

The A List

Awards and Honours



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From the office...

Selection committees for PAOR and URP have their first meeting this week. While we are impressed with the quality of candidates for both awards, we would really like to see a higher number of nominations. We encourage all of you to recognize deserving faculty as much as possible. The Deadline for for the John Lewis Paton Award is April 1. Please contact us if you know of someone who would be a strong candidate. This is the top award the President bestows and we know strong candidates are out there.

Upcoming deadlines:

- Canadian Academy of Health Sciences - Mar 10
- RSC College of New Scholars, Artists and Scientists - Mar 15
- John Lewis Paton Distinguished University Professorship - Apr 01
- SSHRC Impact Awards – Apr 05
- Synergy Awards for Innovation - Apr 18
- Killam Research Fellowships - May 16
- E.W.R. Steacie Memorial Fellowships - Jun 07
- Killam Prizes - Jun 15
- Canadian Mathematical Society Prizes - Jun 30
- E.W.R. Steacie Prize - Jun 30

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<http://www.mun.ca/honours/welcome/>

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ARCTIC INSPIRATION PRIZE



For the second time in three years, Dr. Trevor Bell has been honoured with the coveted Arctic Inspiration Prize (AIP), becoming the only person from Memorial University to receive the accolade twice. Dr. Bell, University Research Professor in the Department of Geography, and his team were recognized for their innovative project known as SmartICE (Sea-Ice Monitoring and Real-Time Information for Coastal Environments). SmartICE is a sea-ice monitoring system developed with coastal communities. It combines traditional ice knowledge with the latest satellite imaging and ice-sensing technology, allowing community members to plan safe passage on sea ice. ([more here](#))

JOHN LEWIS PATON AWARD

Dr. Alex Faseruk, a recently retired professor of finance, has been named the recipient of the 2016 John Lewis Paton Distinguished University Professorship. The award recognizes faculty who embody the university's mission by demonstrating exceptional teaching, undertaking world-class research and widely sharing their knowledge and expertise.

Dr. Faseruk was a pillar of teaching and research excellence at the business faculty for 34 years, receiving 24 teaching awards over the course of his career. He coached Memorial teams in national and international case, paper writing, stock market and entrepreneurial competitions that resulted in Memorial students winning more than 50 first places. ([more here](#))



TERRA NOVA YOUNG INNOVATOR AWARD

This year's Terra Nova Young Innovator Award goes to Dr. Andrew Staniland and Dr. Michael Katz for their leading cutting-edge research proposals. The award, supported through funding from Suncor Energy, on behalf of the partners in the Terra Nova oil field, and the Office of the Vice-President (Research) at Memorial, recognizes and supports outstanding young faculty members whose research is particularly innovative and whose proposed work has real potential to make a significant impact on society.



The award will allow Dr. Staniland to invent a new kind of electronic musical instrument that is played not with the hands or a bow, but with vital signs such as heart rate and blood pressure. The instrument's primary purposes are for both musical exploration and deepening mindfulness practice through audible biofeedback. Applications include music composition and performance, meditation practice, music therapy and stress management.



Dr. Katz says his award will allow him to further his research on a class of porous materials that his team has not been able to investigate so far. Porous materials are similar to sponges used for cleaning; when soaked in water, they hold more than expected. ([more here](#))