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In addition to the IHSS Travel Award, Julianah will be honoured with the **Ronald Malcolm Award**, presented by the IHSS to the most outstanding applicant for a Travel Support Award. Julianah will receive the prize when she travels to Santiago, Chile for the IHSS Conference in August. Well done, Julianah!

Congratulations to **Dr. Rachel Herron**, who received the **Julian M. Szeicz Award for Early Career Achievement** at the annual meeting of the **Canadian Association of Geographers** in Montreal on May 11, 2023. Rachel completed her PhD in the Department of Geography and Planning at Queen's University in 2015, under the supervision of Professor Mark Rosenberg. Dr. Herron is the **Tier II CRC in Rural and Remote Mental Health**, and founding Director of the **Centre for Critical Studies of Rural Mental Health** at Brandon University. The Julian M. Szeicz Award for Early Career Achievement was created to honour Dr. Julian Szeicz, a faculty member in the Department of Geography and Planning at Queen's who was tragically killed in an avalanche while completing field work.

To learn more about Dr. Rachel Herron's research, please visit their page on the [Brandon University website](#).

GEOGRAPHY FIELD SCHOOL 2023

The Geography Field School was held in conjunction with McGill University from April 29 to May 14 with a focus on Desert Ecosystems. 24 students (18 McGill and 6 Queen's) were accompanied by McGill Profs. Chris Buddle and Cynthia Kallenbach, Prof. Ian Strachan from our Department and McGill Course Coordinator Mr. Vinko Culjak Mathieu, and Postdoc Dr. Catherine Scott. Five vehicles were each driven ~3500 km by the course leaders, transporting students and equipment to a variety of field camps at the Grand Canyon, Picacho Peak State Park, Utery Mountain Regional Park, Joshua Tree National Park, and the Desert Studies Center in Zzyzx, CA. Many day trips were used to explore features and landscapes within the Sonoran and Mojave Deserts, including the Arizona Sonoran Desert Museum, Tonto National Monument, Salton Sea, and Algodonis Dunes.



The Class of 2023 at Joshua Tree National Park.



The Queen's crew at the Wind Cave hike at Utery Mountain Regional Park (From Left: Hillary Drenth, Damon Pizzuti, Ashley Duyvesteyn, Hannah Flemington, Harrison Morton, Dr. Ian Strachan, Arden Goodfellow).

Within the course, students were required to complete a "Be The Teacher" presentation on a selected topic at an appropriate location within the trip, lead/participate in nightly summaries, contribute to all aspects of the group field camp (cooking, cleaning, organizing...), complete a Natural History Journal and in the final three days, develop, pitch, implement, and present a group research project. All students successfully negotiated all activities within the course. The Queen's students integrated well within the welcoming McGill community and completed projects with McGill students. The groups were complementary, and each learned from the other (the majority of the McGill students lean towards organismal ecology while the Queen's students are more ecosystems-based in their background).

To say that this course is a life-changing experience for the students is an understatement. In this intensive course, the students were pushed - sometimes to their limit - but rose to the challenge, learned new things, applied existing knowledge, and made lifelong friends. Ian, Chris, and Cynthia are already planning the next iteration..."We can't believe that the course has ended and are all looking forward to 2025!!"

You can explore postings on the course Facebook page: **'Desert Ecology 2023'**

VIRTUAL

WORKSHOP: MOVING FROM PRIVACY TO JUSTICE IN WASTEWATER SURVEILLANCE

FRIDAY
JUNE 2ND, 2023
09:00 AM TO 1:30PM EST

[HTTPS://BIOSECURITIESGEOG.CA](https://biosecuritiesgeog.ca)

An interdisciplinary workshop on how to build practices and policies for wastewater surveillance rooted in principles of justice and equity. Virtual attendance is open to the public! Please register to receive the Zoom link.

REGISTER NOW



Organizers: Dr. Rafi Arefin (University of British Columbia), Dr. Carolyn Prouse (Queen's University), and Dr. Josie Wittmer (University of Lausanne).

Panel 1:

Cresten Mansfeldt
Amber Benezra
Lucas Melgaco
Jacob Shelley
Vishwanath S

Panel 2:

Pamela Robinson
Nuhu Amin
Wydale Holmes
Varsha Shridhar
Dhiraj Nainani

Panel 3:

Isabel Fleisher
Shirish Harshe
Megan Diamond
David Larsen
Colleen Naughton



New Book! *Sustainable Management of Forest Ecosystems and Natural Resources*

Congratulations to **Adrien Djomo**, Assistant Professor in the Department of Geography and Planning at Queen's from 2013 to 2019. In January 2023, Dr. Djomo published *Climate Change Mitigation - Sustainable Management of Forest Ecosystems and Natural Resources*. The book outlines the impacts of climate change in today's society and explains methods for the sustainable management of natural resources and forest ecosystems so that they can effectively contribute to carbon neutrality.

WE-CAN REFLECTS ON THREE YEARS OF EMPOWERING WOMEN ENTREPRENEURS

Over the past three years, more than 1,300 women have been supported by the WE-CAN Project led by Queen's Partnerships and Innovation (QPI) in achieving their entrepreneurial goals. Recently, the project celebrated its entrepreneurs and partners at a wrap-up event to mark the conclusion of the funding and to outline plans for the future.

The Kwe-Biz Program for Indigenous Women, offered through the WE-CAN Project, provided convenient access to the Kwe-Biz Accelerator, dozens of culturally intuitive workshops, and one-on-one mentorship sessions delivered from an Indigenous perspective. Delivered by Indigenous business leaders and entrepreneurs **Shyra and Rye Barberstock**, 90 Indigenous women entrepreneurs received services through the Kwe-Biz Program as part of the Women Entrepreneurship Strategy (WES) Ecosystem funding provided to Queen's University by the Federal Economic Development Agency for Southern Ontario. Thank you, Shyra and Rye, for your fantastic work and initiative!

Virtual Workshop: Moving from Privacy to Justice in Wastewater Surveillance

An interdisciplinary workshop on the current state of wastewater-based epidemiology and what it will take to build practices and policies rooted in principles of justice.

June 2nd, 2023. From 9:00 am to 1:30 pm EST.
Sign Up using the QR Code below!

Schedule (all times EST)

09:00-09:15 AM Intro: Dr. Rafi Arefin and Dr. Carolyn Prouse

09:15-10:15 AM Panel 1: Scope
Moderator: Dr. Carolyn Prouse

10:15-10:30 AM Break

10:30-11:30 AM Panel 2: Action
Moderator: Dr. Rafi Arefin

11:30-11:45 AM Break

11:45-12:45 PM Panel 3: Futures
Moderator: Dr. Josie Wittmer

12:45-1:00 PM Break

1:00-1:30 PM Wrap-up: Dr. Josie Wittmer

The panels will be moderated by Dr. Rafi Arefin (University of British Columbia), Dr. Carolyn Prouse (Queen's University), and Dr. Josie Wittmer (University of Lausanne).



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VICE-PRINCIPAL ACADEMIC

New Faculty Orientation

SAVE THE DATE - August 11, 2023

*All-day In-Person Event**

*most presentations will include a virtual option for those unable to attend in person

Welcome to Queen's – a positive community of people celebrating equity, diversity and inclusion in the university and broader Kingston community



Highlights:

- Learn about campus, student and community culture
- Hear from senior administration on advancing I-EDIAA and Truth and Reconciliation
- Round table on academic duties – teaching, research and service
- Interactive format with lots of opportunities for questions and discussion
- Hear from other recently appointed faculty members
- Great opportunity for networking and building connections across campus

Location: Room 202

Robert Sutherland Hall

138 Union Street

Queen's Main Campus

Please check your Queen's email in July for your invitation with details about the event.

Up-to-date information will also be posted as it becomes available at www.queensu.ca/facultyrecruitment/

For further information, contact frsp@queensu.ca