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Acadia University

University News

- The University welcomed approximately 1100 new students.
- The University is finalizing a strategic plan.

Library News

Orientation

- The library participated in orienting new students and Britanie Wentzell organized a full slate of activities.

Wine & Cheese

- The library hosted a wine and cheese reception for new faculty, newly tenured faculty, and library faculty and staff.

Promotion

- The library had a table at the Wolfville Farmer's Market for Book Arts on August 14th. Mike Beazley promoted Acadia Reads, Catherine Fancy presented a slide show from the Archives, and Britanie Wentzell brought a variety of books.

APLA

- Planning has started for APLA 2020 (Maggie Neilson is chair).

Training

- Staff and librarians attended training sessions related to cybersecurity and password managers. The library co-sponsored a 3-hour workshop to learn about Gender Identity. It was presented by the Valley Youth Project.

Wellness

- Cooper the therapy dog begins weekly library visits on September 27.

Archives

- Pat Townsend is working on the Baptist Built Heritage project. This is a joint project between CBAC (Canadian Baptists of Atlantic Canada) and ACBAS (Acadia Centre for Baptist and Anabaptist Studies). It will document over 800 Baptist Church buildings in Atlantic Canada with photographs of the inside and outside of each building along with a description. This digital record of Baptist built heritage will be posted on the CBAC website first and eventually the library website.

Staff

- Mike Beazley has joined CAUL's Digital Preservation and Stewardship Committee.
- Maggie Nielson co-presented a day-long workshop on Research Data Management at McMaster University on September 13.
- Madeline Dow (Archivist) and Agnieszka Hayes (Librarian) are with us on limited-term contracts this fall.

Atlantic School of Theology

University News

- Our Director of Finance & Administration, Shawn West started on July 15th.
- The University has recently started planning for a Leadership initiative/institute. This has started with the hire of Sherie Hodds who will conduct research into this area.

Library Staffing Update

- The library had a new technician, Alison Holmes, begin during the summer. Alison is responsible for Acquisitions and Cataloguing. This was a new arrangement for our staffing, and it is working very well.

Library Projects

- The library received two large donations early in 2019 and this summer we began to process the items. We will continue to process these donations for months to come.
- Library staff are hard at work on a clean-up project of our print periodical shelving that started during the summer and will continue into the winter.

Library Construction

- This past summer term was the first term of faculty being in their new offices in the library. We are all working together to share the space and figure out the new setup.
- The Library had solar panels installed on half of the roof this September.

Cape Breton University

University Update

- On June 13th CBU hosted its Employee Appreciation celebration and Carla White, Library Finance & Acquisitions Technician, was recognized with an **Outstanding Services Award**.
- On August 27th 350 CBU employees gathered in Membertou, N.S. for the second annual **Grand Meeting** to reflect on year one of the University's strategic plan and to discuss ideas moving into year two of the five-year plan. A key focus was the draft Academic Plan which was vetted with staff and faculty in preparation for adoption.
- CBU launched its **Inclusive Learning Program** in September offering students with intellectual disabilities who don't meet admission criteria the opportunity to access post-secondary studies.
- **CBU Pipe Band** took home the Grade Five North American Championship at the Glengarry Highland Games in Ontario.
- CBU unveiled its a new **brand** for Cape Breton University including a refreshed visual identity and logo. The rebrand expresses the University's strategic ambitions and strong connection to place, reflecting who CBU is and what CBU stands for. The brand rollout will continue with a newly designed website set to launch in late September.

Library Staffing Update

- Elaine Cuff has joined the Library staff as a Library Assistant, Circulation.
- University of Western MLIS Student Librarian, Genevieve Forsyth, is completing her co-op placement during the fall semester at CBU Library.
- CBU Library said goodbye to Cataloguing Technician, Samantha Delaney, as she moves to Halifax to pursue further career interests.

Library News

- The Library hosted the School of Arts and Social Sciences (SASS) New Student Orientation on September 3rd.
- **CBU Fall Term Student Orientation:** CBU Library staff participated in the new student orientation program. Staff members registered students for library services, held mini tours and provided students with information packets.
- The CBU Library, in partnership with the CBU HR Department, entered into a workplace assessment following the 2018 staffing changes. The final report was presented to staff in June and a **Joint Committee** has been struck to lead the implementation of recommendations.
- CBU in partnership with VELO Cape Breton, and the Cape Breton Regional Cape Breton University launched a new **Bike Share** initiative on September 6, 2019. The program is the first of its kind in the Cape Breton Regional Municipality and will allow members of the CBU community to access bicycles free of charge for use in the area. The 25 branded bikes and helmets (available through the CBU Library) was made possible in part by Provincial funding of \$30,000.

Library Special Events

- June – CBU Library hosted the pre-reception for Honorary Degree recipient Graeme Green accompanied by his wife Margaret Atwood.
 - July - CBU Library hosted tours for International High School councillors through EduNova.
 - August – CBU Library hosted Breton Books public launch of Fr. Daniel Doucet's book "*Father Greg – A Life*".
 - September - Hosting Academic Advising sessions for students in computer lab, L-150.
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College of the North Atlantic

College

- This Fall the College is introducing new programs, including: Agriculture Technician, Arts & Design Essentials, and Geological Technician. The primary focus for acquisitions this year will be in providing academic supports for these programs.
- Headlines from the news: Dal, CNA partner to provide degree pathway for Qatari students – Dalhousie University and College of the North Atlantic have signed an agreement that will open the doors for CNA's Qatari students to upgrade their studies to a bachelor's degree at Dal. The partnership builds on CNA's relationship with its affiliated technical school in Qatar, and will establish a formal pathway for graduates of the college's Information Technology and Business Studies two- and three-year diploma programs. Dal reports that this agreement marks its first-ever formal arrangement with a technical school outside Canada (<https://www.academica.ca/top-ten/dal-cna-partner-provide-degree-pathway-qatari-students?platform=hootsuite>)
- The second Employment OPTIONS office opened in the province this August 12th. Earlier in the year, an Employment OPTIONS launched in Grand Falls-Windsor and two offices in St. John's will open later in the year. The Library Learning Commons just completed processing acquisitions for career development – many of the online resources remain the same; however, some exceptional new books are now available in support of the offices and career development.
- The Provincial Purchasing Committee recently renewed EBSCO Academic Search Complete. The Library is evaluating databases and considering adding the ProQuest Technology Collection in order to boost Engineering Technology resources. In addition, new databases are being considered by the library in support of the Medical Science programs at the College.
- CNA is updating its College archives and making materials more accessible in the St John's region. We are also in the process of examining policy and procedure for the archives – topics for update include digitization as well as incorporating Headquarters as part of centralized holding for College archives.
- At Corner Brook campus, the Librarian-II position is open for a one-year term and will soon be advertised.

Additional

- Those that attended APLA Conference 2019 this summer may have had time to visit The Rooms here in St John's. There are a couple of dream jobs currently advertised, so I thought I would pass them on, even though they are not strictly college-related – deadline for application is 29 September 2019.

The Rooms – <https://www.therooms.ca/>

Archivist – <https://www.hiring.gov.nl.ca/Jobs.aspx/Details/22532>

Archives Technician II – <https://www.hiring.gov.nl.ca/Jobs.aspx/Details/22733>

Dalhousie University

Senior Administration

While we await the arrival of the 12th President of Dalhousie, Dr. Deep Saini, in January 2020, Dr. Teri Balsler, our Provost and VP Academic, has been serving as Interim President. She is also Dalhousie's first female president. Supporting her as Acting Provost & VP Academic is Dr. Chris Moore, our Dean of Science. A new Dean, Dr. Dianne Tyers, has been appointed for the College of Continuing Education beginning in October. Dr. Tyers completed her PhD at the University of Toronto, and is a Fellow of the Business Excellence Institute and a member of the Canadian Federation of Independent Businesses, Women in International Education and the Academy of International Business. We declared a failed search for the Dean of Management and Dr. Vivian Howard is continuing as Interim Dean. Dr. Brenda Merritt has been appointed to a three-year term as Dean of Health; she previously served for a year in this role. Dr. Merritt also holds an appointment as Associate Professor in the School of Occupational Therapy, and cross appointments in Nursing and International Development Studies. Dal also appointed Dr. Theresa Rajack-Talley as Dalhousie's first Vice-Provost of Equity & Inclusion, effective August 1, 2019. Dr. Rajack-Talley comes to Dalhousie from the University of Louisville in Kentucky, where she held the position of Professor of Pan-African Studies and Associate Dean of International, Diversity and Community Engagement in the College of Arts & Sciences.

Compact Shelving in the Archives

The biggest project this summer was the installation of compact shelving in the Archives, located on the top floor of the Killam Library. This \$500,000 project was completed on time and on budget, thanks to the great planning and oversight by Janice Slauenwhite and Michael Moosberger, and thanks to the hard work of the Archives team who packed the entire collection for offsite storage and then put it all back again.

Dal Libraries Staff

In July, we welcomed Carl Harvey as a new Academic Technology Services (ATS) Help Desk Technician for the Dal Libraries, based at the Help Desk located in the Chanie Wenjack Legacy Space in the Killam Library. We are currently hiring a new Systems Developer, Learning Management System Architect, Instructional Technologies Technician, Manager for Resources, and two Librarians (Data, and Learning &

Instruction) for maternity leaves. We have five staff members expecting babies during November! Thanks to HR Director Sandy Dwyer for her hard work on these processes, and to Gwen MacNairn who is chairing the two Librarian appointment committees.

New Faculty of Management Part-Time Instructors Award Winner

This year, the Faculty of Management created a new award to celebrate part-time instructors who exhibit educational leadership, innovation and sustained commitment to excellence in teaching and learning. The inaugural recipient is Lindsay McNiff. She is the Learning & Instruction Librarian at Dalhousie Libraries and has been a part-time instructor in the School of Information Management since 2015, where she teaches courses on information retrieval and information literacy instruction. She programs and delivers an academic support workshop series for MI students, which includes topics such as citation management, conference posters and strategies for group work.

Lisa Moore Reading

In partnership with the Writers' Federation of Nova Scotia and Halifax Public Libraries, we hosted An Evening with Lisa Moore on September 5th. Every year, we host the winner of the Thomas Raddall Atlantic Fiction Award. The 2019 winner is Lisa Moore for her short fiction collection *Something for Everyone*. Thanks to Lindsay McNiff and Marlo MacKay for co-chairing our Literary Events Committee.

RDM

This summer Dal Librarians Erin MacPherson and Melissa Rothfus conducted a survey on the topic of research data management practices at Dal. The data gathered from this survey will inform our Institutional RDM Strategy for Dalhousie, currently in draft and being presented for consultation at Deans' Council and the Dal Research Advisory Committee. I have shared this draft institutional strategy with a few institutions and we're happy to send to anyone interested.

Moving Away from RefWorks

The Dal Libraries has signed a final contract with RefWorks, a web-based citation manager that allows one to compile, edit and format bibliographies by importing references directly from online databases. Our final year under the contract will come to an end on April 20, 2020. There are a number of useful and free alternatives available, Zotero for instance, and we're seeing many users moving to those options on their own. Some faculties at Dal also subscribe to EndNote. Thanks to Shelley McKibbin for her leadership during this transition

Holland College

College News

- Students, staff, alumni, retirees, and members of the community gathered on September 3rd at the Prince of Wales Campus to kick-off Holland College's 50th anniversary celebrations. The day included the unveiling of a commemorative plaque that will be installed in the Weymouth Street entryway to the Charlottetown Centre.

- With the hiring of our new President Sandy MacDonald there has been a restructuring of upper management. Holland College has transitioned to a model of two Vice Presidents with realigned departmental responsibilities.
- Two new VP's were hired Doug Currie, Vice President, Corporate Services; Natalie Mitton, as Vice President, Academic and Applied Research
- Holland College has engaged a consulting firm for development of a new five-year strategic plan.

Library News

- We launched a revamped website in late August
- There will be an official naming ceremony for the Charlottetown Campus Library on October 1st. (TBA)
- We will be launching a new Writing "Center" pilot project Oct. 1st. This is a joint project coordination between Academic Services (Library) and Student Services.
- Library Services held a staff development day August 22nd, 2019. This included team building exercises as well as new website and database training.
- Emily MacIsaac has joined HC Library Services as Instructional and Engagement Librarian
- We are currently in the interview process for Library Technician IV for the Charlottetown Center Campus.

Memorial University of Newfoundland

Research

- This year's recipients of the Margaret Williams Trust Fund Award are Nathan Hynes and Michaela Doucette. Funds are awarded on a competitive basis to applicants seeking funding for library-related projects or assistance in pursuing full-time graduate studies in librarianship, archival studies or teacher librarianship. The 2019 award was valued at a maximum of \$1,500.
- Memorial University Libraries circulation policies have been adjusted for improved service to our users. Faculty & staff will have material automatically renewed and undergraduate loans have been extended to one month.
- The Ferriss Hodgett Library (Corner Brook) received a donation from the estate of the late Arthur Lundrigan. The collection is comprised of books, maps and art all related to Newfoundland.
- The Education Library is busy making major improvements and additions to their Children's literature collection (en Francais) in preparation for the revised Bachelor of Education as a Second Degree (Primary/Elementary – French Immersion option) that begins in August 2019.

Strategic Planning

- The latest two strategic projects were officially launched - the Communications Platform and the organizational review. This makes eight strategic planning projects underway by Memorial

University Libraries. For more information about our strategic plan, please visit:
<https://www.library.mun.ca/aboutus/aboutourlibraries/stratplan/>

Employee News

- Krista Godfrey has accepted a position as Head of Digital Initiatives at the University of Waterloo. Krista Godfrey's last day is August 30th.
- Donna Manning of the QEII Library Cataloging and Metadata Division has retired. Carolyn Courtenay of the LITS Division is also retiring on August 30th.

Cool Stuff

- The Jumping Bean Café expansion in the QEII Library is going ahead! The plan is to work with existing building infrastructure to achieve a new expanded space that enhances the current Café. Demolition began on Monday and completion is scheduled for January 2020. The current Café will be closing on September 13th for the remainder of the fall.
- Beth Maddigan was the winner of the 2019 APLA Merit Award. Beth is a vital team member of Memorial University Libraries, and she is a champion of public libraries and literacy throughout Newfoundland and Labrador.
- Colleen Field, Head of the Centre for Newfoundland Studies, recently went to Battle Harbour, Labrador. She brought a prayer book from the CNS to a special church service where it had been used over 150 years ago by the Rev. George Hutchinson. He is the subject of a future book by author and Memorial University Alumni Marie Wadden.
- There was a wiki edit-a-thon in the Centre for Newfoundland Studies organized by Dance+Words (<https://dancepluswords.ca/st-johns/>) that aimed to improve the profile of Canadian dance artists on Wikipedia.
- The Health Sciences Library's Founders Archive was featured on CBC: <https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/newfoundland-labrador/rusted-diaries-digitized-at-mun-1.5195898>
- A spotlight on a couple of the many amazing student employees we have working throughout our branches: <https://gazette.mun.ca/student-life/past-to-future/>

Mount Allison University

University News

- Three new Indigenous gardens featuring local plants that are important in the Mi'kmaq community were planted at various locations around campus. The goal of the gardens is to educate while preserving the plants and their uses.
- On August 15 the University celebrated Acadian Day with a flag raising ceremony and festivities.
- On August 29 our annual Commencement Ceremony was held to formally welcome students and kick off the new academic year.

- The Music Department launched the 2019-20 concert season with their annual Music Faculty Gala Concert on September 6.
- Dr. Jessica Riddell, Executive Director of the Maple League, led a Town Hall on September 11 to provide an update on their activities and achievements over the past year and to announce new funding opportunities open to the members of the Maple League.
- Mount Allison welcomed a new University Registrar, Shawna Garrett, who replaces Chris Parker upon her retirement.
- Dr. Jeff Ollerhead has agreed to serve an additional year as the Provost, Vice President Academic & Research and Dr. Andrew Nurse will be serving as Interim Dean of Arts. Executive searches to fill both of those positions will begin soon.

Library News

- The biggest accomplishment at the library this summer was the successful migration from SirsiDynix to the Novanet's Aleph library system. The implementation lasted several months and involved a tremendous amount of work by librarians and staff. The new system went live on July 15. Although it has only been a few weeks, we have already seen an increase in the number of interlibrary loan requests through Novanet Express for materials in our collection. It is gratifying to see that other libraries will benefit as much by having our resources visible in the Novanet catalogue as we will from having access to theirs.
- The Archives launched a new virtual exhibit titled, [The History of Acadians at Mount Allison University/L'histoire des Acadiens à l'université Mount Allison](#), which includes a number of archival, print, and web sources that will aid researchers in understanding the role of Acadians in the history of Mount Allison and Sackville. The project was completed by Renée Belliveau, who was employed at the library under the Young Canada Works internship program under the guidance of University Archivist David Mawhinney. Renée is now enrolled in the Master's program in Library and Archival Studies at the University of Toronto and plans to pursue a career in archives.

Employee News

- Marc Truitt, University Librarian, retired on June 30 after seven years of service.
 - Laura Snyder, Music Librarian, also retired on June 30 after seven years of service.
 - Dr. Dianne Keeping began her appointment as University Librarian on August 7.
 - Sara Bartlett joined Mount Allison on August 9 to serve as our Music Librarian for a one-year term appointment.
 - Georgina MacFarlane, Access Services Assistant, will be retiring on October 1.
 - Allison Watson has been hired into a one-year term position as an Access Services Assistant.
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Mount Saint Vincent University

University News

- Mr. Mustansar Nadeem joined MSVU as the new Vice-President Administration effective September 9, 2019. A Chartered Professional Accountant, Mr. Nadeem has a variety of administrative experience in post-secondary institutions, most recently as the Vice-President of Corporate Services and Chief Financial Officer at Old College in Red Deer, Alberta.
- Dr. Carrie Dawson was appointed in early August as the Dean of Arts & Science. Dr. Dawson comes from Dalhousie where she was an Associate Professor and Chair in the Department of English, Coordinator of the Canadian Studies program, and President of the Dal Faculty Association. Dr. Dawson's research explores literature by and about refugees in Canada.
- MSVU's Nancy's Chair was established by former Senator and philanthropist Nancy Ruth to provide the University every two years with the opportunity to host a distinguished scholar/activist who has contributed to the advancement of women. The new Nancy's Chair in Women's Studies is Dr. Janet Conway, a former Canada Research Chair in Social Justice at Brock University and founder and Director of the Social Justice Research Institute.
- Dr. Gayle MacDonald, Associate Vice President Research, has announced she will not seek renewal for a second term. With us since July 2015, Dr. MacDonald will finish her term at the end of June next year. The Library has benefited from a close relationship with our current AVP Research during her tenure and she will be missed.

Library News & Activity Highlights

- An online MSVU Archives Catalogue is now live at archives.msvu.ca for access to select institutional archival holdings such as photographs and AV material. A successful student works application will allow the Archives to hire an assistant to work on various projects including digitizing and describing the student newspapers Picaro, Jargon, and Sentinel.
- The Library is collaborating with Counselling Services and the Health Office to develop consistent and varied signage throughout the Library for various communications and event needs including: welcome signs for quiet rooms/labs, pop-up peer support sessions, Charlie's therapy dog open hours, and upcoming seasonal flu shot clinics.
- We have hired our Young Canada Works Library & Special Collections Intern. Emma Craig has an MLIS from Dalhousie and a BA (English, History) from Trent University. She comes to us with experience as a Reference and Archives Assistant at Saint Mary's University and outreach experience as a Public Engagement Assistant with the Glanmore National Historic Site in Belleville, ON. Emma's responsibilities include research help and liaison duties as well as inventory and cataloging of the MacDonald Collection and developing instructional material related to this special collection.
- Librarian Sandra Sawchuk is currently teaching our LIBR 2100 course to fifteen Indigenous students at the Mi'kmaw Native Friendship Centre. To cover Sandra's regular on-campus section and Stan Orlov's (as he is on sabbatical), the Library has hired two part-time faculty members to teach the LIBR 2100 course. Roxanne MacMillan, who recently graduated from the University of Alberta's online MLIS program and works full-time with the Halifax Regional Centre for

Education, is currently teaching one of our fall sections. Brian Jenkins, a recent graduate of Dalhousie's MLIS program, has been offered a teaching contract for the other on-campus winter session of LIBR 2100.

Nova Scotia Community College

Libraries and Learning Supports

- Our departmental title has changed from Libraries and Educational Technology to Libraries and Learning Supports. This title better represents the full range of supports in our team, including Libraries, Educational Technology, Copyright Office, Writing Centres and EAL Supports. The team has also grown to include Testing Services. My new title is now Director, Libraries and Learning Supports.
- We upgraded from Lynda.com to LinkedIn Learning over the summer. The upgraded product includes the same library of on-demand, expert-led instructional videos that were part of Lynda.com. The platform is user-friendly, with faster search capability and improved mobile access.
- NSCC Libraries will be launching our new refreshed, mobile-friendly website in December 2019.
- NSCC Libraries is enhancing services to our eCampus students with improvements in three areas: borrowing services, reference and research services and the new website for delivery of resources and services.
- We will be launching a new Indigenous Resources Subject Guide in the Fall term.
- We have launched a Staff knowledge Base (SKB) using LibAnswers to develop a question form and email-based service intended to answer technical questions for Campus Library Staff.
- Mary Jane Pittman and Denise Parrott both successfully completed and presented on their Learning College Portfolio projects.
- We are in the process of developing plans for a new learning commons as part of the new wing being added to the IT Campus.
- Library staff from across the province came together for a learning day in June 2019 that included the Kairos Blanket Exercise – an exercise developed in collaboration with Indigenous Elders, knowledge keepers and educators as a means to foster truth, understanding, respect and reconciliation among Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples. This was a powerful, participatory learning experience which I would highly recommend.

Staffing

- Terrance LeBlanc has joined the Copyright Office in the role of Copyright Assistant.
- Bana Al-Shaghay has joined the team in the role of EAL Support Specialist.
- Pam Eakin has joined the Akerley Campus library team on a continuing basis in the role of Campus Librarian. Bruce Ross has chosen to remain in the faculty position in the Library Information Technology (LIT) program.

- Janel Warmington has joined the Annapolis Valley Campus Library team in the role of Library Assistant.
- We welcome Shelley Meisner back to her role as Library Technician upon completing her learning leave. All the best to Chris Sheehy who backfilled in this position on a term basis.
- All the best to Robin Martelly, Marconi Campus Library Assistant, who has resigned from her position to pursue another opportunity.
- Mary Dale Taylor, IT Campus Library Technician, has announced her retirement after serving over 14 years with the College at three locations: Burrige, Akerley and IT Campuses. Her last day will be October 31st. We wish Mary Dale all the best.
- Amanda Marshall was the successful candidate for the continuing position of Writing Centre Coordinator.

College News

- NSCC will host Open House at all locations across the province on October 17th.
- On August 2nd, the Premier announced the Sydney waterfront as the site selected for the relocation of our Marconi Campus as part of its Cape Breton Regional Municipality (CBRM) downtown revitalization.
- Of the 333 North American post-secondary institutions rated in the Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education (AASHE) 2019 Sustainable Campus Index, NSCC has received top tier rankings in three of the 17 categories:
 - 1st Overall Top Performer (Associate Colleges)
 - 3rd Waste (General and construction waste minimization and diversion and hazardous waste management)
 - 4th Buildings (Maintenance and operations of existing buildings, new building design and construction, as well as indoor air quality)

NSCAD University

Library

- The Young Canada Works-supported summer project has ended, and all of the audio files digitized by Maddie Alexander (NSCAD MFA student) are now uploaded to NSCAD's Repository.
- We continue to receive wonderful donations, most recent being another generous gift of books from Gerhard Steidl of Steidl Verlag, and we have been given an initial donation of books from Dr Sandra Alföldy's family, as well as some of her papers for NSCAD's Archives.
- This year both Leland Reed and myself have conducted more in-class Library instruction sessions than ever before. In total we have visited 14 classes since the beginning of September.
- Leland Reed, Systems Librarian, has been working with our Film and IT departments to set up our first video server (big news for us!).

- Some books from our Special collections are on loan for an exhibit at the Natural History Museum this fall. The exhibit, titled "Drawn to Life: Understanding the World Through Drawing" opens September 21 and is part of The Big Draw festival <https://thebigdraw.org/>

University

- NSCAD University now has a new president! Dr. Aoife Mac Namara commenced her appointment in August. Dr. Mac Namara was most recently Dean of Simon Fraser University's Faculty of Communication, Art and Technology.
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Saint Mary's University

University News

- The new **Dauphinee Centre** is almost complete.
- **Service Expo:** in collaboration with Student Services and many other campus departments, Service Expo was held in the Library again this year. This week-long event brings together all of the services students need to access at the start of Fall term in one place.
- Saint Mary's has signed an **MOU with the Mi'kmaq Native Friendship Centre (MNFC)**. This partnership will see collaboration between these organizations to develop appropriate protocols for on-campus activities and improve support for Indigenous peoples on campus. We also now have an Elder on Campus, Elder Debbie Eisan, for four hours per week.
- **CAUBO:** Saint Mary's co-hosted the annual CAUBO conference in collaboration with Mount Saint Vincent University and NSCAD University. Congratulations to Access Services Manager Susan Cannon and all staff who worked very hard to make this a success!

Library Staffing

- We welcomed Wanda Power as our new Reference Librarian on an 8-month contract in August.
- We extended a temporary farewell to Meagan Pottie, who began a one-year contract position with The Language Centre as their Instructional Resources Assistant.

Library News

- **WILU 2020:** We are co-hosting WILU 2020 (Workshop for Instruction in Library Use) with Dalhousie and Mount Saint Vincent Libraries: May 27-29, 2020.
- **APLA:** Metadata and Copyright Librarian, Amy Lorencz, is the new Secretary, and Acquisitions Manager, Terri Winchcombe is the new Treasurer, for APLA. Hansel Cook presented on the Salzannes Antiphonal at the 2019 APLA conference, and Amy Lorencz presented on The Linked Data Landscape in Canada.
- **Novanet:** University Librarian Suzanne van den Hoogen is the new Chair of the Novanet Board.
- **Research Toolkit:** Heather Sanderson and Cindy Harrigan organized Workshops in May. These sessions, taught by librarians and some of our colleagues in the Software and Applications

Support Centre, were aimed at Research and Teaching Assistants as well as graduate students. The sessions were very well attended.

- **Welcome Weeks 2019:** In collaboration with Student Services, the Library once again hosted the week-long **Service Expo** for all SMU students. Library staff planned a Welcome Weeks **Escape Room** as part of orientation. Students were required to solve a series of puzzles using library skills to escape the study room and get to class!
 - **New pagers:** Access Services has new pagers to call staff members back to the Circulation Desk from the upper floors. This has worked out well for maintaining high quality frontline service.
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St. Francis Xavier University

Campus Updates

- The official opening of the Brian Mulroney Institute of Government is set for September 21 with a community event showcasing the new Mulroney Hall and the newly renovated Nicholson Tower.
- Dr. Kevin Wamsley has been appointed Interim President of StFX while a presidential search proceeds. Dr. Tim Hynes, former Dean of the School of Business, is the Acting Academic Vice President & Provost. Both appointments were effective August 1, 2019.
- Dr. Todd Boyle will serve as Acting Dean of Business for the period August 1, 2019 to July 31, 2020.
- Dr. Ann Fox will serve as Acting Dean of Science for the period August 1 to December 31, 2019, until Dr. Daniel Belliveau's appointment begins on January 1, 2020.

Library News

- Sandy Iverson has been appointed University Librarian. Ms. Iverson's previous position was Manager, Health Information & Knowledge Mobilization at St. Michael's Hospital, Toronto. She will begin her position at StFX on September 16, 2019.
 - Library staff completed an inventory of the PS-Z sections of the monograph collection during the summer.
 - Work continues on StFX Scholar, our institutional repository, which we anticipate launching later in the fall term.
 - Work continues on transferring our digital collections to the Islandora platform.
 - We will be implementing LibAnswers as another means of reaching students. FAQs have been developed and staff training will take place during the week of October 14th.
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Université de Moncton

Nouvelles de l'Université:

- Le processus de sélection de la prochaine rectrice et vice-chancelière ou du prochain recteur et vice-chancelier a été lancé en mai 2019.

- L'Honorable Frank McKenna, premier ministre du Nouveau-Brunswick de 1987 à 1997, a fait un don de 1 million de dollars à l'Université de Moncton, dans le cadre de la campagne Évolution. Celle-ci va bon train et l'objectif du 50 million devrait être atteint d'ici la fin de la campagne en juin 2020.
- Plus de 900 étudiantes et étudiants ont obtenu leur diplôme lors de la collation des grades le 25 mai 2019.
- Le budget de l'Université a été adopté le 8 juin 2019.
- Le nouveau site web de l'Université devait être lancé en septembre 2019, mais cela a été reporté à une date ultérieure.

Nouvelles de la Bibliothèque Champlain

- Budget: un montant a été ajouté dans notre budget de collections et nous avons obtenu un montant pour démarrer le projet de dépôt institutionnel.
- Démarches entreprises auprès de UPEI, afin d'utiliser Islandora Scholar pour notre dépôt institutionnel.
- Implantation de Open Athens en cours
- Implantation en production BC-Catalogage et BC-Circulation (mai 2019)
- Intégration de l'affichage par onglets dans Enterprise
- Implantation et intégration EDS dans Enterprise
- Implantation des BentoBox dans Enterprise
- Abonnement à Naxos Music Library

Nouvelles du personnel

- Le poste de M. Marc Harper, bibliothécaire de référence à contrat depuis août 2014, a été régularisé en juin 2019.
- Présentation de Marthe Brideau aux nouvelles professeures et nouveaux professeurs de l'Université le 11 septembre 2019.
- Présentations des bibliothécaires Marc Harper, Nathalie Richard et Victoria Volkanova dans le cadre des « Journées de l'enseignement et du soutien universitaire »

Trucs cool

- Dans le cadre du Congrès mondial acadien 2019 qui a eu lieu du 10 au 24 août 2019 à l'Île-du-Prince-Édouard et au Sud-Est du Nouveau-Brunswick :
- Le Centre d'études acadiennes Anselme-Chiasson, localisé au sous-sol de la Bibliothèque Champlain, a organisé un Salon de généalogie du 16 au 23 août 2019. Cette activité réalisée en collaboration avec le CMA, le Musée acadien et la Bibliothèque Champlain a été un succès sur toute la ligne.
- Le Centre d'études acadiennes Anselme-Chiasson et le Musée acadien de l'Université de Moncton (qui sont tous les deux sous ma direction) ont été présents aux kiosques de l'espace

Extrême Frontière du CMA 2019 du 16 août au 23 août 2019 au Parc Riverain de la Ville de Moncton.

- Exposition au Musée acadien de l'Université de Moncton : « Les voix de Clare résonnent ».
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- Du 24 au 27 août, la Bibliothèque Champlain et le Musée acadien de l'Université de Moncton ont accueilli le premier atelier : « Repenser l'Acadie dans le monde », organisé par l'Institut d'études acadiennes Anselme-Chiasson de l'Université de Moncton et la Chaire de recherche du Canada en études acadiennes et transnationales de l'Université Sainte-Anne.

Université Sainte-Anne

Library News

- Library staff have composed an initial report on research data management at Université Sainte-Anne following a request by the Vice-recteur à l'enseignement et recherche as a preparatory step for the forthcoming federal funding agencies policy. CAUL's webinar on Data Management Strategies was fundamental to the drafting of this report.
- The Vice-recteur à l'enseignement et recherche has informed library staff that the department will be undergoing an internal and external review as per the university policy on quality assurance.
- The library hired a part-time library aide 2 who will be responsible for interlibrary loans and who began on September 2nd. The position of library technician remains unfilled.
- The library is holding various welcome events, including an open house and contests with prizes. One fun contest will have visitors guessing famous book titles spelled in emojis. Here's one to get you guessing:



Institutional news

- The university recently adopted its new strategic plan and is currently working on an operational plan and a research strategy. These strategies will have impacts on the library, and we are part of the consultation process.
- The university held a staff day this year, which included workshops and presentations on stress, sexual violence on university campuses, institutional policies, and more. The library offered a general orientation during the event and hosted a coffee break.

University of King's College

Library

- During the summer, the Archives hired a student to work on a variety of projects over the summer. One project resulted in an exhibit of the natural history specimens that were used for teaching at King's in the 19th century.
- Tours of the Treasure Room (the home of the Archives and Special Collections) were provided for prospective students and their parents, and a group of registrars who were meeting on campus.
- The Library has a full complement of staff again with the hiring of a Library Assistant/Evening Supervisor in August to replace a staff member who accepted a position at another library.
- Tours of the Library were provided for new students on Move-in Day (Sep. 1) and the first day of classes.
- The Library started its academic year hours on Sep. 10 after power was restored to the building after Post-tropical Storm Dorian. It is open 80 hours per week.
- Two new students have joined eight returning students to staff the Circulation desk during the academic year.
- Matriculation ceremonies were held in the Library Reading Room on Aug. 16 and Sept. 11.
- More than 200 new students wore gowns, took an oath in Latin, and signed the Matricula.
- Professors are increasing efforts to get students into the Library:
 - Journalism students used the Library as a venue for shooting video stories
 - I spoke to senior Journalism students about researching their honours projects
 - A fourth-year History of Science and Technology class is doing deep research on artifacts in the Archives
 - Rare book talks are given to classes at the request of professors

University news

- At King's 230th Encaenia on May 23, honorary degrees were presented to educator and community leader Dale Godsoe, King's alumnus and Yale history professor Bruce Gordon, and author and professor Lawrence Hill, whose daughter graduated from King's the same day.
- Secondary students ages 15-17 from across Canada participated in the fourth session of Humanities for Young People, a residential summer program that took place July 6-14. This year's theme was "Thinking through Fear." HYP students from earlier summers have now enrolled in the Foundation Year Program.
- The School of Journalism's Master of Fine Arts in Creative Nonfiction two-week summer residency students held classes in the Library Committee Room and signed up for CURBA cards.
- The Data Journalism intensive program was held in June for the 11th year. Journalists from across Canada learned skills to do important investigative work.
- The University's new Sexualized Violence Prevention and Response Officer started work in early August.

University of New Brunswick

University News

- Our new President, Dr. Paul Mazerolle, started on July 1, 2019.
- Our new VP (Saint John), Dr. Petra Hauf, started in March and met over the summer in the Hans W. Klohn Commons with our Saint John library team.
- UNB continues to focus on planning, with strategic planning scheduled to conclude later this year.

Library News

- Construction is underway on the Harriet Irving Library Research Commons at HIL. We are very excited about the project and we are doing our best to manage the disruption to operations being caused by construction. We have four teams working to prepare for the changes to service offerings in the new Research Commons
 - Our first library facilities master planning exercise across both campuses at UNB is nearing completion
 - We have created very welcome additional seating in the HWK Commons on our Saint John campus
 - Two new staff have been hired in Saint John to cover evening and weekend hours of operation.
 - We participated in Fredericton's Word Feast literary festival with a session at Harriet Irving Library called "Shining a Light on New Brunswick Writers: Collecting and Preserving our Literary Heritage". Both Jocelyne Thompson and Christine Lovelace presented and prepared an accompanying display of recently published literary works from Frog Hollow, Goose Lane & Gaspereau Press.
 - Our GEAR series of sessions for graduate students is expanding due to popular demand
 - We are in the early stages of creating an Academic Plan for the Libraries.
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University of Prince Edward Island

University News

- A new residence building at the University of Prince Edward Island was announced. The residence will create dedicated year-round housing for post-secondary students and is expected to be completed by 2022.
- The Robertson Library provided the development support and is hosting the Journal of L.M. Montgomery Studies which launched in June. The open access journal is the official scholarly publication of the L.M. Montgomery Institute (LMMI) at the University of Prince Edward Island (<https://journaloflmmontgomerystudies.ca/>).
- A documentary, Never Too Old, featuring Dr. Olive Bryanton aired on CBC in August. Dr. Bryanton received her PhD at UPEI Convocation 2019 at the age of 81 (<https://www.cbc.ca/cbcdocspov/episodes/never-too-old>).

Library News

Staffing

- Metaliteracy and Student Engage Librarian Yolanda Hood is on a one year leave of absence.
- Will be seeking to fill a librarian and technical staff role soon.

Renovation

- Due to skyrocketing construction costs on the Island, the renovations have been put on hold until Spring 2020.

Collections

- We've cancelled *Films on Demand* and instead are now providing access to *Proquest Academic Videos Online*. We've begun a subscription to O'Reilly/Safari content including books, videos and case studies.
- The Textbook Access Project is a pilot project by Robertson Library to reduce students' costs for required texts by highlighting books (print and electronic) that the Library already has in its collections that are required for specific courses. We make the title lists available through our Reserves system.
- We've almost finished the NHDS funded newspaper digitization project that will see the *Examiner* and *L'Impartial* added to <https://islandnewspapers.ca>

50th Anniversary Activities

Lecture Series

- Marion Bruce presented her talk, *The Lion of Prince of Wales: Alexander Anderson -- An Unsung Hero of Prince Edward Island's Education System*, as part of the Frank Pigot Memorial Lecture Series. On Thursday, September 26, Dr. Alan MacEachern will present *A Child of the '60s: Creating the University of Prince Edward Island*.

50 Years, 50 Voices

- We've been making great progress on our oral history project to help celebrate UPEI's 50th Anniversary and hope to launch our associated website soon.

Events

Library Retirees Social

- To celebrate the 50th anniversary and to recognize the contributions of past librarians and staff, we hosted a social for retirees. It was a lovely event and provided an opportunity to connect retirees with current staff. UPEI's first President Dr. Ron Baker and our current President Dr. Alaa Abd-El-Aziz also attended.

Book Launch

- On July 25th, during UPEI's Reunion Week, the Library hosted the launch of Nimbus Publishing's new edition of *Imagining Anne: The Island Scrapbooks of L.M. Montgomery*.

NSO

- The Library welcomed first-year students by hosting a special NSO Escape Room and other events.