

Dean's Report

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



Arts and Science - News

Four of the nine Queen's alumnae on the 2019 list of Canada's 100 Most Powerful Women graduated from Arts and Science, including: Frances Allen (Artsci'87), Frances Donald (Artsci'08), Deborah Shannon Trudeau (Artsci'76), and Annesley Wallace (Sc'03, MSc'05). See [Nine alumnae among Canada's 100 Most Powerful Women](#)

CBC reported on Queen's University philosophy professor Will Kymlicka earning the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council Gold Medal. See [Are animals citizens? Queen's prof nets \\$100K prize for digging into that question.](#)

Robert Morrison (English) had his book *The Regency Years* longlisted for \$30K RBC Taylor Prize for nonfiction. See the [CBC story](#)

Queen's University Professor Emeritus and Nobel Laureate Arthur McDonald has been named a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS). He joins only 15 other Queen's academics, starting with Alfred Lothrop in 1915, who have earned this honour since the Association was formed in 1848. See [Nobel Laureate earns international honour](#)

Nevena Martinović, a PhD candidate in English Language and Literature at Queen's, named runner-up in the inaugural Matariki 3 Minute Thesis international competition. See [Queen's graduate research goes global with Matariki 3 Minute Thesis.](#)

Assistant Dean Sue Blake was among the six members of the university community who were awarded the Queen's Distinguished Service Awards for 2019. The award recognizes exemplary service to Queen's over an extended period of time. See [Six recognized with Distinguished Service Award.](#)

Jacque Jamieson, Executive Assistant to Dean Barbara Crow and Manager, Dean's Office, and Jo-Anne Tinlin, Graduate Assistant, Geography and Planning, have been awarded the 2019 Special Recognition for Staff Awards. The awards recognize staff members who consistently provide outstanding contributions during their workday, directly or indirectly, to the learning and working environment at Queen's University at a level significantly beyond what is usually expected. See [Staff members go above and beyond.](#)

Queen's hosted former Ontario Premier Bob Rae for a rousing discussion on the trials and tribulations of minority governments on November 14. On November 29, Queen's hosted former Prime Minister Paul Martin for a sold-out conversation on Indigenous Education, moderated by Associate Vice-Principal Jan Hill. Both talks were organized through the School of Policy Studies.

STUDENT LEARNING EXPERIENCE

Call for proposals for 1st year interdisciplinary seminar courses. As part of our Strategic Plan to foster collaborative teaching and promote inquiry learning, we will be launching a call for proposals for a series of interdisciplinary, team-taught 1st year seminar courses.

We are inviting interested faculty members to come together around a theme (e.g., food, migration, prisons, Lake Ontario) and pitch their idea for a course. Course design and financial support will be provided by the Faculty office.

Experiential Learning support. The Faculty office recently hired an Associate Director, Experiential Learning (ADEL). Christina Dinsmore, an Arts and Science Instructional Designer and Curriculum Developer has assumed the role of ADEL. Working with a soon-to-be hired, Coordinator, she will oversee the expansion of our Experiential Learning programs. In collaboration with Career Services' EL hub, she will focus on building increased opportunities for work-integrated learning such as the Internship (QUIP) and Apprenticeship (QCA:K) programs, expanding service learning opportunities in the local community, research opportunities via Mitacs and supporting collaborative project-based courses. Once our EL team is up and running, they will be meeting with faculty and students to learn more about EL opportunities across the Faculty.

Indigenous Solidarity: A Conversation Series- These four conversational talks will feature Global Development Studies Instructor Ian Fanning (Algonquin), speaking with invited guests on topics that explore Indigenous solidarity in various forms, why we need it at Queen's and in the wider community, and how we can support Indigenous resistance and resurgence. Each event is open to everyone at Queen's and the broader community. <https://solidarityseries.eventbrite.ca>. Talks will be live streamed for those who cannot attend in person.

Teaching awards. If you or someone you know is an innovator in the classroom, please nominate them for one of the teaching awards below. While the application packages take time to pull together, once you have done it once, it is easier to repurpose for future awards or to resubmit if you are not successful on your first try! Previous winners are often willing to provide guidance and support.

[D2L Innovation Award in Teaching and Learning](#)

Deadline January 19, 2020

[Chancellor Charles A. Baillie](#)

Deadline March 2, 2020

Curriculum. We are working our way through the Curriculum cycle and want to thank all the units for their timely submissions and for providing some information about the diverse ways in which they are addressing diversity, equity and Indigeneity as they revitalize their curriculum.

ADVANCEMENT

Isabel & the late Alfred Bader and Bader Philanthropy has generously donated toward the creation of an Indigenous Outdoor Gathering Space with construction to start as early as 2020.

The Estate of Jessie Deslaurier, ArtSci '88 and previous ArtSci Staff member committed a large bequest, in support of the Queen's University Biological Station (QUBS). During her lifetime, Jessie provided significant funding to build the library and herbarium at QUBS.

The Honourable Jack Major, past Queen's parent and current Queen's grandparent, made a gift to Art History in honour of his late daughter Suzan Germond, ArtSci'83 and won the gold medal in Art History.

Marc Wayne, ArtSci '88, current parent, and member of the Dean's Council directed a gift to support the Dean's Innovation Challenge.

Support for other areas within FAS include:

- An embedded mental health counsellor
- Lab equipment in Chemistry
- Studentship support in History
- A lecture series in Philosophy
- New awards in Art History.
- Faculty wide bursary support.
- Departmental support for Math and English.