ROYAL SOCIETY OF CANADA’S COLLEGE OF NEW SCHOLARS, ARTISTS AND SCIENTISTS

Dr. Amanda Bittner, professor, Department of Political Science, and Dr. Max Liboiron, associate professor, Department of Geography, are among 2021’s inductees to the Royal Society of Canada’s College of New Scholars, Artists and Scientists.

Dr. Bittner is a political psychologist who studies elections, voting and public opinion and is an expert on how voters perceive and evaluate party leaders and the impact those opinions have on elections. Dr. Bittner leads a dynamic research laboratory focused on comparative research on gender and politics.

Dr. Liboiron is founder and director of the Civic Laboratory for Environmental Action Research (CLEAR), a feminist, anti-colonial, marine science laboratory built on the values of equity, humility and justice. The lab specializes in community-based and citizen science technologies for environmental monitoring of pollution and waste. (More here)

AWARD WINNING RESEARCHER

Dr. Trevor Bell has had an eventful fall. Dr. Bell has merged natural and social sciences with Traditional Inuit Knowledge and expertise to create a truly multi-disciplinary approach to his research program. His most recent work, SmartICE, is an arctic ice monitoring project based in Nain, Nunatsiavut, Canada. It is a climate change adaptation tool that triangulates traditional Inuit knowledge of sea ice with advanced data acquisition and remote monitoring technology. SmartICE is a community-based initiative that employs local youth, strengthens Inuit culture, and makes ice travel safer. His ground-breaking achievements on climate change adaptation were recognized this fall with the inaugural Frederik Paulsen Arctic Academic Action Award (More here) and the Martin Bergmann Medal for Excellence in Arctic Leadership (More here).

EUROPEAN ACADEMY OF SCIENCES AND ARTS (EASA)

Congratulations to Dr. Octavia A. Dobre, Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science on being elected to membership in one of the most prestigious academic societies in the world, the European Academy of Sciences and Arts (EASA). Members are elected for their outstanding achievements in science, arts, and governance. EASA is a non-governmental, European association committed to promoting scientific and societal progress. It's members are leading scientists, artists, and practitioners of governance, who are dedicated to innovative research, interdisciplinary and transnational collaboration, and the exchange and dissemination of knowledge. Among its members are 32 Nobel Laureates.