Congratulations to Katie Hemsworth who is a 2016 winner of The Starkey-Robinson Award for Graduate Research on Canada. The official announcement was made at the Icebreaker held on the first day of the CAG meetings held in Halifax from May 30 to June 4. The Starkey-Robinson Award gives recognition to high quality graduate research that furthers understanding of the geography of Canada. The Award is adjudicated annually by the Awards Committee of the CAG. Eligibility for the Award is based on the completion of a thesis or comparable work at the Masters or Doctoral level at a Canadian University within the preceding 2 years. Dr. Hemsworth’s thesis, Carceral acoustemologies: Sonic enactments of space and power in prisons (defended in October 2015) was funded by a SSHRC Canada Graduate Doctoral Scholarship as well as an Ontario Graduate Scholarship and was supervised by Dr. Laura Cameron and Dr. Joyce Davidson.

Here we see Katie being presented her award (which is a cash prize).

Congratulations to Dr. Karin van Ewijk on being awarded the Best PhD Thesis by the Canadian Remote Sensing Society. Karin received the award at the Canadian Remote Sensing Society’s Annual Conference held in Winnipeg on 7 June.

Congratulations to all of our graduands who convocated on June 9! An exciting day for everyone for sure. You will see a group photo of many of our graduands on that happy day at the end of this newsletter!

A THANK YOU FROM THE HEAD: I want to thank all those who attended convocation on Thursday [June 9] and participated in the reception afterwards. It was a wonderful day (not too hot!) and the students and their families were genuinely excited. It was a real treat to have Audrey address convocation. A great message Audrey, thank you!!
After convocation we met with a number of proud and enthusiastic parents, partners, siblings and grandparents who were very positive and thankful for all of our efforts! Congratulations to all of you for making their child’s and grandchild’s Queen’s Geography and Planning experience most memorable!

I especially want to thank Kathy and Sharon for their outstanding efforts decorating and catering an exceptional reception! And to Jo-Anne for taking pictures outside Grant Hall and helping with the catering. Thank you so much! It was a great success!

Paul Treitz, Professor and Head

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**QUEEN’S UNIVERSITY PRIZES FOR EXCELLENCE IN RESEARCH**

The Queen's University Prizes for Excellence in Research are the highest form of research excellence recognition from Queen's for research conducted at the University. The Prizes are awarded to outstanding Queen's researchers and celebrate major research contributions either completed or recognized in recent years. The Prizes are awarded for research undertaken while the recipient was at Queen's. Deadline: **4:30 p.m. on Monday, August 15, 2016.**

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**CONFERENCES AND SYMPOSIA**

CAGONT 2016. Saturday, October 29, 2016. Hosted by the Department of Geography and Environmental Management at the University of Waterloo.

11th Annual Refugee and Migration Studies Student Conference: *The Production of Forced Migration*. York University. September 23-24, 2016. Paper deadline: **July 15, 2016**. [“As a former Queen's BAH and MA grad, I would love to see some Queen's students participate in this free conference in Toronto this fall! Cheers, Yolanda Weima, CRS Student Caucus Co-Chair.”](https://crsstudentscaucus.wordpress.com/crssc-conferences/upcoming-conferences/)


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**IN THE NEWS**

An interview with Geography and Planning alumnus, Fraser McLeod is featured on the Queen's School of Graduate Studies website: [http://www.queensu.ca/sgs/581n-fraser-mcleod-value-collaboration](http://www.queensu.ca/sgs/581n-fraser-mcleod-value-collaboration)

Sandra McCubbin (Geography PhD) is featured in the Queen's *Gazette* for her research potential supported by a Vanier Scholarship. [http://www.queensu.ca/gazette/stories/recognizing-outstanding-research-potential?utm_source=e-queens-gazette_faculty](http://www.queensu.ca/gazette/stories/recognizing-outstanding-research-potential?utm_source=e-queens-gazette_faculty)

Professor John Andrew (Geography and Planning, School of Business) Canadian Business: [Canada’s banks sound the housing bubble alarm, finally.](https://twitter.com/ProfDavidGordon/status/741390383880491009)

SURP Alum: [https://twitter.com/QueensSURP/status/738538598979493888](https://twitter.com/QueensSURP/status/738538598979493888)

Professor Warren Mabee (Geography and Planning/Policy Studies). CKWS: [Queen’s professor says Climate Change Action Plan is a step in the right direction.](https://twitter.com/QueensSURP/status/738538598979493888)

Professor John Andrew (Geography and Planning) in *Maclean’s* magazine: A housing market that's too hot to handle. [https://twitter.com/ProfDavidGordon/status/741390383880491009](https://twitter.com/ProfDavidGordon/status/741390383880491009)

Professor John Andrew on CTV news on cooling off the housing market [http://ctv.news/SliL98k](http://ctv.news/SliL98k)
June 25-26, 2016. They are gratefully accepting used books, DVDs and CDs for their 5th Annual Book Sale Fundraiser. This is an important event for the centre, raising funds for programming and operations throughout the year. They are accepting books, CDs and DVDs on an ongoing basis up until the Fundraiser. Please drop off donations to Modern Fuel located at the Tett Centre, Suite 305, 370 King St W. Their hours are: Tuesday to Saturday, 12:00-5:00 pm. Pick-up assistance provided upon request. Email info@modernfuel.org with any questions. Their programming, exhibitions and events are made possible by the support of their community.

## FACULTY FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

SSHRC Connection Grants. URS Internal deadline: **July 25, 2016**.

SSHRC Knowledge Synthesis Grants Competition. Deadline: **September 13, 2016**.

Nunavut Research Institute: Grants for marine safety, tools for marine incidents response or developing arctic community capacity, engagement. Deadline: **August 11, 2016**.

New CIHR Funding: Comparative Program and Policy Analysis (SPOR PIHCI Network). Deadline: **August 9, 2016**.


Mitacs Elevate Post-doctoral Fellowship. Deadline for LOI: **5:00 p.m. July 27, 2016**.

## POSITIONS AVAILABLE

Asian Institute of Technology, Pathumthani, Thailand. School of Environment, Resources and Development. Assistant/Associate Professor in Regional and Rural Development. Deadline: **September 30, 2016**.

University of Ottawa, Faculty of Arts. Limited-term Assistant Professor in Human Geography. Teaching duties will be primarily in French. Deadline: **June 24, 2016**.

## SEEKING EMPLOYMENT

Former graduate student, Dr. Kay-Ann Williams, has made a move closer to Kingston (from Toronto) and is seeking employment in Kingston and area. Contact details are available in the Main Office if anyone wishes to contact Kay-Ann.

## CONVOCATION 2016

A point of clarification about the first photo below (thanks for taking it Jo-Anne!). Jo-Anne had a lot of competition from family and friends ALL trying to get the same photo at the same time following our convocation ceremony on June 9th. She really had trouble trying to get everyone to look at *her* and say cheese! A great shot nonetheless.
Some of our 2016 Geography and Planning graduands!

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