



Dean's Report

September 2020

**additional information presented by the Dean at Faculty Board*

Arts and Science News and Kudos

Further to the [Provost's message](#) earlier this week, we will be communicating with all faculty, staff, and students about Faculty of Arts and Science plans for the 2021 Winter Term via our eNews next week. Please check your email!

We will also continue to offer our instructors support for remote teaching. We have webinars scheduled for next week on preparing for midterms and final exams in onQ (September 29 - October 2 from 11:00-12:00). Learn more at Uartsci.com/remote-teaching.

We are finalizing our Annual Review for 2019-2020 and you will receive it soon via our eNews. As it highlights achievements made over the course of the year, the following includes only the most recent news. Kudos also go to everyone in our Faculty for working collaboratively to face and overcome the challenges caused by COVID-19.

- Queen's University researcher and Canadian leader in surveillance studies David Lyon (Sociology) has earned the 2020 Canada Council for the Arts Molson Prize. The Prize, which recognizes individuals who have distinguished themselves by their outstanding achievements, is awarded to two people annually, one in the arts and the other in social sciences and humanities. The prizes are intended to encourage ongoing contributions to Canada's cultural and intellectual heritage. See the [Gazette story](#).
- Christopher Spencer (Geological Sciences and Engineering) received the 2020 Young Scientist Award (Donath Medal) from the Geological Society of America (GSA). The Young Scientist Award was established in 1988 to be awarded to a young scientist (35 or younger) for outstanding achievement in contributing to geologic knowledge through original research that marks a major advance in the earth sciences. Read more on the [FAS website](#).
- The IEEE Computer Society Technical Council on Software Engineering (TCSE) has awarded the 2020 TCSE New Directions Award to Ahmed Hassan (School of Computing) and Thomas Zimmermann of Microsoft Research for their individual and combined contributions to establish the field of mining software repositories (MSR). Read more on the [FAS website](#).
- Four Queen's University researchers have been elected to the Royal Society of Canada, which is one of the highest recognitions for Canadian academics in the arts, humanities, and the social and natural sciences. Nancy van Deusen (History), and Cathleen Crudden (Chemistry) were elected to the Fellowship of the academy, while Amy Latimer-Cheung (Kinesiology and Health) and Awet Weldemichael (History) were named members of the College of New Scholars, Artists and Scientists. See the [Gazette story](#).



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- Beverley Mullings (Geography and Planning) and Burçu Baba (Gender Studies, Cultural Studies) are co-recipients of the 2020 Ban Righ Foundation Mentorship Award, which recognizes a Queen's faculty member who identifies as a woman, who demonstrates mentorship and knowledge-sharing, and has been inspirational to a student or students. See the [Gazette story](#).
- Three Arts and Science faculty members received Principal's Teaching and Learning Awards this year. Una D'Elia (Art History and Art Conservation) received the Promoting Student Inquiry Teaching Award, Ryan Martin (Physics, Engineering Physics & Astronomy) received the Educational Technology Award, and Jennifer Hosek (Languages, Literatures and Cultures) received the International Education Innovation Award. [Read more](#).
- Sari van Anders' (Psychology) co-authored 2019 American Psychologist article "The future of sex and gender in psychology: Five challenges to the gender binary" has won the 2020 Distinguished Publication Award from the Association for Women in Psychology (AWP). Read more on the [Queen's Gazette](#).
- Queen's University welcomed two new and two renewed Canada Research Chairs as part of the Government of Canada's recent \$140 million of Canada Research Chairs announcement. One of the country's highest research honours, the Canada Research Chairs program advances the nation's position as a leader in discovery and innovation. Congratulations to FAS faculty members Amber Simpson (School of Computing, Biomedical and Molecular Sciences), a new Tier 2 chair and to Dylan Robinson (Dan School of Drama and Music, Art History and Art Conservation), a renewed Tier 2 chair. Read more in the [Queen's Gazette](#).
- Ten Queen's Students awarded Canada's most prestigious STEM scholarship, the Schulich Leader Scholarship. These students include Catie Austin (School of Computing), Emma Davison, (Faculty of Arts and Science), Sharaf Khan, (School of Computing), Nazanin Soghrati, (Faculty of Arts and Science), and Dajung Yoon, (School of Computing). See the [Gazette story](#).
- This year, Queen's had five highly commended students and one regional winner at the Undergraduate Awards, all of whom are students in the Faculty of Arts and Science. Congratulations to Sari Ohsada (Global Development Studies, School of Environmental Studies), Rachel Theriault (School of Computing), Hannah Samuels (Dan School of Drama and Music), Minoli Dias (School of Environmental Studies), Lucas Silver (Philosophy), and Brendan Lam (Psychology).
- Alumnus Iain Reid (Artsci'04) is Canada's next big author. The writer of four books won the RBC Taylor Emerging Writer Award in 2015. His first work of fiction, *I'm Thinking of Ending Things*, received critical acclaim in 2016 and made several Top 10 books of the year lists. That novel, a dark tale about a woman who takes a road trip with her new boyfriend to meet his parents, has now been adapted into a movie by an Academy Award-winning screenwriter and debuted on Netflix on Sept. 4. See the [Gazette story](#).



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Resources

The following resources were shared at a recent action planning meeting and are included below for those who are interested in resources and some further reading:

- [Inclusive Queen's webpage](#)
- [Human Rights and Equity Office](#) and its Annual Report [2018](#)
- [Office of Indigenous Initiatives](#) and its [Faces, Spaces, and Places webpage](#)
- PICRDI Annual Progress Reports for [2018](#) and [2019](#)
- TRC Implementation Report [2019](#)
- TRC Taskforce [Final Report](#)

Readings

- [\(En\)gauging Self: Toward a Practical Framework for Race Talk](#)
- ["5 Lessons From a Race and Ethnicity Requirement"](#)
- [How Can I Become an Anti-Racist Leader](#)
- [360 Degree Student Equity Audit](#)
- [How I Built A Diverse Leadership Team at a Predominantly White College](#)
- [How and Why We Built a Majority Minority Faculty](#)

National Dialogues - A series of national forums - October 1-2, 2020

- [National Dialogues and Action](#)