

The A List

Awards and Honours



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From the office (or the kitchen table)...

Neither rain, nor sleet, nor global pandemic will prevent us from congratulating all those who have recently been recognized nationally for their work. Celebrate your colleagues by nominating them for University Research Professor - due November 30.

Upcoming deadlines:

- Engineers Canada Awards - Jan. 10
- Henry G. Friesen International Prize in Health Research – Jan. 10
- Canada's Top 40 Under 40 – Jan. 24
- Canadian Association of Physicists Medals – Jan. 31
- Canadian Association of Geographers Awards – Jan. 31
- Alan Blizzard Award – Feb. 15
- NSERC Herzberg Medal – Mar. 1
- Royal Society of Canada Awards – Mar. 1
- Canadian Academy of Health Sciences – Mar. 8

For more information on these and other awards, please see the Awards and Honours website:

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

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If you wish to nominate a colleague for any of these awards please contact your unit representative on the Awards Advisory committee.

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



Dr. Eric Tenkorang, associate professor, Department of Sociology, and Dr. Josh Lepawsky, professor, Department of Geography, are among 2020's inductees to the Royal Society of Canada's College of New Scholars, Artists and Scientists. Dr. Tenkorang is widely recognized for his trailblazing research focused on HIV/AIDS and gender-based violence. His research highlights the vulnerability of marginalized populations to HIV risks and violence in sub-Saharan Africa.



Dr. Lepawsky is a global expert in the examination of electronic discards, or e-waste. His foundational research and extensive mapping of discarded electronics have revealed new insights into e-waste dumping, leading to revised international policies and recycling certification. He is the only Canadian invited to be a member of the United Nations Solving the E-waste Problem Initiative. ([More here](#))

CANADIAN ACADEMY OF HEALTH SCIENCES



Dr. Michael Grant is among the newest Fellows of the Canadian Academy of Health Sciences (CAHS). Dr. Grant, who is the associate dean of the Division of Biomedical Sciences and a professor of immunology, started his career as the only biomedical scientist in Atlantic Canada studying HIV. His innovative interdisciplinary work significantly influenced understanding of immunology and infectious disease and helped put Canadian HIV research on the map. ([More here](#))

RSC URSULA FRANKLIN AWARD IN GENDER STUDIES



Dr. Sonja Boon, professor and graduate co-ordinator, Department of Gender Studies, Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, is the 2020 recipient of the Ursula Franklin Award in Gender Studies. Dr. Boon is the university's first recipient of this prestigious honour from the Royal Society of Canada (RSC). The award, presented biennially by the RSC, recognizes outstanding contributions to furthering the understanding of issues concerning gender. Dr. Boon researches in the areas of feminist theory, life writing, autoethnography and women's history. She is globally lauded for her methodological innovations and theoretical contributions in her field of study. ([More here](#))

2020 Ig Nobel Prizes:
PSYCHOLOGY[CANADA, USA] - Miranda Giacomini and Nicholas Rule, for devising a method to identify narcissists by examining their eyebrows. REFERENCE: "Eyebrows Cue Grandiose Narcissism," Miranda Giacomini and Nicholas O. Rule, *Journal of Personality*, vol. 87, no. 2, 2019, pp. 373-385.
ENTOMOLOGY [USA] - Richard Vetter, for collecting evidence that many entomologists (scientists who study insects) are afraid of spiders, which are not insects. REFERENCE: "Arachnophobic Entomologists: When Two More Legs Makes a Big Difference," Richard S. Vetter, *American Entomologist*, vol. 59, no. 3, 2013, pp. 168-175.