's working and build and hopefully even improve upon it. If we're doing some things or have programs that don't make sense or aren't working as well as they can, we'll reexamine them."

If that means dropping some programs or even varsity sports, those are decisions she's prepared to deal with.

While it's still too early for Ms. Dal Cin to have reached any conclusions, she has come up with a series of five general priorities.

"I'm trying to get to know as much as I can about the university, about our programs and the coaches, and about the Queen's community. That's number one," she says.

"Two is to proactively provide information and act as a resource to the committee that's currently conducting the review of Queen's athletics and recreation. The review will determine our future vision, mandate and, to a large extent, the shape of our

future athletics and recreation programs as we build the Queen's Centre.

"Three is that I'd like to examine the system of financial awards for student athletes, how and where we get money, and how we can put that money to the best use.

"Four is enhancing communication, awareness and marketing of our programs and our teams, and five is to find ways to engage the wider Kingston community."

Ms. Dal Cin knows she has a lot on her plate, but she wouldn't have it any other way.

**"There's a wonderful opportunity to do some really exciting things within an excellence-based athletics and recreation program."**

Leslie Dal Cin

"Queen's is renowned for its academic excellence. On the athletic and recreation side, we have committed and passionate people, and we really do a lot of things well. In some ways, we're ahead of other competitors, and in some regards, we're behind.. My vision is to have an athletics and recreation program that matches Queen's academic excellence. That's an exciting future, and it's what I'm shooting for."



KEN CUTHBERTSON

Like the athlete that she is, Queen's new Chair of Athletics and Recreation hit the ground running when she arrived on campus in December. Leslie Dal Cin has some ambitious plans.

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The post-doctoral experience is an important part of the professional training of scholars. It is a normal and almost required stage for those who seek full-time academic appointments especially to major, research-oriented universities.

Post-doctoral fellows also make important contributions to the research of the supervisors with whom they are affiliated, and to all aspects of the academic life of the department and the university.

Following undergraduate and graduate studies at the University of British Columbia and post-doctoral study at the University of Alberta, Dr. Gilbert joined Queen's in 1975. His research involves field investigations that have taken him to the Great Lakes, western Canada, the Canadian Arctic, Greenland and Antarctica.

Dr. Gilbert teaches undergraduate courses in Earth system science, limnology and arctic environments and is involved in research on lacustrine and marine systems at the graduate and post-doctoral levels.

## Health

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as the level of enthusiasm and commitment we are seeing for this initiative in the Queen's community," says Dr. Hoey. "There is clearly a great deal of support for the idea of Queen's assuming a key role in addressing the complex population and public health problems of our time."

The Institute of Population and Public Health (IPPH) was launched last June. Kristan Aronson of the Department of Community Health and Epidemiology is the founding director and Kevin Hall, head of the Department of Civil Engineering chairs the IPPH Advisory Board.

The Initiative for Population and Public Health was conceived just over a year ago at an inaugural retreat attended by more than 100 faculty from across Queen's. This year's event will focus on increasing input by the Queen's community into the planning for a School of Public Health.

Research in population and public health identifies and detects health issues at both individual and community levels,

and aims to promote health, prevent disease and disablement, prolong life, and improve quality of life through organized efforts at many levels of society. The Queen's institute was established to contribute to the role that trans-disciplinary research and its application in policy can play in maintaining and promoting a healthy global society.

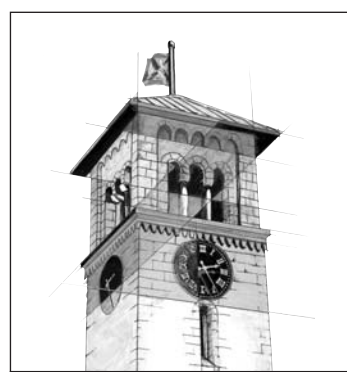
The Feb. 9 forum will feature keynote speaker Prabhat Jha, who has published widely on tobacco, HIV/AIDS and health of the global poor and whose publications on tobacco led to the first ever global tobacco control treaty adopted in May 2003. His book, *Curbing the Epidemic: Governments and the Economics of Tobacco Control*, is one of the most influential books on tobacco control and has been translated into more than 20 languages and disseminated worldwide.

As founding director of the Centre for Global Health Research at St Michael's Hospital and the University's of Toronto's Canada Research Chair in Health and Development, Dr. Jha is the prin-

cipal investigator of a prospective study of one million deaths in India, researching mortality from HIV, smoking, alcohol use, fertility history, indoor air pollution and other risk factors among two million homes and 14 million people. This will be the world's largest study of health.

**Tuesday, Jan. 23 and Wednesday, Jan. 24:** Information and feedback sessions for faculty staff and students the new masters of public health program currently under development. Room 14, Dunning Hall, 11:30 am - 1 pm each day. Comments can also be emailed to [c.christmas@queensu.ca](mailto:c.christmas@queensu.ca).

**Friday, Feb. 9:** Forum on Population and Public Health, Lower Ban Righ, Ban Righ Hall, 10 Bader Ln., 9 am - 2 pm. RSVPs are required to [c.christmas@queensu.ca](mailto:c.christmas@queensu.ca) as seating is limited. Details will follow at [www.queenspph.ca](http://www.queenspph.ca)



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## Values philosopher to visit campus

By MOLLY KEHOE

An Italian author and politician known for his ideas on moral values will visit Queen's Jan. 31.

The Department of Spanish and Italian is hosting Gianni Vattimo, said to be one of the world's most important philosophers. The University of Turin professor of philosophy will deliver a lecture entitled *Philosophy & Religion in Europe: The Myth of Unity* in room 201, Kingston Hall, at 4:30 pm. The event is open to the public and admission is free.

McGill-Queen's Press recently published a book called *Weakening Philosophy: Essays in Honour of Gianni Vattimo*. Edited by Santiago Zabala, the book features contributions by Umberto Eco, Charles Taylor, Fernando Savater, and Jean-Luc Nancy.

Although Professor Vattimo has received little attention in the English-speaking world, in *Weakening Philosophy*, his ideas are geared to a broad audience. Building on his experience as a politician, he poses the question: Is it possible to speak of moral imperatives, individual rights and political freedom? The book builds on the philosophy that he argues for: pensiero debole or "weak thinking," which shows how moral values can exist without being guaranteed by an external authority.

In this compilation of philosophers, theologians, and literary critics, Professor Vattimo puts philosophy into a relationship with modern culture.

A professor of hermeneutic philosophy, he has published



Gianni Vattimo

several books in English, including *Dialogue with Nietzsche*, *After Christianity*, and *The Future of Religion* with Richard Rorty.

Professor Vattimo graduated with a philosophy degree from the University of Turin, where he later held the position of president of the Faculty of Letters. He has also been a visiting professor at several U.S. universities. Between 1999 and 2004, he served as a member of the European parliament.

The Department of Spanish and Italian, with support from departments of German, Philosophy, English, History, Political Studies, Religious Studies, Etudes Françaises, and the Faculty of Arts and Science are hosting Professor Vattimo's visit. Vice-Principal (Academic) Patrick Deane will introduce him.

For more information, contact Cristina Caracchini at 613-533-2116 or caracchi@post.queensu.ca.

## IN BRIEF

### Help complete the picture

Faculty, staff and retirees are invited to a free pancake breakfast on Tuesday Feb. 6 to help kick off this year's Queen's Community Campaign. The breakfast will take place from 7:30 to 9:30 am in Grant Hall.

Formerly the Faculty, Staff, Retirees campaign, the name has been changed to reflect the community that is Queen's, and the impact we make when working together.

"The Queen's Community Campaign is our chance to show our support for the many great things that happen on campus and beyond," says Paul Chesser, director of Annual Giving. "No matter what we do in our roles, our work here helps further the mission of the university to make an impact on our society and our world."

Campaign's co-chairs John Burge (faculty), Don Carter (retirees) and Donna Stover (staff) have all supported those areas of the university that mean the most to them, and they're encouraged by the number of employees who join them by making a gift every year.

"We are very lucky to have the opportunity to contribute to the important work of Queen's, and this is the campus community's chance to show those who fund Queen's – alumni, students, government and corporations and foundations – that we are full partners in that mission," says Mr. Chesser.

In addition to a mailout in February, gifts can be made online at [www.givetoqueens.ca](http://www.givetoqueens.ca).

## Show explores issues of identity, gender

By MOLLY KEHOE

Respected physician by day; loud-mouthed drag queen by night. That's the crux of Charles Hayter's original one-person show, *Lady-in-Waiting*.

Based loosely on his own experiences as a doctor and drag performer, Dr. Hayter tells the story of a man with a double life: By day, Dr. Kevin Kain; by night, Candace Sugarcane II (aka Kandi Kane).

The show takes place Monday, Jan. 29 at 7:30 pm at the Domino Theatre, 370 King St. W. Admission is free for students and \$5 for the public. A 45-minute discussion period with Dr. Hayter will follow the show. Viewers are cautioned that the show contains course language. It is presented by the Hannah Chair in the History of Medicine, Queen's University Association of Queer Employees (QUAQE) and the Domino Theatre.

"It seemed a fertile topic to explore – issues of identity, gender, and boundaries," says Dr. Hayter, a graduate of Queen's Medical School and a former faculty member in the Department of Oncology. He also has a BA in drama from Queen's and an MA in theatre from the University of Calgary. Dr. Hayter is currently an associate professor with the Department of Radiation Oncology at University of Toronto, and a radiation oncologist at Toronto-Sunnybrook Regional Cancer Centre.

The audience should expect to be moved and surprised. It's a comic piece that slides towards darkness at the end, he says.



Charles Hayter

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The project really took off when he met former Queen's drama classmate and Governor-General's-award-winning-playwright Judith Thompson at their 30th reunion in 2004.

"We came up with the idea of a one-person show about a man with two lives: doctor and drag performer," he says.

The show has already been performed in Toronto, Montreal,

London and Winnipeg, and had immediate appeal to both the Hannah Chair and QUAQE for its potential to educate. It not only takes an innovative approach to teaching medical students about the potential of their patient, it also deals with themes that most viewers will respond to as they examine their own lives.

Queen's medical students will be attending *Lady-in-Waiting* to

educate them on open-mindedness in the doctor-patient relationship.

"The play deals with the phenomenon of the social categories we are placed in, and also place ourselves in," says QUAQE member Stacy Kelly.

The friction for audience members comes as they deal with their own categories as they reflect a sense of self and identity, he says. Queer people particularly identify with this character's very specific set of categories, he says. Stories such as this are important components in the composition of a culture and in self-understanding.

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## STAUFFER SCENE



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Trees and shrubs took on a magical appearance last Friday as a blanket of heavy, wet snow fell on campus. Here, pedestrians walk along Union Street beside Stauffer Library, where signs of construction of the library's new main foyer coffee shop are evident.

# Lecturer to speak on racism and the law

By ALISSA DELEY

An expert in race and gender issues will deliver the Dunning Trust Lecture on *The Empire of Camps: Race, Law and the War on Terror* later this month.

The lecture, by Sherene Razack, a professor in the Department of Sociology and Equity Studies for Integrative Anti-Racism Studies at The Ontario Institute for Studies in Education of the University of Toronto (OISE/UT) is presented by the Senate Educational Equity Committee. It will take place Tuesday, Jan. 30 at 7:30 pm in Ellis Hall Auditorium with a reception to follow. Seating is limited so be sure to arrive early.

Dr. Razack's research and teaching interests lie in the area of race and gender issues in the law. Currently in press is a book entitled *The Empire of Camps: Race, Law and the War on Terror* (University of Toronto Press). Her most recently published book, *Dark Threats and White Knights: The Somalia Affair, Peacekeeping and the New Imperialism* (University of Toronto Press, 2004), is an examination of the violence of Canadian peacekeepers in Somalia and an exploration of the role of law in violence exacted on racialized bodies in the new world order. Dr. Razack has also published articles on Canadian national

mythologies and immigration policies of the 1990s, race, space and prostitution, and gendered racism.

As a professor of graduate studies at the University of Toronto, her courses include racism and the law, race and knowledge production, race, space and citizenship, and marginality and the politics of resistance.

Before obtaining her PhD in education in 1989, Dr. Razack worked in the area of human rights, teaching trade unionists, community activists, legal practitioners, government employees, teachers and students on a variety of social justice issues.

# Students help to shape the future at withinsight 2007

By CELIA RUSSELL

Internationally known demographer and economist David Foot headlines a long list of high-profile speakers at a Queen's student-run conference in the nation's capital this week.

Between 40 and 50 Queen's students are expected to attend withinsight 2007, Jan. 24 to 27 in Ottawa, with the remaining 90 coming from institutions across Canada.

This year's conference theme is Canada's Building Momentum, which will explore the challenges

the next generation of Canadian leaders will encounter. Sessions will centre on the topics of demographic imbalance and social change, diversity, the sustainability of the nation's renowned health-care system, as well as human resource management.

The work that students accomplish during conference continues to resonate long after the conference is over.

A policy document based on conference recommendations will be forwarded to the Privy Council of Canada, then sent to

specific government agencies.

"The goal is to have it implemented in policy reform," says Queen's student Erik Sloane, national director of withinsight 2007.

Last year's document was used by the Ministry of Environment, which provided feedback to the students on how they used it in their reporting.

"It was very rewarding just to see what we had done, not just for ourselves, but also for the betterment of the rest of the country," he says.

Dr. Foot, an economics profes-

sor at the University of Toronto, is coauthor of the best-selling books *Boom, Bust & Echo: How to Profit from the Coming Demographic Shift* and *Boom, Bust & Echo: Profiting from the Demographic Shift in the 21st Century*.

Other confirmed speakers include Ruby Dahla, the youngest female MP and health critic for the opposition; Linda Silas, president of the Canadian Federation of Nurses Union and Chris Worth, manager of sponsorship at the Toronto Board of Trade.

Since its inception in 1997,

post-secondary students from across the country have come together in our nation's capital to promote both discussions and solutions regarding current Canadian issues. The bilingual conference allows delegates to collaborate with national leaders from across the public, private, and non-profit sectors. It challenges delegates to apply the knowledge obtained in classrooms and from personal experience as they work towards building Canada's future.

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# Black History Month features a range of events for everyone

Each February, Black History Month Kingston (BHM Kingston), a working group of the Ontario Public Interest Research Group (OPIRG) organizes a host of events for the Queen's and Kingston communities. Faculty, students and staff and local community organizations have participated in this year's committee. A list of confirmed events so far follows.

To learn more about Black History Month Kingston or to get involved in the planning of year round events, contact Tka Pinnock (Coordinator) at [3tp@qlink.queensu.ca](mailto:3tp@qlink.queensu.ca) or Tracey at OPIRG (613-533-3189).

Black History Month was officially recognized by the Canadian Parliament in December 1995 to raise awareness about the contributions of African Canadians, past and present.

**Feb. 5, 12, 26: Traditional West African Dance Workshops,**

**Physical Education Centre, Upper Dance Studio, 1 - 2:30 pm.** Three introductory dance workshops will feature basic traditional West African dance steps from several dances from Ghana and surrounding regions. Maximum 25 participants per workshop. Adults only. To register, contact Anita Davies, [apd@post.queensu.ca](mailto:apd@post.queensu.ca) or call 613-533-6000 ext. 78418. Presented by the Queen's Human Rights Office

**Feb. 8: Film: Living Memory: Six Sketches of Mali Today, Agnes Etherington Art Centre, University Ave and Bader Lane, 12:15 -1:15 pm and 7-8 pm.** A picture of how Mali's ancient and contemporary cultures interact, and offers an interesting perspective on the exhibition *The Art of Mali*. Details: Pat Sullivan 613-533-6000 ext. 77053. Presented by the Agnes Etherington Art Centre.

**Feb. 9. Children's Story Hour, The Ban Righ Centre, 32**

**Bader Ln., 6 - 7:30 pm.** Stories, songs, music, performances, and more. To register, contact Gamila Abdulla, [ga6@post.queensu.ca](mailto:ga6@post.queensu.ca)

**Feb. 12: Race and Ethnic Relations Student Poster Presentation (SOC 233), Wallace Hall, John Deutsch University Centre, 2:30-4 pm.** Students will present posters on historical accounts of racism in Canada, hate crime on the Internet, Africville, ethnicity and Quebec nationalism, racism in sport, racism in media, eugenics, and race/gender relations. The project dovetails with many Queen's initiatives to encourage diversity and stimulate dialogue about discrimination on campus. Contact: Cynthia Levine-Rasky, [clr@post.queensu.ca](mailto:clr@post.queensu.ca)

**Feb. 13: Book Club: Sula by Toni Morrison, Ban Righ Centre, 32 Bader Ln., 6 pm.** This club for women will focus on the themes of friendship, self-esteem,

self-image and media representations of black women. Purchase or borrow books from the library before attending the first potluck gathering. Maximum 20 participants. Register: email Anita Davies [apd@post.queensu.ca](mailto:apd@post.queensu.ca) or call 613-533-6000, ext. 78418. Presented by Queen's Human Rights Office.

**Feb. 20: Parent Workshop: Exclusion and Your Children, Ban Righ Centre, 32 Bader Ln., 5 - 7 pm.** Presenter: Anita Davies, Antiracism/Education Advisor, Human Rights Office. This interactive workshop is for parents whose children who experience race-related discrimination of a personal or systemic nature due to their ethnicity, citizenship, religion, accent, or immigrant status. Registration deadline: Feb. 13. Maximum 25 participants. Contact Anita Davies, [apd@post.queensu.ca](mailto:apd@post.queensu.ca) or call 613-533-6000 ext. 78418.

Presented by Queen's Human Rights Office, Black History Month Kingston and KARRA.

**Feb. 24: Kingston Interval House Children's Event, Sydenham Street United Church, 82 Sydenham St., 3 - 5 pm.** Black History Month concert, music, face painting and crafts for children and the whole family. Free.

**Feb. 27: Black History Month Lecture by Katherine McKittrick, assistant professor, Women's Studies, Ban Righ Centre, 32 Bader Ln. noon - 1 pm.** Drawing on her recent book, *Demonic Grounds: Black Women and the Cartographies of Struggle*, this talk will discuss the ways in which the production of space is lived, expressed, and resisted by black women. Details: Lisa Webb, 613-533-6000 ext. 75363

Compiled by Anita Davies, Queen's Human Rights Office

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MARY DAVIS LITTLE

This picture, taken at Alice Corry's 95th birthday party, features Queen's heroines – Faculty Women's Club members whose influence significantly shaped life at the university: (l-r) Donna Watts, Mary Smith, Alice Corry and Stephanie Deutsch.

## Queen's remembers Alice Corry

A memorial service remembering the life of Alice Corry, who died Jan. 3, has been tentatively set for April.

Mrs. Corry, the widow of James Alexander Corry, 13th principal of Queen's (1961-68) had recently celebrated her 100th birthday. She attended the University of Saskatchewan, graduating with her BA in 1927 and a BEd degree the following year.

She met her husband-to-be in Saskatoon, and the couple married in 1934. They came to Kingston in 1936, when Dr. Corry was appointed Hardy Professor of Political Science at Queen's.

Among her many activities, she was a founding member of the Faculty Women's Club, a group established in 1939 to welcome wives of faculty (there were only two or three women professors at the time) and assist in University functions. The Club has since come to include current and retired female faculty, librarians, trustees and administrators, as well as wives of people in these positions. To mark her 95th birthday, in 2001 the Club created the Alice Corry Award in Education, which is given annually to a female graduate student in Education.

Alice Corry was also a dedicated volunteer in the greater

Kingston community. She was active in the Kingston General Hospital Auxiliary, at one time serving as President, and she was a board member at the Sunnyside Children's Centre.

Mrs. Corry continued to live in Kingston following her husband's 1985 death. She is survived by daughters Madeline Corry, Arts'61, of Kingston, and Joan Crawford, Arts'65, London, UK.

With files from the Queen's Alumni Review

## Artist's work featured on TV

### PEOPLE



Providence Centre chapel, tabernacle, by Ted Rettig.

Works by Ted Rettig (Art) were discussed in a recently televised Omni/Rogers series on Dan Donovan's collection of contemporary art now housed at St. Michael's College, University of Toronto. The central theme in the collection is spirituality in contemporary artworks, an area that Professor Rettig has worked in for more than 30 years. Professor Rettig is also putting on a solo show this month in Toronto. [www.ccca.ca](http://www.ccca.ca)

Andrejs Skaburskis (Urban and Regional Planning) recently received the prestigious Rapkin Award for the best article of the year in the Journal of Planning Education and Research. The award was presented to him last

fall at the Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning Conference in Fort Worth, Texas.

Ajay Gopal (undergraduate student) has won the first Affiliated Distributors Electrical Industry Scholarship through Electro-Federation Canada. This scholarship is awarded a family member of current employees of any customer of one of the Affiliate members of A-D's Electrical Supply Division, Canada. Priority is given to students who have an electrical or electronic concentration. The EFC Foundation Scholarship Program is 11 years old. In 2006, it awarded more than \$50,000 in scholarships to students across Canada in engineering, computer science, business administration and electrical apprenticeship programs.

People is an occasional column celebrating the achievements of Queen's community members. Email submissions to [gazette@post.queensu.ca](mailto:gazette@post.queensu.ca)



To inform us of your latest research findings or upcoming journal publications, call News and Media Services Writer Nancy Dorrance, 613-533-2869, or Communications Officer Lorinda Peterson, 613-533-3234.

## Measuring library satisfaction

Beginning Jan. 29, the library system will launch a survey to find out your thoughts on library service quality. Faculty, staff and students in all disciplines will be invited to participate.

The survey, known as LibQUAL, will measure your satisfaction with resources, collections, service and physical space at the library. In addition to multiple-choice questions, you will have an option to add your own comments. A random sample of individuals will receive an email inviting them to participate.

This is the second time the university has participated in the LibQUAL survey. In 2004, we used the results to make changes to our service, including expanded library hours, changes to food and drink policies, additional computers and printers, wireless access throughout the library and implementation of the Get It! @ Queen's button,



AMANDA ROSS-WHITE

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By participating in the survey this year, we would like to measure how we have improved over time. Because more than 200 libraries participate in the survey, we will also be able to assess how we compare to similar institutions. Above all, our goal is to better understand

what you, our users, want in library service!

The survey consists of 27 questions, relating to a different aspect of library service: customer service, building amenities and resources, and collections. You'll be able to determine on a scale of one to nine what level you consider the minimum acceptable service level, your desired service level, and your perception of where Queen's fits in on that scale.

If you receive an email inviting you to participate, we encourage you to do so. If not, you can always send your comments, suggestions and ideas to the librarians at [library@post.queensu.ca](mailto:library@post.queensu.ca) We look forward to hearing from you and stay tuned for survey results!

Amanda Ross-White is Clinical Outreach Services Librarian at the Bracken Health Sciences Library.

The Senate Educational Equity Committee at Queen's University presents the

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*Dangerous Muslim Men, Imperiled Muslim Women and Civilized Europeans: Law and the War on Terror*  
**Dr. Sherene Razack**  
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AUTHOR OF:  
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## VIEWPOINT

ROBERT MALCOLMSON



## Curious facts about academia

Much of what we take for granted in academic life has roots in Europe between about 1500 and the early 1800s. Many features of current university culture started to take shape during these centuries: the printed academic catalogue (or calendar); formal examinations, some of them written, to test students' command of their disciplines, along with standardized grading systems; the research seminar where academic debates and dialogues (as distinct from lectures) took place and papers were read; the doctoral dissertation, which was an offshoot of the archaic medieval disputation; and professorial publication of specialized learning.

How, why, and with what results these changes occurred is the subject of large parts of William Clark's *Academic Charisma and the Origins of the Research University* (University of Chicago Press, 2006). His chapters are packed with detail and anecdotes, some of them colourful and intriguing (instances of academic entrepreneurship, jockeying for favour, learned noses out of joint).

He is also attentive to the material dimensions of academia: chairs (for professors) – others might have to make do with stools and benches; robes and hats; lecture halls; important tables at which exams were held and meals taken (the latter remain vital to the traditions of many colleges), along the sometimes tabular presentation of knowledge; academic dossiers; and the emergence of the systematic catalogue to make randomly-assembled libraries better ordered and more user-friendly. His chapter on the evolution of academic libraries and their catalogues is particularly interesting and informative.

Mr. Clark focuses overwhelmingly on the German-speaking universities of central Europe. This, in part, is understandable. In the early nineteenth century, the organization of academic research was more rigorous and further developed there than anywhere else – and it was widely emulated by non-Germans.

Unfortunately, his Germanic preoccupations are so pronounced that other significant academic traditions are virtually ignored. The Dutch are invisible, even though the University of Leiden, for example, enjoyed (justifiably) for many years much respect for its learning. Even more strikingly, the Scottish universities play almost no part in Mr. Clark's story. He does pay attention to the two English universities, Oxford and Cambridge (the only two before the 19th century), but since Scotland had twice as many universities and some of their professors were giants of Enlightenment research – one thinks of Adam Smith, Adam Ferguson, and David Hume – this neglect verges on the unconscionable.

This is a quirky book – and as an illustration of its peculiarity I quote Mr. Clark's introductory words to one of his sections. "I love the smell of archives in the morning. After getting a whiff of a piping hot cup of fresh-brewed coffee and the morning paper (but not a German one), nothing is quite so satisfying as nosing through a big, fat Bavarian dossier. The moment is all the better with a really foul one." (p.289)

Some readers may find his idiosyncratic, even wayward, leanings quaint and charming. Others are more likely to be vexed by them, along with his repetitions, digressions, love for anecdotal detail, fondness (from time to time) for murky prose, and meandering style of historical narration.

Mr. Clark ends the book with a broad view of his subject. He discusses the Jesuits and their distinctive educational perspectives; the rise of specialized academies and elite écoles in France; the innovative outlooks of the new University of Berlin in the early nineteenth century (which opposed French innovations, some of them Napoleonic); the various ways in which the natural (and later applied) sciences were incorporated into universities during the nineteenth century; efforts at 'reform' – and resistance to reform – in Oxford and Cambridge (the debates were often framed in reference to German models); and the powerful German influences on American universities in the later nineteenth century.

The author concludes with various musings about current academic existence. In one passage, he likens it to a form of literary Romance, with its social fragmentation. "Perhaps this disintegrated and atomized society, with a shadowy sense of community, rules the small world of charismatic academics who wander from this to that conference, parleying, battling, charming, and enamoring other heroes of knowledge or their bachelors and maidens fair." (p.473) Here, perhaps, is food for thought while grading papers, answering email, and attending departmental meetings.

Presented under a rather grand title, this book is a sort of potpourri. Parts of it are worth dipping into, for interesting insights, for its well-chosen visual illustrations, and for many little known, even curious, facts about some of our academic ancestors.

Robert Malcolmson is a professor emeritus of History and a counsellor in Health, Counselling and Disability Services.

## QUEEN'S FLASHBACK: 1865



A Queen's classroom scene from 1865.

COURTESY OF QUEEN'S ALUMNI REVIEW

## International experience on a renaissance cruise ship

At times life at Herstmonceux Castle resembles that of any regular university, though it would be wrong to say that those here ever forget the surroundings in which they teach, learn or work.

But what about a completely organic environment in which interactions between the various sections of this community flourish seemingly subconsciously out of a desire to know, appreciate and respect? Where students can go on a field trip with only five other students and spend a day not just looking at, but also interacting with the materials that they have been studying, such as a performance of *Madame Butterfly* at the Royal Opera House in London? All this with a professor who no doubt will have come from one of the leading universities in the United Kingdom, Canada or the United States. This, and more, is what is unique about the International Study Centre and imprints itself strongly on the minds of past, present and prospective students.

With a new term upon us and a fresh intake of upper-year students, those relationships that were formed in the fall term continue to grow and expand, whilst boundaries between first years and upper years quickly fade into the mist surrounding the castle. Being a small institution, it is imperative that this happens and



TOM GALLINI

### Notes From Herstmonceux

that the community functions in harmony; this year we have not been disappointed. Perhaps it is this that has led, in part, to the International Study Centre (ISC) being described as a "renaissance cruise ship," which at any rate certainly captures the carnival mood that is present. For a sense of celebration is to be found every day, whether it be students celebrating their (or their friends') own heritage, their adopted English heritage or their academic achievements.

This makes for special and long-lasting ties; those at the ISC will forever be linked to those with whom they shared their time here. So it is important to realize that even in this era of low-cost air travel in Europe, which makes the "international experience" easier (and indeed

the ISC supports this, more specifically this term through the mid-term trip to France and Belgium), that this interaction within such a small community here at the castle itself is just as important. Furthermore, the experience gained here is not merely internalized by the students, but externalized in their conversations and actions with friends and family back home. Thus, the students themselves become ambassadors for internationalization even after they have left.

Yet the future is indeed brighter still for the ISC, not least in terms of cultural diversification. Arrangements have been made with Japanese and Korean universities for them to send students, along with proposals for students from the University of Havana to attend, along with a possible teaching post. For while the ISC offers a gateway to Europe, excellent teaching and a stunning location, the castle campus fulfils one of its major purposes by having an international population, both in terms of students and faculty.

Tom Gallini is a UK-recruited Student Services assistant at Queen's International Study Centre at Herstmonceux Castle, East Sussex, UK. For more news on Queen's plans to deepen its international engagement, see page 9.

### Letters Policy

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# Me? An entrepreneur? But I'm a grad student!

Over the next several months, graduate students and postdoctoral fellows in natural sciences and engineering at Queen's will be urged to apply for NSERC's Innovation Challenge Awards. These awards offer development funding to students who have identified commercial potential in their theses.

It is often difficult for students to wrap their minds around the idea of commercializing their research. Their response is often likely to be, "Me? An entrepreneur? But I'm a grad student!"

And that is exactly the point. It is because you are an innovative researcher that you can also be a successful entrepreneur. Your research, or a tool or method you have developed to advance your research, could very well lead to products or processes that benefit the public.

You may in fact have already identified something in your thesis work that excites you because you sense that it might have some applicability to improve people's lives or fill a market niche. But you are unsure about taking the next steps.

You are better equipped to explore this possibility than you think! Skills developed in graduate school are highly applicable to the world of business. You may not realize it, but in pursuing your graduate or postgraduate research program, you are accumulating a valuable toolkit, not only technically, but also in terms of critical thinking, self-motivation, risk-taking and decision-making.

In fact, many of Queen's successful spinoff companies would not be in existence today were it not for the efforts of Queen's graduate students and postdocs (but that's a topic for a future column).

The important thing to realize is that you do not have to travel this road alone. There are ways for you to explore the "entrepreneur option," and there are incentive programs to help you do it.



ANNE VIVIAN-SCOTT

'TEQ Talk

Canada's federal granting councils, for example, offer a variety of funding programs to help young entrepreneurs get started. The NSERC Innovation Challenge is one such example. It fosters real-world application of research by Master's or PhD students in their final year or who have recently graduated. All it requires is for students to review their thesis work and submit an essay identifying potential products or services resulting from their work.

**Your research, or a tool or method you have developed to advance your research, could very well lead to products or processes that benefit the public.**

The competition offers first and second prizes of \$10,000 and \$5,000 respectively. It also offers a number of \$1,000 honourable mentions – one of which was won by Farid Mobasser of Queen's Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering last year. In fact, Dr. Mobasser co-founded a Canadian company, Invenium Corp, to capitalize on his research, which is related to

advanced biosensors for electromyography measurement (see [www.invenium.ca](http://www.invenium.ca)).

You may be assisting your supervisor in some research that you both feel has some commercial promise. Both NSERC and the Canadian Institutes for Health Research offer Proof-of-Principle programs for developing promising research. These programs are an excellent way of capitalizing on that opportunity.

Queen's students and postdoctoral fellows also have access to university funding. The Atherton Entrepreneurship Award offers up to \$34,000 in seed funding, as well as the commercialization services of our office, to help young Queen's innovators launch a science or engineering business in Canada.

We at PARTEQ can help you take the next steps towards advancing your discovery. But it's important that you contact us sooner rather than later. Waiting until you have completed or defended your thesis may be too late, as it could jeopardize the patentability of your innovation. We can review your discovery, suggest ways to move an idea forward, and put you in touch with others who have "been there and done that," to give you a flavour of what to expect as your technology evolves.

Next month, we will look at the unexpected and exciting career options that are open to science graduates who are looking for opportunities outside of university research.

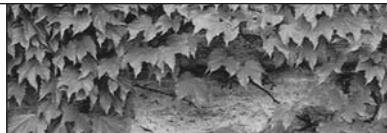
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Anne Vivian-Scott is vice-president, Commercial Development at PARTEQ Innovations.

## UNIVERSITY ROUNDUP



### Sorry this is late

After spending 10 years researching a project that was only supposed to take five, University of Calgary professor Piers Steel has discovered that procrastination on the rise. "It's easier to procrastinate than ever before. We have so many more temptations. It's never been harder to be self-disciplined in all of history than it is now." Procrastinators have less confidence in themselves, less expectancy that they can actually complete a task, he says. "Perfectionism is not the culprit. In fact, perfectionists actually procrastinate less, but they worry about it more. The good news is that willpower has an unusual capacity. "The old saying is true: 'Whether you believe you can or believe you can't, you're probably right.'"

*www.ucalgary.ca/news, Jan. 10*

### Robots roam the stacks

Chicago State University's new state-of-the-art \$38 million (U.S.) library facility has only one major rule: only robots in the stacks. At an average speed of seven mph, three-storey-high forklift-style robots can retrieve five books in 2.5 minutes, compared to an average of two hours for a student in traditional stacks. All materials in the library including books, CDs, and DVDs are tagged with radio-frequency ID chips (RFIDs), so when a borrowed item slides through the return slot, the system identifies and sorts it. Then the robots take over, stowing the materials in a three-storey-high storage facility.

*Wired, Jan. 8*

### Employers wary of online degrees

With more and more colleges now offering programs online, several U.S. employer surveys still indicate prejudice against online degrees. In a study released last month, 55 per cent of 101 U.S. managers surveyed by Vault Inc. say they prefer applicants with traditional classroom degrees. Employers who had distance education experience believe an online degree demonstrates a higher level of self-motivation, while another study showed 96 per cent of 269 hiring managers favoured traditional credentials because they feel greater communication skills can be learned in a classroom.

*Chronicle of Higher Education, Jan. 4*

### Harvard to name 'First Lady'

Harvard University is rumoured to be replacing former President Larry Summers with a woman – the first woman president in its 317-year history. This may come as a blow for Mr. Summers who resigned as president last year after suggesting that woman were inherently inferior to men when it came to math and science. This move comes on the heels of a growing list of female firsts in the states this year: Nancy Pelosi was elected the first female speaker of the House, while Hilary Clinton is expected to announce her intention to become the first female president of the United States.

*The Times, The Independent, Jan. 9*

### Want a long life? Stay in school

A report published by the New York Times claims that while life expectancies vary by gender, income, ethnicity and health insurance, the one social factor that is found consistently linked to longer lives worldwide is education. "Year after year, in study after study, education keeps coming up" says Richard Hodes, director of the National Institute on Aging. Even students forced to stay in school an extra year can add another 18 months to their life expectancy by age 35.

*New York Times, Jan. 3*

### U.S. colleges: Get the lead out

After years of increasing enrolment, the 2007 Higher Education Outlook report by Moody's Investors Service predicts that U.S. colleges should anticipate a drop. The report says colleges should expect to see only a one per cent annual increase in the coming years – a significant decrease from the total U.S. PSE enrolment increase of 12.8 per cent between 1999 and 2004. The report criticizes university management structures for having large "unwieldy" boards and "arcane" budgeting models. "Stagnant household incomes, increasing scrutiny by state and federal politicians and policy makers, and increasing competition for the dwindling number of students," are cited as the causes for the coming shift.

*Chronicle of Higher Education, Jan. 10*

### Polite police come knocking

In an attempt to check the politeness and helpfulness of staff, universities are paying consultants to pose as students. "The sector needs to get to grips with the concept of customer service," says Donald McLeod, the head of marketing at the University of Hertfordshire. And it's apparent some institutions need to brush up on their skills – a mystery shopper exercise at the University of Sheffield found that one telephone caller in five who asked for information received nothing.

*The Times Higher Education Supplement, Jan. 5*



PAUL WEEKS

Mohammad Abdoli-Eramaki was completing his PhD thesis under Joan Stevenson (left) when he brought his idea for reducing back strain to PARTEQ's Anne Vivian-Scott (right).

# Basic science yields breast cancer discovery

CURRENT TREATMENTS  
COULD IMPROVE BY  
350 PER CENT,  
SAYS RESEARCHER

By NANCY DORRANCE

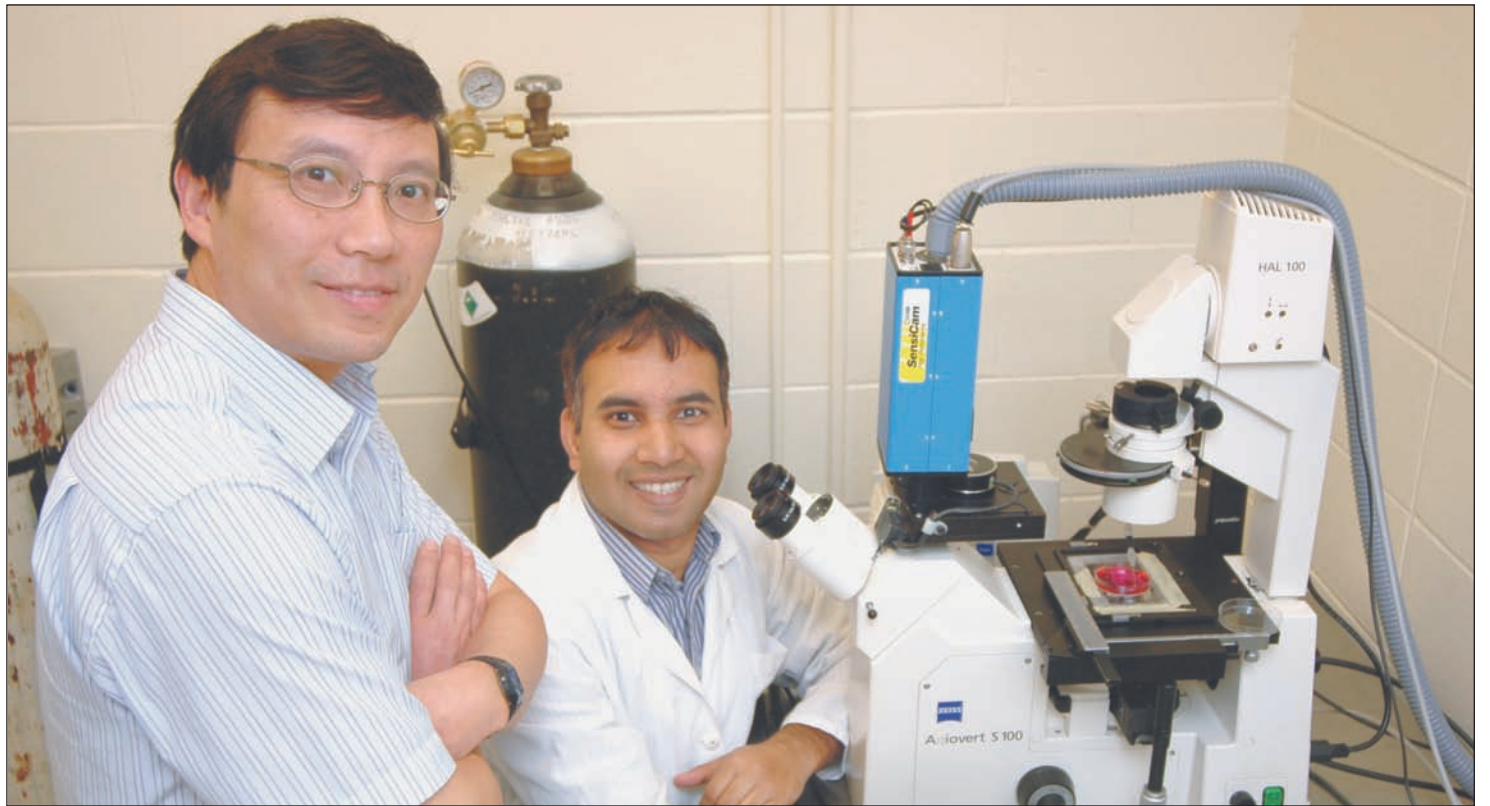
A surprising discovery by researchers whose work took an unexpected turn may help women with advanced breast cancer respond better to conventional drug treatments.

The team, from the Department of Biochemistry, found a newly discovered "peptide" molecule (a chain of amino acids smaller than a protein) increases the effectiveness by 350 per cent of drugs used to kill breast cancer cells.

Researchers Zongchao Jia and Vinay Singh initially intended to study the structure of a protein called SNCG, which is implicated in drug resistance in breast cancer. When unraveling the structure proved more difficult than expected, the research team looked to a similar protein associated with Alzheimer's Disease.

They were looking for "binding partners" of the Alzheimer's protein, hoping to learn how the structures of the Alzheimer protein and SNCG were held together. From this information, they were able to design a completely new peptide, which blocked SNCG's interaction with another protein, counteracting the resistance to cancer drugs. "We were excited to find that it actually can reduce anti-cancer drug resistance by three-and-a-half times," says Dr. Jia, Canada Research Chair in Structural Biology.

Noting that the peptide itself



Biochemistry professor Zongchao Jia and post-doctoral fellow Vinay Singh have discovered a new peptide molecule that will improve breast cancer treatment.

is not a drug, Dr. Jia likens it to an ingredient in the kind of "drug cocktails" used to treat HIV/AIDS. "It has to be used in combination with a drug to be effective," he says. "In the same way that cream flavors coffee to make it taste better, the peptide enhances the effectiveness of the most widely-used breast cancer drugs today."

"We greatly hope this will not only increase the positive

response from patients but also will make the current drug more useful by extending its impact to a wider range of people, particularly those with a resistance problem," says Dr. Jia.

"The whole discovery 'morphed' from something entirely different. In a basic research lab like ours, this is as close as we get to treatment for a disease," says Dr. Jia, whose mother has breast cancer. "It just shows that once

in a while basic science leads to discoveries that are useful in everyday life!"

Other team members are Drs. Yue Zhou and Jingwen Liu (Palo Alto Health Care System); Joseph Marsh and Julie Forman-Kay (University of Toronto); and Vladimir Uversky (Indiana University). The study was partially funded by the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) and the Natural Sciences and

Engineering Research Council (NSERC).

Next, Dr. Jia hopes to team up with other researchers to advance the work to the point where they can transform the peptide, called ANK, into a suitable form for "drug cocktail" therapy.

A U.S. patent application has been filed for this discovery through PARTEQ Innovations, the university's technology transfer office.

## India mission showcases university research

The expertise of Queen's researchers was profiled internationally last week as part of an Ontario government-led mission to India.

With participants from other Ontario universities and colleges, Research Services Director, Lorna Jean Edmonds, travelled to Bangalore and Mumbai to explore the potential for increased collaboration with Indian partners.

"This is an excellent opportunity to profile the work of Queen's internationally recognized researchers," Dr. Edmonds said before her departure. "We already have collaborations with a number of institutions in India, and this is a chance to build on existing partnerships, and forge new ones."

Focus areas for the mission included: bringing innovative ideas to market; improving quality of life through communications technology; finding solutions for independent healthy living for everyone; preserving the environment/alternative energy; solving the mysteries of natural science; best business practices; and educating top graduate students.

Dr. Edmonds also travelled to Chennai for further meetings with SRM University. Queen's and SRM are currently collaborating on projects in population and public health, alternative energy and nanotechnology.

## CORE partners: Closing the gap on obesity

By NANCY DORRANCE

A new university centre aims to ensure that the public gets the full benefit of the latest research findings on obesity. It will launch this Thursday, Jan. 25 with a public lecture by an internationally-renowned expert from the field.



Ross

CORE (the Centre for Obesity Research and Education) is headed by exercise physiologist Robert Ross (Kinesiology and Health Studies). The new initiative brings together representatives from the public health-care community with multidisciplinary experts at the university who have a

shared focus on obesity and related conditions.

"The key to CORE is that we will partner with the community and have community leaders on our governing council, who will actively participate in the direction of the centre," says Dr. Ross. "Our educational and research strategies are being driven as much by community-identified need as by the academic awareness of a problem."

The new centre also has a high-profile advisory board, drawn from both the private and public sectors, to be introduced at Thursday's launch. Unlike other university centres of excellence, CORE receives no funding from Queen's or any of the traditional research granting agencies. Instead, start-up funding and operating costs for the first three years have been

provided by international pharmaceutical company sanofi-aventis.

CORE began with obesity-minded researchers recognizing that there is a gap between what academia appreciates as the major issues surrounding obesity prevention, management and treatment, and what is being practiced in the community, explains Dr. Ross. "Closing that gap – rather than doing more research – was the motivation for the creation of the centre."

The main focus will be "translating" scientific information to make it more accessible and easily understood by health care professionals, educators, and the public in general. This will happen through regional workshops, seminar series, CME events, lay articles and fact sheets, web site

resources, speakers' series, and other educational tools. A secondary thrust is to provide support and a network for researchers from across the university who are working on obesity-related projects.

"Basically we hope to set in motion a sustained and continually updated source of information for both the community and academia," says Dr. Ross.

Thursday's public lecture by Jean-Pierre Després, Scientific Director of the International Chair on Cardiometabolic Risk at Université Laval, is entitled: "The Tale of the Tape: Abdominal Obesity as a Health Hazard." It takes place at 7pm in Ellis Hall auditorium. For details on Dr. Després's academic lecture on Friday, see the Jan. 8 Gazette.

[www.corecanada.net](http://www.corecanada.net)

## McTeer debates dilemmas of human reproduction

By NANCY DORRANCE

A lifelong advocate of women's and children's rights, Ottawa lawyer Maureen McTeer, will be on campus next month to meet with students and faculty, and to deliver a public lecture.

"Creating life in the lab: Ethical dilemmas of in vitro fertilization" is the topic of Ms. McTeer's address on Thursday, Feb. 8. Presented by the university's Research Group in Reproduction, Development and Sexual Function, in conjunction with the Department of Anatomy and Cell Biology, the lecture will be followed by an informal luncheon where attendees will have an opportunity to discuss issues with the speaker.

During her visit, Ms. McTeer will meet with researchers from the reproduction, development and sexual function group, and from the Institute of Population and Public Health. She will also join 40 undergraduate students in their fourth-year class dealing with the theoretical foundations of modern biology.

An expert on regulatory mechanisms for reproductive technologies in both Canada and the UK, Ms. McTeer participated in the Royal Commission on Human Reproductive Technologies in the early 1990s. She is the author of three books: *The Tangled Womb: The Politics of Human Reproduction*, *Tough Choices: Living and Dying in the 21st Century*; and



MICHELLE VALBERG

Maureen McTeer  
her best-selling 2004 autobiography, *In My Own Name*.

The first Canadian to graduate with a master's degree in biotechnological law and ethics from the University of Sheffield in the U.K., Ms. McTeer was a 2005 Distinguished Scholar in Residence at American University in Washington, D.C., where she lectured in law, science and public policy. She speaks frequently on issues raised by sciences, such as embryo research, cloning, genetically modified organisms, the commercialization of human life forms, and patents on the human genome.

Ms. McTeer's public lecture will take place Feb. 8 at 12:30 pm in the Ban Righ Hall lower dining room.



## Work moves ahead on international front

By CELIA RUSSELL

A new organizational approach to international units at Queen's will allow for more strategic and comprehensive planning to help strengthen existing programs and build the university's global profile, says Associate Vice-Principal (Academic/International) John Dixon.

"We talk a lot about putting a high priority on international opportunities for students," he says. "Many good things are happening already, including exchanges, the International Study Centre, the Centre for International Management in the School of Business, the International Programs Office in Arts and Science, and the Queen's University International Centre. However, we can do much more by coordinating our efforts and taking a strategic approach at the university level."

Under a restructuring announced late last year, the Queen's University International Centre (QUIC), a unit of Student Affairs, will now report jointly to the Associate Vice-Principal (Academic/International) and to Associate Vice-Principal and Dean of Student Affairs Jason Laker. The changes help to advance a goal in the university's strategic plan to deepen Queen's international engagement and will allow the university's many current resources to expand in a concerted manner.

"We need to develop consensus and strategies on how to improve opportunities for students to get international experience, and improve the ways that

we serve and support these students," says Dr. Dixon.

The change will also allow for a seamless continuum of services for students across their academic and personal support, says Dr. Laker.

"The needs, experiences, gifts and talents of our international students and those of our Canadian students preparing to study abroad will be made evident in real time to both Student Affairs and the Office of the VP (Academic)," he says. "This will allow both portfolios to apply this knowledge to planning for program and service development, as well as our capacity to form partnerships both on the campus and with others around the world. Students will personally benefit a great deal from this, and bring these benefits into the classroom."

QUIC director Wayne Myles and his staff say the changes will help fulfill the longstanding objectives of the centre.

"Making intercultural and international experiences part of the fabric of Queen's life and an essential part of student, staff and faculty development is what I have spent my career at Queen's aiming towards," he says. "What is changing is the priority that the university is giving to international and intercultural experience."

The new strategies include improving lines of communication between units involved in international activities. A new group, Queen's University International Programs Committee (QUIPC), consisting of representatives from all faculties and exchange offices meets monthly.

It acts as a forum, making it easier for faculties to keep track of what others are working on and create the potential to work together on common projects.

For example, the School of Business with a highly successful exchange program that allows 65 per cent of its undergraduate Commerce students to have an international experience, can share its expertise with others.

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Wayne Myles

"The aim is not to infringe on the autonomy of the faculties in pursuing their internationalization agendas, but rather to encourage them to work better together and develop a more comprehensive institutional approach toward these issues," says Dr. Dixon.

Also in the works are plans to build a better database on exchange agreements and development of a more formal protocol for the process of evaluating potential exchange partners, in some circumstances including a site visit before sending students.

In addition to academic credentials, it's essential that security and safety issues be evaluated.

"We need to define the basic information that we require about a potential partner before we form the partnership so that we can make good decisions and demonstrate that we've done our homework," says Dr. Dixon.

Work is also beginning on the development of a comprehensive new international website for Queen's. This will build on the International Directory website ([www.queensu.ca/international](http://www.queensu.ca/international)) launched two years ago, to make a site that is more interactive and a one-stop destination for all things international at Queen's.

The QUIPC is also working on ways to increase Queen's profile internationally. The provincial government is taking an increased interest in marketing Ontario post-secondary institutions, and is subsidizing universities' presence at conferences such as the Asia-Pacific Association for International Education; the European Association for International Education and the NAFSA: Association of International Educators. Queen's can build on this base through coordinated effort and by creating promotional materials tailored to the international market.

Dr. Dixon's office is planning to hire a senior staff member who will work with him on policy development and support of international initiatives.

"As international enrolment and exchange participation rates increase, there is tremendous opportunity to enrich our class-

rooms by encouraging faculty to draw on the diverse international experiences of our international students, incoming exchange students and returned exchange students," says Dr. Dixon.

"As a community of students, faculty and staff, we have the tremendous opportunity, and responsibility, to deepen our sense of what it means to be global citizens," says Mr. Myles. "We can deepen our sense of the diverse ways that others experience the world through encounters on campus in the classroom or the dining hall, or through an exchange program or internship abroad. It does not really matter how this happens. What matters is that it does happen."

"We must ensure that every student who leaves Queen's has had the opportunity of seeing the world from a totally different perspective and has been able to engage this difference deeply and thoughtfully."

The benefits of international engagement are not limited to students alone, however. Staff and faculty can also benefit from exchange of ideas on pedagogy and administrative processes and through international research collaboration. All of these can be facilitated by developing ties with our partner institutions that extend beyond student exchange. "This is what we have begun to do with key institutional partners such as the University of Western Australia in Perth, the University of Otago in Dunedin, New Zealand, and Fudan University in Shanghai, China," says Dr. Dixon.

## New director looks forward to expanding global focus

By KAY LANGMUIR

The School of English faces an exciting and busy future as the university begins working to

increase its international focus and involvement, says the school's new director.

"We can play a bigger role in

the university's goal of internationalization," says Elaine Armstrong, a Queen's alumna who took over the position Jan. 1.

"The university wants to attract more international students, and sometimes the barrier is language, and we're in a position to be able to help with that."

A recent organizational restructuring of senior administration has directed more resources toward raising Queen's international profile – one of the goals of the institution's recently approved strategic plan.

"We're really fortunate at the School of English because it has really created the opportunity for much closer involvement with the university," says Ms. Armstrong.

In addition, Associate Dean (International) Patrick O'Neill in the Faculty of Arts and Science is very interested in and supportive of the school, she says.

Ms. Armstrong hopes to increase enrolment in the school's English as a Second Language programs by increasing the variety and suitability of courses offered.

For example, the school is looking at providing more courses to support the education of graduate students from abroad. Currently, the school offers three courses – in pronunciation, presentation and writing. She would also like to resurrect English courses for second language undergraduate students in Applied Science who need support in developing English skills for academic purposes.

Ms. Armstrong, an ESL specialist with expertise in professional development, curriculum development and teacher training, also welcomes more discussion about establishing a combined program of academic and ESL courses for first-year students with good levels of English

proficiency, but who need to further develop those skills to ensure academic success.

"So ...they're still developing their language skills, but at the same time they've begun their academic studies," she says.

Queen's also offers an Introduction to Teaching English as a Second Language (TESL) program that is popular among Canadian students who are planning to teach abroad.

There is, however, growing demand for TESL programs designed for qualified English teachers from abroad, and the school could develop a program to suit them, says Ms. Armstrong.

"They are very thirsty right now for learning western methodology," she says.

The School of English offers a variety of ESL programs for students and ESL teachers, as well as a unique Business Internship program that offers students language study and work internship. For students who complete advanced courses at the school, it's possible to secure a TOEFL waiver for the English-proficiency test required for admission to Queen's.

Ms. Armstrong, who first gained ESL teaching experience in Canada's far north, says she's happy to be back in Kingston and back at Queen's, and is delighted by the enthusiasm and commitment of the staff at the school.

At her first staff meeting, "almost everyone around the table said how much they enjoyed their jobs. And if I didn't know better, I'd think it was all just to impress me. But I've experienced this, and I know it's true...You relive things through the students' excitement."



STEPHEN WILD

The School of English wants to provide more courses to support the education of graduate students from abroad, says its new director, Elaine Armstrong.

## Representation by territory

Senate reform is back. Recently Prime Minister Stephen Harper tabled legislation to consult Canadians on Senate appointments when they vote in federal elections. But the bill does not address the thorny issue of the distribution of seats among provinces, which would require constitutional change.

Representation in the House of Commons is based upon representation by population, which closely reflects the democratic ideal of equality of political influence – one person, one vote.

But in Canada, because the population is unevenly distributed, representation by population allows some areas of the country to have disproportionate influence over the national agenda. The purpose of the Senate should be to counterbalance the distorting effects of representation by population.

Senate seat distribution has never accomplished this objective, and has been out of whack since Confederation.

Ontario and Quebec have 24 each. The four western provinces have only six apiece, while the much smaller provinces of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia each have 10. Newfoundland has six, and Prince Edward Island, with a population half the size of Victoria and a territory one-third the size of Vancouver Island, has four.

Earlier this year, Senators Jack Austin and Lowell Murray proposed to change seat allotments for the Western provinces to 12 for B.C., 10 for Alberta, and

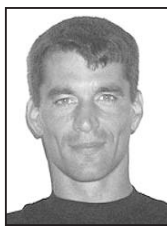
seven each for Manitoba and Saskatchewan. The problem is that distributing seats by region or by province increases democratic distortion instead of mitigating it.

If each province had the same number of seats, the four Atlantic provinces, small in population and territory, would have as many as the four provinces of the West and twice as many as Ontario and Quebec combined. The first would have the effect of frustrating Western ambitions for a more significant federal role; the second would necessitate diminishing the Senate's powers.

Under a scheme of regional representation, Ontario and Quebec would each expect to be designated as regions because of their large populations. British Columbia has long maintained that it also has a population sufficient to justify regional status.

But granting these provinces the status of regions would thwart the purpose of counterbalancing representation by population, and there would be little point in having a Senate at all. The same can be said for any allocation based primarily on population.

In simple terms, a country consists of its people and its territory. Sovereignty means the exclusive ability to make and enforce laws within a physical area. Since the purpose of the Senate is to counterbalance the distorting effects of representation by population, and since neither regional nor provincial-based schemes accomplish this



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purpose, some other organizing principle for the upper chamber is necessary.

The solution is representation by territory.

One Senate seat should be assigned to each tract of land across the country of a common size, say for example, 50,000 square kilometres. Each senator would be elected by the residents living within that seat's designated tract.

### A Senate based upon representation by territory could prove to be our most democratically representative institution.

Under this plan, the Senate would consist of 124 seats, 21 in Ontario, 31 in Quebec, 19 in B.C., 13 in each of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, eight

in Newfoundland, and one each in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and P.E.I.

One could also be allocated for each of the three Territories, whose geographical size is vastly out of proportion to their populations and fortunately, as territories, can be placed in a different category than the provinces for the purpose of seat allocation. A Senate based upon representation by territory could prove to be our most democratically representative institution.

An argument sometimes heard in favour of greater provincial powers is that provincial governments are "closer to the people" than the federal government and are thus more responsible and responsive to the needs of their constituents.

This characterization is specious: The distorting effects of population distribution can occur within provinces as easily as within the country as a whole.

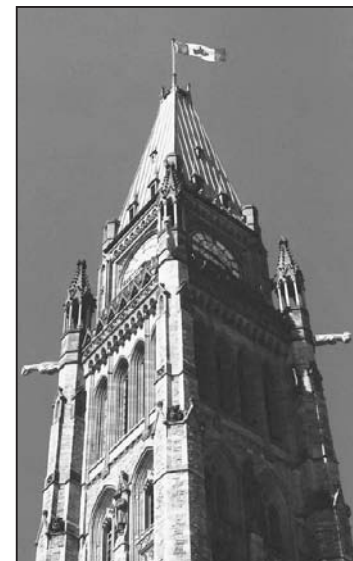
Does it matter to voters residing in Atlin, B.C. whether the fate of the local region is decided by a legislature dominated by Vancouver or one dominated by Vancouver, Toronto, and other large population centres?

Divergence in interests of people often has more to do with the land people occupy, its location, population density, climate, characteristics and uses than with the province within which the land happens to be located.

Representation by territory would give the residents of Atlin more significant political representation than shifting greater

powers to the provincial level, or allocating Senate seats to the whole of B.C.

Canada is the second largest country in the world, and its very dimensions are an integral part of its character and culture.



Creating an upper chamber whose organizing principle is representation by territory would recognize the importance of land and its function in defining our varied and sometimes conflicting interests.

It would be a logical, lasting, and distinctly Canadian solution to a problem that has distracted the country for too long.

Bruce Parady is an associate professor in the Faculty of Law. This article was previously published in the Toronto Star.



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## Experts address lure of post-secondary education, food bank stigma, breast cancer

### QUEEN'S IN THE NEWS

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**Zongchao Jia's** (Biochemistry) research about a molecule that appears to boost the ability of drugs to kill breast-cancer cells is featured in a Canadian Press story run in the Globe and Mail, Calgary Sun, Kingston Whig-Standard, and on Global-TV's National News, cbc.ca and ctv.ca.

**Ross Finnie** (Policy Studies) comments in the Globe and Mail about the effectiveness of various incentives meant to entice students to attend post-secondary education.

Professor emeritus **John Meisel** (Political Studies) comments in the Globe and Mail about the career of U.S. political scientist Seymour Martin Lipset.

**Elaine Power** (Kinesiology and Health Studies) comments about the social stigma associated with using food banks in the Toronto Star.

**Tom Axworthy's** (Policy Studies) opinion piece about the popularity of Stephane Dion's Liberal party is published in the Toronto Star.



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**Bruce Gilley** (Political Studies) comments in the Ottawa Citizen and Regina Leader-Post on a simulated killing of a Falun Gong supporter that took place over the Chinese New Year.

**Vincent Mosco** (Sociology) comments in the Ottawa Citizen on the significance of including a BlackBerry in Jeb Bush's legacy painting.

**Jonathan Rose** (Political Studies) discusses the citizens' assembly for electoral reform in the Ottawa Citizen.

An opinion piece by **David Saunders** (Business) about the benefits of an MBA in Canada appears in the Montreal Gazette.

**David Walker** (Medicine) is interviewed by the Kingston Whig-Standard about the final instalment of the SARS study.

Professor emeritus **Stewart Fyfe** (Political Studies) comments on transparency issues associated with the appointment process

for Kingston's city council in the Kingston Whig-Standard.

**Lorna Jean Edmonds** (Research Services) in interviewed by the Kingston Whig-Standard about Queen's involvement in an Ontario government-led trade mission to South Asia.

**Ken Wong** (Business) comments in the Kingston Whig-Standard about how KEDCO could improve the way it makes decisions.

**Andrew Graham** (Policy Studies) comments in the Kingston Whig-Standard about a redefinition of the way police carry out procedures.

**Nick Bala** (Law) discusses an Ontario court ruling that a child can legally have two mothers and a father on CBC-Radio in Halifax, Toronto, Ottawa, Edmonton, and Quebec City.

**John Pliniussen** (Business) discusses the increase of Internet use among baby boomers on CTV's Canada AM.

**Laurence Ashworth** (Business) comments on Global-TV about a new study from University College London suggesting that those who trust their instincts are more likely to perform well.

**Virginia Walker's** (Biology) discovery of a bacteria used in making better ice cream and artificial snow is featured on several ABC-TV local stations in the U.S.



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### IN BRIEF

#### Deakin elected to Hall of Fame

The former director of the School of Kinesiology and Health Studies will be inducted into the Kingston and District Sports Hall of Fame May 4 at a ceremony at the Ambassador Hotel.

Janice Deakin's induction, along with two other local athletes with a Queen's connection, was announced at the Jan. 9 Kingston city council meeting. Dr. Deakin, who is dean of the School of Graduate Studies and Research, will be inducted in the builder's category for her long-time contribution to the sport of basketball as a provincial, national and international level official.



Deakin

From 1991-2004, Dr. Deakin was a Canadian and international level official and the first woman to receive an international (FIBA) officiating licence. She

has officiated gold medal games at several international championships. In 1996, she officiated the bronze medal game at the Olympic Games held in Atlanta, Georgia, the first woman to do so.

Inductee and hockey legend Kirk Muller coached the Golden Gaels men's hockey team during the 2005-06 season. Inductee Kenneth Guy White was an assistant captain and played defence with the Golden Gaels men's hockey team during the 1969-70 season.

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## Bits and bytes for 2007

ITServices continues to work hard on a number of improvements and innovations on campus. Here is a look at some completed, ongoing, and upcoming IT initiatives.

**Email replacement project moving forward:** The new mail system that will replace POST and QLINK servers is now installed and final preparations are under way to start moving users to the new system. ITServices is putting the finishing touches on applications that will assist users by automatically reconfiguring settings within the email software most frequently used on campus.

These tools are designed to simplify the work for each person to connect to their email once it's been moved. They will also allow users to easily take advantage of the higher levels of security that will be available in our new email environment. While we work toward moving all mailboxes to the new service, we continue to support and maintain email on our older POST and QLINK servers. ITS will be contacting users directly before any move or migration activity begins. Look for our email notifications.

**MS Windows Vista and Office 2007 arriving soon:** Late in 2006, Microsoft released Windows Vista, the latest major version of their operating system for PCs, and it will be widely available at the end of January.

Consistent with the stance of IT departments at many universities, ITServices recommends that most people should not be in any great rush to adopt Windows Vista. Vista has not been thoroughly tested in terms of security and compatibility with current campus applications, and it requires a computer newer or better equipped than what we believe most people have. Microsoft provides a down-loadable tool which can be used to assess if a current Windows XP computer is capable of running Vista. It can be found at: [www.microsoft.com/windowsvista/getready/upgradeadvisor/default.msp](http://www.microsoft.com/windowsvista/getready/upgradeadvisor/default.msp).



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The tool only works on Windows XP. Hence, if your computer is not running XP, it most likely cannot run Vista. ITServices and other departments will need time to conduct testing and become familiar with Vista, so day-to-day support for it will not be available for a while. Additional information about Vista and Office 2007 (also new) will be distributed in the coming weeks and months.

**Change in Daylight Savings Time affects Oracle Calendar users:** If you created a meeting or event in Oracle Calendar between March 12 and April 1 or Oct. 28 and Nov. 4, 2007, please review the meeting times.

As a result of an upgrade related to this year's change in Daylight Savings Time the meeting times may now be one hour later than originally scheduled. For more information, please visit [www.its.queensu.ca/calendar/dst.html](http://www.its.queensu.ca/calendar/dst.html).

**The fight against SPAM:** While SPAM continues to plague computer users globally, ITServices currently blocks almost 90 per cent of all inbound email.

Following are the Jan. 3 statistics for ITServices's three anti-spam appliances from one day of filtering: 356,438 blocked SPAM (87 per cent); 678 blocked viral (.2 per cent); 2,428 tagged possible SPAM (.6 per cent); 51,093 allowed (12 per cent); 410,637 total messages received (100 per cent).

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## Bulletin Board

### Submission information

Please note that appointment submissions will be edited to address style considerations and length. Submissions should be a maximum of 200 words.

### Appointments

#### Roger Deeley appointed Associate Dean, Research, Faculty of Health Sciences and Vice-President, Research Development, Kingston General Hospital

Roger Deeley has been appointed Associate Dean, Research in the Faculty of Health Sciences and Vice-President, Research Development at Kingston General Hospital and for the Kingston teaching hospitals for a five-year term commencing Jan. 1, 2007. These appointments are announced by Principal Karen Hitchcock and President and Chief Executive Officer, Kingston General Hospital, Joseph de Mora.

The first six months of Dr. Deeley's appointment are a transition period as he steps down as director of the Division of Research at Cancer Care Ontario. He has maintained an active, internationally recognized research program funded by the Canadian Institutes of Health Research, the National Cancer Institute of Canada, the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Ontario and industry. His major research interest lies in understanding how cancer cells become resistant to many chemotherapeutic drugs and he is co-discoverer of a human protein, MRP1, capable of pumping a variety of drugs out of both cancer and normal cells. He is co-inventor on several patents held by the university related to the discovery of MRP1.

Dr. Hitchcock and Mr. de Mora wish to express their appreciation to Samuel Ludwin for his outstanding contributions to the faculty, university and hospitals during his term of office as associate dean.

#### Keith Norton appointed External Reviewer, Queen's Harassment/Discrimination Complaint Policy and Procedure

The Queen's Harassment/Discrimination Complaint Policy and Procedure requires a periodic review to ensure it is meeting the needs of the university's constituents. As a result, Principal Karen Hitchcock announces the appointment of Keith Norton to conduct an external assessment as the first step of this important review. Mr. Norton, a Queen's law graduate and a member of the University Council, has held major positions in federal and provincial human rights tribunals, as president of the Federal Human Rights Tribunal for three years and as chief commissioner of the Ontario Human Rights Commission from 1996 to 2005. His extensive knowledge of human rights law and practice, and his understanding of Queen's provide an exceptional background to lead this review.

The policy and procedure governs all aspects of discriminatory practice on campus and provides the basis for the Human Rights Office. It has been in effect since 1995 with revisions adopted in 2000. The intent of the review is to allow for public submissions on:

1. Harassment policy mandate.
2. Provisions of the Policy and Procedure.
3. Role and practices of the Human Rights Office as governed by the Policy and Procedure.

Written submissions are invited by Feb. 9, 2007 to the Office of the University Secretariat email [senate@post.queensu.ca](mailto:senate@post.queensu.ca). Those making written submissions may appear to make oral presentations at public meetings in February. The Policy and Procedure is posted at [www.queensu.ca/secretariat/senate/policies/harass/index.html](http://www.queensu.ca/secretariat/senate/policies/harass/index.html)

Mr. Norton will chair the meetings, compile results and make written recommendations to the principal for transmission to Senate. It is expected that these recommendations will be completed by May 1.

### Awards and Grants

#### Chancellor A. Charles Baillie Teaching Award

Nominations are invited for the Chancellor A. Charles Baillie Teaching Award to be awarded in October 2007. The award recognizes undergraduate or graduate teaching that has had an outstanding influence on the quality of student learning at Queen's. Full- and part-time faculty are eligible to be nominated by a peer (a colleague at Queen's) for this award. Details are available at [www.queensu.ca/ctl/scholarship/awards/descriptions/baillie\\_guidelines\\_2007.pdf](http://www.queensu.ca/ctl/scholarship/awards/descriptions/baillie_guidelines_2007.pdf)

Send submissions to The Selection Committee, The Chancellor A. Charles Baillie Teaching Award, c/o The Centre for Teaching and Learning, Faculty and Staff Learning Facilities, B176 Mackintosh-Corry Hall. Deadline: March 1.


### Committees

#### Principal's Advisory Committee – Director, Agnes Etherington Art Centre

Principal Karen Hitchcock announces the membership of the committee that she has asked to advise her on the review of the Director of the Agnes Etherington Art Centre (AEAC).

Members are: Sylvat Aziz, Sebastian Schutze and Devin Therien (student), Art; Irène Bujara, director, Human Rights Office and Interim University Advisor on Equity; Bernard Burkom, AEAC Gallery Association; Boris Castel, Queen's Quarterly; Vice-Principal (Academic) Patrick Deane (chair); Sarah Jane Dumbrille, Board of Trustees; Dorothy Farr, AEAC; John Meisel, emeritus professor, Political Studies; Merrilee Muir, Office of the Vice-Principal (Academic) (secretary); Brian Osborne, emeritus professor, Geography; Dorothy Young, J.K. Tett Creativity Centre's Tenant Association.

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of the Agnes Etherington Art Centre in writing to the Office of the Vice-Principal (Academic). Respondents should indicate whether they wish to have their letters shown, in confidence, to the members of the advisory committee.

### Headship selection committee, Microbiology and Immunology

In accordance with the Collective Agreement between Queen's University and the Queen's University Faculty Association, a selection committee will be formed to consider the present state and future prospects of the Department of Microbiology and Immunology and to assist the principal in the selection of a department head. Faculty members, staff and students are invited to nominate departmental support staff and students from the department and faculty members from cognate disciplines for membership on the selection committee. Send nominations by Monday, Jan. 29 to Dr. Kanji Nakatsu, Chair of the Committee, c/o Mrs. Gail Knutson, Faculty of Health Sciences, Macklem House, 18 Barrie St. Queen's University, Kingston, Ontario, K7L 3N6. Send email submissions to gail.knutson@queensu.ca

### Headship, Pathology and Molecular Medicine

Iain Young's term as head of the Department of Pathology and Molecular Medicine will end on June 30, 2007. Dr. Young is willing to be considered for reappointment. The procedure to be followed in reviewing the headship is the Modified Reappointment Process for Heads of Clinical Departments in the Faculty of Health Sciences approved by Senate on Sept. 28, 1995 and last revised in July 2001. A committee has been established to provide advice to the principal of Queen's and the chairs of the hospital boards on the reappointment of Dr. Young and the present state and future prospects of the department. Members are: David LeBrun, Pathology and Molecular Medicine; Peter O'Brien, Program

Support, Kingston General Hospital; David Pichora, chief of staff, Hotel Dieu Hospital; Anne Smith, Oncology; John Jeffrey (chair) associate dean, clinical, Faculty of Health Sciences; Heather-Ann Thompson (secretary), Health Sciences. Members of the university/health sciences community, faculty, staff and students are invited to submit comments on the department and the Headship. Send submissions by Friday, Feb. 9 to Dr. John Jeffrey, c/o Mrs. Heather-Ann Thompson, Faculty of Health Sciences, Macklem House, 18 Barrie St., Queen's University, Kingston, Ontario, K7L 3N6. Send email submissions to heather-ann.thompson@queensu.ca. All responses will be shared in confidence with the members of the review committee.

### Headship, Urology

James Wilson's term as head of the Department of Urology will end on June 30, 2007. Dr. Wilson is willing to be considered for reappointment. The procedure to be followed in reviewing the headship is the Modified Reappointment Process for Heads of Clinical Departments in the Faculty of Health Sciences, by Senate on Sept. 28 1995 and last revised in July 2001. In accordance with this document, a committee has been established to advise the principal of Queen's chairs of the hospital boards on the reappointment of Dr. Wilson and the present state and future prospects of the department. Members are Dale Mercer, Surgery; Peter Munt, chief of staff, Kingston General Hospital; Curtis Nickel, Urology; David Pichora, chief of staff, Hotel Dieu Hospital; John Jeffrey (chair), associate dean, clinical, Faculty of Health Sciences; Heather-Ann Thompson (secretary), Health Sciences. Members of the university/health sciences community, faculty, staff and students are invited to submit comments on the department and the headship. Send submissions by Friday, Feb. 9 to Dr. John Jeffrey, c/o Mrs. Heather-Ann Thompson, Faculty of Health Sciences, Macklem House, 18 Barrie St., Queens University, Kingston, Ontario, K7L 3N6.

Send email submissions to heather-ann.thompson@queensu.ca. All responses will be shared in confidence with the members of the review committee.

### Governance

#### Senate and Board of Trustees elections

From Feb. 1 through 23, 2007 vote online at [www.queensu.ca/secretariat/election](http://www.queensu.ca/secretariat/election)  
 Nominees for Staff Senator: Irene LaFleche (Computing), Tanya Thomas (Health Sciences).  
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### Human Resources

#### Attention students

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### Notices

#### Students wanted for summer lab work

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**Child Care:**

[www.hr.queensu.ca/benefits/fbp-child.php](http://www.hr.queensu.ca/benefits/fbp-child.php)

For assistance, email [hrbenefit@post.queensu.ca](mailto:hrbenefit@post.queensu.ca)

Employee Group	Tuition	Child Care
QUFA Faculty, Librarians & Archivists	Feb. 28	Feb. 1
QUFA Sessional Adjuncts	Not applicable	Feb. 1
QUSA General Staff	Feb. 28	Feb. 28
QUSA Research, Grant and Contract Staff	Feb. 28	Feb. 28
CUPE 1302	March 31	March 31
CUPE 229	March 31	March 31
CUPE 254	March 31	March 31
GFT Clinical Faculty	Feb. 28	Feb. 1
Senior Administration Group	Feb. 28	Feb. 1

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Ten highly motivated, outgoing and enthusiastic Arts and Science students are needed to work as peer advisers for the Summer Orientation to Academe and Registration (S.O.A.R.) Program. Applicants must be entering third or fourth year of an Arts and Science program in September 2007, in good academic standing and committed to helping new students. Details are available online, [www.careers.queensu.ca](http://www.careers.queensu.ca) (through Career Services Navigator). Applications are being accepted online, using CSN. Deadline: Feb. 12.

### PhD Examinations

Members of the regular staff at the university may attend PhD oral thesis examinations.

**Monday, Jan. 15**

**Freeman Yufei Huang**, School of Computing. Type-Safe Computation with Heterogeneous Data. Supervisor: D.B. Skillicorn, CISC, 524 Goodwin Hall, 9 am.

**Tuesday, Jan. 16**

**Andrea Bubenik**, Department of Art. The Reception of Albrecht Dürer, 1528-1700: Aspects of Art, Science and Collecting. Supervisor: C.S. Hoeniger, ARTH, V. Manuth, ARTH 320 Ontario Hall, 3 pm.

**Friday, Jan. 19**

**Kelly Patricia Westlake**, School of Rehabilitation Therapy. Proprioception in Older Adults: Age-Related Changes and the Effect of Activity Level and Exercise on Proprioception and Proprioceptive Reintegration. Supervisor: E.G. Culham, RHBS, 127 Bracken Library, 1:30 pm.

**Naohiro Nakamura**, Department of Geography, Managing Cultural Representation: Ainu and First Nations Museums in Japan and Canada. Supervisor: A.L. Kobayashi, GPHY, E310 Mac-Corry, 1:30 pm.

**Tuesday, Jan. 23**

**Dominic Cuerrier**, Department of Biochemistry, Active-Site Targeting of Calpain Proteases for Substrate and Inhibitor Design. Supervisor: P.L. Davies, BCHM, 660 Botterell Hall, 9:30 am.

**Wednesday, Jan. 24**

**Daniel Robert Raymond**, Department of Pharmacology & Toxicology. Specific Intracellular Targeting of Distinct Phosphodiesterase Isoforms Regulates Cell Function. Supervisor: D.H. Maurice, PHAR, 569 Botterell Hall, 9 am.

**Thursday, Jan. 25**

**Ramsey Ida**, Department of Chemistry. Nuclear Magnetic Resonance Studies of Alkali Metal Ion Binding in G-quadruplex DNA. Supervisor: Gang Wu, CHEM, 300 Chernoff Hall, 9 am.

### Volunteers

#### Osteoarthritis study

Volunteers with knee osteoarthritis are needed to participate in a research study to understand the factors influencing how they feel about physical function. It involves one visit to the School of Rehabilitation Therapy (George and Stuart streets). Details: Jafar Sadiq, 613-533-6000 ext. 77850, 5ja2@qlink.queensu.ca

#### Strength, endurance assessment

Healthy volunteers (males aged 47-70 yrs and females aged 58-78 yrs) are needed to participate in assessments of physical endurance and strength function using standard field tests. Principal Investigator: Dr. King-VanVlack, School of Rehabilitation Therapy. For further details, contact Irene 613-539-8041 or Joanna 613-531-8977.

## Calendar

Unless specified, all events are free.

### Art

**Agnes Etherington Art Centre Events: Jan. 25:** Art Matters. Director Janet Brooke speaks on Persistent Forms: British Drawings and Prints 1900-1950. 12:15 pm.

**Jan. 26:** Context and Meaning Graduate Conference in Art History and Art Conservation, 9 am - 5 pm. Students, scholars, and the public are invited to attend the talks in the art centre atrium. Details: Susan Cahill or Rebecca Ehlert at [gvca@post.queensu.ca](mailto:gvca@post.queensu.ca).

**Jan. 28:** Roll Out, Roll On. 2-4 pm. Nathalie Sorensen and John Meisel speak on the founding of the art centre, followed by sneak previews of recent acquisitions by curators Dorothy Farr, Jan Allen and David de Witt. Reception to follow.

**Feb. 1:** Koerner Foundation Visitor Artist's Lecture: Eleanor Bond, 7 pm. Eleanor Bond discusses her exhibition, Contemporary Landscape Painting: see you tomorrow.

**Feb. 4:** Family Program, 1:30 - 3 pm or 3 - 4:30 pm. Visit the exhibitions Mister Man and The Art of Mali, then get creative with sculpture in the Andre Bieler Studio. Suitable for children 6+ with adult accompaniment. Space is limited; call 613-533-2190 to reserve. Free with admission.

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### The Studio Gallery

**Exhibition:** Aida Sulcs, Existence Passage Dreaming, mixed media visual arts to Feb. 2. Reception: Friday, Feb 2, 6-8 pm

Monday- Thursday, 10 am - 5 pm, Friday, 10 am - 3 pm. B 144 McArthur Hall, Faculty of Education. Information: [solara@educ.queensu.ca](mailto:solara@educ.queensu.ca) 533-6000 ext. 77416.

### Union Gallery

**Exhibitions:** Shift, by fourth-year BFA students Jessica McCann, Nathalie Lawrence and Talie Shalmon, to Feb. 6. Project Room: Then + Then Again, audio installation by Clive Robertson, in conjunction with an exhibition at the Modern Fuel Gallery.

**Event:** Feb. 10: Cezanne's Closet Fundraiser. The money obtained through fundraising efforts and membership helps guarantee free admission for all visitors. Details: [uniongallery.queensu.ca/fundraising/cezannescloset.html](http://uniongallery.queensu.ca/fundraising/cezannescloset.html)

First floor, Stauffer Library, Corner of Union and University. [uniongallery.queensu.ca](http://uniongallery.queensu.ca)

### Film

**Thursday, Jan. 25**

**German**  
Agnes and His Brothers/Agnes und seine Brüder. Germany, 2004. Dir. Oskar Roehler. In German with English subtitles. 201 Kingston, 7:30 pm.

**Sunday, Feb. 11**

**Cinema Kingston**  
Un dimanche à Kigali (Sunday in Kigali) Robert Favreau, Canada, 2006. This eagerly awaited film follows a Québécois journalist in Rwanda who falls in love with a Hutu waitress as violent civil unrest breaks out. Etherington Auditorium, 94 Stuart St., 7:30 pm. \$8 at the door. Michael Ostroff, director of the documentary, and Jillian Keiley, director of the opera featured in the film, will answer questions.

### Music

**Sunday, Jan. 28**

**Kingston Symphony**  
A European Tour featuring School of Music professor and pianist Cynthia Tormann. Kingston Gospel Temple, 2:30 pm. Tickets: Grand Theatre Box Office, 216 Ontario St. (City Hall), 613-530-2050 and online at [www.grandtheatre-kingston.com](http://www.grandtheatre-kingston.com).

**Friday, Feb. 9, Saturday, Feb. 10**

**A Night in Vienna**  
Tickets are now on sale for a night of Austrian music, song, food and

dance, featuring students, faculty and professional ballroom dancers. Proceeds will fund pianos for music students. Tickets: Floor with food, \$45 plus tax; Balcony with no food, \$15 plus tax; cash bar. Performing Arts Box Office, John Deutsch University Centre, 613-533-2558.

### Theatre

**Monday, Jan. 29**

**Lady-in-Waiting**  
Charles Hayter. Domino Theatre, 370 King St. W., 7:30 pm. Discussion to follow. Warning: Coarse language. Presented by the Hannah Chair and Queen's University Association of Queer Employees (QUAQE). \$5 at the door; free for students.

**Feb. 13 - 15, Feb. 28 - March 3**

**Drama**  
The Tragical History of Doctor Faustus. Vogt Theatre, Theological Hall. Curtain time: 8 pm; Matinee, March 3, 2 pm. Tickets: Department of Drama, Theological Hall, weekdays 8:30 am 3:45 pm or from Destinations in the JDUC 9 am - 5 pm. Details: [www.queensu.ca/drama](http://www.queensu.ca/drama) or phone 613-533-2104.

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### Departmental Seminar Schedules

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**Public Lectures**

**Monday, Jan. 22**

**Law**  
 Danwood Chirwa, Capetown. Privatization & Freedom from Property. 515 Macdonald, 1 pm.

**Wednesday, Jan. 24**

**History/Sociology**  
 Barbara Katz Rothman, sociologist. Untangling Race and Adoption. Ban Righ Fireside Room, 7 pm. Reception to follow. Supported by funds from the Faculty of Arts and Science Visiting Scholar's Program.

**Law**  
 Heather Gerken, Yale. Second Order Diversity; Toward a New Strategy for Minority Empowerment. 400 Macdonald, 11:30 am.

**Queen's Qualitative Lecture Series  
 Rehabilitation Therapy**  
 Margo Patterson, Jennifer Medves, Queen's. The nuts and bolts of Action Research in the Critical Paradigm: The QUIPPED project. 224 Clinical Education Centre, Louise D. Acton Building, 4 pm.

**Thursday, Jan. 25**

**Centre for Obesity Research and Education**  
 Inaugural annual lectureship  
 Jean-Pierre Després, Laval University. The Tale of the Tape: Abdominal

Obesity as a Health Hazard. Ellis Auditorium, 7 pm.

**Philosophy**  
 Jeffrey Pelletier, Simon Fraser. Psychologism in Logic. 517 Watson, 4:30 pm.

**Friday, Jan. 26**

**Centre for Obesity Research and Education**  
 Jean-Pierre Després, Laval University. From Metabolic Syndrome to Cardiometabolic Risk: An approach to better assess global CVD risk in clinical practice. Botterell Hall B143, 10:30 am.

**Monday, Jan. 29**

**Law**  
 Larry Kramer, Stanford. Deliberative Democracy and Judicial Review. 515 Macdonald, 1 pm.

**Tuesday, Jan. 30**

**Dunning Trust Lecture**  
 Sherene Razack, OISE/UT. The Empire of Camps: Race, Law and the War on Terror. Ellis Auditorium, 7:30 pm. Reception to follow. Presented by the Senate Educational Equity Committee.

**Wednesday, Jan. 31**

**Law**  
 David Kerzner, Washington. Practising in the United States. 300 Macdonald, 1 pm.

**Spanish and Italian**  
 Gianni Vattimo, Turin. Philosophy & Religion in Europe: The Myth of Unity. 201 Kingston, 4:30 pm. Sponsored by the departments of Philosophy, German, English, History, Political Studies, Religious Studies, Etudes Francaises, the Office of the Vice-Principal (Academic) and the Faculty of Arts and Science.

**Thursday, Feb. 1**

**Philosophy**  
 Margaret Moore, Queen's. Global Justice and Responsibility. 517 Watson, 4:30 pm.

**Friday, Feb. 2**

**Music**  
 John Burge, Queen's. The Viennese Waltz. Presented in anticipation of A Night in Vienna, Feb. 9 and 10. 124 Harrison-LeCaine, 12:30 pm.

**Thursday, Feb. 8**

**19th Annual Hannah Happening**  
 T. Jock Murray, Dalhousie. A Medical Life in 10 Stories. 1102 Biosciences, 5:30 pm

**Monday Feb. 12**

**Law**  
 David Mullan, City of Toronto Integrity Commissioner. Regulating Ethical Behaviours in the Public Sector. 515 Macdonald, 1 pm.

**Special Events**

**Wednesday, Jan. 24**

**Urban and Regional Planning**  
 Susan Fainstein, Harvard. The Just City: panel discussion. 202 Policy Studies, 6:30-8:30 pm.

**Saturday, Jan. 27**

**Rotaract Club fundraiser**  
 Gala to support the club's fundraising efforts for a 2007 mission trip to El Salvador and Honduras. Buffet dinner, guest speakers, silent auction, and live musical entertainment. Zorba's Banquet Hall, 1474 Bath Rd. Tickets are \$90 for non-students and \$50 for students; dress is semi-formal. Tickets: email emily.a.christie@gmail.com. Details: clubs.myams.org/rotaract

**Saturday, Feb. 3**

**Education**  
 Science Discovery Day. McArthur Hall, corner of Sir John A. Macdonald Blvd. and Union St., 1 - 3 pm.

**Tuesday, Feb. 6**

**Free pancake breakfast**  
 Queen's Community Campaign kicks off with a free breakfast for faculty, staff and retirees. Grant Hall, 7:30 - 9:30 am. Draw tickets for balcony seating at the School of Music's A Night in Vienna (Feb. 9 and 10).

**Friday, Feb. 9**

**Queen's Forum on Population and Public Health**  
 Lower Ban Righ, Ban Righ Hall, 10 Bader Ln. 9 am to 2 pm. Details: www.queens-pph.ca

**Saturday, Feb. 10**

**Queen's Observatory Open House**  
 Featuring a short talk on From the Big Bang to Galaxies. Ellis Hall, University Avenue, 7:30-9:30 pm. Details: observatory.phy.queensu.ca

**Submission Information**

The next Gazette deadline for Calendar, Bulletin Board and other editorial submissions is at noon on Monday, Feb. 5.

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 Coordinator  
 613 533-2211

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## Queen's Population and Public Health Initiative

### AN INVITATION to all Queen's FACULTY, STUDENTS and STAFF interested in the field of POPULATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH

Please join us for an information and feedback session on the new Queen's Master's of Public Health program currently under development. We are looking for input from faculty and potential students on the proposed content and format of the program, as well as new ideas. A draft outline of proposed courses under development is listed here with more details available on-line at [www.queens-pph.ca](http://www.queens-pph.ca).

*We hope you can attend one of two scheduled sessions:*  
**January 23rd or 24th**  
**from 11:30 am to 1:00 pm at Dunning Hall**  
**(University Ave. at Union) Room 14**

#### BACKGROUND

"Population and public health" has been described as the science and the art of promoting health, preventing disease, prolonging life, and improving quality of life through the organized efforts of society. The primary focus is on the health of populations as a whole, where we seek to understand and address the social, cultural, political, economic and geographic causes of disease and disability, in addition to their biological basis. This is in contrast to the clinical arena of health care, where the focus is on the individual in terms of diagnosis, treatment and cure.

On the world stage, the United Nations Millennium Goals reveal large, persistent discrepancies in health, well-being and economic activity between developed countries, including Canada and much of the rest of the world. Yearly progress evaluations indicate there is a need to better understand the reasons behind disparities in health and economic development between different populations, and to develop and evaluate programs in a wide variety of fields aimed at reducing, and eventually eliminating these discrepancies. As Queen's endeavours to engage the world, we must commit to work towards these goals – to relieve suffering, reduce premature death rates, and to provide assistance during emergencies.

At home, the Public Health Agency of Canada is committed to building capacity, to producing an adequate supply of skilled public

health professionals to improve the effectiveness of the public health system, and to address current shortages in our public health workforce. Queen's University is ideally positioned to propose the establishment of a School of Public Health to address this need.

#### SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH AT QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY

Teaching, research and service are core elements of a university. Already, many faculty, staff and students at Queen's are engaged in teaching, research and community service, providing a good foundation for a School of Public Health at Queen's – one that would facilitate trans-disciplinary education, research and service and would provide greater visibility of these efforts at Queen's and beyond, attracting new students, faculty and funding agencies. If established, the School will be integrated with the newly formed Queen's Institute of Population and Public Health, with the joint aim of positioning Queen's University to be at the forefront of shaping new ideas in this field, and communicating these effectively, for the benefit of the health of populations worldwide. This reflects the University's vision to "be recognized as an innovative, inclusive and rigorous community of learning and discovery that is committed to serving as a national resource for the betterment of our global society."

#### Master's of Public Health Degree

Our first step toward achieving our goal will be to provide a Master's of Public Health degree. If approved by Queen's and the Ontario Council on Graduate Studies, we could begin accepting students for September 2008. The MPH will offer training that is centered in Canada's multicultural context, to provide public health expertise both within Canada and internationally. Public health is traditionally concerned with disadvantaged and marginalized populations. Queen's MPH approaches national and global health challenges with these populations in mind. However, we emphasize that, with globalization, the health status of populations in developing countries cannot be divorced from the health status of populations of countries that have some power in setting global agendas, as Canada does.

A multi-disciplinary Curriculum Committee consisting of faculty, specialists and graduate students has been working on developing the curriculum and setting up field placement practicums. There is early consensus that this will be a non-thesis degree with a focus on global health. We invite you to provide your feedback at the scheduled information sessions, or to contact us by email at [c.christmas@queensu.ca](mailto:c.christmas@queensu.ca).

#### Proposed Core Courses (term length):

Environmental Health  
 Global Health  
 Health Policy  
 Introduction to Epidemiology (EPID801)  
 Social and Behavioural Sciences in Public Health  
 Basic Statistics for Epidemiologists (EPID 821)

#### Proposed Optional Courses:

Aboriginal Health in the Public Health Context  
 Case Studies in Public Health (EPID 824)  
 Child Health  
 Engineering and the Environment in Developing Countries  
 Food and Water Borne Diseases  
 Foundations in Public Health  
 Gender and Health  
 Global Leadership Skills for Public Health Professionals  
 Global Maternal and Infant Health  
 Global Mental Health  
 Health Economics  
 Health Promotion and Intervention Planning  
 Infectious Diseases  
 Public Health in Action Seminars  
 Public Health Law  
 Reproductive and Sexual Health  
 Selected Topics in Global Health (HIV/AIDS)  
 Violence/War and Health (To be confirmed)