



# NEWSLETTER



*From the Department of Geography & Planning*

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## CALENDAR

### **DEPARTMENTAL EVENTS:**

Friday, February 16; 2:30 p.m.; MC E229: Departmental Meeting.

### **OTHER EVENTS:**

Wednesday, February 14; 12:00 p.m.; RSH, Room 554: Dr. Leah Sarson (PDF at Dartmouth College) will speak on *Who's in Charge? Indigenous Global Politics and Canada's Arctic Foreign Policy*. <http://www.queensu.ca/cidp/leah-sarson-who%E2%80%99s-charge-indigenous-global-politics-and-canada%E2%80%99s-arctic-foreign-policy>

Monday February 19: Family Day. The University will be closed!

Tuesday February 20 to Saturday February 24: Reading Week.

February 26 - March 2: Graduate Studies (**Grad Week**). See details at: <https://www.queensu.ca/artsci/grad-studies-and-research/grad-week-at-queens>.

## CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Sinead Early who successfully defended her PhD thesis on Friday, February 9<sup>th</sup>. Thesis title: *Forests, Beetles and Climates in British Columbia's Central Interior: Historical Geographies of Paradigm Change in Forest Science and Management, 1945-present*. Supervisors: Dr. Laura Cameron and Dr. Warren Mabee.

## UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT SUMMER RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS

The Undergraduate Student Summer Research Fellowships (USSRF) provide an opportunity for any continuing undergraduate students at Queen's to develop their research skills under the guidance of a faculty researcher. Over the course of the summer, students will develop a research project in social sciences, humanities, or creative arts. Students may consider projects in disciplines outside of their own field of study or outside of their focus study areas, as well as those directly connected to their prime area of study. Up to nineteen fellowships are available on campus and up to two of the 2018 fellowships will be offered to students whose projects take place at the Bader International Study Centre (BISC) at Herstmonceux Castle, East Sussex, England. Deadline: **4:00pm EST, Friday March 9, 2018**. Please visit the [URS webpage](#) for guidelines and application form.

## FACULTY FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

NRCan Energy Efficient Buildings Research, Development and Demonstration. Call for Expressions of Interest (EOI). Deadline: **February 21, 2018**.

The NSERC Connect program has been revamped as of February 1, 2018. Check out the website below for changes: [http://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Professors-Professeurs/RPP-PP/Connect-Connexion\\_eng.asp](http://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Professors-Professeurs/RPP-PP/Connect-Connexion_eng.asp)

Strategic Research Plan Renewal Town Hall Session: Over the past year, consultations have been held to gather feedback from numerous stakeholders to help inform the progress of the SRP renewal. Continued engagement will occur over the next several weeks to help shape the final iteration of the 2018 SRP. To this end, consultation on the SRP research themes and sub-themes is proceeding with many groups across campus, and Town Hall sessions (see below) are scheduled for mid-February. In these Town Hall sessions, the university community will hear updates from the Vice-Principal (Research) on the progress of the SRP, and are invited to provide their insight on research at Queen's. Email feedback is also welcome at [research@queensu.ca](mailto:research@queensu.ca). The website of the Office of the Vice-Principal (Research) will post [updates on the progress of the SRP](#) as they become available.

**Town Hall Sessions:**

February 12	12-1 pm	Robert Sutherland Hall Room 202
February 13	4:30-5:30 pm	Queen's Cancer Research Institute Room 100/101

**IN THE NEWS**

Warren Mabee (Arts and Science, Department of Geography and Planning, Smith School of Business, School of Policy Studies). **The Conversation:** [Will the Olympics' green makeover have lasting effects?](#) Warren Mabee discusses whether there's still room for the Olympics in a world determined to reduce carbon emissions.

John S Andrew (Arts and Science, School of Environmental Studies, Smith School of Business, School of Graduate Studies). **Toronto Star:** [Toronto region home prices down 4.1% in January](#) John Andrew says recent stock market turbulence could be a bigger factor for homebuyers than people realize.

John S Andrew (Arts and Science, School of Environmental Studies, Smith School of Business, School of Graduate Studies). **Mortgage Broker News:** [Legal marijuana shops could boost nearby property values – study](#). John Andrew says cannabis stores could drive up foot traffic in Canadian neighbourhoods to the benefit of local businesses and property values.

*Special Note:* Dr. Warren Mabee and Carolyn DeLoyde presented a session entitled "Obtaining Social License for Canada's Emerging Bioeconomy" at the **Biofor International Conference** held in Montreal on February 8, 2018. The three day international conference was attended by academics, industry and government leaders including the Canadian Minister of Natural Resources and the Grand Chief of the Conseil de la Nation Atikamekw (CNA). Participants attended from France, Canada, the Netherlands and the US. Speakers described the possibilities for biorefinery start-ups within the context of creating economic growth in Canada's forest communities and elsewhere in the world.

**2018-2019 CANADA-CHINA SCHOLARS' EXCHANGE PROGRAM**

Global Affairs Canada and the Chinese Ministry of Education are offering short-term scholarships to Canadians wishing to study abroad or do research in China. Scholarships are awarded for studies, research, language studies or a combination of studies and language studies at participating Chinese institutions. The program is aimed at Canadian students (undergraduate and graduate), Canadian faculty members and research staff at post-secondary institutions and Canadian mid-career professionals. The duration of the program is 4 to 12 months for students and 8 weeks to 12 months for faculty members and mid-career professionals. The scholarship funds are eligible for airfare, tuition fees, monthly living stipend, on-campus accommodation and medical insurance. For full program details and to submit an online application, visit: [Canada-China Scholars Exchange Program](#). All inquiries regarding this program should be directed to: [admin-scholarships-bourses@cbie.ca](mailto:admin-scholarships-bourses@cbie.ca). Deadline: **March 6, 2018**.