

ARTS MATTERS

E-NEWS

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Welcome to ARTSMatters E-news, a way of keeping faculty and staff in touch with what's happening in Arts research and grad studies. This will be a monthly email newsletter highlighting successes and research news in the Faculty of Arts.

SSHRC and NSERC results 2010-11

The results of the 2010 SSHRC Standard Research Grant competition are in!

Colleagues in the Faculty of Arts achieved a spectacular 43% success rate. Arts researchers were also awarded SSHRC Standard Research grants, SSHRC Insight Development grants, SSHRC Partnership grants (LOI stage), SSHRC Public Outreach grants, and NSERC Discovery grants.

Grad students fared excellently in the 2010-11 competition, receiving 16 SSHRC Joseph-Armand Bombardier Canada Graduate Scholarships (MA scholarships), 4 SSHRC Joseph-Armand Bombardier Canada Graduate Scholarships (Doctoral), and 4 SSHRC Doctoral Fellowships.

The recipients of the 2010-2011 SSHRC Standard Research grants are Amanda Bittner, Mario Blaser, Kelly Blidook, Sonja Boon, Ratana Chuenpagdee, Barry Gaulton, Douglas House, Robert K. Ormsby, Jennifer Porter and Mark Stoddart. Insight Development Grants were awarded to Yvan Rose, Mark Stoddart, and Liam Swiss.

Sandra Clarke and Jean Briggs received SSHRC Public Outreach Dissemination grants. Barbara Neis and Ratana Chuenpagdee were awarded SSHRC Partnership grants (LOI stage). Finally, Rodolphe Devillers won an NSERC Discovery Grant AND a prestigious Discovery Accelerator Supplement (this year awarded to only 125 of 3,400 Discovery Grant applicants).

SSHRC NEWS

The Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) recently launched the **new** Insight Grants funding opportunity. **Insight Grants** will replace the Standard Research Grants and several of SSHRC's former strategic grants. The program description and application forms are at http://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/programs-programmes/insight_grants-subventions_savoir-eng.aspx

Faculty members may contact Grants Facilitator Theresa Heath for information and/or assistance in preparing an application (theath@mun.ca or 864-8050). In addition, as an ongoing pilot project, Dr. Rosemary Ommer will be available for advice on grantscrafting in F11. She will provide extensive feedback on grant application content, focussing on idea development and on 'marketing' the application for SSHRC committees. For further information, contact Dr. Ommer at ommer@uvic.ca; she will be available at MUN Mondays through Wednesdays, from September 6th to October 14th in IIC 3054, phone 864-6110.

Finally, SSHRC is offering a webinar about Insight grants, to take place Monday, September 12, 2011: 12pm to 2pm eastern time (1:30 – 3:30 NL time). To join the webinar, click the following link up to 15 minutes prior to the meeting:
https://www.livemeeting.com/cc/pragmatic_PRO/join?id=SSHRC12&role=attend&pw=123456

SSHRC Days took place on August 23-25, 2011. Theresa Heath's presentations are available in pdf at: <http://www.mun.ca/arts/research/workshops.php>

Arts Postdocs, 2011-12

The 2011-2012 Faculty of Arts postdoctoral fellows are Dr. Christopher Martin (St. John's campus; jointly funded by Arts and Medicine), Dr. Lilith Finkler (St. John's campus; funded by Arts), Dr. Rachel Hirsch (Labrador Institute; jointly funded by Arts and the Labrador Institute), and Dr. Deborah McPhail (St. John's Campus; funded by ISER). A complete list of postdocs hosted by the Faculty of Arts will appear in the next newsletter.

For more information on our postdocs see <http://www.mun.ca/arts/faculty/pdf/>

SGS Graduate Awards 2010-11

Arts graduates figured prominently in the May 18th, 2011 SGS Graduate Awards Ceremony. For a full list of the winners, see <http://www.mun.ca/arts/graduate/GraduateAwardsArts2010-11.pdf>

Unified grant application sign-off form

The Faculty of Arts is collaborating with the Office of Research Services to create a single approval (or sign-off) form for grant applications. It should be ready for Winter 2012. Meanwhile, an Arts sign-off form

<http://www.mun.ca/arts/research/forms/GrantApplicationsApprovalForm.pdf> should accompany all grant applications submitted to the Office of Research Services.

Featured researcher

It's the 20th anniversary of the archaeological dig at Ferryland and **Barry Gaulton's** got something else to celebrate – a SSHRC standard research grant of \$109,000 that will allow for some additional excavations. Read more at

http://today.mun.ca/news.php?news_id-6541.

News and links:

- The JR Smallwood Research and Conference Grant applications are due on October 1, 2011 – see <http://www.mun.ca/smallwood/grants/>
- Panel on Research Ethics Launches the TCPS 2 Tutorial
<http://pre.ethics.gc.ca/eng/resources-ressources/news-nouvelles/nr-cp/2011-06-15/>
- Upcoming grant deadlines: <http://www.mun.ca/arts/about/deadlines/index.php>
- Funding opportunities http://www.mun.ca/arts/research/funding_sources.php
- Arts Faculty Council committees
http://www.mun.ca/arts/about/council/arts_faculty_council_orgchart.pdf
- Graduate
<http://www.mun.ca/arts/about/council/graduate_program_course_change.pdf>
and undergraduate
<http://www.mun.ca/arts/about/council/undergrad_prg_crs_change.pdf> course
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