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CHRONIQUE DU PRÉSIDENT

Salutations à tous les géographes

Je viens tout juste de rentrer à Victoria après avoir passé un mois sous la tente dans les montagnes côtières de la Colombie-Britannique sur les glaciers isolés et uniquement accessibles en hélicoptère. À tous les jours passés sur le terrain, je me levais en sortant la tête de la tente pour jeter un coup d'œil à la météo puis, tenant une tasse de café entre les mains, je regardais les rayons de soleil descendre tranquillement les parois des montagnes qui enveloppaient notre campement.

À tous les matins, ces moments paisibles et solitaires furent l'occasion pour moi de réfléchir à de nombreuses questions, dont en particulier celle du parcours qui m'a amené, alors que je ne m'y attendais pas, à assumer le rôle de président de votre association. Très jeune, je mettais en valeur et j'étais avide de connaître tout ce qui concernait la géographie. Plus tard, au niveau secondaire, cet intérêt s'est concrétisé grâce aux sorties de classe organisées par un enseignant de géographie qui nous a fait découvrir les cavernes, les côtes et les drumlins. Ces histoires de paysage ont suscité en moi un vif désir de poursuivre des études postsecondaires à l'Université de Waterloo où j'ai obtenu deux diplômes et profité de la chance d'avoir un mentor qui s'y connaissait en matière de la Cordillère canadienne. À ce stade de ma vie, il fallait simplement se donner un prétexte pour nous rapprocher des montagnes. Et un jour, grâce à un coup de chance, une occasion s'est présentée, et June et moi l'avons saisie : en route donc pour l'Université de l'Alberta et son programme d'études supérieures. À l'été 1979, nous avons mis toutes nos possessions dans notre vieille camionnette de marque GMC pour commencer de nouvelles vies dans l'Ouest canadien. Bien que mon sujet portait sur un des processus géomorphologiques parmi les plus léthargiques et subtils, j'ai finalement soutenu ma thèse en 1985 et nous avons repris le chemin vers l'est en direction de l'Université de la Saskatchewan. Alors que les années passèrent et que notre famille s'agrandie, j'ai accepté en 1992 un poste à l'Université de Victoria qui me permettait de me rendre facilement aux paysages montagneux et côtiers. En cours de route, j'ai dirigé plus d'une vingtaine de camps de terrain à l'automne durant lesquels les étudiants du premier cycle ont découvert de
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PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

Greetings Geographers:

I have just returned to Victoria after having spent the previous month living in a tent at remote helicopter-accessed glacier sites in the British Columbia Coast Mountains. Each of those field days began with a glance out the tent door to sense the weather, followed shortly by time spent cradling a morning cup of coffee and watching the warming sunshine slowly slip down the surrounding mountain walls into our campsite.

Those quiet moments spent alone each morning provided an opportunity to reflect upon many things, not the least of which was the road that has unexpectedly placed me in the role of President of your association. My appreciation and curiosity for things geographical began early in life, and was formalized by a high school geography teacher who organized field trips to caves, coasts and drumlins. Engaged and enthralled by these landscape stories, I completed my first two degrees at the University of Waterloo where I was fortunate enough to be mentored by someone wise in the ways of the Canadian Cordillera. My only recourse at this point was to find an excuse to move us closer to the mountains. As luck would have it such an opportunity arose when both June and I were offered graduate student opportunities at the University of Alberta. In the summer of 1979 we packed our few belongings into a well-used GMC pickup truck and began new lives by driving to western Canada. Despite studying one of the most lethargic and subtle geomorphic processes going, eventually I completed my dissertation in 1985 and we moved east to the University of Saskatchewan. Several years passed and our family numbers increased before I accepted a position at the
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CHRONIQUE DU PRÉSIDENT

nombreux milieux montagnards, et j'ai eu le privilège d'encadrer des étudiants des cycles supérieurs de haut calibre. Après avoir assuré la présidence du département durant huit ans et demi de façon interrompue, je m'engage maintenant à veiller au bon fonctionnement de l'Association canadienne des géographes pendant les deux prochaines années.

J'éprouve un sentiment étrange à l'idée que je mets ses pensées par écrit aujourd'hui, mais que plusieurs semaines s'écouleront avant qu'elles ne soient lues. Comme la plupart de vous savez, je suis l'administrateur des listes de diffusion de courriels qui permettent d'établir un contact plus direct et rapide. Cela dit, je reconnais la valeur du Bulletin de nouvelles de l'ACG qui demeure un véhicule important de diffusion de l'information et un lieu d'échanges d'opinions. En gardant cela à l'esprit, nous avons lancé une chronique signée par vos conseillers nationaux à laquelle s'ajoutera prochainement une chronique constituée de communications sollicitées rédigées par les présidents et directeurs de départements de partout au pays. Selon les échos que j'ai reçus de plusieurs géographes actifs et non-universitaires à partir des récentes discussions tenues sur la CAGList, je continue à croire que nous serons également en mesure de présenter des articles à même de répondre aux besoins et opinions de ce groupe de géographes canadiens que l'on a trop souvent négligés.

Je crois fermement que les congrès annuels de l'ACG et des divisions régionales offrent un environnement propice et essentiel à notre avenir collectif. Si vous n'avez pas eu l'occasion de participer depuis longtemps, alors permettez-moi de vous transmettre une invitation aux congrès qui se tiendront dans les prochains mois. Les divisions de l'Atlantique, de l'Ontario et des Prairies se rencontreront dans quelques semaines alors que le congrès de l'Ouest est prévu pour mars 2009. Vous y êtes tous les bienvenus. N'oubliez pas que du 26 au 30 mai 2009, l'université Carleton sera l'hôte du Congrès annuel de l'ACG.

J'aimerais réitérer et attirer l'attention sur quelques éléments de l'actualité relative à l'ACG présentés à Québec lors de l'AGA de mai dernier. Nous comptons maintenant plus de 1000 membres. Ce regain d'intérêt, qui se traduit par un accroissement du nombre d'adhérents, est sûrement le reflet des efforts déployés par l'ACG visant à mieux représenter les géographes actifs des secteurs privés et publics et du milieu universitaire. Grâce à la bonne gestion de nos activités par la secrétaire-trésorière Mary-Louise Byrne, l'association jouit d'une bonne santé financière et se prépare à lancer plusieurs nouvelles initiatives. Sous la direction bienveillante du rédacteur en chef sortant Roger Hayter qui a établi de bonnes relations de travail avec l'éditeur Wiley-Blackwell, *Le Géographe canadien* est en voie de devenir

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PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

University of Victoria in 1992 that offered easier access to coastal mountainscapes. Along the way I've led over twenty annual fall undergraduate field camps in various mountain settings and been lucky enough to have supervised some awfully talented graduate students. Having just completed an extended and uninterrupted eight and half year term as department chair, I'm now set to turn my attention to shepherding the Canadian Association of Geographers for the next couple of years.

Writing these thoughts down today and knowing they will not be read for weeks is a strange sensation. As many of you know, I manage a number of e-mail servers that offer a more immediate intimacy of contact. I have come to appreciate, however, that the CAG Newsletter remains an important venue for dispersing information and as a forum for opinion pieces. With those thoughts in mind, we have introduced a column to be written by your National Councillors and will shortly be adding a column featuring solicited contributions from departmental chairs/directors from across the country. Having heard privately from a number of practicing non-academic geographers following several recent CAGList discussions, I hope that we will also be able to sustain ongoing submissions focused on the needs and opinions of this oftentimes neglected group of Canadian geographers.

I remain firmly of the opinion that the annual meetings of the CAG and the regional divisions are an important community-building activity. If you have not attended either event recently, I would like to encourage you to do so in the coming months. The Atlantic, Ontario and Prairie divisions all have meetings in the next few weeks where you would be welcome. The Western Division meets in March 2009 and, of course, the Annual Meeting of the CAG is being hosted by Carleton University from May 26-30, 2009.

It is worth repeating and emphasizing several items of CAG news reported at the Quebec City AGM in May. We now have over 1000 association members, a resurgence in membership numbers that seemingly values the effort played by the CAG in representing practising geographers from public and private sectors and from universities. Thanks to the careful stewardship of our Secretary-Treasurer Mary-Louise Byrne the association is in good shape financially and is launching a number of new initiatives. Under the careful editorship of outgoing editor Roger Hayter and a good working relationship with our publisher Wiley-Blackwell, *The Canadian Geographer* is emerging as a journal with a strong international voice. The association is confident that under incoming editor Ian MacLachlan these gains will continue. Finally, the CAG has championed the establishment of a student advisory council and will shortly be turning to this group for advice.

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COMMENTARY

Were You One of the Twelve? Why Not?

In the May/June CAG Newsletter, Professor Ian MacLachlan set the bar high in the first of what will be a series of opinion pieces from CAG Councillors. I sit here at my laptop, with Hudson, my long trusted little terrier, at my feet and some trepidation about what I have decided to write. The title consists of two questions. Let me add a third. When you think of your CAG divisional annual meeting and conference, do you have unholy thoughts? If you said 'yes', then the following message likely caters to you, and there are a lot of you; especially in Ontario. No, don't turn the page. I dare you to read on particularly if you are a faculty member at one of Ontario's universities!

You will recall the last sentence in Ian's piece "Vive la difference!" which he used as a rallying call for us to participate in both the AAG and CAG Annual Meetings. He is correct to do so. These organisations differ yet there is much that can be gained by attending and participating in them both. I feel that there is also much to be gained from attending and participating in the CAG regional meetings. From discussions I have had with colleagues from Western, Prairie and Atlantic divisions of the CAG the last 3 years, it seems that the regional meetings of these parts of the country are popular and well supported. In fact, I have learned that the attendance at the Western annual meeting frequently exceeds 200 persons. 200 persons! While attendance at Prairie and Atlantic division meetings is lower in terms of absolute numbers, the percentage of members that attend is very respectable.

What about CAGONT you ask? Ontario is seen by many of us who live here as the heartland, the core, la rasion d'être du grand pays du Canada! It is the biggest regional division in terms of the numbers of geography departments, graduate programs, undergraduate enrolment, number of faculty, CAG members, and so on. Surely attendance at CAGONT meetings must be impressive with registrations of 350, 450 or even, when held somewhere in or near the Golden Horseshoe, 500 or more. Not quite. The answer is included later in this column. Write down your guess now.

CAGONT is not without its supporters of which the most important group includes the Chairs, program coordinators and the students from the joint graduate geography program of Waterloo and Wilfrid Laurier universities. This program has made participation at CAGONT mandatory for all new MA and PhD students and, as a result, is frequently responsible for 50% or more of the registrations year after year. Believe me I know that every faculty member can not attend the regional meeting every year. But can you name the host institution

for the last three regional meetings in your division? Or for that matter, can you identify the host institutions for the last three CAG annual meetings?

I also know that the regional meetings are excellent venues for students, undergraduate and graduate alike, to present research. These students work hard and in many instances are encouraged to participate in these meetings. But to whom are they presenting? Students learn from students all the time. However, when presenting ideas linked to graduate research interests they want to get feedback from faculty from other institutions. Students have told me this during informal discussions that I have had with many at CAGONT meetings since 2003; they have made it clear that they are gravely disappointed that such a small percentage of professors attend and participate.

The lack of faculty at CAGONT is an indirect lesson that some of us are teaching - regional meetings, particularly CAGONT, are for students only. The lack of commitment by professors to our divisional meetings, I fear, will continue to challenge if not erode the value of the national association, regional divisions and the very discipline. Why, for instance, would a current graduate student attend CAGONT after joining the ranks of the professoriate given the dismal recent level of faculty participation? Faculty involvement will strengthen the discipline, add to the student experience and encourage more geographers to attend and participate. If faculty attend, more students will follow.

But the problem to involve faculty is complex. In my own recent experience as an interviewee with the tenure and promotion committee I faced direct questions about why I chose to invest time in CAGONT and CAG. Was it not better, I was asked by the senior professor from Anthropology, to let others invest in the organisation since time spent on such endeavours does not count as scholarly work? (This attitude was reflected in anonymous evaluations from half of the colleagues from MY OWN department; thereby underscoring Alison Gill's concern and that of Chris Sharpe before her, regarding membership in general.) I spent a substantial portion of my interview answering this and follow up questions on my choice to participate in CAG and CAGONT and I argued, successfully it seemed, that time spent on regional and national organisation work IS scholarly and important.

Upon closing, let me return to the question I posed above: How many registrations were there for CAGONT 2007? The answer is 108. Okay I hear some of you say, what is his problem because 100 or so geography faculty at one place at one time would make for a very rich academic and scholarly experience. This would be true if there were 100 professors present - think of it! 100 professors engaging students, the best students the region has to challenge and to be challenged by - what

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a delightful concept. There is only one small problem with this statement; of the 108 registrants and not counting the faculty from the host institution (mine) only 12 were faculty members. 12! I am not talking about 12 out of 36 as might attend the Atlantic division; I am talking 12 of 108. Were you one of the 12? If not, why not? Tell me. I dare you!

William Crumplin
CAG Councillor-Ontario Division

DIVISION NEWS

Prairie Division

2008 PCAG ANNUAL MEETING Sept. 26-28, 2008

The Department of Geography at Brandon University cordially invites you to the 32nd Annual Meeting of the CAG Prairie Division

The meeting will be held in Boissevain, MB, just north of the Canada-U.S. border, and 45 minutes south of Brandon. Please visit the PCAG 2008 website for complete information (note that not all links are fully active yet, so keep checking back for more information as it becomes available).

Links for abstract submission, accommodation information, and registration are currently UP.

Please note that due to the limited amount of accommodations in Boissevain, it is extremely important that you book rooms early - see the website for details.

www.brandonu.ca/geography/pcag2008/

Ontario Division

CAGONT / ELDAAG 2008 Annual Meeting October 17-19, 2008 Call for Papers

The Department of Geography, Brock University invites you to the 2008 Annual Meetings of the Canadian Association of Geographers, Ontario Division and the American Association of Geographers, East Lakes Division in St. Catharines, Ontario.

Abstracts of no more than 250 words should be submitted to: cagont@brocku.ca. Only electronic copies of abstracts will be accepted. Please enter ABSTRACT and whether presenting a paper or a poster on the subject line of the email. All presenters must be registered. All abstracts must be received by September 18, 2008.

Graduate and Undergraduate Students are encouraged to participate at CAGONT / ELDAAG

Information on Hotels and Restaurants near Brock will be available soon at the conference home page: <http://info.wlu.ca/~wwwgeog/Cagont/cagont.htm>

For information please contact the conference organizers at cagont@brocku.ca

CONGRATULATIONS

KOSINSKI, LESZEK, Professor Emeritus, University of Alberta, received the award of *Laureat d'honneur* for an outstanding contribution to leadership in the discipline of geography, in the Academy, in the Canadian national context, in the IGU and in other international organizations where population geography intersects with demography and other social sciences (IUSSP, ISSC, IHDP).

MITCHELL, BRUCE, University of Waterloo, received the *Massey Medal* awarded annually by the Society in recognition of outstanding career achievement in the exploration, development or description of the geography of Canada. Bruce Mitchell is a well-respected leader in the field of resource and environmental management, with a focus on water resources.

OKE, TIMOTHY R., Professor Emeritus, University of British Columbia, Officer of the Order of Canada, appointed to the *Order of Canada* for his contributions to meteorology and urban climatology, as well as for his mentoring of generations of geographers.

GEOGRAPHERS IN THE NEWS

MICHAEL CHURCH

- Auditor-General needs to act or future dire for salmon by Mark Hume, Globe and Mail, June 16, 2008

ANDREW DAVIDSON

- Eye in the sky keeps track of field colours by Robert Anrnason, Winnipeg bureau, The Western Producer, posted July 24, 2008

GREG HALSETH

- Pine beetle poses threat to native communities by Terri Theodore, The Canadian Press, July 14, 2008

PETER SEXIAS

- Surveys don't reflect interest in history, Special to the Sun, Vancouver Sun, July 02, 2008

BARRY WELLAR

- Diversity runs deep in market's past - Despite ups and downs, the future looks bright for Ottawa's 'jewel'. By Daniel Drolet, Ottawa Citizen, Saturday July 12, 2008. Page D3.

- Growing dilemma - Accept as much as \$6 million from developers, or sit on a \$500,000 piece of farmland to preserve a way of life for his children - By Tim Shufelt. Ottawa Citizen, July 2, 2008, Page C1 and C2.

- Time in a bottle-Highway-safety activists are concerned about semi-trailer drivers who keep on truckin' under tight delivery deadlines; Special Report by Selena Hinds. Winnipeg Free Press, June 28, 2008.

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Current CAG Regional Student Representatives

As of July 2008, the following individuals are student representatives for the CAG regional divisions:

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Prairie Division

Bill Wetherholt, Master's candidate (2007-2009)
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Western Division

BC - Alex Martin, PhD candidate (2008-2010)
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AB - Steven Vincett (2007-2009)
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University of Lethbridge
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Quebec Division

No representative at this time.

These positions turn over fairly frequently so please consider letting your name stand at election time if you are interested in participating. Undergraduate and graduate students are encouraged to get involved. Please note that a new student representative for the Ontario Division will be elected this October 2008 at CAGONT (Brock University), so get your campaign speeches ready!

Also, please remember to contact your regional or national representatives if you have any questions or comments about the CAG.

Ryan Bullock, CAG Student Councillor (2007-2009), rclbullo@fes.uwaterloo.ca.

CAG STUDENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The CAG Student Advisory Committee (CAGSAC) is a newly formed body intended to advise the national student representative and CAG Executive on a range of student-related issues in order to help improve the CAG student experience and student engagement. Several students responded to the CAGlist postings and we now have a diverse group of individuals (listed below) who will periodically be asked to provide their insights on student matters. All CAG student members are invited to participate on CAGSAC and the membership will evolve over time.

Many thanks to the new CAGSAC members who have offered to volunteer their time and effort to help improve the CAG. If you want further information on CAGSAC please contact Ryan Bullock rclbullo@fes.uwaterloo.ca or Dan Smith smith@uvic.ca.

ONLINE Access!!! You may now update your profile (personal information, change of address etc.) as well as verify your current membership status ONLINE! Go to the CAG website at www.cag-acg.ca and click on My Profile (black bar, top right hand corner) and log in.

CAGLIST server - electronic mail distribution list
You are NOT automatically entered on the CAGList server when you become a CAG member. To join go to <http://lists.uvic.ca/mailman/listinfo/caglist> and follow the instructions.

Interactive Atlas of Canada
Géostat www.geostat.ca/en/ has developed an interactive Atlas of Canada that compares regions and cities, with sociodemographic data. To launch the Atlas, go to www.geostat.ca/en/realisation/index.html.

<i>CAGSAC member</i>	<i>Post Secondary Institution</i>	<i>Level of Study</i>
Sara Blumell	Wilfrid Laurier University	Undergraduate
Christina Canart	University of Regina	
Stephanie Chai	University of Alberta	Undergraduate
Seanna Davidson	University of Guelph	PhD student
Peter Johnson	McGill University	PhD candidate
Jennifer Ann Mc Getrick	University of Alberta	Undergraduate
Sharmalene Mendis-Millard	University of Waterloo	PhD candidate
Pablo Mendez	University of British Columbia	PhD student
Raul Pacheco	University of British Columbia	PhD candidate
John Wall	Carleton University	PhD student

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une revue de niveau international. L'association estime que sous la houlette du nouveau rédacteur en chef Ian MacLachlan nous poursuivrons cette ascension. Dernier point, l'ACG est en faveur de la mise sur pied d'un comité conseil étudiant qui se voit confier le mandat de lui fournir des avis.

En tant qu'individus, les géographes canadiens ont pris conscience de la fragilité de notre environnement national et mondial. Malgré l'empressement de chacun à vouloir réduire et minimiser son empreinte écologique, l'ACG met du temps à assumer sa part de la responsabilité. Le siège social de l'ACG s'est donc engagé à acheter du papier recyclé, ce qui constitue un premier pas dans la bonne direction. Surtout, des dispositions ont été prises récemment avec Wiley-Blackwell afin que *Le Géographe canadien* soit imprimé sur du papier recyclé. J'aimerais aussi vous demander de cocher la case appropriée qui se retrouve sur la page personnelle des membres l'ACG indiquant que vous ne souhaitez plus recevoir une copie papier de la revue. Sur cette question, l'ACG peut et doit faire beaucoup plus et je suis ouvert à toute proposition de votre part.

Avant de terminer ces réflexions, je voudrais tout particulièrement exprimer mes remerciements aux conseillers sortants des comités national et régionaux. Votre engagement en faveur de la promotion de la géographie canadienne est grandement apprécié. Enfin, au nom des membres de l'association, je tiens à rendre hommage à notre présidente sortante Alison Gill et à saluer son apport inestimable à l'ACG.

Dan Smith,
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As individuals Canadian geographers have long understood the implicit fragility of our national and global environment. Despite the attention that many give to reducing and minimizing their personal footprint, the CAG has been slow to accept its fair share of responsibility. We are soon to make small steps in this direction by purchasing only recycled paper for use at the CAG head office. More significantly, we have recently arranged with Wiley-Blackwell to begin printing *The Canadian Geographer* on recycled paper as well. I will also personally encourage you not to receive paper copies of the journal by checking the appropriate box on your personal CAG membership profile (see page 7, *Cut Clutter Not Trees....* for details). Much more can, and should, be done by the CAG in this regard and I will encourage members with ideas to get in touch.

Before concluding these thoughts, I wish to express my thanks to the outgoing councillors of the national and regional executives. Your commitment to and championing of Canadian geography is deeply valued. Finally, thanks must be extended by all association members to our outgoing President Alison Gill whose contributions to the CAG are a legacy that will be difficult to match.

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☞ 2009 CAG Annual Meeting, May 26-30, 2009
Hosted by Carleton University with the Canadian
Federation for the Humanities and Social Sciences
<http://www.fedcan.ca/congress2009/>

Geography Department at Trent University to Celebrate 40th Anniversary (1968 – 2008)
Reunion and Celebrations Planned for October 3 & 4 in Peterborough

The Department of Geography at Trent University will be marking its 40th anniversary in 2008 with a weekend full of celebrations during the university's annual Head of the Trent Homecoming on Friday, October 3 and Saturday, October 4. All geography alumni, faculty and staff, family and friends are invited to the reunion events, which include receptions and a departmental open house. Past and present faculty and staff members of the Department will be present. CAG members are encouraged to join us in celebrating four decades of geography along the banks of the beautiful Otonabee River.

Geography at Trent began in 1968 with two founding faculty members, Peter Adams (Chair) and Fred Helleiner, now professors emeritus. Over the last 40 years, the Department has expanded to the present 11 permanent faculty, with many CAG members passing through on their way to geography careers across Canada and internationally (including two recent past-presidents). Since its beginning, the Department has developed a broadly based undergraduate degree program with active involvement in Trent's interdisciplinary graduate programs that continues today. To mark the anniversary, the Department is publishing a commemorative book, entitled *Geography at Trent: The First Forty Years, The Illustrated Edition* as well as a third edition of its very successful local book, *Peterborough and the Kawarthas*. Both books will be launched during the reunion weekend.

For more information about the 40th anniversary celebration please visit www.trentu.ca/geography and www.trentu.ca/alumni, or you can contact Professor Emeritus Peter Adams, Department of Geography, Trent University, Peterborough, Ontario K9J 7B8, (705) 745-6904 or 761-6904 (cell), peter.adams@cogeco.ca.

STUDY GROUP NEWS

Tourism and Recreation Study Group News - Member Wins Prestigious National Award

The CAG Tourism and Recreation Study Group exists to provide an opportunity for members to connect their research, work and/or learning pursuits in tourism, recreation and parks with other geographers across Canada. The study group hosts a website, distributes electronic newsletters, holds an annual business meeting, produces an Annual Report, and sponsors sessions at the CAG Annual Meeting. At the CAG 2008 in Quebec City, the Study Group learned that one of its members has earned a prestigious national award for multi-disciplinary tourism research. For his achievements and contribution to tourism geography in Canada, the study group would like to congratulate Peter A. Johnson, a doctoral candidate in the Department of Geography at McGill University.

The Award - A recent milestone for the tourism research community in Canada was reached with the establishment of the *Peter W. Williams Award for the Advancement of Multi-Disciplinary Tourism Research*. Awarded by the *Travel and Tourism Research Association Canada Chapter (TTRA)* and sponsored by *Research Resolutions and Consulting*, this doctoral level award represents a major commitment to tourism scholarship and Canada's future leaders. The award is unique in that it is intended to support tourism research from non-traditional disciplines such as geography, economics, and business. The inaugural award was presented to Peter A. Johnson in October 2007.



The Recipient - Peter is a graduate of the University of Waterloo, with degrees in Recreation and Leisure Studies (Honours B.A.) and Geography (M.A.). In 2005, he began doctoral studies under the supervision of Dr. Renee Sieber. With interests that include community economic development, geographic information science, complexity science, and environmental modelling, Peter is one of a new generation of tourism geographers who combine a diverse range of influences to approach tourism research in new ways. His dissertation work involves the development of a computer-based tourism model. *TourSim* is a web-based simulation that integrates a wide range of data to model the individual decision-making and travel patterns of tourists. This model can be used to interactively experiment with a

variety of tourism dynamics, such as shifting tourist port of entry, tourist preferences for accommodation and activity, and the location of tourism infrastructure. With *TourSim*, users can set a variety of initial conditions such as the annual rate of tourism growth to represent a global tourism trend, like the downturn in visitation to Canada by American tourists. *TourSim* then models the effect that these initial conditions can have over time on the extent and pattern of tourist visitation. In many ways, this creates a type of "social science laboratory" with which to develop and test theories of tourism destination development and change. The *TourSim* is currently being used to model tourism dynamics in Nova Scotia, Canada. In parallel to the development of *TourSim*, Peter's work evaluates the role that technologies such as simulation modeling can play within tourism planning, at local, regional, and provincial scales. He investigates the use of modeling technology to support planning in a number of areas, including ease of use, application to planning tasks, and organizational constraints to adoption. *TourSim* is currently being evaluated by a range of tourism planners, and their feedback directly influences the further development of the tool.

If you would like to know more about Peter's research or to participate in the evaluation of *TourSim*, please visit Peter's blog at www.toursim.wordpress.com, or his website at www.geog.mcgill.ca/grad/johnson.

To obtain information on Study Group membership, activities and future award opportunities visit the CAG website http://www.cag-acg.ca/en/study_groups.html#Tourism or contact the Chair - Holly Donohoe hdono069@uottawa.ca.



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*** UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY**

Libraries and Cultural Resources at the University of Calgary invites applications for the position of Head, MADGIC (Maps, Academic Data, Geographic Information Centre). This is a full-time, tenure-track academic position with an anticipated start date of November 1, 2008.

MADGIC is a special service area in the MacKimmie Library currently located on the 2nd floor of the Library Tower. It houses the map and airphoto collection and provides access to numeric and spatial data to students and faculty. MADGIC supports the teaching and research programs at the University of Calgary. Although most data files are restricted to the University community, the print maps and airphoto collections are open to the public.

The Taylor Family Digital Library (TFDL), scheduled to open in 2010, will provide space for an integrated Data/Geographic Information Systems/Numerical and Statistical Literacy facility, which will also include a 3D Visualization Centre. The Head, MADGIC will oversee these services and supervise the technician assigned to the Visualization Centre. The incumbent will work closely with University Information Technologies staff, as well as with teaching and research faculty to deliver state-of-the-art programs in Data and Geographic Information Systems (GIS).

Responsibilities: Reporting to the Associate University Librarian for Information Technology and Scholarly Communications, the Head, MADGIC supervises four staff (two academic and two support staff) responsible for the delivery of services through the MADGIC service desk.

As part of the overall library liaison team, the Head participates in the development of policy for services and represents MADGIC on the Information Commons Operating team. The incumbent is also expected to liaise with public services staff throughout Libraries and Cultural Resources and to work closely with Collections and Technical Services and with Information Technology Services.

The Head, MADGIC develops and maintains the geospatial collections, both print and electronic, and serves as the liaison librarian for related subject collections (Geomatics Engineering, GIS-related interdisciplinary studies, etc.). As a liaison librarian, the Head develops web-based resources to deliver information to users and provides group and one-to-one

instruction. MADGIC has specialized requirements for hardware and software and the Head is expected to facilitate the delivery of information, metadata, and files to users, consistent with our licensing agreements.

The Head, MADGIC is also active in consortial initiatives, such as the Data Liberation Initiative, ACCOLEDS, the Alberta GEODE consortium and DMTI, and is responsible for negotiating access to specialized data files, such as those of the City of Calgary.

Initially, responsibilities will focus on evaluating and developing the MADGIC collection, program and services in the context of the new Taylor Family Digital Library.

As this is an academic staff position, participation and involvement in scholarship, teaching, and service are expected. Qualifications:

- A Master's degree from an accredited program in librarianship, archives, or museology, or recognized equivalent preferred; however, a strong academic background at the Masters or Doctoral level in geography, GIS, or a closely related discipline, with appropriate related experience, may be considered;
- A minimum of five years relevant experience working in an academic environment;
- A track record of leadership in the data/GIS community, with a commitment to continued development of research and expertise in these areas;
- Demonstrated understanding and working knowledge of research methodologies, data/GIS resources, software for data/GIS analysis, and metadata standards;
- A strong record of service to users, including the delivery of services using technology;
- Experience managing staff within a service unit;
- Experience with formal and informal user instruction in a variety of settings;
- Strong interpersonal and communication skills, along with the ability to work in a collaborative environment.

Salary and Benefits: Commensurate with qualifications and experience, at the Associate Librarian or Librarian, Associate Archivist or Archivist, Associate Curator or Curator level. For salary and benefits information, please refer to the website: For more information about the Department, see our home page: http://www.ucalgary.ca/hr/staff/academic_staff/compensation_performance/salaries

Application Procedure: Please submit a letter of application addressing background and experience relevant to the position, current curriculum vitae, and the names, addresses, telephone numbers and e-mail addresses of three current professional references to:

Mary McConnell, Associate University Librarian
for Planning and Administration,
Libraries and Cultural Resources, University of Calgary,
2500 University Drive NW, Calgary, AB, T2N 1N4;
Phone: 403-220-3725; Fax: 403-282-1218;
Email: iracadem@ucalgary.ca.

Consideration of applications will begin after
August 31, 2008 and will continue until the position is
filled. To see all career opportunities at the University of
Calgary, visit <http://www.ucalgary.ca/hr/careers>.

All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply;
however, Canadians and permanent residents will be
given priority. The University of Calgary respects,
appreciates and encourages diversity.

***UNIVERSITY OF NEW BRUNSWICK**

The University of New Brunswick is pleased to
announce the establishment of The Gregg Centre Chair in
Climate Change and Conflict for Emerging Scholars, a
new research position affiliated with The Brigadier Milton
F. Gregg, VC, Centre for the Study of War and Society.
The Chair in Climate Change and Conflict is a
centre-piece of The Gregg Centre's new interdisciplinary
mandate, encompassing the study of war as a complex
social phenomenon.

UNB is looking for a dynamic and innovative
young scholar to hold this new research Chair. The Gregg
Centre encourages applications from recently completed
PhDs who have already demonstrated excellent potential
as scholars in the emerging field of climate change and
conflict, and from those in any of a wide variety of related
fields -- such as, but not restricted to, international
relations, geography, anthropology, and climatology --
who want to focus on climate change and conflict.

Applicants are asked to provide a three year
research proposal including plans for dissemination of
their findings. The successful candidate will pursue an
active research and publishing agenda, teach two 3ch
courses per year in his/her field, and supervise graduate
students at the MA level. The Chair holder should feel
comfortable dealing with the media and exploiting the
unique access to soldiers who have served in the world's
trouble spots provided by nearby CFB Gagetown.
Research support will be provided by the Gregg Centre,
with the expectation that the successful candidate will
also apply to the appropriate research granting agencies.

The successful candidate will be appointed to the
Gregg Centre Chair for a term of five years, and will
simultaneously be granted a tenure-track
cross-appointment at the rank of Assistant Professor to an
academic department.

Applications will be reviewed beginning 1
January 2009, with appointment no later than 1 July 2009.
All qualified applicants are encouraged to apply however,
Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority.
Applications should indicate current citizenship status.

The University of New Brunswick is committed to the
principle of employment equity.

Please send a CV, research plan and three letters
of reference to: Dr Marc Milner, Director
The Gregg Centre, University of New Brunswick
P.O. Box 4400, Fredericton, NB E3B 5A3

For further information please contact Dr Milner
at 506-458-7428, or milner@unb.ca.

For more on the Gregg Centre visit our website
<http://www.unb.ca/greggcentre>.

*** QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY**

The School of Environmental Studies invites
applications by outstanding scholars for a faculty
appointment at the rank of Assistant or Associate
Professor under the Queen's National Scholars (QNS)
Program ([http://www.queensu.ca/principal/funding/
nationalscholar.html](http://www.queensu.ca/principal/funding/nationalscholar.html)). Applicants are sought in the area of
environment and sustainability, specifically related to
ecological and environmental economics. QNS
appointments to the School of Environmental Studies are
joint appointments between the School and another
department (e.g, Geography, Global Development
Studies, Policy Studies) at Queen's relevant to the
applicant's expertise.

The main selection criterion is academic
excellence, regardless of other considerations. Preference
will be given to scholars in their early- or mid-career
stages that have shown evidence of outstanding
achievements in research and scholarship, and of achieved
or potential excellence in teaching. The University invites
applications from all qualified individuals; however
Canadian citizens and Permanent Residents will be given
priority. Queen's is committed to employment equity and
diversity in the workplace and welcomes applications
from women, visible minorities, aboriginal people,
persons with disabilities, and persons of any sexual
orientation or gender identity. The academic staff at
Queen's University are governed by a Collective
Agreement between the Queen's University Faculty
Association (QUFA) and the University which is posted
at; (www.qufa.ca).

Complete applications must include: a
curriculum vitae; a statement of current and prospective
research interests; a statement about teaching experience
or teaching potential; and letters of reference submitted
directly to the School by three referees. Completed
applications and all letters of reference should be sent to
Dr. B.F. Cumming, Director, School of Environmental
Studies, Queen's University, Kingston, ON, K7L 3N6
[Tel (613) 533 6602; Fax (613) 533 6090]

Applications must be received by October 3, 2008 for a
decision in January 2009.

***QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY**

School of Urban and Regional Planning

welcomes applications for two tenure-track faculty positions, both at the rank of Assistant Professor, subject to final budgetary authorization. The date of appointment for both positions is anticipated to be July 1, 2009.

The School of Urban and Regional Planning offers an outstanding graduate and professional program recognized and accredited by the Canadian Institute of Planners. Our School community comprises 6.3 FTE faculty members, two non-academic staff members and about 65 full-time graduate students. We offer a two-year master's degree in one of three areas of concentration: (i) land use and real estate development, (ii) housing and human services, and (iii) environmental services. The School is an autonomous academic unit but has close working relationships with Geography, Environmental Studies, Civil Engineering, Women's Studies, Law and Policy Studies. It is also the home of the National Executive Forum on Public Property, the Executive Seminars on Corporate and Investment Real Estate, and several China collaboration programs. For more information about the School please visit our web site at <http://www.queensu.ca/surp>.

We seek outstanding individuals with demonstrated teaching and research excellence in the three areas of concentration. Our particular needs include: community design, social planning, healthy communities, and/or multiculturalism. We are looking for candidates who will bring new ideas that will enhance and expand our growing program. We are looking for candidates who either hold a Ph.D. or are close to completion. Candidates without a doctoral degree, but who have a combination of demonstrated outstanding education, scholarly and professional experience may also be considered. We prefer candidates who possess at least one degree in planning or a closely-related discipline. Eligibility for membership in the Canadian Institute of Planners is also an asset.

Queen's is one of Canada's leading research-intensive universities, located on a compact historic campus on the shores of Lake Ontario. Established in 1841, the University has a strong tradition of teaching excellence and close faculty-student collaboration. The School of Graduate Studies and Research attracts outstanding students from across Canada and many other countries. The University is renowned for its interest in national policy issues and has an expanding international presence, with numerous exchange programs and international collaborations. The Planning School's immediate neighbours are the School of Policy Studies, the Faculty of Law, the social science departments and the School of Business. The learning environment is supported by two excellent libraries within one block and strong distributed computing facilities. For more see www.queensu.ca/facultystaff/work/

Kingston, Ontario is a unique Canadian city of 120,000, with a distinct blend of history, recreation,

industry and learning. It is located at the junction of Lake Ontario, the St. Lawrence River and the Rideau Canal, which was recently declared a UNESCO World Heritage site. Kingston's immediate region includes the 1000 Islands National Park and many freshwater lakes. Toronto, Montreal and Ottawa are all within a 2 hour train journey and Syracuse NY is a two hour drive to the south. Both the University and the City offer attractive amenities for professional and personal quality of life including walkable mixed-use neighbourhoods, a lively downtown core and waterfront close to Queen's.

This is an international search, open to qualified candidates of all nationalities. However, in accordance with Canadian immigration requirements, priority will be given to Canadian citizens and permanent residents. Queen's is committed to employment equity and diversity in the workplace and welcomes applications from women, visible minorities, aboriginal people, persons with disabilities, and persons of any sexual orientation or gender identity. The academic staff at Queen's are governed by a collective agreement between Queen's University Faculty Association and the University, which is posted at <http://www.qufa.ca>. Please submit applications or direct inquiries to: Dr. David Gordon
Chair of the Appointments Committee
School of Urban and Regional Planning
Queen's University, Kingston, ON K7L 3N6
E-mail: david.gordon@queensu.ca,
Telephone: (613) 533-6000 ext. 77063

Your application should consist of a letter, in which you discuss your teaching and research interests, your curriculum vitae and a sample publication. Other materials, such as teaching and professional practice portfolios may also be submitted. Please arrange to have three letters of reference sent directly by the referees to the Chair, to be received by the closing date. Applications must be received no later than September 23, 2008

*** UNIVERSITY OF SASKATCHEWAN**

The College of Agriculture and Bioresources is an international leader in applied research and scholarship with expertise in, and integrated across, three primary scientific and social domains: food and bioproduct sciences; environment, ecology, community; and sustainable production systems. It has an almost century-long reputation for teaching, research, and outreach and has been a consistent strength for the University. The College has played a pivotal role in the development of the agriculture and food industries in Saskatchewan, and continues to build on a legacy of public engagement and cooperative partnerships. Our faculty is committed to providing an exceptional learning experience and preparing graduates for leadership in the new bio-economy.

The Department of Soil Science invites applications for a tenure-track position in soils and

agroforestry at the rank of Assistant Professor, to begin May 1, 2009. This position will contribute to the College of Agriculture and Bioresources initiative in agroforestry and afforestation.

The successful candidate will teach and conduct research in the area of soils and agroforestry. A Ph.D. in soils or related areas, with appropriate training in soil biogeochemistry, carbon sequestration and ecosystem modeling is required. The candidate is expected to develop and teach undergraduate and graduate courses with a focus on agroforestry, afforestation and biomass energy systems, and will contribute to undergraduate teaching in the Renewable Resource Management program. Research priorities include nutrient cycling, tree nutrition, carbon sequestration and modeling long-term productivity for woody crop systems. Experience in land use planning, First Nations land issues and field research programs would be a definite asset.

The University of Saskatchewan is the home of the Canadian Light Source (CLS) facility, a third generation synchrotron, and the Saskatchewan Structural Sciences Centre (SSSC). The SSSC houses a variety of instruments to support molecular-scale research. Candidates with an ability or interest to utilize these resources in both their teaching and research programs are encouraged to apply.

To apply, submit a letter of application, including a brief statement of research interests and teaching philosophy; curriculum vita and academic transcripts; and the names, addresses, telephone numbers and e-mail addresses of three references to:

Dr. Fran Walley, Head, Department of Soil Science
University of Saskatchewan, 51 Campus Drive
Saskatoon, SK, S7N 5A8, Canada
Tel: 1-306-966-6854; e-mail: fran.walley@usask.ca

Consideration of applications will begin after November 1, 2008.

All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority. The University of Saskatchewan is committed to employment equity. Members of designated groups (women, Aboriginal peoples, people with disabilities and visible minorities) are encouraged to self-identify on their application.

More information on the University of Saskatchewan, the College of Agriculture and Bioresources, the Department of Soil Science, the Canadian Light Source and the Saskatchewan Structural Sciences Centre can be found on our website: <http://www.usask.ca>.

***UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO**

The Department of Geography and the Centre for Environment, University of Toronto, invite applications for a joint tenure-stream appointment in geography and environment. Possible areas of research expertise include

energy, water, environmental policy, ethics, or governance but we encourage applications from all qualified individuals with environmental interests. The appointment will be at the rank of Assistant Professor and will begin on July 1, 2009. Salary will be commensurate with qualifications and experience.

The appointee will be expected to contribute to teaching in the Doctoral, Master's and Bachelor's programs in the Department of Geography and Centre for Environment. The successful candidate must have a Ph.D. in geography, environment or a closely related field, an established record of high quality scholarly research and publications, and a demonstrated commitment to excellence in teaching. Any inquiries about the position should be sent to chair@geog.utoronto.ca. Additional information on the Department of Geography can be found at <http://www.geog.utoronto.ca>, and on the Centre for Environment at <http://www.environment.utoronto.ca>.

Please submit your applications via the online university jobsite at www.jobs.utoronto.ca/faculty.htm. To access the ad, select 'review our current academic positions' and search job number 0800824, or keywords 'geography and environment'.

If you are unable to use the online system, we will also accept hard copy applications. These may be mailed to: Professor Virginia W. Maclaren, Chair Department of Geography and Program in Planning University of Toronto, Room 5047, Sidney Smith Hall 100 St George Street, Toronto, Ontario, Canada M5S 3G3

Applications should include a curriculum vitae, a statement outlining current and future research interests, examples of publications, and materials relevant to teaching experience. Applicants should also ask three referees to write letters directly to Professor Maclaren. Review of applications will begin October 15, 2008. All materials must be received by November 15, 2008.

The University of Toronto is strongly committed to diversity within its community and especially welcomes applications from visible minority group members, women, Aboriginal persons, persons with disabilities, members of sexual minority groups, and others who may contribute to the further diversification of ideas. We offer opportunities to work in many collaborative programs, including Aboriginal, Canadian, ethno-cultural, sexual diversity, gender and women's studies. The University of Toronto offers the opportunity to teach, conduct research and live in one of the most diverse cities in the world. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority.

*** UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO MISSISSAUGA**

The Department of Geography, University of Toronto Mississauga, invites applications for a Tenure-Stream appointment at the rank of Assistant

Professor with expertise in Remote Sensing. The candidate is expected to take up the position on July 1, 2009.

The Department seeks a candidate with the potential for an international reputation and vision in the theory and application of remote sensing to research areas in physical geography such as (but not limited to) natural resources, land-use, and environmental processes.

The successful candidate will join a tri-campus Geography department with strengths and interdisciplinary links in both physical and human geography including hydrology, biogeography, environmental modeling, remote sensing/GIS and health. The appointment is at the University of Toronto Mississauga (UTM), which has a strong interdisciplinary commitment, a multicultural student body, and a modern, spacious campus. The appointee will be well supported in their research and teaching initiatives by dedicated departmental geographic computing resources and an existing geospatial research cluster. Strong participation in the UTM Geography undergraduate program with dynamic participation in the GIS degree stream is expected. The successful candidate will have a graduate appointment and graduate teaching responsibilities in the Department of Geography and Program in Planning, University of Toronto. The successful candidate must have a Ph.D. in Geography or a related discipline, and demonstrated excellence in scholarly research, publication, and teaching. Salary commensurate with qualifications and experience. Please send applications to: Professor Amrita Daniere, Chair, Dept of Geography, University of Toronto Mississauga, 3359 Mississauga Road North, South Building Rm 3106, Mississauga, Ontario, L5L 1C6 CANADA.

Applications should include a curriculum vitae, a statement outlining current and future research interests, examples of publications, and materials relevant to teaching experience. Applicants should also ask three referees to write letters directly to Professor Daniere. Materials must be received by October 15, 2008 (no email applications will be accepted).

Any inquiries about the application should be sent to the Department Chair, Prof. Amrita Daniere, at amrita.daniere@utoronto.ca. For additional information on the Department see www.utm.utoronto.ca/geo.html.

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of the most diverse cities in the world. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority.

UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA

The Department of Geography, University of Victoria, invites applications for a tenure-track position at the Assistant Professor level in Urban Geography July 1, 2009. The successful candidate will contribute to both undergraduate instruction and graduate supervision. Besides teaching core courses in urban geography, the successful candidate would be expected to contribute to thematic teaching areas of the Department. Detailed information on the department and existing research areas and programs can be found at <http://www.geog.uvic.ca/>.

The successful applicant will have a Ph.D. or nearly completed Ph.D. in field of Geography or a closely related discipline by July 1, 2009. The incumbent will have strong teaching, research, and interpersonal skills and will share the Department's commitment to innovation in teaching and program development and to a collegial, interdisciplinary environment. Diversity and equity issues will be a factor in the selection process. Closing date for consideration of applications is October 15, 2008.

Applications should include a curriculum vitae, a statement outlining teaching and research interests, evidence of research and teaching ability, and the names and addresses of three referees, together with their e-mail, fax and telephone numbers. All applicants should arrange for three letters of reference to be sent prior to the closing date. E-mailed and faxed applications will not be accepted. All queries and applications should be directed to: Chair, Department of Geography University of Victoria, Victoria, BC V8W 3R4 Phone (250)-721-7326; Fax (250)-721-6216; e-mail: chair@mail.geog.uvic.ca

The University of Victoria is an equity employer and encourages applications from women, persons with disabilities, visible minorities, Aboriginal Peoples, people of all sexual orientations and genders, and others who may contribute to the further diversification of the University community. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, in accordance with Canadian Immigration requirements, Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority.

***YORK UNIVERSITY**

The Faculty of Environmental Studies (FES) at York University, Toronto, invites applications for one (1) tenure-track position at the Assistant Professor level in *Urban Sustainability and Transportation Planning* to start July 1, 2009.

Candidates should have research expertise in the planning and design of sustainable transportation systems, including transportation demand management and the

integration of land-use and transportation planning, as well as alternative approaches to transportation. Familiarity with current transportation land-use planning and sustainability issues in a Canadian and Ontario context is required along with the ability to contribute to research on the economic, social, technical and environmental dimensions of transportation systems. Candidates should have an interest in placing their research expertise and activities within a broader interdisciplinary setting that examines the sustainability of urban communities in an integrated manner. Candidates should have a PhD degree in a relevant field by the time of appointment or have equivalent academic or professional experience, a demonstrated record of excellence in research in sustainable transportation, and the potential to develop a nationally and internationally recognized interdisciplinary research program. Membership in the Ontario Provincial Planners Institute (OPPI) or the ability to qualify for OPPI membership is preferred.

We are seeking candidates who will provide leadership in expanding research and collaborative action on sustainable transportation systems with a focus on reduced energy consumption and energy systems within FES, across the York community, and with agencies and institutions in the Greater Toronto region. The successful candidate will develop courses in sustainability and transportation planning at the undergraduate and graduate levels. Candidates must be able to contribute to teaching, advising, and research in the undergraduate and graduate degree programs and the accredited graduate program in planning, including the supervision of doctoral research. Ability to contribute to one or more of the certificate and diploma programs offered at FES would be an asset.

FES is an interdisciplinary Faculty that adopts a broad definition of "environmental studies" including natural, built, social and organizational environments. The MES program emphasizes student-centred learning and collaborative research with faculty. We encourage students and faculty members to engage in interdisciplinary and collaborative teaching and research that engages diverse communities and publics. More information about the Faculty of Environmental Studies is available at www.yorku.ca/fes

York University is a leader in interdisciplinary social science research and outreach efforts that enable partnerships between researchers and policy makers. This appointment will build upon and expand the University's strengths and prominence in the areas of Sustainability, Climate, and the Urban Environment. This position will complement recent hires in the Faculty of Environmental Studies in the areas of energy policy and renewable energy, as well as existing strengths in urban sustainability and urban and regional planning. In addition to this appointment, appointments will be made in the Faculty of Science and Engineering in the area of

Biology of the Environment, and in the Faculty of Education in the area of Urban Education, and in the Faculty of Liberal Arts and Professional Studies in the area of Physical, Biogeochemical Processes. The successful candidate will be expected to participate in this growing cluster of researchers with complementary strengths across the University who are engaged in collaborative and interdisciplinary work in this area.

York University is an Affirmative Action Employer. The Affirmative Action Program can be found on York's website at www.yorku.ca/acadjobs or a copy can be obtained by calling the Affirmative Action office at 416-736-5713. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadian citizens and permanent residents will be given priority. All positions at York University are subject to budgetary approval.

A letter of application with an up-to-date curriculum vitae, a statement of research and teaching interests and three academic references (with complete contact information including email address and telephone number) should be sent by October 31, 2008 to: Sustainable Systems Search Committee
Faculty of Environmental Studies, Room 126 HNES
York University, 4700 Keele Street,
Toronto, Ontario M3J 1P3
Fax: 416. 736.5679 / E-mail: feshires@yorku.ca

*** YORK UNIVERSITY**

The Faculty of Environmental Studies (FES) at York University, Toronto, invites applications for a three-year contractually limited appointment (CLA) at the Assistant Professor level in the area of *Urban and Regional Planning* commencing July 1, 2009. The Faculty of Environmental Studies offers interdisciplinary courses in undergraduate and graduate degree programs and an accredited graduate program in planning. A PhD in Planning or Urban Studies with an emphasis in planning is expected to be completed by the start of employment.

The successful candidate must be able to contribute to both graduate and undergraduate programs. The candidate will demonstrate strong teaching interests in interdisciplinary and critical approaches to planning and urban problems and be able to teach upper level undergraduate courses as well as courses in the master's program in planning. The candidate will also demonstrate promise of a strong research and publication record or equivalent professional contributions. Experience in applied settings is an asset. OPPI membership preferred.

The candidate will teach the equivalent of three half-year (one semester long) courses and carry a full advising load in the graduate program in planning. Courses to be taught over the years will be chosen from among the following: Undergraduate courses: ENVS 3225 Regional Governance; ENVS 4225 Urban Sustainability; Graduate courses: ENVS 5021 Urban Development Processes; ENVS 6124 Urban and Regional Planning;

ENVS 6130 Planning Theory, and a planning workshop or courses as assigned by the Faculty's Dean. Short descriptions of the graduate courses can be found on-line at www.yorku.ca/fes/programs/mes/cs_courses.asp

York University is an Affirmative Action Employer. The Affirmative Action Program can be found on York's website at www.yorku.ca/acadjobs or a copy can be obtained by calling the Affirmative Action Office at 416-736-5713. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadian citizens and Permanent Residents will be given priority. Temporary entry for citizens of the U.S.A. and Mexico may apply per the provisions of the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA). All York University positions are subject to budgetary approval.

A letter of application that addresses teaching, research and professional interests, an up-to-date curriculum vitae, a pedagogical statement, a sample publication and three academic letters of reference should be sent by November 21, 2008 to:

Urban and Regional Planning Search Committee
Faculty of Environmental Studies, Room 126 HNES
York University, 4700 Keele Street
Toronto, Ontario, Canada M3J 1P3
E-mail: feshires@yorku.ca

***YORK UNIVERSITY**

Applications are invited for a tenure-stream appointment at the Assistant Professor level. The Department seeks a physical geographer in the area of *biogeochemical processes*, to start July 1, 2009. All positions at York University are subject to budgetary approval. Applicants should have demonstrated strengths in research in terrestrial or aquatic nutrient cycling and its relationship to hydrology and vegetation and/or soil dynamics. Preference will be given to scholars conducting research that complements existing departmental strengths in biophysical processes. A PhD is required at the time of appointment, and preference will be given to applicants with experience supervising graduate students. We seek an individual who will develop a vigorous research program in an interdisciplinary environment, and can demonstrate a commitment to high-quality undergraduate and graduate teaching. The successful candidate must be suitable for prompt appointment to the Faculty of Graduate Studies.

York University is a leader in interdisciplinary social science research and outreach efforts that enable partnerships between researchers and policy makers. This appointment will build upon and expand the University's strengths and prominence in the areas of Sustainability, Climate, and the Urban Environment. In addition to this appointment, appointments will be made in the Faculty of Environmental Studies in the area of Urban Sustainability and Transportation Planning, in the Faculty of Education in the area of Urban Education, and in the Faculty of

Science and Engineering in the area of Biology of the Environment. The successful candidate will be expected to participate in this growing cluster of researchers with complementary strengths across the University who are engaged in collaborative and interdisciplinary work in this area.

On July 1, 2009, York University will launch the new Faculty of Liberal Arts & Professional Studies (LA&PS), combining the strengths of the existing Atkinson Faculty of Liberal & Professional Studies and the Faculty of Arts. This is the outcome of an ambitious initiative to provide the most comprehensive range of interdisciplinary academic programs and researchers in social sciences, humanities and related professional programs in Canada. As a champion of pioneering and socially relevant liberal arts education, related professional programs and research, LA&PS will be a leader in addressing the complex issues that affect societies worldwide.

For information about LA&PS go to www.yorku.ca/laps. For more information about the Dept of Geography go to www.yorku.ca/geograph/

York University is an Affirmative Action Employer. The Affirmative Action Program can be found on York's website at www.yorku.ca/acadjob or a copy can be obtained by calling the affirmative action office at 416-736-5713. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadian citizens and Permanent Residents will be given priority.

Applicants should send a curriculum vitae and a statement of research interests and selected publications, and arrange for three letters of reference to be sent by October 31, 2008, to:

Professor Patricia Burke Wood, Chair,
Department of Geography, N418 Ross Building
York University, 4700 Keele St., Toronto ON M3J 1P3
Tel.: 416.736.5107. Fax 416.736.5988
E-mail: pwood@yorku.ca

Applications will not be accepted via fax or e-mail.

*** CLARK UNIVERSITY**

1st Position - Associate or Full Professor with tenure starting August 2009. PhD required. Clark's School of Geography seeks a scholar with expertise in any area of geography or a cognate field who has the demonstrated ability to serve as a successful *Director of the Graduate School of Geography*. We seek a faculty member who is familiar with the field of geographical studies broadly defined, has experience in directing an academic department, research center or similar institution, has secured significant extramural funding, and has been involved in collaborative research. Clark's School of Geography is the oldest Ph.D.-granting program of Geography in the U.S. It has also long been regarded as one of the world's premier places to study geography at both baccalaureate and Ph.D. levels. The candidate

must show an interest in a process of program development that will ensure that the Clark School of Geography maintains and strengthens its prominent position within and outside the university and the discipline. As a research school in a liberal arts environment, the School of Geography is committed to excellence in graduate and undergraduate scholarship and teaching. While the field of research interest and teaching is open, the Clark School of Geography has international reputations in human-environment geography, urban/economic geography, GIS/remote sensing, globalization and feminist geography. Earth System Science is a new initiative with links across the university (see www.clarku.edu/departments/geography/).

Send CV; a detailed statement of professional experience, research and teaching interests; and contact information for three references by email to: directorsearchgeography@clarku.edu.

Review of applications will begin on 15 September 2008 and will continue until the position is filled. AA/EOE Minorities and Women are strongly encouraged to apply.

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