The A List Awards and Honours

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From the office...

We're pleased to see the number of nominations for URP. It's wonderful that you recognize and value your colleague's contributions. The deadline for the John Lewis Paton Award is coming up in April. As this is Memorial's highest honor let's make this a stiff competition as well.

Upcoming deadlines:

- Canadian Academy of Health Sciences – March 13th
- John Lewis Paton Distinguished University Professorship – April 1st
- SSHRC Impact Awards April 8th
 NSERC Synergy Awards for
- Innovation April 15th E.W.R. Steacie Memorial
- E.W.R. Steacle Memorial Fellowships - June 7th
 Killam Research Fellowship
- Killam Research Fellowships May 15th
- Killam Prizes June 15th
- Prix Galien Canada July 31st
 Marilyn Harvey Award to Recognize the Importance of Research Ethics - Aug 17th

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TERRA NOVA YOUNG INNOVATOR AWARD

Environmental geochemist Dr. Penny Morrill, an associate professor, Department of Earth Sciences,

Faculty of Science, is the latest recipient of the Terra Nova Young Innovator Award funded by Suncor Energy.

The prestigious award recognizes and supports outstanding young faculty members whose research is particularly innovative and whose specific proposal has real potential to make a significant impact on society.



Dr. Morrill's research focuses on finding new ways to sample, concentrate and source methane which is vital in the search for discovering new oil and gas reserves, developing new climate change models and searching for life on other planets.

PAOR 2015 - THRICE IS NICE

Congratulations to three faculty members on receiving the honor of the President's Award for Outstanding Research. Dr. Octavia Dobre of the Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science is well known for her contributions to the area of signal processing for communications, particularly in intelligent and cognitive systems. She was instrumental in establishing a unique wireless communications laboratory at Memorial.

Dr. Stephen Piercey is an award-winning teacher and prolific writer of research papers in the field of economic geology. His research has increased the national and international visibility of Memorial's earth sciences department in the field of economic geology leading to an increase in both the quality and the number of graduate students selecting this field of study at the university.

Dr. Yvan Rose is a specialist in child language acquisition with the Department of Linguistics. His research examines the mechanisms that underlie the development of language and speech patterns. Working with Dr. Brian MacWhinney of Carnegie Mellon University, Dr. Rose leads an international interdisciplinary team on the research project PhonBank, a shared database that identifies where discrepancies in speech are occurring.

UNIVERSITY RESEARCH PROFESSOR 2015

The title of University Research Professor was awarded to two deserving faculty members: Dr. David Behm of Human Kinetics and Recreation and Dr. Paul Snelgrove of Ocean Science. Dr. Behm is an internationally-recognized scholar who has helped elevate Canada's recognition and status in exercise physiology. His career has focused on various aspects of neuromuscular responses, adaptations associated with strength-training responses, and muscle activation and its impact on health and performance. Dr. Snelgrove has made outstanding contributions to science education, marine science research nationally and internationally, and our understanding of marine biodiversity. Dr. Snelgrove currently chairs Life in a Changing Ocean, an international followup program to the Census of Marine Life.