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## CAUL-CBUA Member Updates

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#### Acadia University

##### University News

- The University has appointed two new administrators: Dr. Dale Keefe, Provost and Vice-President Academic and Mr. Scott Duguay Vice-Provost, Students, Recruitment and Enrolment Management.
- The University graduated approximately 800 students in May.
- Honorary degrees were presented to Dr. Nancy Nason-Clark (Doctor of Divinity), Rick Hansen, C.C., O.B.C. (Doctor of Humanities), David Huestis (Doctor of Humanities), Dr. Biliانا Cicin-Sain (Doctor of Science), Elder Joe Michael (Doctor of Humanities). Ray Ivany was recognized as President Emeritus.

##### Library News

- **Acadia Reads:** 262 staff, faculty, and students voted for Scott Fotheringham's *The Rest Is Silence* from a short-list of five titles. Programming begins in September 2019 with a visit from the author in March 2020.
- **Donation:** Hosted a coffee party for Clara Nowlan Jefferson in appreciation for her donation of 330 cookbooks.
- **APLA:** Acadia will host APLA 2020 (Maggie Neilson is chair).
- **Training:** Staff and librarians attended training sessions related to giving presentations, mental health first aid, building intercultural competence, and writing.
- **Archives:** Wendy Robicheau reports the Acadia and the War blog, <http://aboutacadiawar.blogspot.com>, has received over 26,000 hits from around the world since its inception.
- **Staff:**
  - Ann Smith is the incoming Vice-President Elect for APLA.
  - Maggie Neilson is the current APLA treasurer.
  - Maggie Neilson serves on CARL's Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Committee.

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## Atlantic School of Theology

### University News

- After recent staffing changes, AST is currently hiring a Director of Finance & Administration.
- All campus staff are busy prepping for our summer term, starting on June 17th. This is our busiest term of the year.

### Library Staffing Update

- A new library technician responsible for acquisitions and cataloguing starts on May 27th, 2019.
- We are currently in the process of hiring a summer assistant.

### Library Projects

- Staff recently completed a clean-up project on 1,500+ items that were in our collection but not catalogued. 402 items have received on-the-fly records and 1093 have been discarded.
- The library closed to the public for three days in early May to tackle a clean-up of our technical services room. Over the years technical services had become unorganized and no longer functional. This space now holds an office, three workstations, and organized storage of books.

### Library Construction

- Faculty offices are complete and faculty started to occupy their new spaces in May 2019

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## Cape Breton University

### University Update

- With the adoption of its 5 Year Strategic Plan work on an Academic Plan has begun. The Library hosted a planning boot camp on April 30th with over 200 faculty and staff in attendance. The draft Academic Plan will be tabled at the grand meeting on August 27th.
- Dr. Dana Mount has been appointed Associate Dean, Research & Graduate Studies.
- CBU continues to grow in its enrollment with 800 new registrants for the Spring term.

### Library Staffing Update

- Donna Sheppard has joined the Library staff as a Library Assistant, Circulation.
- MLIS Student Librarian, Grace Viana, is completing her co-op placement during the spring/summer semester at CBU Library.

### Library News

- University-brand refresh consultation has begun - our SASS Librarian represents the library on the committee. New digital signage/information boards have been placed throughout the University including the Library and archives

- New furnishings (including conference pods) have been received to increase seating capacity and options in the Library. Along with the increase in student numbers the Library has had to rezone the lower level of the library; the first floor has been changed from a “No Shush Zone” to a “Considerate Study Space” and by limiting drinks to covered containers and no longer allowing food.
- Cape Breton University renewed its Memorandum of Understanding with the Cape Breton Regional Library during a signing ceremony on May 1, 2019. This signing marked the twentieth anniversary of this fruitful partnership.
- The CBU Library, in partnership with the CBU HR Department, entered into a workplace assessment following the recent staffing changes. The preliminary report findings were presented to staff on March 14th, 2019. The final report will be tabled with the Senior Executive Team in June 2019.
- Spring Term Student Orientation: CBU Library staff participated in the new student orientation. Staff members registered students for library services, held mini tours and provided students with information packets.

### Library Special Events

- CBU Library hosted; “Once Upon an Island Book Launch and Tales of India” storytelling session as part of the Isle of Story Festival on April 25th.
- CBU Library hosted Therapy Dogs/Cats co-sponsored with the Student Engagement Center. of Library patrons were visited, April 9-17, throughout the stressful exam period.
- CBU Library hosted the Inaugural Lecture Series presented by Tom Urbaniak; “Can Concerned Catholics Repair the Church? A Study of Faith, Governance, and Accountability” on May 14.

## College of the North Atlantic

### College

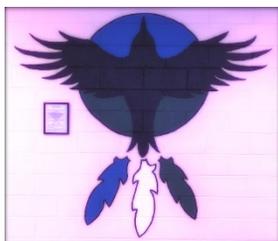
- Two new administration positions at CNA have been recently been awarded: Director of Student Affairs and Director of Student Success. As Director of Student Success, Karen Antle oversees departments of Student Services, including Counselling, Accessibility Services, and the Library Learning Commons. As Director of Student Affairs, Kent Aitken oversees engagement, cultural diversity, and personal development of students. He works closely with Students’ Representative Council (SRC) at the provincial and campus level.
- CNA and the Ministry of Education and Higher Education from the State of Qatar have re-entered into a three-year service agreement. Now in its 17th academic year, CNA Qatar offers library services to more than 3,000 full-time students enrolled in over 30 internationally accredited programs.

## Library

- Wednesday, March 13th, CNA campuses throughout the province hosted a public open house. Library Learning Commons participated in a promotional walkthrough video as well as drop-in Q&A. This upcoming Wednesday, May 29th, the Library Learning Commons at Prince Philip Drive Campus is hosting a facebook live Q&A session.
- Acquisitions is focusing on adding new indigenous resources for all programs offered at the college. Efforts are underway on behalf of the Collection Development Committee to ensure better coverage across all CNA campuses for new acquisition subjects, like LGBTQ / Gender & Sex resources.
- Library Learning Commons are evaluating new stressbuster events and services planned for upcoming year for exams.

## Other News

- CNA in partnership with NATI (Newfoundland and Labrador Association of Technology Industries) brought together nearly 400 Grade 9 students for a Youth in Technology event held May 3 at the Prince Philip Drive campus in St. John's.
- At the Happy Valley-Goose Bay Campus, students of the Aboriginal Bridging program along with Lisa Learning, an indigenous artist from Labrador, have collaborated on a new addition to the lobby. A painted mural – 'Flight of Resilience' – is the culmination of the reconciliation project, intended to raise awareness of the history of residential schools in Canada, and the impact the government-funded, church-run schools had on indigenous peoples.



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## Dalhousie University

### Senior Administration

The 12<sup>th</sup> President of Dalhousie will be [Deep Saini](#), originally from India, with previous posts at UdeM, Waterloo, UofT, and currently President of Canberra University. For the first time, the Board of Governors will be chaired by a woman, [Candace Thomas](#), a highly regarded Halifax lawyer who is engaged in the community in a variety of ways including co-chairing the capital campaign for the Halifax Public Library. We have three decanal searches currently underway — Health, College of Continuing Education, and Management — and have just announced our Dean of Architecture and Planning will be Joseli Macedo. In 2019, Dr. Macedo joined Dalhousie as a Professor in the Faculty of Architecture and Planning's School of Planning. Prior to her arrival at Dal, she was Professor and Head of the School of Design and the Built Environment at Curtin University. She has held academic, administrative and

professional appointments at the University of Florida, CEPT University, Universidade Tuiuti do Paraná, and Pontifícia Universidade Católica do Paraná.

### **Hadfield Space Photos Launch**

On April 11, the Dal Libraries launched the [Chris Hadfield Space Photographs Collection](#) to a packed house in the Killam Memorial Library. Space and geography fans of all ages gathered to get their first look at the collection on the Killam's data visualization wall. Commander Chris Hadfield donated over 13,000 of his space photographs to Dalhousie for the purposes of sharing, preserving and promoting their use in teaching and research. The photographs capture what he saw while orbiting Earth as Commander of the International Space Station (ISS) in 2013. Caitlin Cunningham, a PhD student and intern in the Dal Libraries GIS Centre working with GIS & Map Technician James Boxall, reviewed all the photos, selecting the best 200, and then designed a series of related Story Maps to make them interactive and accessible. Dalhousie is one of two institutions in the world to have these photos, and the first institution to create a public archive with the images. Thanks to Elaine MacInnis, AUL Library Services & Head of the MacRae Library, and the GIS & Data Services team, led by Gwen MacNairn, for the creation of this resource.

### **Dal Libraries Staff**

We are pleased to welcome the following colleagues to the Dalhousie Libraries: Cassandra Larose, Sexton Library Evening & Weekend Supervisor; Ahmed Mahdy as the new Systems Administrator with Academic Technology Services; and Merran Carr-Wiggin, Research Systems Coordinator. Brian Lesser, who has been with the Dal Libraries since 2013, is the new Manager of Operations in Academic Technology Services. Sadly, Alice Stover is retiring after many years of with Technical Services, most recently as Manager of Acquisitions & Metadata. We also wished Carolyn Liggins well when she retired in February after 17 years with the Libraries. We have just completed (but not yet announced) the appointment or renewal of three Associate University Librarians: Anne Matthewman, AUL Teaching & Learning and Head of the Dunn Law Library has been renewed for a second term; Michelle Paon, who has been serving as Interim AUL Resources & Head of the Sexton Library for the past 10 months has been appointed for a five-year term; and Michael Moosberger's first term as AUL Archives, Special Collections and Records Management has been extended until we have time to complete a renewal process for a second term.

### **Escape Room**

The Sir James Dunn Law Library's [escape room](#) was developed and curated by librarians David Michels and Hannah Steeves. Assistance came from a \$1,000 grant from the Council of Atlantic University Libraries (CAUL) and a grant for \$780 from the Dalhousie Centre for Learning and Teaching.

### **Interim Strategic Plan**

The Libraries have released our [Interim Strategic Plan](#), which will take us through to the end of 2020. This is a light refresh of our full plan released in 2015, informed by our recent Insync user survey of faculty, staff and students. We switched to [insync](#) from LibQual and enjoyed a considerably higher response rate, and very useful findings. In early 2020, we will begin a more fulsome planning process, to

align with Dalhousie's new strategic directions. Special thanks to Sarah Stevenson and Marc Comeau for co-chairing the committee leading us through this work, and to committee members Ann Barrett, Creighton Barrett, Linda Bedwell, Sandy Dwyer, Lachlan MacLeod, and Jackie Phinney.

### **Annual Report**

We're about to bump up the turn-around time for our reports, and run them on a July 1 – June 30<sup>th</sup> cycle, and you can see the [2017-18 Annual Report](#), which is the latest one on the old cycle. Thanks to Marlo MacKay, our Communications Coordinator, for the production of this report, as well as the production of the final version of our Interim Strategic Plan mentioned above.

### **UNIWeb**

The Dal Libraries are the lead for Dalhousie's Research Information Management System [UNIWeb](#), and have been extremely busy implementing the system and tailoring templates for Faculty annual reports. Ann Barrett, AUL Scholarly Communications & Head of the Kellogg Library, working with Scholarly Communications Librarian Melissa Rothfus and new team member Merran Carr-Wiggin have done an incredible job adapting the database schema from the one designed at OttawaU, creating a [LibGuide](#) and training materials, consulting with Faculties, and training administrators and users in a very short time.

### **Records Management**

The University's [Records Management Program](#) continues to roll out at a brisk pace thanks to the energetic contributions of Records Manager Courtney Bayne, supported by AUL Archives, Special Collections and Records Management Michael Moosberger and Records Technician Guy LeLievre. Working with the Privacy Officer, others in Legal Counsel, and ITS, the team recently created a short [video](#) outlining best practices for e-mail management.

### **Research Bootcamp**

The Dal Libraries annual [Research Bootcamp](#), a five-week program of multiple workshops, will wrap up June 13<sup>th</sup>. Specialists from the Dalhousie Libraries, the Writing Centre, the Atlantic Research Data Centre, and ACENET present the sessions. This program is coordinated by Lindsay McNiff, and sessions are delivered by librarians Sarah Stevenson, Melissa Rothfus, Robin Parker, Shelley McKibbin, Melissa Helwig, Sarah Jane Dooley, Roger Gillis, Hannah Steeves, Jackie Phinney, Julie Marcoux, Erin MacPherson, Gwen MacNairn, as well as Lachlan MacLeod, James Boxall and intern Caitlin Cunningham; Dalhousie colleagues Janice Eddington, Kala Hirtle Adam Auch, Angela Hersey; ARDC Manager Heather Hobson; and Acenet colleagues Chris Geroux, Ross Dickson, and Lee Wilson. The objective of the Bootcamp is to develop and/or refresh the literature searching and information management abilities of research assistants, teaching assistants, and graduate students. Outcomes include greater knowledge of information sources and services available from the Dalhousie Libraries, working knowledge of how to efficiently and effectively conduct a literature search in a field of interest, understanding of how to manage and present information once found, understanding of the requirements around copyright, and greater knowledge of author rights and requirements. The sessions include demonstrations, discussions,

and hands-on experience with an emphasis on active learning and focused discussion. For details, see the [Schedule page](#).

### **Scholarship @ Dal Libraries Spring 2019 series**

This past fall, Dal Libraries launched a new seminar series focused on research tools and services. The spring 2019 series covered predatory publishing presented by Melissa Rothfus, preserving your scholarly output presented by Geoff Brown, and managing human research data presented by Erin MacPherson and Dal colleague Angela Hersey. This series continues to deliver sessions online so it is open to the Dal community regardless of campus location.

### **Advancing Open**

AUL Ann Barrett was a member of the organizing committee for CARL's [Advancing Open](#) scholarly communication event in Vancouver. This workshop was sponsored by CRKN, SPARC, University of Alberta, Dalhousie, University of Guelph, Mount Saint Vincent University, University of Ottawa, and University of Saskatchewan. The event was spearheaded by the CARL Open Repositories Working Group's Community-Building and Engagement Task Group in collaboration with representatives from SPARC and CRKN. This event was targeted toward scholarly communications librarians sharing perspectives on challenges & opportunities regarding advancing open in Canada.

### **An Evening with Oisín Curran**

On March 7, we partnered with the Writers' Federation of Nova Scotia to present an evening with Oisín Curran, winner of the 2018 Thomas Raddall Atlantic Fiction Award for his novel, *Blood Fable*. Annually, the Dal Libraries host a reading with the current Raddall Award winner. This is the first year we partnered with the WFNS on this reading. The Raddall Award, first presented in 1991, was established with an endowment by Thomas Head Raddall. With ongoing support from the Raddall family, this award honours the work of fiction writers in the Atlantic region and, as the original benefactor envisioned, provides "the gift of time and peace of mind" so essential to the creation of new work. (Source: WFNS website) It is the largest literary prize awarded in Atlantic Canada. Thanks to Lindsay McNiff and Marlo MacKay for co-chairing our Literary Events Committee.

### **Afrofuturism**

On March 18 we hosted a panel discussion on Afrofuturism with Dr. Asha Jeffers of King's and Dr. Isaac Saney of Dalhousie. Kewoba Carter of Dal's International Centre was the moderator. This event was presented by the Dalhousie Libraries in support of the 2018/19 Dal Reads book, *Brown Girl in the Ring* by Nalo Hopkinson. Set in the near future in a dystopic Toronto, *Brown Girl in the Ring* contains themes of folklore, feminism, and magic realism steeped in Afro-Caribbean culture. The event was well-attended by students and community members alike. Thanks to Marlo MacKay for leading on Dal Reads and associated events.

### **Classroom and Online Learning Technology Improvements**

The Libraries' Academic Technology Services (ATS) team has just wrapped up a tendering process for half a million dollars in improvements to classroom technology, for work to be done across campus over the summer. We have recently renewed our license for Panopto, our lecture capture software, and

increased our technical support for faculty members using Panopto to record classroom lectures. Thanks to ATS Director Marc Comeau and managers Mick Bottom and Brian Lesser and their teams for doing tremendous work moving these initiatives along.

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## Holland College

### College News

- Doug Currie has been named the new VP of Corporate Services
- College staff are participating in the Virgin Pulse Global Challenge wellness initiative
- The Tourism and Culinary Centre recently named the newly renovated cafeteria, the Danny and Kevin Murphy Café and Commons
- The Charlottetown campus hosted a Spring into Fall information Expo for the Fall intake of students
- Multiple College Centres hosted Career Fairs

### Library News

- Staff are collaborating on a Writing Process Libguide
  - Database Additions: Trial use of Proquest and Cochrane databases
  - Student Events: Hosted DAVIDs TEA school in the Charlottetown Centre library showcasing teas to help with focus, energy and calming properties for exams
  - Charlottetown Centre library hosted Early Childhood Care and Education program Show and Shine student display event
  - Charlottetown Centre library hosted Wildlife Technology program poster displays
  - Charlottetown Centre library prepared multiple displays for Diversity week fair
  - Two library staff volunteered as actors in Occupational Therapy Assistant program exam role play
  - Library staff attended Bioscience poster display event
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## Memorial University of Newfoundland

### Research

- Applications are now invited for the Margaret Williams Trust Fund Award which promotes the development of librarianship in Newfoundland and Labrador by providing funds for scholarships, research, special projects, and work exchange opportunities. 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 is valued at a maximum of \$1,500. The deadline for applications is June 14. For more information and specifics on applying: <http://www.library.mun.ca/mwtf/>.
- A Research Data Management (RDM) Working Group has been created and is a sub-committee of the Vice-President Council (VPC) of Memorial University. Its purpose is to develop Memorial's Research Data Management Strategy in order to meet the requirements of the anticipated Tri-

Agency Research Data Management Policy in the fall 2019. It is further expected that the activities of the working group may serve to improve researcher support with regards to RDM. Ms. Susan Cleyle, University Librarian, is Chairing the RDM Working Group.

## Strategic Planning

- There are currently eight strategic planning projects underway by Memorial University Libraries. For a quick synopsis, please see the graphic below. For more information about our strategic plan, please visit: <https://www.library.mun.ca/aboutus/aboutourlibraries/stratplan/>



## Employee News

- Louise White has ended her term as AUL of the QEII, Marine Institute, Music, & Education Libraries and is enjoying a well-deserved admin leave.
- Brian Quinn of the Marine Institute Library has won the Memorial University President's Award for Exceptional Service; Brian has been a steadfast volunteer on many initiatives during his career, but particularly the Campus Food Bank.
- At the recent Memorial University annual employee service awards, the following employees received acknowledgements:
  - Sharon Thompson – 20 years
  - Jacqueline Hillier; Donna Norman; Carl White – 25 years
  - Juanita Frye – 40 years

## Cool Stuff

- An interesting collaboration happening in our makerspace was recently profiled on the University's website: <https://gazette.mun.ca/public-engagement/assembly-required/>
  - Our Archives and Special Collections Division was recently on CBC News - On June 14, 1919, Capt. John Alcock and Lt. Arthur Brown of the Royal Air Force took off from Lester's Field, St. John's and landed 16 hours later at Clifden, Ireland. The Archives & Special Collections Division has a photo album documenting the journey thanks to the generosity of Peter Carter. The scrapbook belonged to his Great Aunt Margaret Carter. It is currently on loan for an exhibit in The Admiralty House Communications Museum in Mount Pearl to celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the transatlantic air race. Zoom to 12:30-16:41 for the full feature story on CBC's Here and Now
  - The Research Data Centre located in the QEII Library celebrated its fifth anniversary: <https://gazette.mun.ca/research/diving-into-data/>
  - The Centre for Newfoundland Studies purchases a rare book inscribed by Romantic Poet William Wordsworth. Read more here: <https://gazette.mun.ca/research/rare-homecoming/>
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## Mount Allison University

*Note: Some items below were previously reported to APLA by Laura Landon, Head of Access Services. I would like to acknowledge Laura's contributions here. – mt*

## University News

- We are expecting announcements soon regarding the appointments of the new Dean of Arts and University Librarian.

## Library News

- After challenges with Ex Libris' data conversion subcontractor that delayed our project schedule by several weeks, Mount Allison's migration from SirsiDynix to Novanet's Aleph/Primo system is back on track. We are currently reviewing the first-pass test migration of MTA. Our target go-live window is between late June and mid-July 2019.
- Data and Digital Services Librarian Elizabeth Stregger is co-teaching a new, third-year Spring session course called Operational Data Science with faculty members from Computer Science and Biology. They are using open educational resources such as an adapted New England Collaborative Data Management Curriculum (NECDMC), R, and the open access textbook R for Data Science by Hadley Wickham and Garrett Goleman.
- Data and Digital Services Librarian Elizabeth Stregger and Jaclyn McLean, a librarian at the University of Saskatchewan, will have a poster presentation at the International Evidence Based Library and Information Practice Conference (EBLIP10) in Glasgow, Scotland in June 2019. The poster presents the initial results of their survey on unaffiliated users and access to academic library collections.
- The Libraries & Archives have successfully completed their Academic Unit Review process.

- We are currently in the midst of a project to replace all of the old fluorescent lighting fixtures on the basement and ground floors with new LED ones. We've gone from needing flashlights and miners' helmets to sunglasses!

#### *Comings and goings...*

- Sarah Bartlett will join the University Libraries and Archives in August on a term appointment as Music Librarian. Sarah comes to MTA with a variety of experiences, including IT support and documentation development at Western, support for recording musical concerts and event coordination at MUN, service in the Newfoundland and Labrador Public Libraries system, and an Open Scholarship Internship at Queen's.
- The Library and Archives welcomes students Susanna Cupido, Marin McBeath and Cameron Hambrook as summer interns under the New Brunswick Government's Student Employment Experience Development (SEED) program. Susanna, Marin and Cameron will be working on various projects throughout the Library.
- Victor Lima joined the University Archives in January 2019 as J.E.A. Crake ArtsWork Intern. He has been working with the University Archivist on the records of the R.C. Goodwin Company of Baie Verte, New Brunswick and on reports from the 1930s - 1950s by Biology students on community health throughout the Maritimes.
- In April and May 2019, the Library welcomed MLIS student Steve Geier, who did his practicum in the Mount Allison Library. Steve worked with Data & Digital Services Librarian Elizabeth Stregger to develop faculty and student publication collections in our Institutional Repository. Steve works as a research associate in Mount Allison's Chemistry and Biochemistry department, and is a student in the University of Alberta's MLIS program.
- Laura Snyder, Music Librarian for the last seven years, will be retiring effective 30 June 2019.
- Marc Truitt, University Librarian for the last seven years, will be retiring effective 30 June 2019.

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## Mount Saint Vincent University

### University News & Campus Activity Highlights

- Dr. Julie McMullin has been appointed the new Vice-President Academic & Provost. Dr. McMullin was most recently the Vice-Provost and Associate Vice-President (International) at the University of Western Ontario. She begins her new role on August 1, 2019. The search for a new Vice-President Administration is underway. The Dean of Arts & Science search committee has made a selection and we hope for an announcement soon.
- Dr. Ramona Lumpkin, our President from 2010 to 2017, was named President Emerita at our recent spring convocation ceremonies. Dr. Lumpkin is the third President at the Mount to be honoured by receiving the title. Rick Hansen, Mandy Rennehan, and Gloria Ann Wesley received

honorary doctorates during the ceremonies. Over 500 graduates crossed the stage this year, including two of our long-time student assistants, Joyce Wright and Damla Yur. We congratulate all students on their determination, efforts, and achievements.

- The Mount Saint Vincent University community marked the beginning of Sexual Assault Awareness Month in April by holding an event in the McCain Centre Atrium. Speakers and new campus-centred videos focused on what preventative measures we can all take to stop the violence and support survivors. During the event, the University's revised Policy Against Sexual Assault was shared.

### Library News & Activity Highlights

- The Mount welcomes Charlie, our new 8 year-old Goldendoodle therapy dog. Charlie is certified through St. John Ambulance and works with Counselling Services to assist the entire campus community. Marilyn, wife of Dr. Kim Kienapple, our Dean of Professional and Graduate Studies, is Charlie's owner and handler. Every Tuesday in the Library you can find them both in the front upper comfortable seating area for the 'Chillin' with Charlie' hour.
- The Library was pleased to host for the first time the DLI Atlantic Training workshop with on-site organization by Sandra Sawchuk, our Data Services Librarian. Close to 30 delegates joined the May 8th and 9th event sessions.
- Thanks to the Atlantis team at the Library and the Research Office, the journal has a fresh new look and is technically up-to-date with the newest version of OJS.
- Lindsey MacCallum took part in the organization of the Advancing Open scholarly communication event held in Vancouver, hosted by CARL and co-sponsored by CRKN. MSVU was also a sponsor. This event was targeted toward scholarly communications librarians sharing perspectives on challenges & opportunities regarding advancing open in Canada.
- Stan Orlov will be taking a sabbatical from July 1 - December 2019. His research area of focus will be around open access textbooks and communication.
- Denyse Rodrigues has been travelling to several conferences reporting on her recent year-long sabbatical project focusing on lesbian pulp fiction. Denyse recently launched an Omeka site dedicated to her analysis of our collection and her extended studies of the genre.
- We've received \$10,000 in funding from Young Canada Works help hire a full-time Library & Special Collections Intern to work with us over the fall term and the month of January 2020. The responsibilities of the position include research help and liaison duties. The successful candidate will also assist with cataloging and organizing the MacDonald Collection, develop promotional and instructional material related to the special collection to assist with curriculum support with several courses using the collection, and assisting the Librarian for the Humanities in working with student groups on their assignments.
- The Library Research Awards were a great success again this year. The Sister Francis De Sales Endowed Award went to fourth year history student Elise Blacker for her paper entitled Hieroglyphics and the Acceptance of Human History. Elise has now graduated and is off to Uoft to begin her Masters in Museum Studies. The winner of the MSVU Library Award was first year public relations student Hannah Baillie for her paper entitled Symmetrical Communication in

Politics: Interactions Between Presidents and Primary Supporters. It was pleasure to chair the adjudication committee again and present the awards and \$360 cash prizes at our Academic Awards Ceremony in April.

- Having missed this in my last report, I am pleased to let you know that Lindsey MacCallum, Librarian for the Humanities, Archives & Scholarly Communication, has successfully been reappointed and will be promoted to Librarian II effective July 1, 2019. Congratulations to Lindsey on her many successes within the Mount Community and the greater library profession beyond.

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## Nova Scotia Community College

### Libraries & Educational Technology News:

- The NSCC Digital Innovation & Technology Department is supporting libraries by supplying an additional 60 refurbished laptops for the Library Laptop Loan Program. This will help alleviate waitlists for this high demand service.
- Renovations are underway at the Truro Campus Library. Construction is occurring in adjacent classrooms on the first floor of the library and with that opportunity an additional classroom and two project rooms are being added to the library space. This has resulted in a weeding project and plans to move the stacks to free up space for a revitalized learning commons space.
- Writing Centres are continuing to grow across the College. We are now in the process of working with the Strait Area Campus to institute a Writing Centre in Fall 2019. With the addition of Strait, we will have Writing Centres at six campuses and one institute.
- EAL support services have been a success over the past Academic year with lots of positive feedback from users. We have prepared a report and recommendations to help inform next steps.
- To support the development of a new library website, we will be undertaking a card sorting exercise with students, faculty, and staff to help in evaluating and designing the information architecture of the website.
- Following on the 'Introduction to Digital Accessibility' sessions that were facilitated by Lisa Snider, Access Changes Everything, and sponsored by the provincial government at locations across the Nova Scotia, Libraries & Educational Technology hosted two sessions at NSCC with examples tailored for our audience. The sessions were very informative and were met with a lot of enthusiasm by faculty and staff. We hope to offer additional sessions in the future. Libraries & Educational Technology are presently convening a Digital Accessibility Working Group of College stakeholders to identify and review our existing accessibility practices and guidelines for digital materials and discuss how we can work together to develop common institutional guidelines.
- Amanda Marshall and Andrea Stewart completed the Libraries and Writing Centre portion of the ISTEP (Improving Skills Training for Employment Program) projects in Tanzania which are funded through Global Affairs Canada and Colleges and Institutes Canada (CICan). The project was a

great success. We facilitated sessions with faculty on setting up writing center services to support skill development, tablets and electronic resources. Amanda also had the opportunity to be in the classroom with students teaching on topics including resume writing, skills portfolios and report writing. The faculty are incorporating the learning and resources into their teaching practice and the students are accessing the new print and electronic resources through their library. We shared information about the project, our learning and the overall experience with colleagues at NSCC through a Lunch & Learn session.

- Libraries & Educational Technology team members attended the Dalhousie Conference on Teaching and Learning: "Diving Deep: Engaging Students Through Active Learning". This was valuable learning for which team members have brought back many great, innovative ideas.

### Library Staffing

- We have posted for a term, full-time Copyright Assistant. Sue Kaur is currently on a leave from her position.
- Parker Whitehead has joined the Truro Campus Library as the term Library Assistant. Linda McBurnie is currently on leave from her position.
- Chris Sheehy has joined the Lunenburg Campus Library as the term Library Technician. Shelley Meisner is currently on a one-year learning leave from her position.
- Robin Martelly has joined the Marconi Campus Library as the Library Assistant.
- Emma Blakeney, LIT student, is completing her work term with us.

### College News

- Don Bureaux, NSCC President, has been named to Atlantic Business Magazine's Top 50 CEOs, recognized for his leadership and entrepreneurial spirit. This marks his fifth year receiving this award.
- Tricia Donovan has joined the College in the new role of eCampus Principal.
- Lynn Hartwell will be joining the College as the VP, Campuses and Communities in July. Cathy MacLean is retiring from the role at the end of June.
- Jude Gerrard is joining the College in the new role of Senior Advisor, Mi'kmaq and Indigenous Initiatives.
- Jill Provoe has been seconded from her role as Dean, School of Access to the new role of Senior Advisor, Educational Equity. Terrah Keener is the new Dean, School of Access.
- NSCC has announced three new construction projects: a new residence at the Strait Area Campus, a residence and business research centre at the Centre of Geographic Sciences, and the addition of an Information Technology Innovation Centre at the IT Campus in Halifax. This will help grow the College's footprint, expand programming and better respond to demand within areas of growth.
- NSCC is the official Educational Sponsor of the 25th [Skills Canada National Competition](#), being held at the Halifax Exhibition Centre on May 28 and 29.

- NSCC is supporting the Engage Nova Scotia “Quality of Life: Measuring What Matters” Survey by leveraging our pan-provincial reach and strong community networks to help build awareness and encourage participation.
  - The College has received a Program of Excellence Award for the Pathways to Shipbuilding for Indigenous Canadians Pilot Program from Colleges & Institutes Canada (CICan).
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## NSCAD University

### Presidential Search

- Following a lengthy search process, NSCAD’s presidential search committee is set to make a recommendation to the Board of Governors, which should be made public soon. The President, Dianne Taylor-Gearing, announced in June 2018 she would not seek renewal of her current contract, which ends August 2019.

### Bargaining

- In the last update to CAUL-CBUA, I reported that both of the FUNSCAD (Faculty Union of NSCAD) unions, Unit 1 (Faculty) and Unit 2 (Technicians) were in the midst of respective collective bargaining for contracts that had both ended July 2018. Since that update, FUNSCAD Unit 1 went on strike, which lasted from March 1 to March 12. At issue were increased workload, research time and administrative support, social leaves and benefits. NSCAD Librarians are members of FUNSCAD Unit 1, and Leland Reed, Systems Librarian, and I were active in the pickets.
- At the time of this update, arbitration has concluded and issues are being settled among the employer and FUNSCAD Unit 1. Details will be made public soon. FUNSCAD Unit 2 completed bargaining and now have a contract.

### Dr. Sandra Alfoldy

- In February, NSCAD Professor of Craft and Design History, Dr Sandra Alfoldy, passed away following a very brave and determined fight against cancer. Sandra was a strong advocate and friend of the Library, and was a wonderful and brilliant member of NSCAD’s community. We miss her lively and spirited personality, and her generosity.

## Library

### Young Canada Works - Summer Project

- The Library received a grant to hire a returning student to work on an archival collection of audio tapes. The tapes are recordings of lectures by Tony Mann, a former professor of design.
- Our archival collections are available through NSCAD’s CAIRN Repository site, and we are continually grateful for the support of this CAUL-CBUA initiative!

## Staffing

- Sadie Richards has been hired as our new permanent part-time Cataloguer, a new position which was approved after Sadie's temporary contract had been renewed 3 times. We in the library are thrilled to have Sadie on our team. Her expertise and interest in artist's books and our archives make her a terrific support to NSCAD's faculty and students who teach with those collections.
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## Saint Mary's University

### Library Staffing

- Currently hiring a Reference Librarian to backfill for Nicole Carter's research leave.
- Nicole and Mikayla Redden from Centennial College Libraries are the recipients of the 2018 Collaborative Research Grant for their project, Student Library Employees: What Are Their Career Plans and What Influenced Those Plans?
- Hired three MLIS summer students who started in May.

### Library News

- The Indigenous Artifacts Exhibit, in partnership with the Nova Scotia Museum, student Isaiah Bernard from the Indigenous Students' Society, and Raymond Sewell, Indigenous Student Advisor, is now on display in the library. A soft launch of the exhibit was held on March 14 with an unveiling and a panel discussion.
  - PhD student support: New PhD students from the Business Admin (Management) program met with librarians for an introduction to library supports and resources. Each PhD student is paired with an academic librarian whom they can contact for research assistance.
  - BNUZ 2+2 event in the library: The Library worked with the Faculty of Arts to host a reception for the first-ever cohort of students from China to graduate from the BNUZ 2+2 program. These students completed the first two years of their arts degrees in China and the last two years at Saint Mary's.
  - Peter Webster, Associate University Librarian, and Library Assistant Hanka Hudak were each recognized in April for their 25 years of service to the Saint Mary's University Library. Congratulations to our accomplished colleagues!
  - University Senate Minutes are now available through the Library's Institutional Repository.
  - In partnership with the Women's Centre, FREE feminine hygiene products are now available in the Library's first floor women's washroom.
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## St. Francis Xavier University

### Campus Updates

- Faculty and Staff members moved back into a completely renovated Nicholson Tower this week. The eight floors were completely gutted and rebuilt. The remainder of the displaced Faculty and Staff members will move into the 90,000 sqft Mulroney Hall in late June. In addition to 16 new

classrooms, and the Mulroney Institute of Government, there is a new Teaching and Learning Centre and several hundred informal learning spaces.

- President Kent MacDonald has completed his 5-year term at StFX and is not renewing. The Presidential search will begin shortly with the intent of filling the role by August 2020.

### Library News

- Summer projects have been started in the Library, including inventory and link-testing on our website. These projects will be ongoing through June. We are still in the midst of our hiring process for the University Librarian. We hope to wrap this up soon.
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## Université de Moncton

### University News

- Elizabeth Dawes a été nommée vice-rectrice adjointe à l'enseignement et aux affaires professorales de l'Université de Moncton pour un mandat de cinq ans qui a débuté le 1er mai. Mme Dawes était auparavant doyenne de la Faculté des arts de l'Université Laurentienne, en Ontario.
- Gilles Roy a été nommé au poste de vice-recteur à l'enseignement et à la recherche pour un mandat régulier de cinq ans qui commencera le 1er juillet 2019. M. Roy était auparavant doyen de la Faculté de génie de l'Université de Moncton.
- Ratification de la convention collective de l'AEUM (Association des employés de l'Université de Moncton)
- Ratification de la convention collective de l'APAPUM (Association du personnel administrative et professionnel de l'Université de Moncton)..

### Library News

- Visites et formations documentaires aux étudiantes et étudiants des élèves de 10e, 11e et 12e année des écoles secondaires de Mathieu-Martin et de l'Odysée.
- Système de "Réservation d'un bibliothécaire" avec l'instance Bookings de Microsoft
- Abonnement à Ancestry Library
- Abonnement à EBSCO Academic eBooks Collection
- Abonnement à SirsiDynix Portfolio

### Staff News

- Mme Jeanne-Mance Cormier, conservatrice du Musée acadien de l'Université de Moncton depuis 28 ans, a été nommée chef de service du Musée acadien de l'Université de Moncton et du Centre d'études acadiennes Anselme-Chiasson;
- Début des formations à la suite BLUE Cloud de SirsiDynix, à tout le personnel des bibliothèques du réseau.

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## Université Sainte-Anne

### Library News

- The library participated in convocation once more this spring. We were pleased to see and congratulate so many familiar faces, including four former student assistants. One had been employed at the library since high school.
- The spring French Immersion session began on May 20<sup>th</sup>, and we have had many visitors as these students tour campus. Students are not permitted to speak or read in any language but French during their 5-week stay, both on campus and in the community (that includes their cell phones!). If they are caught breaking this rule three times, they are expelled from the program. We recently purchased a collection of French books with accompanying CD so students can listen to the text while they read. We also put on display a number of familiar stories (fairy tales, books in the Harry Potter series, etc.) that have been translated or are in their original French language.
- A number of university and community groups have been making good use of our free meeting rooms and our after-term policy where we permit groups to book rooms for an entire day. (During the fall and winter terms, we limit bookings to two hours.) We've welcomed groups from local health organizations, business and tourism, education, and archives. They keep returning because of our openness to food, free wi-fi, free technology loans, and the cheery environment of the rooms – most rooms have three white walls and one very bright colourful one, after which the room is named (see the photo below).
- Staff have begun to tackle summer clean-up projects like evaluation of government documents, updating periodicals summaries in the ILS, and removing temporary notices for interlibrary loans.



“La salle verte” – “The Green Room”, complete with seating for up to 25, SmartTV, free wi-fi, whiteboard, and acoustic panels for sound quality.

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## University of King's College

### Library

- The Library will be hiring a Library Assistant/Evening Supervisor to replace a staff member who accepted a position at another library.
- A student has been hired as the summer Library Student Assistant to work full time through August.
- During the last weeks of term and the examination period, the Library was open for over 90 additional hours as a quiet study hall from closing time until 2 a.m. Most of the students who used the space were from King's, but a number came from Dalhousie.
- The Library will offer borrowing privileges to International Baccalaureate students from Nova Scotia high schools next year.
- A researcher visited the Library to examine a number of rare books to add to the Short Title Catalogue Flanders (bibliography of hand-printed books in Flanders).
- Rare book talks were presented to a number of classes during the winter term.

### Archives

- One or two students will be hired to work on a variety of projects in the Archives this summer, including arranging and describing the records of a former president and creating an exhibit with natural history specimens that were used for teaching at King's in the 19th century.
- Tours of the Treasure Room were provided for prospective students and their parents, and a group of registrars who were meeting on campus.

### University news

- At King's 230th Encaenia (graduation) 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.
- The fourth session of Humanities for Young People, a residential summer program for students aged 15 to 17 from across Canada, will take place July 6 through 14. This year's theme is "Thinking through Fear." HYP received a SSHRC grant this year.

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## University of New Brunswick

### University News

- Five graduation ceremonies will be held at UNB the week before our CAUL meetings; four on the Fredericton campus and one in Saint John.
- Earlier this month UNB hosted the Canada-Wide Science Fair for 500 students aged 12-17
- Our new President will start on July 1. Dr. Paul Mazerolle is currently pro vice-chancellor of arts, education and law and the director of the violence research and prevention program at

Griffith University in Queensland, Australia. Our current President, Eddy Campbell is being celebrated as he steps out of the role after 10 years of service to UNB.

- A new VP for the Saint John campus started on March 1. Dr. Petra has joined us from UNB from St. Francis Xavier University, where she was Dean of Science.
- Dr. Heidi MacDonald has joined UNB as Dean of Arts on the Saint John campus. Dr. MacDonald was previously at the University of Lethbridge
- UNB will be adopting a differential tuition model for undergraduate programs beginning in 2019-20 that will see tuition vary by program. UNB will be adopting a differential tuition model for undergraduate programs beginning in 2019-20 that will see tuition vary by program.

### Library News

- David Ross, Head Librarian, UNBSJ was awarded a University Merit Award for faculty and librarians
  - Saran Croos has been named to the CARL Working Group for Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion.
  - Work has begun on our new Research Commons at HIL. Vacating the third floor of HIL and re-locating all staff from that floor has been a major undertaking this term.
  - We are working on a master plan for libraries, with consultants from Shepley Bulfinch, an architectural firm based in Boston. They were on campus in April to meet with students, faculty, and others.
  - The second New Brunswick Bibliography Symposium was held on March 27, hosted by UNB Libraries. Subtitled Embarkation, Setting Sail, the symposium brought together scholars, librarians, archivists, and others interested in bibliography and book history, and in the preservation of the published heritage of New Brunswick.
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## University of Prince Edward Island

### University News

- UL Search is ongoing.
- Dean of Science Search will be starting shortly.
- UPEI President Abd-El-Aziz was named a Fellow of the Royal Society of Chemistry and received the Senate 150 Medal.
- UPEI hosted three convocation ceremonies May 10-11.
- UPEI's INSPIRE! campaign goal of \$50M was exceeded ahead of schedule. The funds raised support UPEI's strategic priorities of creating new knowledge and delivering exceptional learning experiences that prepare students for success.
- Dr. Susan Dawson, professor of anatomy at AVC, with a certificate in recognition of her 2019 3M National Teaching Award. Dr. Dawson is the seventh faculty member at UPEI to be named a 3M National Teaching Fellow.

## Library News

### Renovation

- We had the opportunity to participate in meetings related to phase 1 of Robertson Library renovations. Phase 1 includes the annex, breezeway, and library entrances. The bookstore will be moving into the annex and the plan is to open the breezeway up to create a welcoming transition. Architects from Coles Associates are working with the Library and stakeholders to develop a programming plan for the entire building.

### UPEI Arts Review

- The Robertson Library supported the print production of this year's the UPEI Arts Review. First published in 2012, and is the only student-led print publication on campus, Arts Review Vol. VIII: Quod Erat Demonstrandum was launched April 4, 2019.

### 50th Anniversary Activities

#### *Lecture Series*

- As part of UPEI's 50th anniversary, the Robertson Library is presenting a lecture series to celebrate the historical roots of higher education on Prince Edward Island and its future. The series is named after educator and librarian Frank Pigot, honoured as a UPEI Founder for his work building the library's PEI Collection and University Archives. Three lectures have been presented thus far and another is planned for June 25 featuring Marion Bruce and her talk "The Lion of Prince of Wales: Alexander Anderson -- An Unsung Hero of Prince Edward Island's Education System"

#### *50 Years, 50 Voices*

- An oral history project seeking to interview 50 individuals that have a connection with UPEI - presidents, faculty, staff, retirees, alumni, and community members are included. Library staff are leading the project.

### Events

- We hosted a number of events this winter including 3 "Movie Talks", a book club for environment studies, escape rooms, and stress-free events during exam periods.

### Seniors College

- We facilitated two courses for Seniors College this winter. Sharing Our Research features UPEI faculty and graduate students highlighting their research projects. Project Librarian Keltie MacPhail developed a workshop series introducing seniors to 3d printing. Both courses were well received.