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UBC T-Bird basketball forward Jessica Mills, a first-year medical student, is highly focused with feet planted firmly in athletics and academia. "She is an outstanding scholar, basketball player and person," says Deb Huband, coach of UBC's top-ranked women's team. Mills, shown here in action against cross-town rival SFU, was one of Canada's best 10 student athletes last year and Player of the Year in the Western Conference of the Canadian Inter-university Athletic Union. She and her teammates are off to a great start this season. Both UBC basketball teams play the University of Calgary, Nov. 12 and 13, beginning at 6:15 p.m. in War Memorial Gym — the last chance for home fans to cheer the teams before Christmas break. Tickets ($7, adult; $4, youth and seniors; $3, UBC students; children under 12, free) are available at the gym before the game. For more information, call 822-BIRD.

UBC rises to second in *Maclean's* ranking

UBC has moved up to second position in overall rankings of Canada's medical/doctoral universities according to the annual survey recently published in *Maclean's* magazine.

"We are delighted that UBC's excellence is being nationally recognized," said UBC President Martha Piper. "This accomplishment recognizes the hard work and commitment of all UBC faculty and staff. Improvements in areas such as student services demonstrate our success in implementing the goals of Trek 2000. Despite this acknowledgement, however, we must be diligent about ensuring adequate funding to maintain quality education."

UBC had ranked fourth for the previous seven years. It shares this year's second-place spot with Queen's University.

The University of Toronto again placed first overall in the category, which ranks 15 universities with a broad range of PhD programs and research as well as medical schools.

UBC was ranked first in student services as measured as a percentage of budget, in faculty with PhDs and in the number of social sciences and humanities grants earned per faculty member.

It measured third in both the number of students winning national awards and the average entering grade. The average entering grade at UBC is 85.2 per cent.

Library expenses earned a second-place spot with total library holdings being ranked third.

Awards per full-time faculty earned UBC a fourth-place spot, tied with Queen's, and the number of medical/science grants per faculty member received a fifth-place ranking.

Ranking eighth for scholarships and bursaries, the university measured 12th for the size of its operating budget.

UBC class sizes were ranked second smallest — up from seventh last year — in the first-and second-year level. Class sizes in third and fourth years were ranked as fifth, up from 15th last year. The percentage of first-year classes taught by tenured faculty ranked 13th.

UBC again placed fourth overall in reputation and moved up to second in

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Research lures $15 million plus in funding

Nine UBC projects have received more than $15 million in capital funding thanks to a combination of federal monies, matching provincial funds and support from a donation made by UBC alumnus Stewart Blusson.

"Our investigators have received a strong endorsement through this support," says David Dolphin, acting vice-president, Research. "It facilitates both basic research and the development of new technologies we will need as a region to compete globally."

UBC projects recently received more than $6 million in funding from the B.C. Knowledge Development Fund (BCKDF) to match support from the Canada Foundation for Innovation (CFI).

The remaining 20 per cent of funding is generated from the Blusson gift, hospital foundations and corporate sources. A substantial portion of Blusson's 1998 gift of $50 million was specifically allocated to attract CFI funding.

Several other UBC projects have received more than $15 million in CFI funding and will be seeking BCKDF matching support.

Biochemistry Prof. Grant Mauk is the principal applicant in a project valued at almost $8.75 million. Funding will be used to buy equipment for eight technology hubs on campus.

CFI contributed to the cost of equipment for five hubs. The provincial government matched those funds and also contributed to the cost of the other three facilities.

About 50 UBC investigators in various faculties will use the advanced instrumentation for basic science research in molecular biophysics. New knowledge created through this interdisciplinary research is expected to result in significant technology transfer, says Mauk. The facilities will also be accessible to local biotechnology companies.

Other projects that received funding include the Core Centre for Growth and Development at the Children's & Women's Health Centre of British Columbia. Research at the centre will look at factors affecting human growth including the genetic diseases that cause infant deaths. Aubrey Tingle, assistant dean of Research in UBC's Faculty of Medicine

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Major award to attract leading playwrights

UBC's Dept. of Theatre, Film and Creative Writing has established a Creative Writing Residency Prize in Stageplay. The biennial prize, worth $25,000, is the most generous of its kind in Canada.

Assoc. Prof. Bryan Wade, director of the prize, views it as an important step in the overall development of playwriting in Canada.

"Not only will it increase the profile of playwriting as an art form in the country — much like the Booker Prize has done for fiction in Great Britain — the Residency Prize in Stageplay will bring outstanding playwrights of national and international stature to the UBC campus and the Lower Mainland," he says.

The award includes a one-month residency at the university. While on campus, the winning playwright will mentor Creative Writing students, work with Theatre students and faculty on the development of the play for performance, and deliver the Stageplay Residency Lecture.

The winning play will be published by *PRISM international*, Creative Writing's literary magazine, and a public performance will be presented by UBC's Theatre Dept.

"The prize will build upon the connections already developed in our department between writing, publication and performance, and will give students throughout the university and the general public an opportunity to benefit from the process,"adds Wade.

The creation of the Creative Writing Residency Prize in Stageplay renews a link between publication and production first established at the university when Tennessee Williams was a visiting author. His play *Red Devil Battery Sign* was published in *PRISM international* and premiered at the Vancouver Playhouse.

For more information on the prize, call (604) 822-0231, or visit the Web site at www.arts.ubc.ca/crwr/resprize.

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Avoid slurs, Math professor suggests

Editor:

The profile on Peter Raabe (Oct. 14, *UBC Reports*) is a well deserved and well written tribute. It should be pointed out, though, that in an honest effort at freshness of style and ideas, the discipline of philosophy has been made a target of ridicule.

By implication, this is a "dead" subject and unfortunately people now need to go to other departments in order to develop modern and useful aspects.

Good journalism should carefully avoid such unintended (I hope) slurs.

Prof. Priscilla Greenwood
Mathematics Dept.

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is the principal investigator in the $4-million project.

Projects looking at protection of fish habitat, industrial mineral innovation and forestry and agriculture sustainability received almost $440,000 in matching funds from the BCKDF.

Funded health sciences projects range from preventive medicine for children, to diabetes research and investigations into female infertility.

UBC's Biomedical Research Centre received a total of $500,000 to upgrade equipment that will be used to explore new treatments for cancer, asthma and auto-immune disorders.

The BCKDF is a five-year program that provides new research equipment and lab upgrading in such fields as high-tech and aerospace, resources and environment and health sciences.

The fund was established to meet the matching funds requirement for proposals submitted to CFI. Designed to help universities, colleges and hospitals upgrade their research facilities, CFI covers 40 per cent of the cost of facilities with the remainder coming from the public and private sectors.

UBC research attracts more than $140 million in research funding annually and 77 companies have started in B.C. as a result of UBC research.

Rankings

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reputation in the category of leaders of tomorrow. Reputation measured by alumni support moved to a fourth-place spot from last year's sixth place.

Results in the reputation category are based on responses from university officials, corporate recruiters, guidance counselors and chief executive officers.

The *Maclean's* ranking measures the undergraduate experience at Canadian universities, comparing schools in three peer groupings: medical/doctoral, comprehensive and primarily undergraduate.

The University of Guelph took top place, Simon Fraser University second place and the University of Victoria ranked fourth in the comprehensive category of universities.

The category includes institutions that have a significant amount of research activity and a wide range of programs at the undergraduate and graduate levels, including professional degrees.

Mount Allison University scored first among primarily undergraduate universities. The University of Northern British Columbia ranked eighth.

Building Community Together *the United Way*

United Way of the Lower Mainland

Office of the Coordinator of Health Sciences

Interdisciplinary Activities in the Health & Human Service Programs

Local Community Health Centres "When Reality Hits the Road"

Speaker: Dr. Deena White
Associate Professor,
Dept. of Sociology
University of Montreal

Time: 12:30 pm

Date: Thursday, Nov. 18

Place: Woodward IRC #4

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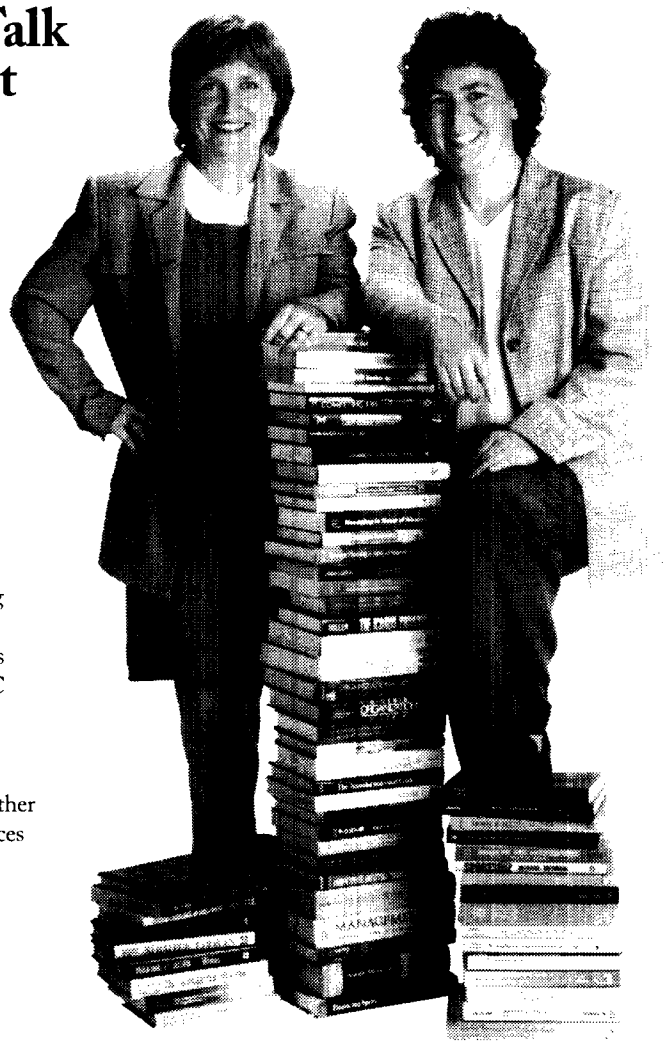
They Wanted To Talk Sport Management

Not Bed Counts and Audio-Visual Aids

When the North American Society for Sport Management decided to hold their annual conference here, the Co-Chairs knew it would be exciting. Dr. Wendy Frisby and Dr. Lucie Thibault of UBC's School of Human Kinetics wanted to participate in the exchange of ideas as much as possible. So they asked the UBC Conference Centre for help.

From conference coordination to meeting management, we work with you on the details so that you can focus on the topics you enjoy. Let us show you how the UBC Conference Centre can assist you with planning future events.

We'd like to thank Lucie, Wendy and all other faculty and staff that have hosted conferences on campus.



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Giving to campaign a habit says donor

UBC staff member Cia Harms won't let anything break her habit of giving to the United Way campaign each year.

"I feel it is the least that I can do to help out in the community," says the Faculty of Dentistry Orthodontics Clinic co-ordinator.

Even though she has been battling for the past year to resolve issues with her leaky condo and is mindful of current labour negotiations as a member of CUPE Local 116, the long-time donor to the UBC United Way Campaign has never wavered from giving what she can to the annual campaign.

Harms

"It is always stressful writing big cheques," says Harms, referring to the financial strain that her condo situation has placed on her pocketbook. "But I feel strongly about giving to the United Way."

"There are all kinds of other charities out there and I do give to them but I feel the United Way is a good umbrella organization that covers many other organizations in need," she says. "I only wish I could give more."

It is donor dedication such as this that has campus campaign organizers strongly optimistic that they will reach this year's target of $300,000. Already, donors have pledged more than 60 per cent of the targeted amount.

"It's looking very good right now," says Eilis Courtney, chair of the 1999 UBC United Way Campaign. "We're up on what we did last year at this point but it is still important for people to keep getting those pledges in."

United Way fund-raising events will continue on campus with donations accepted until Dec. 31.

Upcoming events include:

- A garage sale at Gage Residence on Nov. 18 in the Mary Murrin Lounge from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- A tavern night on Nov. 30 from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. at Fred's Tavern at the Dakota Hotel hosted by the Creative Writing Program. For $5 ($3 for students) guests get snacks, two beverages and poetry readings by Creative Writing students.

The party was donated by the program's secretary, Pat Rose, who won the party for 300 people earlier this year.

"I just thought it would be nice to make it a party for everybody," she says.

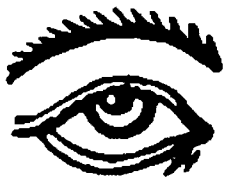
Courtney reminds donors that the final draw will take place on Dec. 10 with prizes such as accommodation and ski passes for Sun Peaks Resort, Vancouver Grizzlies tickets, and Cypress Mountain ski passes up for grabs.

As well, the grand prize draw for two Canadian Airlines tickets to any of the carrier's destinations worldwide will also be made on Dec. 10. Raffle tickets for the draw are available for $5 at the War Memorial Gym equipment dispensary or through the campaign office.

For event tickets, information about upcoming activities and updates on this year's campaign, phone the campaign office at (604) 822-8929 or visit the Web site at www.unitedway.ubc.ca.

Offbeat

by staff writers



Are you a big loser? If so, the staff of UBC's Lost and Found office wants to hear from you.

The office, located in the dark recesses of War Memorial Gym basement, houses a vast collection of stray belongings mislaid by students, faculty, staff and visitors to campus.

So what are people losing at UBC?

"Well, there was the eyeball," says Kim McElroy, facilities manager in the Dept. of Athletics and Recreation. The wearer of the artificial eye never did appear so McElroy sent the item to the Canadian National Institute for the Blind in the hopes of a reunion with its owner.

Dental plates, orthodontic equipment and insulin kits are other personal items that have come through the Lost and Found. And underwear. And prescription glasses. And PhD dissertations.

Boxes bulge with footwear, sports equipment, every shape, size and colour of umbrella — mostly broken — and a small mountain of towels is piled in a corner.

A single shelf holds a teddy bear, a dinky toy, an iron file and a drumstick. Underneath lie dozens of plastic water bottles and a box of car and house keys that is almost too heavy to lift.

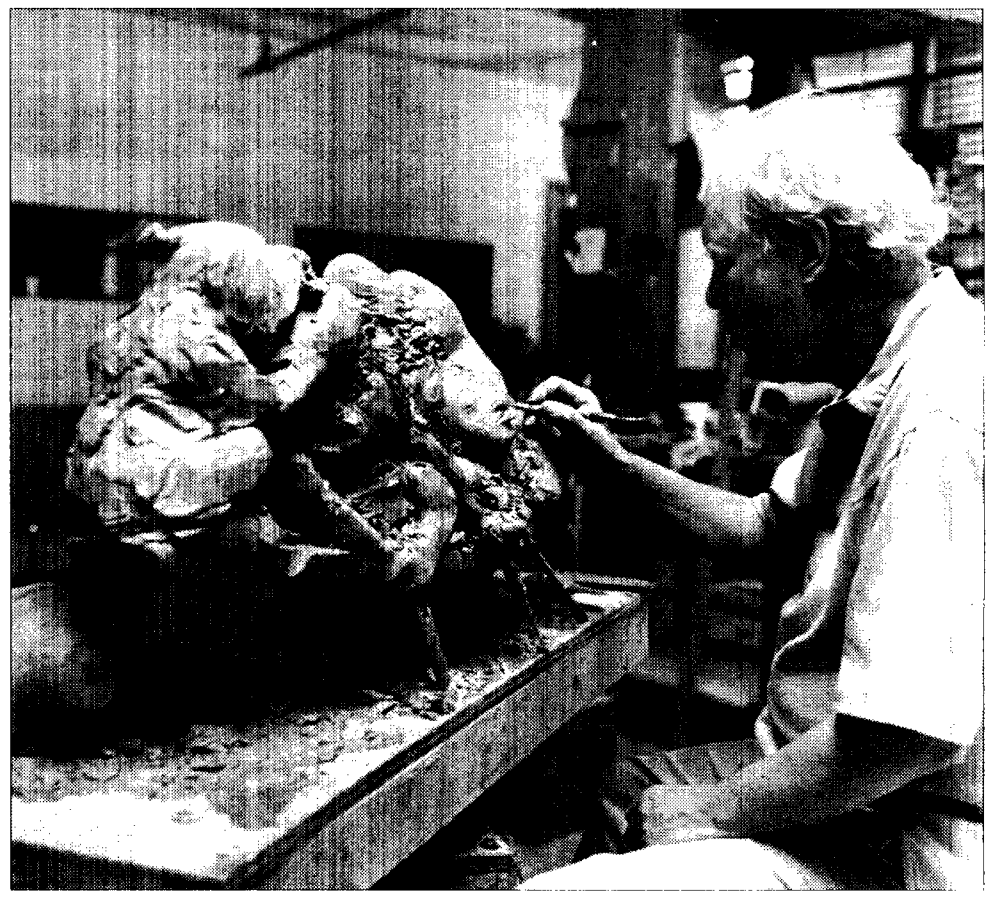
"Most of the people who drop by are nice. Some are desperate especially when they've lost notes or books at exam time," says Katalin Szirony, a third-year Human Kinetics student staff member who operates the facility.

Twice a year, abandoned articles are sold at deep discounts and there are bargains to be had on cameras, CDs and cell phones.

Anything left after the sales are donated to charities. Stationery supplies find their way to a South American schools project, glasses go to eye health projects in developing countries and warm clothing goes to Vancouver's Union Gospel Mission for the homeless.

Lost items can be reported using the Lost and Found hotline and people can claim their belongings any Thursday from 1-3 p.m. Found items can be dropped off at any time the gym is open at the equipment dispensary located in the foyer.

All big losers (and finders) are encouraged to get in touch with the Lost and Found at (604) 822-3515.



Bill McLennan photo

Renowned Haida artist Bill Reid works on the model for one of his best-known works, The Spirit of Haida Gwaii, a sculpture installed at the Canadian Embassy in Washington, D.C. The Museum of Anthropology, home to many of Reid's works, is holding a timely two-day symposium on issues surrounding his art.

Museum to examine Reid's legacy in forum

UBC is staging a public forum which will inform the international debate raging over the work of one of Canada's most important artists.

The two-day symposium to be held Nov. 13 and 14 — The Legacy of Bill Reid: A Critical Enquiry — is presented by the Museum of Anthropology. It will provide an important and timely opportunity for scholars, artists, museum and gallery curators and the interested public to explore a range of issues surrounding the work of the Haida artist who died last year.

"The museum houses the largest collection of Bill Reid's work and is the institution most closely associated with him," says Ruth Philips, director of the museum. "We have an important public role to play and the university is able to gather together scholarly and academic expertise."

"Together we have accepted a responsibility for creating the climate for a rigorous discussion of the work of a very important and influential artist," she adds. "We hope the symposium begins a process which occurs at the end of every great artist's life, when the total shape of their work has taken place."

A cover story on Bill Reid in *Maclean's* magazine last month touched off a national furore. The symposium, which was organized well in advance of the publication, provides an opportunity for experts to discuss the issues raised in the article and many more.

Bill Reid is credited with beginning a renaissance of Northwest Coast and First Nations Art and with being an innovator who successfully fused Haida expressive forms with Western modernism. His creativity extended beyond the manipulation of form to what some would term a reinvention of Haida identity. As an activist he is also acknowledged for his support of Haida land claims.

Internationally renowned speakers, both Haida and non-Haida, will engage in two days of discussion aimed at bringing a critical perspective to Bill Reid's complex legacy, and to the ways in which his art has been received and given meaning.

The symposium takes place at the First Nations House of Learning, 1985 West Mall. Registration fees are $70 for both days; free for UBC students; $16 for other students. To confirm date, time and location, or for more information call (604) 822-5087.

Proposed commercial core up for discussion

Commercial developments proposed for the UBC campus will get a public airing at two meetings scheduled to take place at the Asian Centre on Nov. 25.

In total, eight areas identified by the Official Community Plan — a legal document adopted by UBC in 1997 to guide the university's institutional and non-institutional land developments — will be reviewed at the meetings.

Among the proposals to be discussed is a pedestrian-oriented commercial centre at University Boulevard and East Mall near the bus loop, says Paul Young, director of development for UBC Properties Trust, which advises the university on commercial land developments.

Young says the development being suggested will be mostly retail space with some residential units possible, aimed at students, staff and faculty.

"It's all part of how we can create a more active and lively campus," Young says. "We would like to encourage more shopping and relaxing on campus — all things that at this point are being done mostly off campus."

Young adds that the projects being unveiled at the public sessions are part of developments that will span the next 35 years and would require UBC Board of Governors and Greater Vancouver Regional District approval before breaking ground.

The meetings will be held in two sessions: 12:30 to 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. in the Asian Centre.

Calendar

November 14 through November 27

Sunday, Nov. 14

Museum of Anthropology Symposium
The Legacy Of Bill Reid: A Critical Enquiry. International speakers. FNHL from 9am-5pm. Pre-registration required. Call 822-5087.

School of Music Concert
Small String Ensembles. Music Recital Hall at 12:30pm. Call 822-5574.

Green College Performing Arts Group
Piano Performance. Libby Yu. Green College at 8pm. Call 822-1878.

Monday, Nov. 15

Centre For Feminist Legal Studies Lecture Series
Women And Parliamentary Politics In Uganda. Sylvia Tamale. Curtis 157 from 12:30-1:30pm. Call 822-6523.

Centre For India And South Asia Research Seminar
CIDA's Approach To Development Corporation. Nipa Banerjee. CK Choi 120 from 12:30-2pm. Call 822-2629.

Women's Studies Colloquium
Smile Girls And Lonely Surfer Squaws: Performance, Pedagogy And The Public Sphere. Lynne Bell, U of Saskatchewan; Janice Williamson, U of Alberta. Women's Studies lounge from 12:30-1:30pm. Call 822-9173.

Mechanical Engineering Seminar
Low Budget Experimental Research. Prof. Henry Vaughan. CEME 1202 from 3:30-4:30pm. Refreshments at 3:25pm. Call 822-3770.

Astronomy Seminar
The Milky Way As A Cannibal. Kathryn Johnston. Hennings 318 at 4pm. Refreshments at 3:30pm. Call 822-2267.

Member Speaker Series
The "Good" Society: Issues In Law And Religion. Sig Lefsrud, Law. Green College at 5:30pm. Call 822-1878.

Geography Panel Discussion
City Vision: Planning For Vancouver's Urban Quality of Life. David Cadman, mayoral candidate; Gordon Price, councillor; Joy McPhail, MLA. St. James Community Square, 3214 West 10th Ave. from 7:30-10pm. Admission by donation. Call 822-1371.

Tuesday, Nov. 16

Another Look At Human Development
The Guided Autobiography Method Of Life Review: Facilitating Life Transitions Among Older Adults. Marv Westwood, Counselling Psychology. Scarfe 278 from 12:30-1:20pm. Call 822-6593.

Continuing Studies Public Lecture
Conversation With A Classic: Dal Richards. Vancouver Public Library (downtown), Peter Kaye Room from 12noon-1pm. $8. Call 822-1420.

Lecture
Women And Development In South And Southeast Asia. Nipa Banerjee, CIDA. CK Choi 120 from 12:30-2pm. Call 822-3805.

Lectures In Modern Chemistry
Building-Block Approach To High-Spin Molecules And Arrays With Nitrogen Or Phosphorous Donors. Prof. Kim Dunbar, Texas A&M U. Chemistry B-250 at 1pm. Refreshments at 12:40pm. Call 822-3226.

Statistics Seminar
Efficient Elimination In Two-Phase Sampling Designs. Brad McNeney, SFU. Klinck 301 from 4-5:30pm. Refreshments, bring own mug. Call 822-0570.

Green College Speaker Series
Canada's Energy Options In The Light Of Kyoto And Other Factors. John Grace. Green College Coach House at 5pm. Reception from 6-6:30pm. Call 822-1878.

Wednesday, Nov. 17

Orthopedics Grand Rounds
Total Elbow Replacement: The London Experience, The VGH Experience, Review of Complications. Dr. David Nelson, Dr. William Regan. VGH, Eye Care Centre Aud. at 7am. Call 875-4192.

Competitive Intelligence For The Knowledge Industry
Basics Of Competitive Intelligence. Prof. Jonathon Calof and Alan Breakspear. NRC Innovation Centre from 8:30am-4:30pm. Continues to Nov. 18. $900. To register, call 822-1884.

Vancouver School Of Theology
Wisdom: Positive Aging And The Gift Of Maturity. Rev. David Stringer. VST from 9am-4pm. $53, $42 (team), $27 (retired). Call 822-9815 to register.

Concert
Wednesday Noon Hour Concert. Stephane Lemelin, solo piano. Music Recital Hall at 12:30pm. $3. Call 822-5574.

Continuing Studies Public Lecture
At Home In Canada: 300 Years Of Living Space. Peter Ward, History. Vancouver Public Library (downtown), Peter Kaye Room from 2-3:30pm. Continues Nov. 24, 2-3:30pm. $24, $20 (seniors). Call 822-1420.

OBST 506 Seminar
Canadian Early Vs Midtrimester Amniocentesis Trial Results. Dr. R.D. Wilson, Head, Maternal Fetal Medicine. B.C. Women's Hosp. 2N35 from 2-3pm. Call 875-3108.

Nursing Rounds
Health Care Reform: What Is It Meaning For Providers And Users. Prof. Joan Anderson. UBC Hosp. Koerner Pavilion T-206 from 3-4pm. Call 822-7453.

Geography Lecture
A Little Genocide In Vancouver: The Situation Of The Downtown Eastside. Bud Osborne, poet and activist. Geography 201 from 3:30-5pm. Call 822-2663.

Respiratory Research Seminar Series
The Use Of Inhaled Corticosteroids In Acute Asthma. Dr. M. Fitzgerald. St. Paul's Hosp. Gourlay Conference Room from 5-6pm. Call 875-5653.

Green College Speaker Series
Andrei Tarkovski's Films As A Premonition Of The Collapse Of Russian Communism. Tatiana Elmanovich, Estonian film specialist. Green College Coach House at 5:30pm. Call 822-1452.

Senate Meeting
Regular Meeting Of The Senate, UBC's Academic Parliament. Curtis 102 at 8pm. Call 822-2951.

Thursday, Nov. 18

Board Of Governors Meeting
Open Session Begins At 8am. OAB Board and Senate room. Fifteen tickets are available on a first-come, first-served basis on application to the Board Secretary at least 24 hours before each meeting. To confirm time and date, check under "Board announcements" at www.bog.ubc.ca. Call 822-2127.

Vancouver School Of Theology
Facilitating Older Learners And Ministry In Congregations. John Oussoren. VST from 9am-4pm. $53, $42 (teams), $27 (retired). Call 822-9815 to register.

Garage Sale
Gage Residence Garage Sale. Mary Murrin Lounge 2 & 3 from 11:30am-1pm. Call UBC-UWAY (822-8929).

Concert
UBC Choral Union. Bruce Pullan, director. Chan Centre at 12:30pm. Call 822-5574.

Earth And Ocean Sciences Colloquia
TBA. Michael Maxwell, Golder Associates. GeoSciences 330-A at 12:30pm. Call 822-3278.

Lecture
Local Community Health Centres: When Reality Hits The Road. Deena White, U of Montreal. IRC #4 at 12:30pm. Call 822-5571.

Institute For European Studies Lecture
Incertitudes Allemandes: On The Peculiar Disjunction Between Culture And Politics In Contemporary Germany. Richard Wolin, Rice U. Buchanan Penthouse at 12:30pm. Refreshments at 12noon. Call 822-1452.

Programme For Intercultural Studies In Asia Seminar
Within The Family. Usha Rajagopalan, Creative Writing. CK Choi 120 from 12:30-2pm. Call 822-2629.

Pharmaceutical Sciences Seminar
Endogenous Cellular Defence Mechanisms As Targets For Therapy Of Motor Neuron Diseases. Dr. Heather D. Durham, Montreal Neurological Institute. Cunningham 160 from 12:30-1:30pm. Call 822-7795.

H.R. MacMillan Seminars In Biological Conservation
Suburban Wildlife Conservation. Rebecca Field, U of Massachusetts. ForSciences 1221 at 2:30pm. Call 822-9695.

Physics And Astronomy Colloquium
Quantum Information Processing. Gilles Brassard, U of Montreal. Hennings 201 at 4pm. Refreshments at 3:45pm in Hennings 325. Call 822-3853.

CICSR Seminar
Mutually-Immersive Mobile Telepresence: E-Travel. Norm Jouppi, Compaq Computer Corporation. CICSR/CS 208 from 4-5pm. Refreshments. Call 822-6894.

Speaker Series
St. John's College Scientific Ethos Speaker Series. Prof. Thomas Gieryn, Indiana U. St. John's College Fairmont lounge at 7:30pm. Call 822-8781.

Friday, Nov. 19

Competitive Intelligence For The Knowledge Industry
Competitive Technical Intelligence. Brad Ashton, Aileen McManamon, Morna Paterson, Yves Geoffrion, Herb Meyer. NRC Innovation Centre from 8:30am-4:30pm. $500. To register, call 822-1884.

Pediatric Grand Rounds
This Heart Sucks: The Evolution Of Fontan Repair. George Sandor, Pediatric Cardiology. GF Strong Aud. from 9-10am. Call 875-2307.

HCEP Rounds
Gender And Women's Health Research In The Canadian Institutes Of Health Research. Dr. Lorraine Greaves. Mather 253 from 9-10am. Parking available in B-Lot. Call 822-2772.

Lunch And Silent Auction
Ponderosa Pot Luck And Silent Auction. Ponderosa from 11:30am-1pm. $5. Call UBC-UWAY (822-8929).

Concert
UBC University Singers. James Frankhauser, director. Works by Purcell, Rheinberger, Brahms as well as Black Spirituals. Music Recital Hall at 12:30pm. Call 822-5574.

Jewish Studies Lecture
Reinventing Jewish Identity: 1967 As A Turning-Point In The History Of North American Jews. Harold Troper, U of Toronto. Buchanan D-239 at 12:30pm. Call 822-2889.

FISH 500 Seminar
History Of The Fishing Industry And Fishery Resources In Hong Kong In The 20th Century; A Comparative, Multidisciplinary Evaluation Of Canadian Fisheries, East and West, Using The Rapfish Method. William Cheung; Melanie Power. Hut B-8, Ralf Yorque Room at 11:30am. Refreshments at 11am. Call 822-2731.

Occupational Hygiene Program Seminar Series
The Development Of A Health, Safety And Environment Program At UBC. David Bell, Occupational Hygiene officer. Koerner Pavilion G-279 from 12:30-1:30pm. Call 822-9861.

Physics And Astronomy Colloquium
Search For Antimatter And Dark Matter In The Universe. Samuel C.C. Ting, MIT. Hennings 202 at 2:30pm. Refreshments at 3:45pm in Hennings 325. Call 822-3853.

Mathematics Colloquium
Holomorphic Bundles And Lagrangian Submanifolds In Mirror Symmetry. Prof. Jingyi Chen. Math 100 at 3:30pm. Refreshments at 3:15pm in Math 1115. Call 822-2666.

Chemical Engineering Weekly Seminar
Cytokine Kinetics Of In-Vitro Erythropoiesis. Amanda McGuire, MASc candidate. ChemEng 206 at 3:30pm. Call 822-3238.

Vancouver School Of Theology
Men And Spirituality: Exploring Our Roots, Exploring Our Options. Rev. David Stringer. VST from 7-9:30pm. Continues to Nov. 20, 9:30am-4pm. $78, $70 (team), $39 (retired). Call 822-9815 to register.

Concert
UBC Choral Union. Bruce Pullan, director. Chan Centre at 8pm. Call 822-5574.

Saturday, Nov. 20

Fifty Years Of Oceanography At UBC
Anniversary Symposium. W.M. Cameron, G.L. Pickard, Howard Freeland, Paul Harrison, Adam Monahan, Ann Gargett, Tom Pederson, Mark Donelan, John Dower. St. John's College from 9am-4pm. Call 822-3626.

Concert
UBC University Singers. James Fankhauser, director. Works by Purcell, Rheinberger, Brahms as well as Black Spirituals. Music Recital Hall at 8pm. Call 822-5574.

Vancouver Institute Public Lecture
The Search For Antimatter In The Universe. Dr. Sam Ting, MIT. IRC #2 AT 8:15pm. Call 822-1444.

Sunday, Nov. 21

Concert
Debut Concert. Catherine Wong, violin and David Lee, concert tenor. Music Recital Hall at 3pm. $10. Call 822-5574.

Green College Performing Arts Group
Talent Night. Green College at 8pm. Call 822-1878.

Monday, Nov. 22

Concert
UBC Student Composers. Stephen Chatman, director. Music Recital Hall at 12:30pm. Call 822-5574.

Joint IAM-PIMS Distinguished Colloquium
Multiscale Finite Element Computations For Flow And Transport In Strongly Heterogeneous

UBC REPORTS

CALENDAR POLICY AND DEADLINES

The *UBC Reports* Calendar lists university-related or university-sponsored events on campus and off campus within the Lower Mainland.

Calendar items must be submitted on forms available from the UBC Public Affairs Office, 310–6251 Cecil Green Park Road, Vancouver B.C., V6T 1Z1. Phone: UBC-INFO (822-4636). Fax: 822-2684. An electronic form is available at http://www.publicaffairs.ubc.ca. Please limit to 35 words. Submissions for the Calendar's Notices section may be limited due to space.

Deadline for the Nov. 25 issue of *UBC Reports* — which covers the period Nov. 28 to Dec. 11 — is noon, Nov. 16.

Calendar

November 14 through November 27

Porous Media. Tom Hou, CalTech. Klinck 301 at 3:30pm. Refreshments at 3:15pm. Call 822-5784.

Seminar
Challenges Of The Arctic. Gordon Thomas, 2001 Transglobal Expedition. CEME 1202 from 3:30-4:30pm. Call 822-3770.

Astronomy Seminar
Regulating Star Formation Activity In Dwarf Galaxies. Liese van Zee. Hennings 318 at 4pm. Refreshments at 3:30pm. Call 822-2267.

Jewish Studies Open Seminar
The Other Boat People: Jews And Canadian Immigration In The 1930s And 1940s. Harold Troper, U of Toronto. Buchanan B-314 from 4:30-6pm. Call 822-2889.

Green College Speaker Series
Star-Spangled Canadians: Canadians Living The American Dream. Jeffrey Simpson, The Globe and Mail. Green College, Great Hall at 4:30pm. Call 822-1878.

Tuesday, Nov. 23

Christmas Boutique And Tea-Room
Annual Fundraising Event. Cecil Green Park House from 10am-2pm. All proceeds go to scholarships. Call 224-5877.

Centre For India And South Asia Research
Some Facets Of Hindu Law. Prof. Albrecht Wezler, U of Hamburg. CK Choi 120 from 12:30-2pm. Call 822-2629.

Botany Seminar
Floristics And Distributional Patterns In Microbiotic Crusts Of Ponderosa Pine Forests In The Southern Interior Of British Columbia. Patrick Williston. BioSciences 2000 from 12:30-1:30pm. Call 822-2133.

Another Look At Human Development
How Children And Youth Can Become Part Of The Community Development Process. Penny Gurstein, Community and Regional Planning. Scarfe 278 from 12:30-1:20pm. Call 822-6593.

Lectures In Modern Chemistry
Converting Perfectly Good Small Molecules Into Very Large Exotic Atoms: Strange Tales From Laser Spectroscopy. Prof. John Hepburn, U of Waterloo. Chemistry B-250 at 1pm. Refreshments at 12:40pm. Call 822-3266.

Fine Arts Seminar
On Framing (Objects). Mieke Bal, U of Amsterdam. MOA Theatre at 2:30pm. Call 822-5675.

Oceanography Seminar
Nonlinear Interaction Between Inertial And Semidiurnal Currents In The Northeast Pacific. Steve Mihaly. BioSciences 1465 at 3:30pm. Call 822-3278.

Statistics Seminar
Bayesian Cross-Validation Choice And Assessment Of Statistical Models. Fatemah Alqallaf. Klinck 301 from 4-5:30pm. Refreshments, (bring own mug). Call 822-0570.

Green College Speaker Series
Oscar Wilde, The Dangerous Woman And The West End Theatre Of The 1890s. Sarika Bose. Green College Coach House at 5pm. Reception from 6-6:30pm. Call 822-1878.

Illustrated Lecture
First Nations Artist Speaker Series. Eric Robertson, Gitxsan artist and sculptor. MOA Theatre at 7pm. Call 822-5087.

Wednesday, Nov. 24

Orthopedics Grand Rounds
Anterior Column Support In The Spine. Dr. Marcel Dvorak, Pam Grant. VGH, Eye Care Centre Aud. at 7am. Call 875-4192.

Wednesday Noon Hour Concert
Elliot Weisgarber 80th Birthday Concert. Various musicians and pieces. Music Recital Hall at 12:30pm. $3. Call 822-5574.

Institute Of Asian Research Seminar
Globalization And The Transformation Of Asian Societies: The Confusing Case Of East Timor. Terry McGee, Geography. CK Choi 120 from 4:30-6pm. Call 822-2629.

Lecture
Food Policy: Can We Feed The World, While Meeting Environmental, Health And Social Justice Goals? Tim Lang, Thames Valley U. Jack Bell 200 from 12:30-2pm. Refreshments. Call 822-2255.

English Lecture
On Metaphor (In And Out Of Language). Mieke Bal, U of Amsterdam. Buchanan A-100 at 12:30pm. Call 822-5675.

Green College Special Lecture
The Author/Editor Relationship: Panel Discussion. Howard White, Rhonda Bailey, Nancy Flight. Green College at 12:30pm. Call 822-1878.

Centre For Research In Women's Studies Colloquium
The Figure Of The 'Bourgeois Family' And The Rhetoric Of Colonial Governance In Canada. Julia Emberley, UNBC. Women's Studies lounge from 12:30-1:30pm. Call 822-9173.

Geography Lecture
Putting Science In Its Place. David Livingstone, Queen's U, Belfast. Geography 201 from 3:30-5pm. Call 822-2663.

Green College Speaker Series
Crossing Boundaries: Travel, Science And Poetry In The Life And Works Of Adelbert Von Chamisso. Edward Mornin, Germanic Studies. Green College Coach House at 4:30pm. Call 822-1878.

Respiratory Research Seminar Series
Measurement Of Diffusing Capacity During Exercise: A New Test For Preoperative Evaluation Prior To Lung Research. Dr. R. Abboud, Dr. J. Wang. St. Paul's Hosp. Gourlay Conference Room from 5-6pm. Call 875-5653.

Thursday, Nov. 25

Pathology Distinguished Lecture Series
The ABC's Of Cholesterol Transport. Dr. Michael R. Hayden, Centre for Molecular Medicine & Therapeutics. VGH, Eye Care Centre Aud. at 8am. Call 875-2490.

Concert
UBC Contemporary Players. Stephen Chatman and Eric Wilson, directors. Music Recital Hall at 12:30pm. Call 822-5574.

Earth And Ocean Sciences Colloquia
Use Of Geophysics At Aldebaran, Chile For Detection Of Porphyry Gold Deposits. Peter Kowalcyk, Placer Dome. Geological Sciences 330-A at 12:30pm. Call 822-3278.

IISCP Seminar
Meaning, Making And Time. Mieke Bal, U of Amsterdam. Green College Coach House at 12:30pm. Call 822-5675.

Philosophy Colloquium
Morality As A Naturally Occurring Phenomenon. Catherine Wilson. Buchanan B-218 from 1-2:30pm. Call 822-3292.

H.R. MacMillan Seminars In Biological Conservation
The Fall And Rise Of Large Carnivores In Central Europe. Urs Breitenmoser, U of Bern. ForSciences 1221 at 2:30pm. Call 822-9695.

Physics And Astronomy Colloquium
Internal Rotation In Symmetric Tops: A Study In Internal Molecular Motion From The Harmonic Limit To The Free Rotor Limit. Hennings 202 at 4pm. Refreshments at 3:45pm in Hennings 325. Call 822-3853.

Genetics Graduate Program Seminar Series
B-Cell Receptor-Mediated Calcium Signalling: Involvement Of Tyrosine Kinases, Adaptor Molecules, And Calcium Channels. Dr. Tomohiro Kurosaki. Wesbrook 100 at 4pm. Refreshments. Call 822-8764.

St. John's College Global Change Speaker Series
TBA. Prof. Tom Pedersen, Earth and Ocean Sciences. St. John's College 1080 at 5:15pm. Call 822-8781.

Nature, Culture And Colonialism Lecture
Cultures Of Climate: Maps Of Morality. David N. Livingstone, Queen's U, Belfast. Green College Coach House at 7:30pm. Call 822-1878.

Agricultural Sciences Community Lecture Series
Food Power: The Tussle Between Groups And The Food Barons Over The Direction Of The Market. Prof. Tim Lang, Thames Valley U. Vancouver Maritime Museum, 1905 Ogden St. from 7:30-9:30pm. Call 822-1219.

Concert
UBC Collegium Musicum Ensembles. John Sawyer and Ramona Luengen, directors. Music Recital Hall at 8pm. Call 822-5574.

Friday, Nov. 26

Pediatric Grand Rounds – Site Wide Round
Neonatal Alloimmune Thrombocytopenia: A Case, A Review And Studies In The Sheep Lab. Asst. Prof. Kenneth Lim, Maternal Fetal Medicine. GF Strong Aud. from 9-10am. Call 875-2307.

FISH 500 Seminar Series
Some Examples And Work-In-Progress Report For the Rapfish Evaluation Technique. Rapfish-FAO Report Team. Hut B-8, Ralf Yorque Room at 11:30am. Refreshments at 11am. Call 822-2731.

Concert
UBC Collegium Musicum Ensembles. John Sawyer and Ramona Luengen, directors. Music Recital Hall at 12:30pm. Call 822-5574.

Occupational Hygiene Program Seminar Series
Development Of Bona-Fide Occupational Requirements For Hearing In Canadian Coast Guard Operators. Murray Hodgson, Laurel Ritmiller and Stanley Forshaw. Koerner Pavilion G-279 from 12:30-1:30pm. Call 822-9861.

Mathematics Colloquium
A Mathematical Model Of Bioremediation In A Porous Medium. Prof. John Chadam, U of Pittsburgh. Math 100 at 3:30pm. Refreshments at 3:15pm in Math 1115. Call 822-2666.

Saturday, Nov. 27

Green College Speaker Series
Writing The Body, Writing The Nation: Genre, Desire, And Territory In Early Modern France. Timothy Hampton, UC-Berkeley; French, Hispanic and Italian Studies speakers. Green College Coach House at 8:30am. Call 822-2879.

Chemical Engineering Weekly Seminar
The Effect Of Boron Nitride Type On The Rheology And Processability Of Molten Polymer. Franky Yip, MASc candidate. ChemEng 206 at 3:30pm. Call 822-3238.

Colloquium Talk
Relative Clauses In The Insular Celtic Languages. Lynn Gordon, Washington State U. Buchanan Penthouse from 3:30-5pm. Refreshments. Call 822-4256.

Vancouver Institute Lecture
Performance Art: Images As Cultural Intervention. Mieke Bal, U of Amsterdam. IRC #2 at 8:15pm. Call 822-3131.

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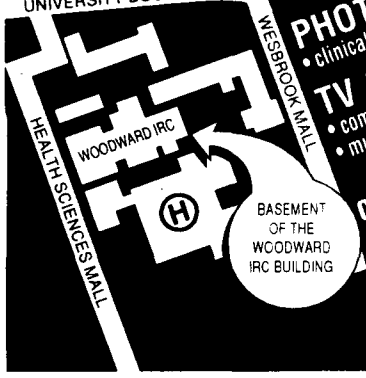

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Applications must include the following:

1. Title of the series and a list of proposed speakers and topics.
2. A budget that estimates the total cost of least expensive excursion airfares for all invited speakers. (Speakers will be accommodated at Green College. No honoraria will be offered.)
3. Actual or potential co-sponsors.

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Send completed applications by no later than **January 31, 2000** to:
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'Manly Tales' bring sexuality out of closet for students

by Hilary Thomson

Staff writer

When they weren't hooting and howling, almost 300 Totem Park residents sat in hushed concentration as they listened to sketches about love, sex and stereotypes in a recent presentation called My Dick and Other Manly Tales.

Brought to campus by Residence Life administrators, the Alma Mater Society, the Women Students' Office and the Equity Office, the show aimed to address issues around homophobia.

"We are always interested in inviting speakers to campus that take a different approach to covering the important issues of sexual health and tolerance," says Totem Park Residence Life Manager Chad Hyson.

"Norman's show attracts students who might not normally attend a presentation covering these issues and hopefully they take away the message that he is delivering."

A six-foot talking penis, a comic sex educator and a tearful father who had rejected his gay son are some of the 14 characters in the one-man show performed by Norman Nawrocki, an educational comedian.

"The show works because it speaks to students' issues," says Nawrocki, who has given 20 performances of My Dick at campuses across Canada this year. "Because a lot of the show is parody, it breaks the ice and gets people thinking and talking about homophobia and sexual behaviour."

The show was created after audience members suggested he cut out a male bisexual character he had created for his show about violence against women.

"The whole point is to reach the un-reachables. You won't reach those people if you say 'come see a show about homophobia.' But they will come to a show called My Dick," says Nawrocki.

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People

by staff writers

For the second year in a row, three UBC writers have been nominated for Governor General's Literary Awards.

Keith Maillard, an associate professor in Creative Writing, has been nominated for the English language fiction award for his novel *Gloria*. Alumnus **Anne Fleming**, a sessional instructor in Creative Writing is also in the running for the same award for her collection *Pool-hopping and Other Stories*.

Alumnus **Terence Young** has been nominated for the poetry prize for his book, *The Island in Winter*. He earned a Master of Fine Arts degree from the university in 1996.

Gov. Gen. Adrienne Clarkson will present the awards on Nov. 16. Winners receive a $10,000 prize.

Last year, MFA graduate **Stephanie Bolster** earned the Governor General's Award in poetry for *White Stone: The Alice Poems*. Former UBC writing students **Gayle Friesen** and **Lynn Coady** were also nominated in 1998.

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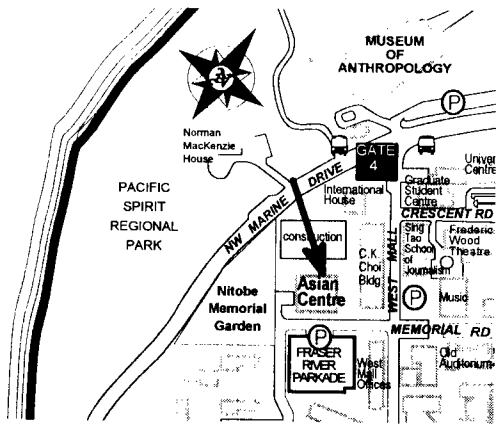

The Official Community Plan (OCP) for UBC provides a vision and goals for future development, broad land use designations and objectives for more detailed planning. The purpose of the Comprehensive Community Planning process (called Area Planning in the OCP) is to interpret those policies and objectives as a framework for development approval. This will be the second of three public meetings and will focus on the draft Comprehensive Community Plan (CCP).

An Issues & Options Report can be picked up prior to the meeting at Campus Planning and Development, 2210 West Mall (hours: M-F, 8:30am-4:30pm).

For information regarding access for persons with disabilities, please call Caroline Welling at 822-9560. For further information on the CCP, visit the Web site www.ocp.ubc.ca or call Jim Carruthers, Campus Planning and Development, 822-0469.

Lionel E. McLeod Health Research Scholarship Winner

The Alberta Heritage Foundation for Medical Research (AHFMR) is pleased to announce that Candace Hofmann is the recipient of the 1999 Lionel E. McLeod Health Research Scholarship. The award honors Dr. Lionel McLeod, the founding President of the Heritage Foundation.

Ms. Hofmann is currently pursuing a PhD in Psychology in the Faculty of Arts at the University of British Columbia. She has received numerous awards and honors during her academic career, including a Student Merit Award from the Alcoholic Beverage Medical Research Foundation. Her research is on a model of Fetal Alcohol Syndrome (FAS), a syndrome which occurs in children born to mothers who drink heavily during pregnancy. Ms. Hoffman is interested in how the immune system, behaviour, and stress hormone levels are affected following prenatal alcohol exposure. More knowledge in this area could lead to better treatment and improved healthcare for children with FAS.

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Dr. Lionel E. McLeod was the Head of Endocrinology at the University of Alberta, Dean of Medicine at the University of Calgary, President of AHFMR from 1981-1990, and President and Chief Executive Officer of the University Hospital, Vancouver.

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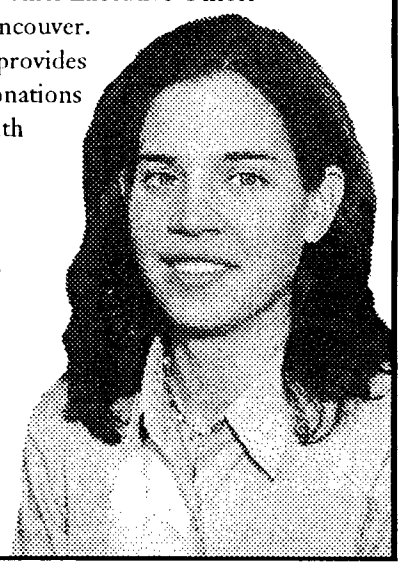

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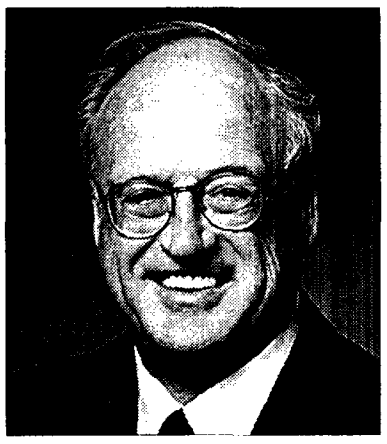
Opportunities, environment attract faculty

New researchers, teachers make the move

UBC continues to attract its share of outstanding professors. Forty-eight new tenure-track and tenured faculty members have been appointed this term in 10 faculties, bringing the number of full-time UBC faculty members to 1,797.

More than 45 per cent of the university's faculty are due to retire by the year 2005.

The following are a few of the new faces on campus this fall.



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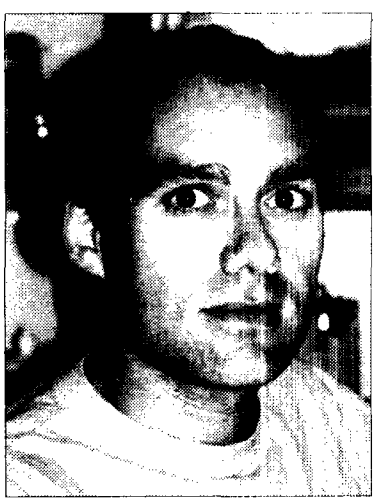


Kingstone

John Barker

Professor, Forest Renewal B.C. Chair in Silviculture, Forest Sciences, Faculty of Forestry

Background: PhD, University of California-Berkeley

Courses taught: Silviculture

Teaching objective: "An appreciation of past silvicultural achievements and an ability to build from them, effective approaches to deal with tomorrow's needs."

Research objective: "The linkages between silvicultural activities and the long-term responses that occur in the forest."

Why attracted to UBC: "My alma mater, my children's alma mater, my home town, a great university with a world class forestry faculty. Where better for me to work towards helping provide solutions for the needs of the province's most important resources — its people and its forests."

Dr. Robert Brunham

Director, UBC Centre for Disease Control; medical director, B.C. Centre for Disease Control Society; professor, Medicine, Faculty of Medicine

Background: MD, UBC

Research objective: "To understand the molecular and genetic interactions that cause microbial diseases that can lead to infertility. The goal is to develop improved treatments for these diseases and to create a vaccine to prevent transmission of the infection."

Why attracted to UBC: "The remarkable development of the Centre for Disease Control has created the unique opportunity to develop world-class programs in research on the population biology of infectious diseases and innovative public health programs for the control of communicable diseases."

Anne Condon

Professor, Computer Science, Faculty of Science

Background: PhD, University of Washington

Courses taught: Design and analysis of computer algorithms and data structures, computational complexity theory

Teaching objective: "I try to give all students an appreciation for the beautiful theory of computation and the art of problem solving and its relevance to computing applications in many fields."

Research objective: "My work in computational complexity theory seeks to understand what can be computed with various probabilistic computing models. The goal of my work in DNA computing is to learn how to compute with DNA strands that are immobilized on a surface."

Why attracted to UBC: "I moved here because of the outstanding quality of research and teaching and the friendly environment in the department, the support for interdisciplinary work on this campus, and of course because I think Vancouver is a beautiful city."

Oliver Lang

Assistant professor, School of Architecture, Faculty of Applied Science

Background: MSc, Columbia University; Graduate School of Architecture, Planning and Preservation; Dipl.-Ing. Arch. TU, Berlin

Courses taught: Vertical Design Studios, Architecture Theory and Digital Media

Teaching objective: "Capacity to think in the most inclusive way through a complex set of issues and to raise relevant questions. Transposition of operative ideas into the creation of built environments."

Research objective: "Emerging potentials in architectural design, digital media and interdisciplinary collaboration. Professional practice as research."

Why attracted to UBC: "Interface between Eastern and Western culture on the Pacific Rim and the opportunity to participate in the formulation of a leading school in architectural design."

Alan Kingstone

Assistant professor, Psychology, Faculty of Arts

Background: PhD, University of Manchester

Courses taught: Cognitive Neuroscience

Teaching objective: "I want to share the joy of discovery."

Research objective: "To have fun exploring the mystery of how the human brain enables the mind, e.g., thinking, feeling, perceiving and attending."

Why attracted to UBC: "I wanted to contribute to the best Psychology Dept. and university in the country."

Sally Maitlis

Assistant professor, Organizational Behaviour and Human Resources, Faculty of Commerce and Business Administration

Background: PhD, University of Sheffield

Courses taught: organizational behaviour, organizational psychology, personnel psychology, management development executive programs

Teaching objective: "I want students to understand the practical implications of organizational behaviour theory and to appreciate its relevance to their daily lives."

Research objective: "In my recent work, I have identified different types of leader-stakeholder relationships within the arts sector and examined the strategies used by CEOs to influence their boards. I intend to continue to study these issues, and to extend my research to small- to medium-sized enterprises in the private sector."

Why attracted to UBC: "I am delighted to be in a leading research and teaching institution, located in such a fantastically beautiful place."

Clive R. Roberts

Assistant professor, Oral Biological and Medical Sciences, Faculty of Dentistry; associate member, Respiratory Medicine, Faculty of Medicine.

Background: BA, MA, Cambridge; PhD, Brunel

Courses taught: Problem-based learning courses in new medical/dental undergraduate curriculum, basic science components of Introductory Clinical Dentistry and extracellular matrix biochemistry/cell biology

Teaching objective: "This is a time of amazing increases in scientific knowledge; I hope students will develop a lifelong interest in and appreciation for science."

Research objective: "Our objective is to understand the mechanics of how cells change the tissue around them in diseases and the impact of those changes in illnesses such as inflammatory lung diseases, atherosclerosis and cancer."

Why attracted to UBC: "The opportunity to do interesting science in a stimulating environment."

Sabina Shaikh

Assistant professor, Resource Economics and Food Marketing, Faculty of Agricultural Sciences

Background: PhD, University of California-Davis.

Courses taught: Economics of the environment

Teaching objective: "To provide insights and knowledge in a mutually beneficial learning environment."

Research objective: "To discover and understand how economics affects people's behaviour, with particular focus on the earth's environment and natural resources."

Why attracted to UBC: "The opportunity to work with elite researchers and educators in an ideal setting."

Ling Shi

Assistant professor, Language Education, Faculty of Education

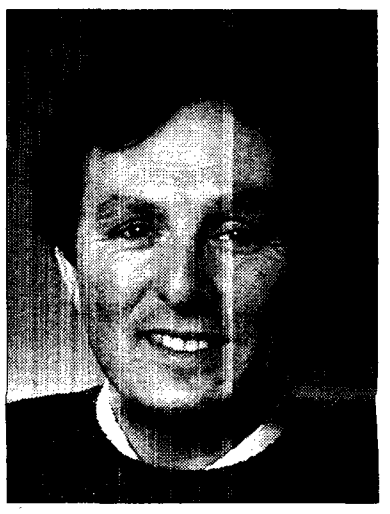
Background: PhD, Ontario Institute for Studies in Education

Courses taught: Research in second language education; Introduction to teaching English as a second language

Teaching objective: "I would like my students to experience the fact that both learning and teaching can be enjoyable."

Research objective: "The main area of my research is how students learn and teachers teach second language writing. I am focusing on the relationship between speaking and writing activities, the effect of teacher feedback to student writing, and the differences in the evaluation criteria of native and non-native teachers in rating student essays."

Maitlis



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Why attracted to UBC: "The beautiful campus and faculty members at the university who have made great contributions to language education teaching and research."