

Dean's Report

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



Arts and Science - News

The Faculty of Arts and Science celebrated the launch of its new Strategic Plan with an event in Student Street in Mackintosh-Corry Hall on September 26. See the news story [Faculty of Arts and Science creates first Strategic Plan](#) as well as the [Facebook post](#) about the launch event.

The Faculty of Arts and Science has established a new committee to ensure that equity, diversity, inclusion, and Indigeneity (EDII) – one of the guiding principles in the Faculty's Strategic Plan – is fully integrated into all of its initiatives and activities. See [Faculty of Arts and Science establishes Equity, Diversity, Inclusion, & Indigeneity \(EDII\) Implementation Committee](#).

Amber Simpson and Parvin Mousavi from the School of Computing were two of the four Queen's researchers that were recently named as Affiliates of the Vector Institute. See [Vector Institute Names 29 New Faculty Affiliates](#).

The Queen's University Biological Station shares more than seven decades of field research with its new searchable research projects portal. See [A window into our changing environment](#).

Will Kymlicka, Canada Research Chair in Political Philosophy, has been awarded the Gold Medal, SSHRC's highest research honour. See [Inspiring future generations](#).

Farhana Zulkernine from the School of Computing and Bhavin Shastri from the Department of Physics, Engineering, Physics & Astronomy have received funding for projects through the Ontario Research Fund – Research Infrastructure program. See [Funding on the cutting edge](#).

Queen's hosted Nobel Laureate Martin Chalfie, who was awarded the prize for chemistry in 2008, for a sold-out public talk with Queen's own Nobel Laureate Arthur B. McDonald (who was awarded the prize for physics in 2015), Canada's Chief Science Officer Mona Nemer, and award-winning journalist and author André Picard. See [Nobel Laureates share their thoughts on research success](#).

Faculty and graduate students are reminded that there are significant opportunities to engage with governments at all levels across Canada, and to translate research into policy-relevant knowledge. To facilitate this, the School of Policy Studies will offer one-term fellowships to PhD students who are interested in developing their policy credentials; up to two fellowships may be awarded in 2020. Contact Associate Dean Warren Mabee at the School of Policy Studies if you are interested in applying.