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CHRONIQUE DU PRÉSIDENT

Notre Association

C'était le 30 mai 1951 à l'Université McGill que l'Association canadienne des géographes organisait son tout premier congrès. Les géographes qui y ont participé ont conçu les principes généraux qui servent de fondement à notre Association. Tel qu'inscrit dans les minutes du congrès fondateur, les objectifs de l'ACG sont : « *promouvoir l'utilisation et le développement de la géographie au Canada en favorisant des échanges d'idées entre les géographes, en organisant des congrès qui permettent aux géographes de lancer des discussions sur les divers aspects de la géographie et de ses domaines connexes, et en publiant des informations et des articles professionnels présentant un intérêt pour les géographes du Canada. De plus, l'Association doit apporter son concours pour stimuler, guider, influencer et encourager la recherche géographique, mener des explorations et enseigner la géographie au Canada et mettre tout en œuvre pour améliorer et valoriser la géographie au sein du système d'éducation canadien. Elle fournira en outre des services d'orientation de carrière dans les domaines avancés de la géographie qui s'adressent aux étudiants inscrits aux cycles supérieurs* ».

En 1996, le Comité exécutif de l'ACG rédigeait l'énoncé de la mission de l'Association. Étant donné que le texte intégral de ce document est disponible en ligne sur le site Web de l'Association, je profite de cette occasion pour vous rappeler les buts qu'elle s'est fixée pour guider ses activités. L'ACG s'engage à promouvoir la diffusion de la recherche géographique, l'enseignement géographique à tous les niveaux scolaires, la reconnaissance de l'excellence en géographie, la coopération accrue avec d'autres organisations nationales et internationales consacrées à la géographie, la participation accrue dans les organisations nationales interdisciplinaires, et à offrir de meilleurs services à ses adhérents. Les réalisations de l'ACG depuis 1996 témoignent de la volonté de l'Association d'atteindre ses buts. Il faut souligner le mérite de tous ses membres engagés qui ont investi des efforts pour effectuer ces tâches, mais il faut adresser un remerciement tout particulier aux nombreux individus qui ont défendu vos intérêts avec ardeur au sein des comités exécutifs des

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PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

Our Association

The first meeting of the Canadian Association of Geographers was held at McGill University on May 30, 1951. At that meeting the geographers present crafted the tenets that still guide our association. As stated in the minutes from that meeting, the objectives of the CAG were "...to promote the use and development of geography in Canada by facilitating an exchange of ideas between geographers, by arranging meetings where geographers can discuss the several aspects of geography and its related fields and by publishing information and professional papers of interest to geographers in Canada. The Association will also assist in stimulating, guiding, influencing and encouraging geographical research, exploration and the teaching of geography in Canada and strive for the improvement of its status in Canadian education. It will provide direction for geography graduates to new fields of geographical employment."

In 1996, the Executive Committee of the CAG drafted the current mission statement of the association. As the full text of that document is readily available on the association website, I will only remind you of the goals that guide the activities of your association. The CAG is committed to promoting: the dissemination of geographic research; geographic education at all levels; the recognition of geographic excellence; increased cooperation with other National and International geographic organizations; increased participation in

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CHRONIQUE DU PRÉSIDENT

divisions et au niveau national.

Alors que nous réserve l'avenir ? Cela dépendra beaucoup des attentes des adhérents envers l'Association. En me demandant qui représente t'elle exactement, j'ai cru bon de broser un tableau de l'ACG. Le bilan des adhérents qui suit est fondé sur les renseignements obtenus des membres au moment du renouvellement annuel en 2008. Il s'agit donc de nouvelles données en date du 15 octobre 2008.

Qui sommes-nous?

L'ACG compte présentement 1135 membres. La figure 1 indique leur lieu de résidence. La majorité (50%) demeure en Ontario, suivi de loin par les autres provinces canadiennes : la Colombie-Britannique (18%), le Québec (11%), l'Alberta (7%), la Saskatchewan (5%), le Manitoba (3%), Terre-Neuve-et-Labrador (2%), le Nouveau-Brunswick (2%), la Nouvelle-Écosse (2%) et le Nunavut/Yukon (0,2%). Environ 8,5% des membres de l'ACG n'habitent pas au Canada, et la majorité d'entre eux vivent aux États-Unis (7,5%).

PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

National interdisciplinary organizations; and, to improving service to the membership. Reflecting upon the accomplishments of the CAG since 1996, it is apparent that the association has seriously committed to these goals. While credit belongs to all members of the CAG who have volunteered their energy to these tasks, particular acknowledgement is due to the many individuals who have earnestly represented your interests as members of the divisional and national executive committees.

So what does the future hold for the CAG? As much will depend upon what the membership expects of the association, I thought it worthwhile for us to have an appreciation of who the CAG represents. The membership review that follows is based upon data provided by members during their annual renewal in 2008. It is current as of mid-October 2008.

Who are we?

The current membership of the CAG stands at 1135. Figure 1 illustrates where the members reside. The

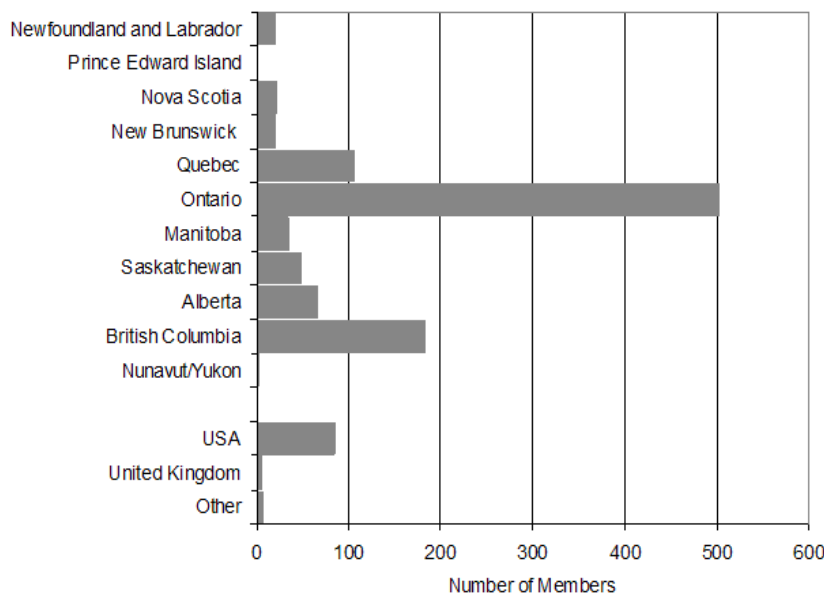


Figure 1. Location of Canadian Association of Geographers members (October, 2008)./Figure 1. Lieux de résidence des membres de l'Association canadienne des géographes (octobre, 2008).

La majorité de nos adhérents sont des « membres réguliers » (total de 431 ou 39%) ou « membres étudiants » (total de 382 ou 33%). Tous les autres sont « à la retraite » (total de 63 ou 6%), ou se sont inscrits comme « famille », « associé » ou « autres membres » (total de 259 ou 22%). À la figure 2, on compare les cohortes d'âge et l'évolution de la composition des membres de
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majority live in the province of Ontario (50%), with declining numbers in British Columbia (18%), Quebec (11%), Alberta (7%), Saskatchewan (5%), Manitoba (3%), Newfoundland and Labrador (2%); New Brunswick (2%), Nova Scotia (2%) and Nunavut/Yukon (0.2%). Approximately 8.5% of the CAG membership reside outside of Canada, with the largest majority living in the USA (7.5%).
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l'ACG selon la variable « étudiant » ou « non-étudiant ». Toutefois, le portrait présenté dans la figure est incomplet car il ne prend en compte que les membres qui ont indiqué leur date de naissance. La répartition des groupes s'est opérée par tranche d'âge de cinq ans selon la date de naissance.

Il ressort de l'analyse de la composition des membres de l'ACG que les étudiants sont fort nombreux (figure 2). Si les activités de l'ACG présentent un intérêt pour les étudiants, le fait que plusieurs départements de géographie au Canada ont privilégié des interventions en amont explique aussi la hausse des effectifs de la cohorte des étudiants. On retrouve dans ce groupe les

The majority of our members are either “regular” (n=431; 39%) or “student” (n=382; 33%) members. The remainder of the members are either “retired” (n=63; 6%), or belong as “family”, “associate” or other members (n=259; 22%). Figure 2 illustrates the age and student: non-student composition of the CAG membership. The figure only includes members for whom both a birth year was recorded. The members of each group are organized into cohorts of individuals born within five-year intervals.

A striking aspect of the current CAG membership is the large number of student members (Figure 2). Speaking to the interest students retain in the activities of the CAG, this cohort also reflects proactive

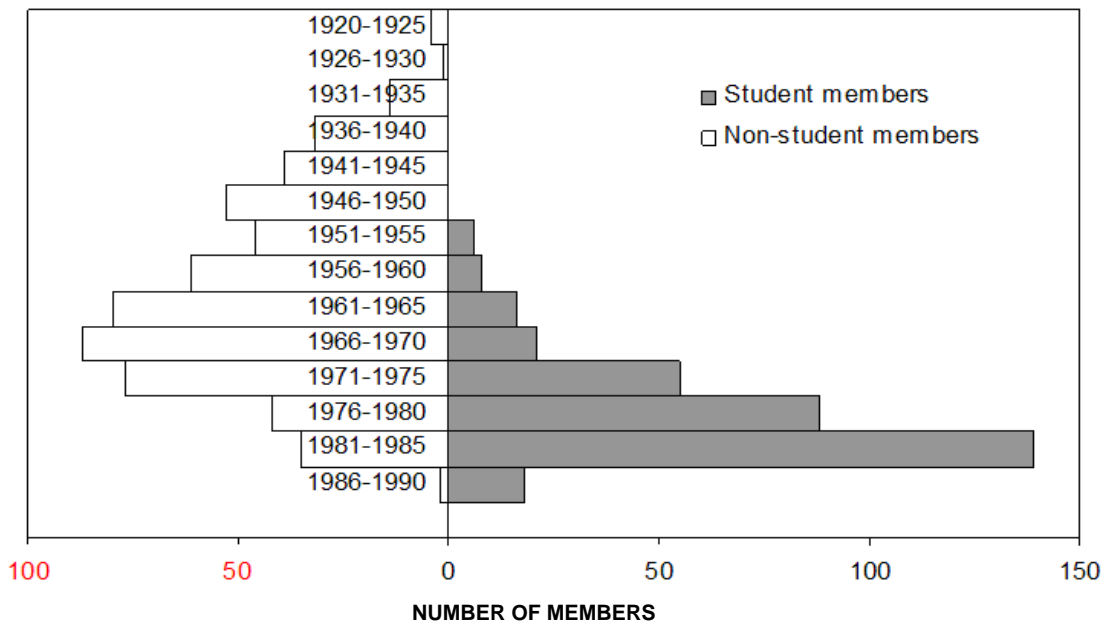


Figure 2. Population structure pyramid for 950 student and non-student members of the Canadian Association of Geographers, October 2008. Members are shown as five-year cohorts./Figure 2 : La structure de la pyramide des âges de la population, pour les 950 membres étudiants et non-étudiants de l'Association canadienne des géographes, octobre 2008. Les cohortes d'âge des membres sont définies par tranche de cinq ans.

départements de géographie qui offrent des bourses à leurs étudiants, tant au premier cycle qu'aux cycles supérieurs, pour acquitter les droits d'adhésion (c'est le cas, par exemple, de l'Université de Toronto et de l'Université de Victoria). D'autres départements de géographie inscrivent tous leurs nouveaux étudiants des cycles supérieurs (par exemple, l'Université de Waterloo et l'Université Wilfrid Laurier). Il est évident que l'Association doit établir la priorité de mieux desservir les besoins des membres étudiants. page suivante...

measures taken by some Canadian geography departments to purchase student memberships. Included in this group are geography departments who pay for some undergraduate or graduate student memberships (i.e. University of Toronto; University of Victoria), to other geography departments who purchase memberships for all of their incoming graduate students (i.e. University of Waterloo, Wilfrid Laurier University). Clearly serving this cohort of members should be a priority for the association. continued...

La figure 2 souligne aussi l'importance de la baisse des adhésions individuelles chez les non-étudiants en milieu et fin de carrière. Si la question concernant la faiblesse du nombre d'adhérents chez les jeunes professionnels (les cohortes nées en 1971-1975 et 1976-1980) soulève de nombreux débats, la structure de population de la composition des membres laisse entendre que les individus quittent l'Association quand leur carrière est assurée. L'érosion constante du nombre d'individus appartenant à ces cohortes de préretraités constitue une menace qui peut remettre en cause l'existence même de l'Association.

Dans le formulaire de demande de renouvellement annuel de l'adhésion, les membres sont tenus d'identifier le domaine de la géographie qui correspond le mieux à leurs activités. Malgré l'imprécision de ce descripteur compte tenu de la complexité de notre discipline, une forte proportion des membres (89%) ont déclaré que leurs activités se concentrent dans le domaine de la géographie humaine (67%), dans celui la géographie physique (26%), dans ces deux branches de la géographie (7%), ou autre. Les membres appartenant à la cohorte des étudiants suivent un schéma presque identique (65% pour le domaine de la géographie humaine, 25% pour la géographie physique, et 9% pour la géographie humaine et physique). Même si l'Association témoigne d'un souci constant pour cette question, de meilleures stratégies doivent être élaborées pour faire participer les géographes physiques et ce, à toutes les étapes de leur carrière.

La majorité des membres de l'ACG sont de sexe masculin (56%), alors que les femmes représentent une proportion légèrement moins élevée (44%). Toutefois, il faut souligner les différences nettes qui existent selon la cohorte d'âge parmi les membres de sexe féminin. La figure 3 montre la répartition des membres de l'ACG selon l'âge et le sexe, mais ne prend en compte que les membres (82%) qui ont indiqué leur date de naissance et leur sexe dans le formulaire de renouvellement. La répartition des groupes selon le sexe s'est opérée par tranche d'âge de cinq ans selon la date de naissance.

Un trait saillant de la structure de population est comment le déséquilibre hommes-femmes au sein de l'ACG est inversé à partir de la cohorte de 1970. Comme le montre la figure 3, nous comptons plus de membres masculins que féminins nés avant 1970. À partir de la cohorte 1971-1975, les femmes sont plus nombreuses et leur proportion s'accroît de cohorte en cohorte jusqu'à aujourd'hui.

Un des aspects liés à cette évolution dans la répartition des sexes qui mérite une attention particulière est l'apport fourni par les membres étudiants. Sur les 382 membres étudiants inscrits en 2008, 91% ont accepté d'indiquer leur sexe. La figure 4 montre la répartition des membres étudiants de l'ACG selon les cohortes d'âge et de sexe.

Another notable component of Figure 2 is the decline in non-student members among mid- to late-career individuals. Although much discussion arises regarding the lack of CAG members at early stages in their professional careers (the 1971-1975 and 1976-1980 cohorts), the population structure of our membership also suggests that individuals may be disengaging themselves from the association once their careers are established. Continuing erosion of the number of individuals in these pre-retirement cohorts threatens to weaken the relevance and profile of the association.

At the time of their annual renewal, members are asked to identify the field of geography that best describes their activities. While admittedly a coarse descriptor given the complexity of our discipline, a large number of members (89%) chose to identify their field as being either human geography (67%), physical geography (26%), both human and physical geography (7%), or other. Among the student membership cohort, a very similar pattern of self-identification emerges (human geography 65%, physical geography 25%, both human and physical geography 9%). Although a recurring concern for the association, clearly developing strategies to engage physical geographers at all career stages needs to remain a priority.

The majority of CAG members are men (56%), with women composing a slightly smaller percentage of the overall membership (44%). There are, however, clear differences in the percentage of female members when the membership is examined by age cohort. Figure 3 illustrates the age and gender composition of the CAG membership. The figure only includes members for whom both gender and birth year are recorded (82% of members). The members of each gender are organized into cohorts of individuals born within five-year intervals.

A revealing feature of the CAG's population structure is the prominent reversal in the gender imbalance among members born before and after 1970. As Figure 3 shows, men outnumber women among those born prior to 1970. Cohorts born after 1971-1975 have more women members, and the number increases with each successive five-year cohort to the present.

One aspect of the changed gender ratio within the association membership deserving of recognition is the contribution played by student members. Of the 382 student members recorded in 2008, 91% chose to self-identify their gender. Figure 4 illustrates the gender and age cohort of student members of the CAG membership. The figure only includes members for whom both a birth year was recorded. The members of each group are organized into cohorts of individuals born within five-year intervals.

Figure 4 shows that more women than men currently hold CAG student memberships. A gender imbalance reversal occurs among those born after 1976,

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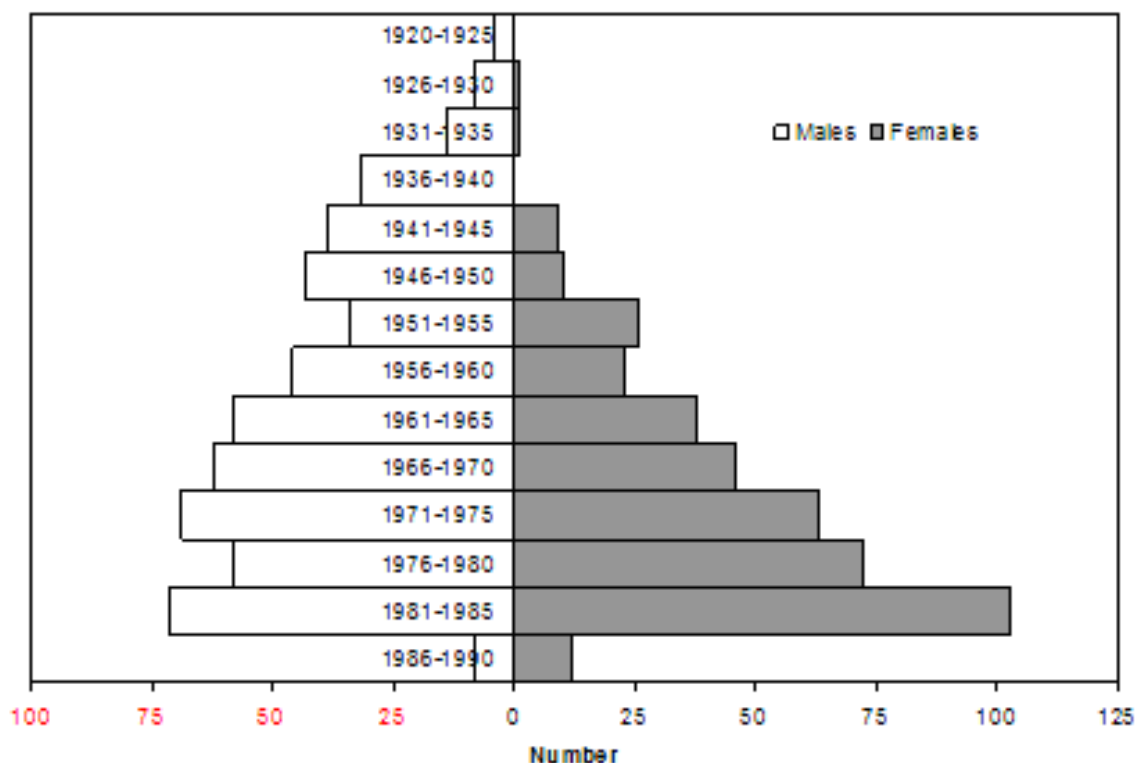


Figure 3. Population age structure pyramid for 950 members of the Canadian Association of Geographers in mid-October 2008. Members are shown as five-year cohorts./Figure 3: La structure de la pyramide des âges de la population, pour les 950 membres de l'Association canadienne des géographes, octobre 2008. Les cohortes d'âge des membres sont définies par tranche de cinq ans.

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La figure 4 montre que l'ACG compte plus de membres étudiants de sexe féminin que masculin. Le déséquilibre hommes-femmes est en effet inversé à partir de la cohorte de 1976 et ainsi de suite où les femmes sont plus nombreuses. Ce déséquilibre va en s'accroissant jusqu'aux cohortes les plus récentes.

Ce changement dans la composition hommes-femmes des étudiants membres de l'ACG confirme une impression générale de l'évolution de la structure de la population dans les programmes de premier cycle universitaire et d'études supérieures en géographie au Canada. En effet, les changements de société sont perceptibles dans les programmes de géographie qui accueillent aujourd'hui plus de femmes que d'hommes. Une évaluation par champ d'études et selon le sexe montre que le ratio femmes-hommes est de l'ordre de 1,6

after which the student cohorts have more female members. This gender imbalance appears to be increasingly with each successive 5-year cohort.

This change in the student gender component of the CAG presumably reflects a colloquial impression of the changing population structure of many undergraduate and graduate geography programs in Canada. In concert with societal changes, more women than men are choosing to enrol in geography programs. An assessment of the field of study by student members by gender shows a female-to-male ratio of 1.6:1 in human geography, 1:1.4 in physical geography, and a 1:1 ratio in members identifying both human and physical geography.

Summary

The CAG population structure is a legacy of past disciplinary tendencies and a large influx of student members. The current population structure anticipates future changes worthy of discussion.

First, given the overwhelming imprint of younger students on the structure of the CAG, the activities of the

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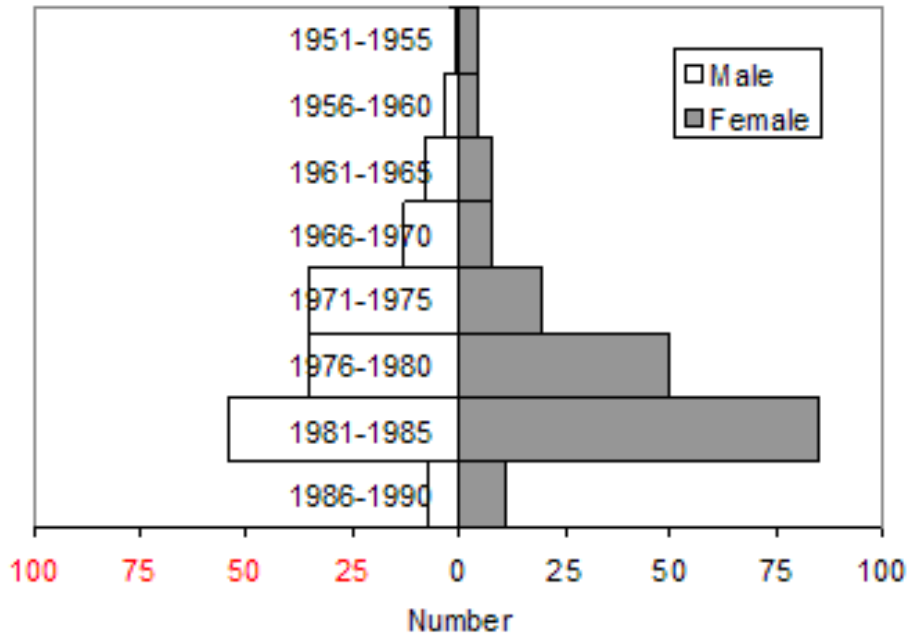


Figure 4. Population age structure pyramid for 348 student members of the Canadian Association of Geographers in mid-October 2008. Members are shown as five-year cohorts./Figure 4 : La structure de la pyramide des âges de la population, pour les 348 membres étudiants de l'Association canadienne des géographes, octobre 2008. Les cohortes d'âge des membres sont définies par tranche de cinq ans.

femme pour 1 homme en géographie humaine, 1 femme pour 1,4 homme en géographie physique, et chez les membres en géographie humaine et physique le ratio est de 1 pour 1.

Sommaire

La structure de population de l'ACG est à la fois un vestige des tendances du passé de la discipline et du fort afflux de membres étudiants. La structure de population actuelle, annonciatrice de changements à venir, mérite d'être étudiée de près.

Premièrement, sous l'effet de la prépondérance des étudiants plus jeunes sur la structure de l'ACG, les activités de l'Association devraient être axées sur les besoins de cette cohorte. Les membres appartenant à ce groupe constituent l'avenir de l'ACG.

Deuxièmement, le nombre grandissant de femmes qui adhèrent à l'ACG n'a pas reçu beaucoup d'attention. Le rôle de ces femmes dans l'Association ira en grandissant. La cohorte des étudiants et les professionnels en début de carrière sont responsables de la croissance de l'adhésion. L'Association devrait mieux répondre aux besoins exprimés par ces derniers.

Troisièmement, le désenchantement profond que ressentent depuis longtemps les géographes physiques à l'égard de l'Association laisse présager un désastre pour l'avenir de l'ACG. Le désengagement des géographes physiques envers l'ACG accentue l'effet de polarisation

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Association should be increasingly focused on the needs of this cohort. Members of this group will define the future of the CAG.

Second, the increasing number of female CAG members has not been well reported. These women are certain to play a larger role in the Association. As this membership surge is presently concentrated within student or early career members, the Association should direct particular attention to serving the needs of this cohort.

Third, the continuing and deepening disenchantment of physical geographers with the Association could be disastrous for the CAG. With physical geographers no longer drawn to the CAG, the publications and meetings of the CAG are increasingly polarized in their relevance. The Association is at a crossroads and must soon make a decision as to where best to devote its attention.

For most of the CAG's history, the value of the Association to its' members has been the commitment "to promote the use and development of geography in Canada". With accelerating political, economic and societal changes having profound impacts on the relevance of our Association, perhaps it is time we reflected evermore upon the needs of our members.

Dan Smith
President, Canadian Association of Geographers

concernant la pertinence des publications et des congrès que tient l'ACG. L'Association est à un carrefour et doit sans tarder s'engager sur la meilleure voie possible.

Pendant la majeure partie de son histoire, la valeur ajoutée de l'Association pour ses membres a été son engagement « pour promouvoir l'utilisation et le développement de la géographie au Canada ». Aujourd'hui plus que jamais, devant les transformations politiques, économiques et sociétales qui remettent en cause la pertinence de notre Association, nous devons réfléchir aux besoins de nos membres.

Dan Smith
Président, Association canadienne des géographes

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PIERRE DESROCHERS, HIROKO SHIMIZU

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Professor Michael Troughton devoted to Thames to the End By Randy Richmond, The London Free Press, November 03, 2008.

The London Free Press has named Michael Troughton as one of the top five great figures in the Thames River history. He is remembered for his devotion to the natural and cultural landscape along the Thames River. Professor Troughton's last manuscript is close to seeing posthumous publication as a Heritage Landscape Guide to the Thames River Watershed. The London Free Press named Michael Troughton as one of the top five great figures in the Thames River history along with John Graves Simcoe, Tecumseh, Henry Ford II, and the Cartier pioneers.

National student award named to honour University of Windsor Professor Alan Trenhaile.

The Canadian Geomorphology Research Group has named its award for best poster presentation by a student at a regional conference in his honour. CGRG president Stephen Wolfe said the award naming recognizes Trenhaile's contributions to the field and was especially appropriate given Trenhaile's written contributions to Canadian geomorphology---his 1990 book *The Geomorphology of Canada* was the first to focus on the country, and *Geomorphology: a Canadian Perspective*, currently in its third edition, is the standard text in most university programs in Canada.

McGill University geographer Julia Christensen named a 2008 Trudeau Scholar

Julia Christensen is a PhD candidate in geography under the supervision of Dr George Wenzel. Julia was named a 2008 Trudeau Scholar and was the recipient of a SSHRC Canada Graduate Scholarship.

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CONGRÈS ANNUEL 2009 DE L'ACG

du mardi, le 26 mai au samedi, le 30 mai
avec La Fédération canadienne des sciences humaines
www.fedcan.ca/congress2009/
Organisé par
le département géographie,
Carleton University
<http://www.carleton.ca/geography/events/index.html>

Le Département de Géographie de l'Université Carleton vous invite cordialement au congrès annuel 2009 de l'Association Canadienne des Géographes du 26 au 30 mai, 2009. Cette Congrès de l'ACG se tiendra conjointement avec le avec Le Congrès des sciences humaines. Le thème de l'événement de 2009 sera « Capital Connections : nation, terroir, territoire ». Ce thème invite à une exploration de l'identité en tant qu'espace physique; l'espace d'un peuple, d'une nation, de son « terroir » historique.

Des présentations de tous les domaines de recherche géographique sont bien accueillies. Dates à retenir :

- Intention d'organiser des sessions spéciales - 15 décembre 2008
- Intention d'organiser des réunions d'affaires de groupe de travail - 15 décembre 2008
- La date limite pour soumettre un résumé: Le 15 février, 2009
- Le dernier jour pour déposer une demande de bourse de voyage pour étudiant: Le 15 février, 2009

Des détails de conférence seront signalés sur le site Web de Carleton comme ils deviennent disponibles à <http://www.carleton.ca/geography/events/index.html>

Le renouvellement et le paiement en ligne de l'adhésion pour l'année 2009 sont maintenant disponibles. Pour renouveler votre adhésion, accédez à Mon Profil sur le site Web à www.cag-acg.ca. Vous devez utiliser Windows Explorer.

La période d'adhésion à l'ACG va du 1er janvier au 31 décembre.

2009 CAG ANNUAL MEETING

Tuesday, May 26 – Saturday, May 30, 2009
with the Congress of the Humanities & Social Sciences
www.fedcan.ca/congress2009/
Hosted by
the Department of Geography,
Carleton University
<http://www.carleton.ca/geography/events/index.html>

The Department of Geography at Carleton invites you to participate in the 2009 Annual Meeting of the Canadian Association of Geographers, which will be held in Ottawa from May 26th to May 30th, 2009. CAG 2009 will coincide with Congress 2009 organized by the Canadian Federation for the Humanities and Social Sciences. The theme of Congress 2009 will be “Capital Connections: nation, terroir, territoire.” This theme invites an exploration of identity as physical space; the space of a people, a nation, and their historic ‘terroir.’

Presentations from all areas of geographic research are welcomed. Note the following deadlines:

- Intention to organize Special Sessions - December 15th, 2008
- Intention to organize Study Group Business Meetings - December 15th, 2008
- Deadline to submit Paper and Poster Abstracts – February 15, 2009
- Deadline to apply to the CAG for student travel grants - February 15, 2009

Conference details will be posted on the Carleton web site at http://www.cag-acg.ca/en/cag_annual_meeting.html as they become available.

Online Renewal and Payment for the 2009 membership year is now available. To Renew your membership, login to My Profile on the CAG webpage at www.cag-acg.ca. You must use Windows Explorer.

CAG Membership period is from January 1 through December 31.

Prix de l'ACG 2009-Appel de Candidatures

Les géographes canadiens sont invités annuellement à faire le point et à exprimer leur appréciation des travaux de ceux ou celles dignes d'une reconnaissance nationale. Veuillez prendre un instant de votre temps pour étudier l'appel de candidatures lancé cette année.

Les informations relatives au processus de nomination des candidats sont disponibles sur notre site web à l'adresse suivante : www.cag-acg.ca.

Le prix pour distinction universitaire en géographie

Ce prix vise à souligner le travail exceptionnel accompli en géographie par un membre de l'ACG pour des contributions soutenues pendant plusieurs années ou une contribution majeure.*

Le prix pour services rendus à la profession de géographe

Ce prix est décerné en reconnaissance de plusieurs années de services professionnels exceptionnels à un membre de l'ACG chargé de la formation universitaire des géographes, au titulaire d'un poste de nature administrative ou autre dans la fonction publique, à un cadre de société savante ou à quiconque a grandement contribué à l'avancement et à l'exercice de la profession de géographe au Canada.*

Le prix de géographie au service du gouvernement ou des affaires

Pour reconnaître l'importance primordiale de l'excellence de la géographie au service du gouvernement ou du monde des affaires, l'Association canadienne des géographes (ACG) décerne ce prix à quelqu'un qui a réalisé d'importants projets pour le secteur public ou privé. Le candidat doit s'être illustré par la mise au point ou l'application de techniques ou d'instruments géographiques utilisés au service du gouvernement ou du monde des affaires, ou avoir plusieurs réalisations en géographie au service du gouvernement ou du monde des affaires à son actif.*

Le prix d'excellence pour l'enseignement en géographie

Pour reconnaître l'importance primordiale de l'excellence des professeurs de géographie, l'ACG décerne ce prix à un membre de l'ACG qui enseigne dans un établissement reconnu, que ce soit une université, un collège, un cégep ou une école secondaire. Le candidat doit être au moins professeur à temps plein ou à temps partiel, chargé d'enseigner un cours d'une année et être le premier responsable de l'organisation et de la présentation de la matière en classe cours. Normalement, le candidat est un professeur qui s'est illustré dans des cours suivis par un effectif restreint ou nombreux, à différents niveaux

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2009 CAG Awards - Call for Nominations

Once a year Canadian geographers are invited to take stock and consider whose efforts deserve national recognition. Please take a moment to look over this year's Call for Nominations.

Information on the nomination procedure can be found on our website at www.cag-acg.ca.

Award For Scholarly Distinction In Geography

The purpose of the award is to recognize a member of the CAG for outstanding scholarly work in geography either in the form of sustained contributions over a number of years or as a single major research contribution.*

Award for Service to the Profession of Geography

This award is intended to recognize a member of the CAG for exceptional professional service over a period of years - for example, in the university training of geographers, in administration or similar activities in the public service, as an officer of a learned society, or in such other ways as have significantly advanced the profession and practice of geography in Canada.*

Award for Geography in the Service of Government or Business

Established in 1997 in recognition of the primary importance of excellence in geography in the service of government or business, the Canadian Association of Geographers (CAG) offers this award to someone who has carried out major work for or in the public or private sector. Normally a nominee would have distinguished himself or herself through the development or application of geographic techniques or tools used in the service of government or business or has a record of achievement for geography in the service of government or business over a long period of time.*

Award For Excellence In Teaching Geography

In recognition of the primary importance of teaching excellence in geographic education, the Canadian Association of Geographers (CAG) offers, since 1997, this award to a member of the CAG who teaches in a recognized university, college, CEGEP or high school. At a minimum, a nominee must be the member of the teaching staff, full or part-time, hired to teach a course in any one year, who has primary responsibility for organizing and presenting course material. Normally, a nominee would be a member of the teaching staff, who has distinguished herself or himself in courses with small and large enrolments, at different levels of instruction, over several years of teaching in the nominating institution. Nomination procedures can be found at www.cag-acg.ca. Nominations must be received by January 31, 2009.

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du curriculum universitaire, depuis plusieurs années dans l'établissement qui propose sa candidature. Pour les modalités de mise en candidature voir www.cag-acg.ca. Échéance : les mises en candidature doivent nous parvenir avant le 31 janvier 2009.

Le prix Julian M. Szeicz

L'Association canadienne des géographes (ACG) décerne ce prix annuellement pour souligner une réalisation importante d'un géographe canadien qui débute. Le but de ce prix est de favoriser les études en géographie au Canada et de mettre en valeur le travail des nouveaux géographes. Pour tout les detail voir www.cag-acg.ca. Date limite pour la mise en candidature: 31 janvier 2009

Le prix Starkey-Robinson

Le prix d'excellence de Starkey-Robinson est octroyé en reconnaissance de la qualité de la recherche d'un étudiant ou d'une étudiante de maîtrise ou de doctorat qui stimule la connaissance de la géographie du Canada. L'admissibilité au concours pour ce prix suppose que le ou la candidat(e) ait terminé son mémoire ou sa thèse à l'intérieur des deux années précédentes. Pour tout les detail voir www.cag-acg.ca. Date limite pour la mise en candidature: 31 janvier 2009.

Prix Annuel De Blackwell Publishing

Blackwell Publishing finance un prix annuel visant à reconnaître la contribution exceptionnelle d'une personne ayant récemment obtenu un doctorat en géographie. Le prix sera remis au récipiendaire lors de l'assemblée générale de la réunion générale annuelle de l'ACG et est constitué d'un bon de 150 \$US pour l'achat de livres des éditions Blackwell et le remboursement des frais d'inscription à la réunion annuelle de l'ACG. Pour tout les detail voir www.cag-acg.ca. Date limite pour la mise en candidature: 15 février 2009.

Bourse Commémorative d'excellence

Robin P. Armstrong pour les Études Autochtones

La Bourse commémorative d'excellence Robin P. Armstrong pour les études autochtones est décernée par l'Association canadienne des géographes (ACG), Statistique Canada et Affaires indiennes et du Nord Canada à un étudiant titulaire d'un diplôme en géographie ou les études autochtones ayant rédigé un mémoire de maîtrise ou une thèse de doctorat sur un sujet autochtone.

Pour tout les detail voir le site Web à http://www.cag-acg.ca/fr/robin_p_armstrong_award.html Date limite pour la mise en candidature: 31 janvier 2009.

The Julian M. Szeicz Award

The award is presented annually by the Canadian Association of Geographers in recognition of a significant achievement by a Canadian geographer at an early career stage. The purpose of the award is to foster the development of geographical studies in Canada and to provide recognition of recently established geographical practitioners. For complete details see our webpage at www.cag-acg.ca. Closing date for nominations: January 31, 2009

The Starkey-Robinson Award

The Starkey-Robinson Award gives recognition to high quality graduate research that furthers understanding of the geography of Canada. The Award is adjudicated annually by the Awards Committee of the CAG. Eligibility for the Award is based on the completion of a thesis or comparable work at the Masters or Doctoral level at a Canadian University within the preceding 2 years. For complete details see our webpage at www.cag-acg.ca. Closing date for nominations: January 31, 2009.

Blackwell Publishing Annual Award

Blackwell Publishing supports an annual prize to recognize the outstanding contribution of a recent Ph.d graduate in geography. The award will be presented to the recipient at the general assembly of the CAG Annual General Meeting and will consist of a 150\$ US voucher for Blackwell books and the reimbursement of registration fees to attend the CAG Annual Meeting. For complete details see our webpage at www.cag-acg.ca. Closing date for nominations: February 15, 2009.

The Robin P. Armstrong Memorial Prize for Excellence in Native Studies

The Canadian Association of Geographers (CAG), Statistics Canada, and Indian and Northern Affairs Canada award the Robin P. Armstrong Memorial Prize for Excellence in Native Studies to a graduate student in geography or native studies for the best Master's or Ph.D. thesis on an aboriginal topic.

For complete details please see our website at http://www.cag-acg.ca/en/robin_p_armstrong_award.html Closing date for nominations: January 31, 2009.

Nomination procedures as well as lists of former recipients can be found on our website./Pour les modalités de mise en candidatureles ou noms des anciens lauréats voir notre site web. See/voir www.cag-acg.ca

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Demande de subvention de voyage pour assister aux congrès annuels de l'ACG

Chaque année, le Conseil de recherches en sciences humaines du Canada verse à notre association une subvention pour aider les membres étudiants de l'ACG qui sont citoyens ou résidents canadiens et qui présentent une communication, à assister au congrès annuel.

Pour être éligible les étudiants devez être membre pour année avant la réunion aussi bien que l'année l'où la réunion a lieu et leur communication doit avoir été acceptée et figurer au programme mais il n'est pas nécessaire que la preuve de l'acceptation soit établie jusqu'après la réunion.

La date limite de dépôt des demandes de subvention est fixée au 15 février.

Pour être éligible les étudiants devez nous envoyer leur demande d'adhésion pour 2008 complété avec paiement avant le 30 décembre, 2008. Pour inscrire en 2008 utiliser le PDF qui se trouve à la section formulaire d'inscription pour 2008 à www.cag-acg.ca.

La priorité sera accordée aux demandes de première fois. Puisqu'il n'est habituellement pas possible de satisfaire toutes les demandes, le montant octroyé dépendra du nombre de demandes et des distances à parcourir.

Tous les membres étudiants de l'ACG ont reçu un formulaire de demande de subvention de voyage dans le Bulletin numéro 5 (sept. /oct.) ou ils peuvent en demander un au bureau de l'ACG à valerie.shoffey@cag-acg.ca en citant leur nombre d'identification d'adhésion de l'ACG. Pour télécharger une version PDF cliquez ici .

Travel Grant to Attend the CAG Annual Meetings

Each year the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada provides the Association with a grant to assist current CAG Student members who are Canadian citizens living in Canada or in other countries and non-Canadian CAG Student members who are residing in Canada who are presenting papers/posters, to attend the CAG Annual Meetings.

To be eligible students must have held CAG Student membership in the year prior to the meeting as well as the year in which the meeting takes place and their paper/poster must have been accepted. It is not necessary that proof of paper/poster acceptance be established until after the meeting.

The deadline for grant applications is the 15th of February 2009.

All 2008 membership application forms plus payment must be received by Dec. 30, 2008 in order to qualify to apply for the travel grant. For a PDF copy of the 2008 membership application form go to the CAG website at www.cag-acg.ca. The membership year runs from January to December.

In allocating these funds, priority will be given to first-time student member applicants. Since it is usually not possible to completely cover all the requests received, the amount of the grant will depend on the number of applicants and distance.

A copy of the Travel Grant application was included in the 2008 Sept/Oct issue of the CAG Newsletter that all current CAG student members received or they may request a copy from the CAG office at valerie.shoffey@cag-acg.ca by quoting their CAG Membership ID number.

2009 AAG Annual Meeting
Sunday March 22 - Friday March 27
Las Vegas, Nevada

The Association of American Geographers invites you to join 8,000 geographers, GIS specialists, and environmental scientists from around the world in Las Vegas for the very latest in research, policy, and applications in geography, sustainability, and GIScience, during our annual conference.

To register for the meeting or submit a paper, visit www.aag.org/annualmeeting.

CAG MEMBERSHIP (January to December)

ONLINE Membership Renewal and payment is now available for **2009**. You may also verify your current membership status and update your profile (personal information, change of address etc.). See www.cag-acg.ca/en/online_renewal.html for instructions.

For those who did not use the ONLINE system for 2008, your paper renewal form for 2009 was mailed however we encourage you to use the ONLINE system.

For those who have not yet renewed for 2008 and still wish to do so, you will find a PDF membership application form on our website at www.cag-acg.ca under MEMBERSHIP that can be printed and mailed with payment.

DIVISION NEWS

Atlantic Division of the CAG



The president of the ACAG, Guy Vincent, presents Kevin Garroway from Dalhousie with The Founders Award for his presentation entitled: Assessing model accuracy of multiple 5m resolution topographic index's for soil surface saturation prediction and mapping in an agricultural watershed.



Meagan Bellamy from Dalhousie won a cash award for the best poster entitled: How does change in grain and extent affect the interpretation of landscape metrics?



Carrie White of Mount Allison University won the best student presentation award for her presentation entitled: Exploring X-Ray Density Parameters of Trees and Climate in New Brunswick.

Western Division of the Canadian Association of Geographers (WDCAG) 2009 Annual Conference

The Geography Department of Vancouver Island University(Nanaimo campus) welcomes you to attend the 51st Annual Conference of the Western Division, Canadian Association of Geographers to be held on March 5, 6, and 7, 2009.

Following the successful format of previous events, the Thursday night icebreaker at the Students' Union Pub on campus will be followed by Friday's field trips to a range of places: from caves to heritage sites to coal mines; all geographers will find something of interest. Friday will end with a keynote speaker, then Saturday will be filled with presentations, poster sessions, the AGM, and capped by the Saturday night Awards Banquet and dance party.

Registration is now open for this event, and we also invite you to submit a proposal to the "Call for Papers and Illustrated Posters". The deadline for submissions is Friday, January 16, 2009.

We encourage you to bookmark our website and check it frequently for updates: <http://www.viu.ca/wdcag/>
For further information: email: geoconf@viu.ca
or contact: Michael Tripp, Chair,
Geography Department, Vancouver Island University,
900 Fifth Street Nanaimo, BC V9R 5S5
Phone: 1-888-920-2221, Local 2316
Fax: 250-740-6550

OBITUARY

WILSON, Michael passed away November 22, 2008 at his home near Loon Lake, SK. He had been engaged in a two and half year dance with cancer.

Mike won a merit scholarship that funded his Bachelor's degree in Geography at Stanford University (1958-62) and after a short stint as a commercial map maker, he began work on a Ph.D. program in the Department of Geography at the University of Oregon. He joined the University of Saskatchewan's Geography Department in 1970 and remained a faculty member until his retirement in 1999.

Mike compiled and edited the Canadian Association of Geographers Directory from 1989 to 1991 and in the years just prior to his retirement was an Assistant Editor of the Millennium Edition of the Atlas of Saskatchewan.

Mike was also an active member of the Saskatchewan Environmental Society throughout most of his time in Saskatoon.

**GEOGRAPHY AWARENESS WEEK 2008
REPORT 3**

By the time Report 3 appears in the CAG Newsletter, we will have celebrated Geography Awareness Week 2008. I am pleased to provide these summary comments.

1. The theme day approach appears to be confirmed as an appealing way to organize the CAG's involvement in Geography Awareness Week, and the topics of Weather and Climate, Water, Energy, Transportation, and Food and Health appear to be widely accepted as informative, instructive, and interesting means to enhance awareness about the field of geography, and the fundamental importance of geography to Canada and Canadian society.

2. Telling the story of Canada's geography through websites appears to be highly popular among governments, businesses, advocacy groups, teachers and students, and Canadians in general. The 50 new websites identified for GAW 2008 not only provided the means to enhance Canadians' awareness about Canada's geography, but resulted in a number of very complimentary messages for the CAG as a consequence of selecting these websites for GAW 2008.

3. The Applied Geography Showcase and Sampler was added for 2008 as a means of telling Canadians about the professional aspect of our field. For reasons that could involve any or all of individuals not checking the CAG website, not reading CAGList communications, being too busy doing other things, or perhaps not doing much applied geography, the Applied Geography Showcase and the Sampler did not attract the anticipated participation levels. Since this is a first-time initiative, materials will be accepted until the end of 2008 for inclusion in the Applied Geography Showcase and Sampler for GAW 2008.

4. The GeoSkills Showcase and Sampler was added for 2008 as a means of telling Canadians about the skill set that is used in the teaching, research, applications, and other aspects of geography. For reasons that could involve any or all of individuals not checking the CAG website, not reading CAGList communications, being too busy doing other things, or perhaps not doing much that involves geographic skills, the GeoSkills Showcase and the Sampler did not attract the anticipated participation levels. Since this is a first-time initiative, materials will be accepted until the end of 2008 for inclusion in the GeoSkills Showcase and Sampler for GAW 2008.

5. Thanks are due to Sam Herold, Nairne Cameron, Shannon Christie, Bob Patrick, and Valerie Shoffey for their contributions to GAW 2008.

Barry Wellar
Program Director, Geography Awareness Week
wellarb@uottawa.ca

*Season's Greetings and Happy Holidays
Les salutations de la saison et joyeuses Fêtes*

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Graduate Student Assistantships. The Department of Geography at McGill is pleased to announce graduate recruitment for entry in September 2009. Student assistantships are available for positions advertised on the department website, and funding beyond these are available from numerous sources including federal and provincial fellowships, teaching, and research assistantships. Applicants are asked to contact an appropriate faculty member to determine if she or he may be willing to serve as a supervisor.

Please see the graduate recruitment web site www.geog.mcgill.ca/gradrecruitment.html.

McGill is one of the top ranked universities in the world, and the department is an active research community with particular strengths in Earth System Science; Development; Environmental Management; GIS/Remote Sensing; Land Surface Process Studies; and Political, Urban, Economic, and Health Geography. International PhD students pay the same low fees as Quebec residents. Montreal is a unique and vibrant multicultural urban community, with excellent quality of life and affordability.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES IN GEOGRAPHY

CAGLIST Job Postings Webpage can be found at <http://office.geog.uvic.ca/dept/cag/jobs.htm>

***NEW**

MCGILL UNIVERSITY

Applications are invited for a tenure-track position at the Assistant Professor level in Human Dimensions of Global Environmental Change beginning on August 1, 2009. Environmental change has become a central aspect of scientific inquiry and policy concerns and our societies will have to adapt to rapidly changing **b i o - p h y s i c a l c o n d i t i o n s** (see <http://www.mcgill.ca/strategic/>). We seek a person with a research program that examines the cultural, social, economic and political adaptations to environmental change connecting scales from the local to the national and supranational. The successful candidate is expected to develop an externally-funded research program, embracing graduate student supervision and undergraduate teaching. There are excellent opportunities for collaboration within the Department and other units, such as the Earth System Science program, the Global Environmental and Climate Change Centre, the International Development Studies Program, Field Studies Semesters in Africa, Panama and the Caribbean, the Centre for Developing Area Studies and the School of Environment. Information on McGill and the Department of Geography can be found at www.mcgill.ca and www.geog.mcgill.ca.

Applicants must possess a Ph.D. or expect to graduate by summer 2009, and have demonstrated excellence in research, teaching and communication. Salary will be commensurate with qualifications and experience.

The Department encourages applications from qualified women and men, visible and other minorities, aboriginal people, and persons with disabilities. In accordance with Canadian immigration requirements, this advertisement is directed in the first instance to Canadian citizens and permanent residents of Canada. McGill University is committed to equity in employment.

Candidates should ensure their curriculum vitae, statements of teaching specializations and research interests, up to three reprints, and letters from three referees are sent to the following address. The review of applications will begin December 15, 2008 and applications will be accepted until the position is filled.

Dr. Tim Moore, Chair, Department of Geography
McGill University, 805 Sherbrooke St. West
Montreal, Quebec, Canada, H3A 2K6
phone: 514 398-4112 / fax: 514 398-7437
e-mail: recruit.geog@mcgill.ca

* UNIVERSITÉ DU QUÉBEC À TROIS-RIVIÈRES

Human Science - Tenure-track Professor in Rural Geography and Land-Use Planning

Activities : Teaching, research, community services and administration

Area: Rural Geography and land-use planning

Requirement : Ph.D. in geography or land-use planning or related areas.

Experience : Teaching and research with peer review publications. Some experience in land-use planning in a rural environment at a private or public level will be an asset.

Other : Quantitative analysis and geomatics.

At the bachelors level, the selected candidate will teach fundamental courses (land-use planning, rural geography, regional development, etc.), in the geography program. The professor will complete the multidisciplinary research areas integrated in the Master and Ph.D. programs in environmental sciences.

The additional expertise in the land-use planning of rural environments will complement the research team in the areas of watershed management, geomatics applied to the rural environment, and land-use planning. This new resource would contribute to the development of key research activities in water related studies performed by professors from the geography and ecology departments. Note: a native or near-native knowledge of French is a requirement all qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadian and permanent residents will be given priority

Commencing: June 1, 2009

Salary: according to the university professor collective agreement

Applications, including two (2) copies of the curriculum vitae, two (2) confidential letters of recommendations, should be sent, by mail, e-mail or fax, directly, but no later than January 5, 2009 at 17 h to:

Monsieur Éric Hamelin, Directeur
Service de la gestion des personnels
Université du Québec à Trois-Rivières
3351, boul. des Forges, C.P. 500
Trois-Rivières QC G9A 5H7
E-mail : mailto:SGP@uqtr.ca
Fax : (819) 376-5103

The UQTR is committed to an employment equity program that includes special measures to achieve diversity among its faculty and staff. We therefore particularly encourage applications from qualified aboriginal Canadians, persons with disabilities, members of visible minorities and women

*** RYERSON UNIVERSITY**

Applications are invited for the position of Director of the School of Urban and Regional Planning at Ryerson University. This appointment will be for a term of five years commencing July 1, 2009 and incorporates a tenured or tenure-track faculty position.

The School of Urban and Regional Planning offers a professionally accredited four-year undergraduate program to approximately 325 students. A Master of Planning program in Urban Development was launched in Fall 2008.

The School is a significant contributor to planning education in Canada. It is particularly known for the quality of its applied approach to professional planning education, centered on vibrant studio-based teaching and learning, with a passionate commitment to urban vitality and community engagement. Additional information about the School can be found at www.ryerson.ca/surp.

The Director is responsible for providing academic and administrative guidance, including management of the human and financial resources of the School, curriculum planning, program development, and community engagement. The Director will champion the School's mission in city-building and sustainable community development, have demonstrated leadership abilities, effective management skills, coupled with an ability to support the development of scholarship, and a deep commitment to and respect for student experience that is central to the University's mission.

The successful candidate must have a degree in planning, should have a Ph.D. in planning or a related field, or a combination of academic and professional qualifications that are equivalent. Current membership (or eligibility for membership) in the Canadian Institute of Planners, an established reputation in the professional community, an excellent record of scholarly research and/or influential practice, and teaching experience in one of the core curriculum areas. Teaching experience in a studio setting will be an asset.

Please forward your cover letter, detailed curriculum vitae and the names and addresses of three referees by January 2, 2009 to: Usha George, Ph.D. Professor and Dean, Faculty of Community Services Ryerson University, 350 Victoria St., Room SHE-697 Toronto, ON M5B 2K3

The position will remain open until filled.

Ryerson University has an employment equity program and encourages applications from all qualified individuals, including Aboriginal peoples, persons with disabilities, members of visible minorities and women. Members of designated groups are encouraged to self identify. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority.

*** SAINT MARY'S UNIVERSITY**

The Department of Geography at Saint Mary's University invites applications for a four-month, full-time limited term position in Physical Geography at the rank of Lecturer or Assistant Professor, effective September 1, 2009, to teach three (3) one-semester courses: one introductory level course (People, Place and Environment), one second year course (Fundamentals of Physical Geography), and one third year course (Geomorphology). Applicants should hold a Ph.D in the field, or be near completion of a doctoral program, and have a demonstrated record of effectiveness in teaching undergraduate-level Geography courses.

Saint Mary's University is uniquely committed to serving the local, regional, national, and international communities, and integrating such activity as part of the learning environment for undergraduate and graduate students. Information about the University and Department may be found at www.smu.ca.

Letters of application accompanied by an up-to-date curriculum vitae, teaching dossier, research samples/reprints, and the names and contact information for three referees should be sent to:

Dr. Cathy Conrad, Chair, Department of Geography
Saint Mary's University, Halifax, Nova Scotia B3H 3C3

In accordance with Canadian immigration requirements, this advertisement is directed in the first instance to Canadian citizens and permanent residents. Saint Mary's University encourages applications from women, aboriginal peoples, visible minorities, and individuals with disabilities. Applications sent by e-mail will not be considered. For further information, e-mail anne.baker@smu.ca, fax 902-496-8213, telephone 902-420-5736. Deadline for application is February 15, 2009.

*** UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA**

The Department of Geography at the University of British Columbia invites applications for a tenure-track Assistant Professor position in Quaternary Geomorphology. The successful candidate will have research and teaching interests that contribute to existing departmental strengths, preferably including one or more of the following areas: glacial processes and landforms, reconstruction of Quaternary environments, and modelling of landscape evolution. An interest in research and teaching related to the human dimensions of environmental change would be an asset.

Applicants should have a PhD degree in Geography or a closely related discipline, demonstrated excellence and high promise in research, and a strong commitment to teaching. The successful applicant will be expected to establish an externally funded research program, develop courses in his/her area of specialization, and contribute to the teaching in our undergraduate and

graduate programs. The appointment will be effective July 1, 2009, and is subject to final budgetary approval.

Candidates should submit electronically a letter of application, a curriculum vitae, and evidence of teaching effectiveness to recruit@geog.ubc.ca. They should also arrange for four reference letters to be sent to the same e-mail address. All materials are to arrive at UBC by January 19, 2009.

Salary will be commensurate with qualifications and experience. UBC hires on the basis of merit and is committed to employment equity and diversity. We encourage all qualified persons to apply; however, Canadians and permanent residents of Canada will be given priority. Enquiries may be directed to: Professor Dan Moore, Chair, Search Committee
Department of Geography, University of British Columbia
1984 West Mall, Vancouver, BC V6T 1Z2 Canada
Fax: 604-822-6150 / Web address: www.geog.ubc.ca
E-mail: recruit@geog.ubc.ca

*** UNIVERSITÉ DE MONTRÉAL**

Dans le cadre du développement de ses programmes de recherches et d'études en environnement, le Département de géographie de la Faculté des arts et des sciences sollicite des candidatures pour un poste de directeur ou de directrice au rang de professeur titulaire, ou de professeur agrégé avec expérience, possédant une formation en géographie humaine ou physique. Le Département est à la recherche de candidats avec une spécialisation dans un de ses domaines de recherche, en particulier, mais pas exclusivement, sur les questions relatives à la géographie urbaine, à la dynamique des géosystèmes terrestres ou à la géographie de la santé.

Fonctions : Direction du département, Enseignement aux trois cycles, Encadrement de mémoires et de thèses, Recherche et rayonnement.

Exigences : Doctorat en géographie ou dans une discipline connexe, Expérience de l'enseignement universitaire, Dossier de publications exemplaire, Compétence administrative, leadership et expérience en gestion.

Traitement : L'Université de Montréal offre un salaire concurrentiel, jumelé à une gamme complète d'avantages sociaux.

Date d'entrée en fonction : Le ou après le 1er juin 2009 (sous réserve d'approbation budgétaire)

Date de clôture des candidatures : Au plus tard à midi le 9 janvier 2009.

Les candidat(e)s sont priés de faire parvenir, avant cette date, une lettre présentant leur vision du département et de son développement, leur curriculum vitae, une proposition de programme de recherche, un exemplaire d'un choix de trois (3) publications ainsi que le nom et l'adresse de trois (3) personnes susceptibles de fournir des lettres de recommandation à l'adresse suivante: Monsieur Pierre Richard, Président du comité de sélection

Département de géographie, Université de Montréal
C.P. 6128, succursale Centre-ville
Montréal (Québec) H3C 3J7

Toute personne intéressée par le poste et souhaitant des informations supplémentaires est invitée à consulter la page web du Département (<http://www.geog.umontreal.ca>)

Les procédures de nomination en vigueur à l'Université de Montréal prévoient que tous les dossiers de candidatures puissent être consultés par tous les professeurs membres de l'assemblée départementale. Toute personne désirant que sa candidature demeure confidentielle jusqu'à l'établissement de la liste restreinte (candidatures retenues pour entrevue) est priée de le mentionner dans sa lettre d'accompagnement.

Conformément aux exigences prescrites en matière d'immigration au Canada, cette annonce s'adresse en priorité aux citoyens canadiens et aux résidents permanents. L'Université de Montréal souscrit aux principes d'accès à l'égalité en emploi et invite les femmes, les membres des minorités visibles et des minorités ethniques, les personnes handicapées et les autochtones à poser leur candidature.

*** UNIVERSITY OF NORTHERN BRITISH COLUMBIA**

Outdoor Recreation and Tourism Management Program - Tenure-Track Assistant Professor in Outdoor Recreation and Tourism

UNBC is a small, research intensive university with an enrolment of over 3500 students in more than 40 undergraduate and graduate academic programs. It offers a strong commitment for growth, a modern and attractive campus, and a wonderful setting in the heart of British Columbia. The ORTM Program is an innovative, integrated unit in the College of Science and Management at UNBC which focuses on the sustainable planning and management of recreation and tourism engagements in and reliant upon the natural environment. The ORTM Program is jointly administered with the Geography Program at UNBC; it has recently undergone a complete curriculum revision and an external review. Degree offerings are a BSc degree in Natural Resource Management (Major in Outdoor Recreation and Conservation), a BA degree in Nature-Based Tourism Management, as well as Master's and PhD degrees. For more information on the program please visit <http://www.unbc.ca/ortm/>.

Located in north-central BC, Prince George is a city of 80,000 people with broad cultural, educational, and recreational amenities. The city is home to a symphony orchestra, professional theatre, a WHL hockey team, a community college, and the university. Prince George is a friendly community offering a wide range of new housing at very reasonable costs. The region also offers exceptional skiing, canoeing and kayaking, fly-fishing,

hiking, and mountain biking. The lakes, forests and mountains of northern and central British Columbia offer an unparalleled natural environment in which to live and work. For more information about the city of Prince George please consult www.seeyouinprincegeorge.ca.

The University of Northern British Columbia, in conjunction with the Outdoor Recreation and Tourism Management Program, invites applications for a tenure-track faculty position with an anticipated start date of July 1, 2009. The successful candidate will have a doctoral degree in recreation, tourism or a closely related field, with evidence of, or potential for, excellence in scholarship, teaching and service. The faculty member will be expected to have an active research program in topics relevant to the discipline and previous experience in teaching ORTM (and perhaps other) courses. The candidate will have general knowledge and expertise within the broad ORTM field, but will also have specialized research and teaching experience in one or more of the following areas: 1) community interactions with nature-based tourism, 2) commercial outdoor recreation/nature-based tourism issues, 3) aboriginal tourism, and/or 4) tourism's role in natural resource management. Experience in obtaining research funds and networking with outdoor recreation and tourism professionals in British Columbia, Canada, and internationally will also be an asset.

Applicants should forward their curriculum vitae and the names and addresses of three references (including telephone, fax, and email information) quoting competition #FAORTM33-08 to:

The Office of the Provost,
University of Northern British Columbia
3333 University Way, Prince George, B.C. V2N 4Z9
Fax: (250) 960-5791

Please direct inquiries to:

Dr. Neil Hanlon, Chair of the Outdoor Recreation and Tourism Management Program
Telephone (250) 960-5881, Email hanlon@unbc.ca.

This position is being advertised subject to budgetary approval. Electronic submissions of CVs can be forwarded to: FacultyRecruitment@unbc.ca.

All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority. The University of Northern British Columbia is committed to employment equity and encourages applications from women, aboriginal peoples, persons with disabilities and members of visible minorities.

Applications received on or before January 15, 2009, will receive full consideration; however applications will be accepted until the position is filled.

*** UNIVERSITY OF SASKATCHEWAN**

The new School of Environment and Sustainability at the University of Saskatchewan invites

applications for a Centennial Chair in Human Dimensions of Environment and Sustainability. The School conducts interdisciplinary research and graduate student education. Our vision is to create and integrate multiple understandings of natural and human environments and to be internationally known for innovative, provocative, and wide-ranging approaches to environmental sustainability. The School's mission is to enable sustainable communities and environments through collaborative research and teaching, graduate student engagement, and community involvement. We broaden understanding and develop champions of environmental sustainability by creating, exchanging, and translating knowledge using diverse perspectives.

Created to celebrate the University's Centennial and to support the new School of Environment and Sustainability, the Centennial Chair will provide leadership to the School by developing a prominent research and graduate student training programme that addresses some major element of the human dimensions of environment and sustainability. The Centennial Chair will also play an important role in shaping the directions and initiatives of the new School.

The ideal candidate will have a Ph.D. or equivalent qualification, be a nationally/internationally recognized scholar with a record of attracting competitively awarded research funding, and have experience or an interest in developing interdisciplinary research partnerships and approaches. Applications are welcome from strong candidates in all fields related to the human dimensions of environment and sustainability, including but not limited to policy, law, education, the humanities, and the social, natural and health sciences. The successful candidate will be appointed to a tenured or tenure-track position at an Assistant or Associate Professor level commensurate with qualifications. The Chair will be awarded for a five-year period, renewable once. The position is available on July 1, 2009. Review of applications will begin on January 31, 2009, and continue until a suitable candidate is found.

For information about the University of Saskatchewan, please visit www.usask.ca. For information about the School of Environment and Sustainability, please visit www.usask.ca/sens.

The University of Saskatchewan is committed to employment equity, welcomes diversity in the workplace, and encourages applications from all qualified individuals, including women, members of visible minorities, Aboriginal persons, and persons with disabilities. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority.

To be considered for this opportunity, please send your CV, a letter of introduction, the names of three referees, and a summary of your proposed research program, in confidence, to:

Dr. Karsten Liber, Acting Director
School of Environment and Sustainability
University of Saskatchewan, Room 230, Law Building
15 Campus Drive, Saskatoon, SK, Canada S7N 5A6
E-mail: sens.info@usask.ca

*** UNIVERSITY OF WINNIPEG**

The Environmental Studies Program at The University of Winnipeg invites applications for a Program Director, who will serve for an initial five-year term with the possibility of reappointment. The successful appointee will be expected to oversee the development of new undergraduate and graduate degree programs, foster and mentor faculty, teach, and manage day-to-day operations of the program. Preparation of course schedules and budgetary management of the program will be part of the duties, as is participation in campus governance and community engagement. An important part of governance will be participating in the development and operations of the new Richardson College for the Environment and ensuring the Environmental Studies program will meet national accreditation and certification standards in the future.

The University of Winnipeg is committed to excellence in research and undergraduate teaching. Its Environmental Studies Program "envstudies.uwinnipeg.ca", founded in 1970, is one of the first interdisciplinary environment programs in Canada. Excellent opportunities exist for collaborations with other Winnipeg-based institutions, including the University of Manitoba, Freshwater Institute, and National Research Council Institute for Biodiagnostics, and for supervision of graduate students and postdoctoral fellows. The Program is eagerly anticipating the move to a state-of-the-art LEED-certified science complex, scheduled to be completed in 2010.

The ideal candidate will provide energy and long-term commitment to continuing to develop Environmental Studies as a Centre of Excellence at the University of Winnipeg. The ideal candidate will have a strong record of research and teaching excellence and be able to demonstrate a passion and commitment towards working in an interdisciplinary program. The position is tenure stream at either the Associate or Full Professor level depending on experience and qualifications. We welcome applications in any area of environmental science, however, candidates with expertise in environmental modeling, forestry, climate change or land use research will be given preference. Applicants will also have the ability to co-ordinate the work of the Environmental Studies faculty and effectively chair the Environmental Studies Advisory Committee

Applicants must hold a PhD in an appropriate discipline; postdoctoral experience is preferred. We expect the successful candidate to maintain a strong externally funded research program, as well as a strong

teaching program focusing on regional and Canadian issues.

Applications (hardcopy only) should include a curriculum vitae, a statement of research and teaching interests, and samples of relevant reprints, and three confidential letters of reference (hardcopy only) to be sent to: Dr. Richard Westwood, Acting Director, Environmental Studies Program, University of Winnipeg 515 Portage Avenue, Winnipeg, MB, Canada R3B 2E9

The closing date for applications is January 31, 2009, with a starting date of July 1 or September 1, 2009.

The University of Winnipeg is committed to employment equity, welcomes diversity in the workplace and encourages applications from all qualified individuals including women, members of visible minorities, aboriginal persons and persons with disabilities. In accordance with Canadian immigration requirements, this advertisement is initially directed to Canadian citizens and permanent residents of Canada. Hiring of new faculty is subject to budgetary approval.

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 Galetown. 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.

* CENTRAL WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

The Geography Department at Central Washington University invites applications for a tenure-track Water Resource Geographer position at the Assistant Professor level beginning mid-September 2009. Applicants are required to hold a Ph.D. in geography at time of appointment, as well as have evidence of knowledge and application of water resource management. Teaching responsibilities include introductory geography, water resources, climate change or natural hazards, and courses in his/her area of expertise. Preference will be given to candidates with: 1) teaching and research interests focused on the management of western North American watersheds; 2) active, long-term, applied research agenda that includes climate change, natural hazards, or other water resource related issues; 3) experience applying appropriate geotechniques; 4) strong commitment to high quality undergraduate and graduate teaching that enhances student speaking, critical thinking, and writing skills; 5) commitment to involve undergraduates and graduates in their research; and 6) demonstrated potential for scholarly contributions and securing grant/contract funding. EEO/AA/Title IX Institution

Information about the Department can be found at www.cwu.edu/~geograph/

To be considered for this position, applicants must apply on-line at www.cwu.edu/~hr/jobs/index.html A complete application consists of: a letter of application that clearly addresses the candidate's ability to perform the position responsibilities and addresses the qualifications; a CV including teaching and research experience; a proposal of research plans; and a statement of teaching philosophy. Screening begins January 2, 2009.

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

The Department of Geography (<http://geography.tamu.edu>) at Texas A&M University invites applications for a tenure-track Assistant Professor position in Climatology with research interests in

hydroclimatology or land-atmosphere interactions to begin in September 2009. We seek a scholar with the ability to enhance the department's strengths in physical geography, and who will take advantage of the outstanding collaborative opportunities within geography and with other departments, research units, and interdisciplinary initiatives within the College of Geosciences and university (e.g., Department of Atmospheric Sciences, Center for Atmospheric Chemistry and the Environment, Watershed Management and Hydrological Sciences program; <http://geosciences.tamu.edu>). The successful applicant must have a strong commitment to quality teaching at the undergraduate and graduate levels and supervision of undergraduate, M.S. and Ph.D. level research; and demonstrate the potential to initiate and maintain a vigorous externally-funded research program. The Ph.D. is required at time of appointment.

Candidates should submit a letter of application, curriculum vitae, and names and addresses (including e-mail addresses) of three referees to Dr. Andrew Millington, Search Committee Chair. Review of applications will begin on December 15, 2008 and will continue until the position is filled. Texas A&M University is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer. The University is dedicated to the goal of building a culturally diverse and pluralistic community committed to teaching and working in a multicultural environment. We strongly encourage applications from women, under-represented groups, and individuals with disabilities.

A complete listing can be found on the
CAGLIST Job Postings webpage at:
<http://office.geog.uvic.ca/dept/cag/jobs.htm>

Geography Jobs site

www.geogjobs.com/

is free to search and free to post announcements on.

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