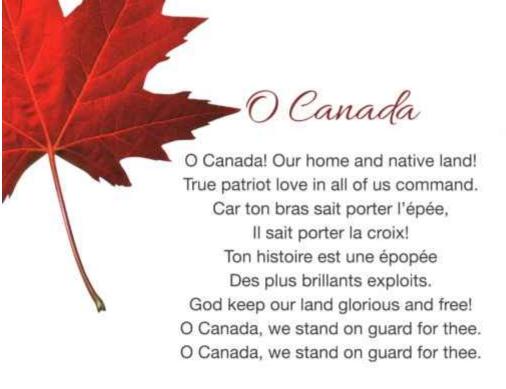
FALL CONVOCATION SAINT MARY'S UNIVERSITY 2019





CONVOCATION

is a joyous yet formal ceremony, bound by traditions which have evolved over centuries. Thank you for your participation in this important academic occasion. Graduating students and their guests are asked to remain seated until the formal ceremony has been completed in its entirety – the Chancellor of the University has officially closed Convocation and the stage party and graduates have recessed.

Saint Mary's University acknowledges our presence today in the traditional lands of the Mi'kmaq nation. This territory is covered by the Treaties of Peace and Friendship which the Mi'kmaq and Wolastoqiyik peoples first signed with the British Crown in 1725. The Treaties did not deal with surrender of lands and resources but in fact recognized the Mi'kmaq and Wolastoqiyik title and established the rules for what was to be an ongoing relationship.

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ORDER OF ACADEMIC PROCESSION

Marshal of Convocation

Alumni Honour Guard

Graduates

Faculty

Board of Governors

Deans of Faculties

Recipients of Honorary Degrees

Vice-Presidents

President & Vice Chancellor

Chancellor

Please note that names of graduates listed in this program are subject to revision.

ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS

Processional

Welcome

Invocation

First Nations Welcome

Presidential Remarks Robert Summerby-Murray, B.A., M.A. (Hons.), Ph.D., A.T.C.L.

Presentation of Awards

Conferring of Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates

GRADUATE STUDIES Friday Night Ceremony

Adam J. Sarty, B.Sc. (Engineering), Ph.D., Associate Vice-President Research, Dean of Graduate Studies and Research, will present the candidates.

BUSINESS Saturday Morning Ceremony

Harjeet, S. Bhabra, MBA, Ph.D., Dean of the Sobey School of Business, will present the candidates.

ARTS Saturday Afternoon Ceremony

Margaret Y. MacDonald, B.A. (Hon.), D.Phil., Dean of Arts, will present the candidates.

SCIENCE Saturday Afternoon Ceremony

Lori Francis, B.Sc., M.Sc., Ph.D., Acting Dean of Science, will present the candidates.

Valedictory Addresses

Friday Evening Samantha Watson-Crooks Saturday Morning Natalia Gutierrez Valencia

Saturday Afternoon Cherish Wilson

Conferral of Honorary Degrees

Saturday, September 28th, 10:00 a.m. To be Doctor of Civil Law, (honoris causa) John A. Young

Saturday, September 28th, 2:00 p.m. To be Doctor of Civil Law, (honoris causa) Gloria J. Borden

Convocation Address

Induction to the President's Hall of Academic Excellence

Closing of Convocation

O Canada

Recessional

Chancellor of Saint Mary's University Michael Durland, B.Comm., Ph.D., D.Comm.

Master of Ceremonies

Malcolm N. Butler, B.Sc. (Hons.), Ph.D., Vice-President, Academic and Research

Marshal of Convocation

Tatjana Takševa B.A. (Hons.), M.A., Ph.D. Professor of English Language and Literature and Women and Gender Studies Chairperson of the Academic Senate

Marshal of Students

Tom Brophy, B.A., M.Ed., Senior Director of Student Services

Orator

Alexandre Avdulov, B.A., M.A., Ph.D., Associate Professor of Japanese and Asian Studies



THE CEREMONIAL MACE



ceremonial mace, carried by the Marshal of Convocation, was presented to Saint Mary's University in 1980. It symbolizes the University's authority to grant degrees and is a gift from Maritime Command in honour of alumni killed in both world wars. The mace also recognizes serving members of the Canadian Armed Forces who have been students at Saint Mary's.

The mace is made of oak with a cast brass crown and brass plates carrying traditional ceremonial engravings; the plates represent the contributions to Saint Mary's by the Jesuit Fathers, the Christian Brothers of Ireland, the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Halifax-Yarmouth, the LaSalle Christian Brothers, the Lay Teachers, and the Armed Forces.

UNIVERSITY MOTTO

Age Quod Agis means to 'do what you do.' This phrase exhorts us to focus on our work, to be in the moment, and devote our fullest attention to the task at hand. It is a call for dedication, a focus on duty and perseverance, a statement of process. It is a proclamation of the importance of disciplining ourselves to our studies, to our scientific, artistic, cultural, commercial, and athletic pursuits. It is a call to action to act in the world, to shoulder responsibility, to champion social justice, environmental justice, and ethical values.



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DEGREES AND DIPLOMAS AWARDED WITH DISTINCTIONS

At Saint Mary's University in the general undergraduate degree and diploma programs, academic distinctions are awarded to successful candidates on the basis of the following cumulative grade point averages of all courses taken at Saint Mary's University. There are no distinctions awarded in graduate and certificate programs.

B.A., B.E.S., B.Comm., & B.Sc.	Grade Point Av.	Diploma in Engineering
summa cum laude	4.00 - 4.30	with greatest distinction
magna cum laude	3.85 - 3.99	with great distinction
cum laude	3.70 - 3.84	with distinction

The President's Hall of Academic Excellence, located in the main hallway of the McNally Building, directly outside the President's Office, displays the names of all students who earned one of these distinctions. The Hall also includes the names of students who won academic medals at graduation.

FLAGS ON THE STAGE

The flags which you see displayed on the stage for Convocation are from some of the countries from which our students come, not necessarily graduating students, but those in any year of study. The globalization of the Saint Mary's University community is a feature of justifiable pride which contributes markedly to the growth and

understanding of both Canadian and non-Canadian students

Included in the University's permanent collection of flags is one from the International Year of the Disabled signifying the University's permanent commitment to people with disabilities. Also part of this collection is that of the Mi'kmaqs' in recognition of their First Nation's Status. Since our Spring 2002 Convocation, the University's Bicentennial flag has taken its rightful place in our permanent collection.



THE HOODING CEREMONY



Graduates and members of the academic procession are attired in the basic elements of formal academic dress, which follow general guidelines established at England's Oxford and Cambridge Universities, It consists of the academic robe, hood, and mortar board (at Saint Mary's, the latter is limited to Master's graduates).

The academic hood symbolizes the degree into which each graduate has been admitted, its outer edge trimmed with a colour to indicate a particular Faculty and degree: white symbolizes Arts; gold,

Science; grey, Commerce, and green for Environmental Studies. Bachelor-level hoods are lined with satin in the colours of the institution granting the degree. Hence at Saint Mary's, they are maroon satin with a white chevron. The Master's hood is lined with maroon satin only, giving it added distinction.

MEDALS AND AWARDS

Master of Finance Gold Medal

Recipient: Baozhu Wang

Master of Management - Co-operatives and Credit Unions: Pobihuschy Medal

Recipient: Adam Robert Trott

JOHN AND HEATHER FITZPATRICK VALEDICTORIAN AWARD

Recipients: Samantha Watson-Crooks

Natalia Gutierrez Valencia

Cherish Wilson

Donor: John BA'81, LLD'17 & Heather Fitzpatrick

PRESIDENT'S AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN RESEARCH

Dr. Christa Brosseau



Created in 1989 to honour outstanding research conducted by a full-time faculty member, the recipients of the Saint Mary's University President's Award for Excellence in Research must have a record of continued and exceptional contribution to research and scholarship, as well as national or international recognition as an authority in a major field of knowledge.

A world leader in her field, Dr. Christa Brosseau is an internationally recognized, highly productive, and influential scholar in the areas of electrochemistry, spectroscopy, and nanotechnology. By any metric of research success, be it number of publications, quality of publications, research grants obtained, awards received, high quality personnel trained, degree of innovation, potential for application, or knowledge transfer achieved, Dr. Brosseau exemplifies research excellence.

As a Canada Research Chair (Tier 2) in Sustainable Chemistry and Materials, Dr. Brosseau has received more than \$1.1-million in research funding in the previous five years from such sources as Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC) and Canada Foundation for Innovation (CFI). She has trained nearly 40 students in her lab since 2009: these students have received

more than 25 awards for their own research presentations and publications.

With an interdisciplinary Chemistry research program spanning the fields of spectroscopy, electrochemistry, nanoscience and biomedical studies, Dr. Brosseau's innovations in the area of Surface-Enhanced Raman Spectroscopy allows for detection of biomolecules that revolutionize the way we can detect and diagnose diseases. Dr. Brosseau and her research group have developed fabric chips, or wearable sensor technology, that lead to many health applications. This technology has been applied to earlier detection of diseases such as tuberculosis and preeclampsia. This work can also be used to help understand how diseases are spread.

A tireless champion of science literacy, Dr. Brosseau speaks frequently at international conferences, meetings, and seminars, communicating her research findings and their potential applications to solve real world challenges to wide audiences. Her creative and innovative research appears in the top scientific journals, and her scientific work is often profiled in technology and industry-based outlets due to its high impact.

Dr. Brosseau partners her research passion with a high degree of commitment to teaching and service to Saint Mary's University and to her professional community. She is the former Chairperson and current Vice-Chairperson of the Canadian Section of the Electrochemical Society, Co-President of nanoAtlantic, and a board member of Techsploration. She won the Discovery Centre's Emerging Professional Award in 2013 and the SMUSA Faculty of Science teaching award in 2010. Saint Mary's University is fortunate indeed that Dr. Christa Brosseau calls Saint Mary's home.

The award is adjudicated by the Research Committee of the Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research. Each Faculty Dean may nominate one Faculty member.

MASTER OF APPLIED HEALTH SERVICES RESEARCH

Róisin Anne Walls Lantz, NS

MASTER OF ARTS (CRIMINOLOGY)

Amanda Margaret Yeshe Hester Halifax, NS

Omotimilehin Sarat Idris Lagos, Nigeria.

Stephanie Lynn Nieman Calgary, AB

Mary Diane O'Handley Toronto, ON

Tyler A. Spencer Bridgewater, NS

MASTER OF ARTS (INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT STUDIES)

Amber Elizabeth McMunn Haliburton, ON

Janet L. Music Halifax, NS

Anuoluwapo E. Oduwole ljebu, Nigeria



MASTER OF ARTS (PHILOSOPHY)

Ikranrin Makan Ottawa, ON

MASTER OF APPLIED ECONOMICS

James Duncan Kyte Falmouth, NS

Ryan Murray Lochhead Nanaimo, BC

Ruth Asantewaa Owusu Halifax, NS

Farzana Shaheen Halifax, NS

MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Colin C. Beiswanger Halifax, NS

Dylan Thomas Boudreau Paulamon, NS

Lisa Michele Brousseau Timberlea, NS

Taylor Gerard Cameron Fall River, NS

Tram Thi Dieu Chau

Halifax, NS

Brandon E. Cort

St. John's, Antigua & Barbuda

Christian A. Cort

St. John's, Antigua & Barbuda

Katarina Rose Hakansson Danbrook

Halifax, NS

Ryan Dunn

Stratford, PE

Christophe Dupuy

Bedford, NS

Rebecca J. Durdle

Halifax, NS

Fatemeh Faraz khorasani

Halitax, NS

Hasnain Sharif Karnali

Halifax, NS

Jana A. Kennedy

Louisbourg, NS

Darryl Adam Lever

Halifax, NS

Pavel Maliougine

Halifax, NS

Adam Reid Proudfoot

Saint John, NB

Lauchlin A. Routledge

Halifax, NS

Karilyn Annette Robleen Thompson

Lakeside, NS

Jennifer Tsai Sheng Yee

Vancouver, BC

MASTER OF FINANCE

Sanaz Alimohammadi Sagvand

Tehran, Iran

Yanan Biao

Harbin, China

Ying Cai

Hefel, China

Hanmeng Cao

Chengdu, China

Hanyu Cao

Halifax, NS

Chongzhe Chai

Halifax, NS

Yiming Chang

Halifax, NS

Jingzhuo Chen

Shijiazhuang, China

Wendi Chen

Zhongshan, China

Yanzhi Chen

Chengdu, China

Yao Chen

Fulian, China

Yuting Cui

Shenzhen, China

Jinjin Dai

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Pelyi Duan

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Pascal Adigwe Eze

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Ge Gao

Qingdao, China

James Robert Gillies

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Rui Guan

Beijing, China

Ahsan Hafeez

Lahore, Pakistan

Xianjin He

Nanning, China

Zhengye He

Dongguan, China

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Jingzhou, China

Yanlin Huang

Foshan, China

Yufu Huang

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Guangzhou, China

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Chongging, China

Runzhou Li

Halifax, NS

Zun Li

Halifax, NS

Shufang Lin

Longyan, China

Manning Liu

Tangshan, China

Xiaoling Liu

Qingdao, China

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Nanchang, China

Yi Luo

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Hefei, China

Jiajun Sang

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Ananth Sringeri Gopalakrishna Bengaluru, India

Kai Sun Hegang, China

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Dayang Wu Taiyuan, China

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Halifax, NS

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laude

Mount Stewart, PE

Ahmad Negahban

Dartmouth, NS

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Swetcha Vallabhaneni

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Prospect, NS

Fadel Abbas Haidar

Salmiya, Kuwait

Kendrick Lewis Knowles

Nassau, Bahamas

Taylor-Anne Rona MacMaster

Hopewell, NS

Evan Thomas Terry

Halifax, NS

Christopher David Wood summa cum laude

Hallfax, NS

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Bahaeldin Hany Abdelaal

Cairo, Egypt

Omar Osama Daoud Abughanim with greatest

distinction

Amman, Jordan

Brett R. Arthur with great distinction

Sackville, NS

Matthew Gregory David Bayne

Bedford, NS

Suvendu Dev

Chittagong, Bangladesh

Ahmad ElCheikh Mohamad

Palestine

Osama ElCheikh Mohamad

Palestine

Jessica Lynn Ann Fazio-Irving

Stewiacke, NS

Khalid A. Karaballi

Halifax, NS

Noah Farrell Langlois

Hammonds Plains, NS

Yazan Ihab Shuli Amman, Jordan

Mehardeep Singh

Halifax, NS

Johnathan Douglas Slaunwhite

Halifax, NS

Alexander Steeves

Bedford, NS

VALEDICTORIAN BIOGRAPHIES

Friday, September 27th, 7:00 p.m.

Samantha Watson-Crooks

Samantha is graduating today with a Master of Finance Degree. She was born in Nassau, Bahamas but is no newcomer to Halifax or Saint Mary's University. In 1999, she graduated with a Bachelor of Commerce in Finance after which she returned to the Bahamas where she developed considerable expertise in the financial industry. In 2007, Samantha was the youngest and only female nominated for the Executive of the Year award in The Bahamas and in 2012 she was selected as one of the nation's Financial Services Ambassadors. During her career, she held positions of Compliance Officer, Senior Manager of Risk, Chief Financial Officer, and Vice President. She is now the Senior Manager of Investor Operations at MUFG Investor Services here in Halifax.

Since her graduation from Saint Mary's University 20 years ago, Samantha continued her educational advancement. She obtained certifications in fund administration, anti-money laundering, compliance, combating the financing of terrorism, and a Master of Business Administration. Besides her personal drive, she attributes her success to the support of her husband, three children and extended family - several who flew all the way from Nassau to celebrate this wondrous occasion with her.

Saturday, September 28th, 10:00 a.m.

Natalia Gutierrez Valencia

Natalia is graduating today with a Bachelor of Commerce Degree, two majors and Co-operative Education. She was born in Bogota. Colombia and moved to Nova Scotia when she was 17 years old. First, she learned French and completed a diploma in business at a francophone university. Then, Natalia moved to Halifax and joined Saint Mary's University to complete her undergrad.

Since her first day, Natalia was actively involved in campus. She was a member of the Enactus Society, leading a community project to reduce food waste and food insecurity in Nova Scotia. In her role, she represented the University at a national and international level, and contributed more than 500 hours of volunteer work. She also created her own society to promote Latin-American culture and was president of the Grad Class Society this past year. She attributes her success to the University faculty for believing in her potential and to her family sitting here today for their unconditional support.

Saturday, September 28th, 2:00 p.m.

Cherish Wilson

Cherish is graduating today with an Honours degree in English Language and Literature with a Minor in Linguistics from the Faculty of Arts. She was born in Nassau, Bahamas and came to Halifax in 2015 to attend University. She is currently enrolled in the University of the Bahamas' Diploma of Secondary Education program.

During her time at Saint Mary's University, Cherish was an active member of the Residence Consent Project where she aided in hosting events that informed and brought awareness to sexual violence, body positivity and safe sex practice. She also worked part-time as an Ambassador for the Entrepreneurship Centre encouraging students to become engaged with entrepreneurship through hosting and promoting the centre's activities.

Cherish would like to thank her friends and family for their continued support as she strives to achieve her goals. She also thanks her professors from the English and Linguistics Department for the guidance they provided during her academic journey.

PROFESSOR EMERITUS DR. VICTOR M. CATANO



Dr. Catano was Professor of Industrial and Organizational Psychology at Saint Mary's University, Halifax, Nova Scotia for 46 years. He was a registered psychologist in Nova Scotia and a member of the Human Resources Association of Nova Scotia. He was a past editor of Canadian Psychology and acted as a reviewer for numerous scholarly journals and granting agencies. He published over 250 scholarly articles, conference papers, and technical reports. Dr. Catano's research interests

included personnel psychology; the psychology of labour relations; organizational and environmental constraints on productivity; and the impact of psychological environments on the health, safety, and productivity of workers.

Dr. Catano extensively consulted in personnel selection with both private and public organizations. Dr. Catano was elected as a Fellow by the Canadian Psychological Association and as an honorary member by the Canadian Forces Personnel Selection Officers Association.

He was a recipient of the Canadian Psychological Association's Award for Distinguished Contributions to Education and Training and the Canadian Society for Industrial and Organizational Psychology's Distinguished Scientist Award. The Human Resources Association of Nova Scotia awarded him an honorary membership in recognition of his distinguished contributions to human resources in Canada. He received the Society of Industrial and Organizational Psychology's Presidential Recognition as a Scientist-Practitioner. Over his career Dr. Catano served as president of the Canadian Association of University Teachers, among other organizations. He was instrumental in establishing the I/O Psychology graduate programs at Saint Mary's University.

Dr. Victor Catano passed away in May 2019.

HONORARY DEGREES

John A. Young, Q.C., Doctor of Civil Law, honoris causa

Community builder and legal advocate



Born in Saint John, New Brunswick, John Young's interest in commerce and law would lead him to pursue post-secondary degrees in those fields in Halifax. He would later travel to England where he received a Master of Laws from the University of London.

After graduating from law school at Dalhousie University, Young would spend the next four years working as a political aid on Parliament Hill. It was there that he first heard about three young lawyers starting a law firm in Halifax. After his time in Ottawa, and after he had completed his Master of Laws, he returned to Halifax and remembered what he had heard about that ambitious new firm. Young would choose the new firm, BOYNECLARKE, over a larger firm, becoming their fourth lawyer in the mid-1970s.

Young would be an essential part of the firm's growth, as they focused on the specialization that allowed them to develop skills that set them apart from larger firms. During this growing period, the firm would go on to win a case in the Supreme Court of Canada over a much larger firm. They were the upstart in some respects, the only new firm in that period when most Halifax firms had been around for a while. Young was an important part of the firm's growth from four lawyers to the fourth-largest firm in Atlantic Canada today.

Young was most recently Counsel at BOYNECLARKE LLP, having served as the firm Chair from 2012-2018. He acts on behalf of a wide variety of businesses, government agencies, institutions and not-for-profit organizations and advises their senior management in the creation, operation and expansion of their activities.

He is currently serving as a Chair of the Canadian Forces Liaison Council (NS), Chair of the Canadian Maritime Heritage Foundation, Director of the Royal Nova Scotia Tattoo Society, and Trustee of St. Andrews United Church, Halifax. He recently completed a term as Director of the Nova Scotia Health Authority and has served on a wide variety of boards of Canadian corporations.

Young enjoys golf, politics and community service.

Gloria J. Borden, Doctor of Civil Law, honoris causa Trailblazer and champion for the arts

Gloria Borden grew up as one of 18 children in New Glasglow, Nova Scotia. From a young age, Borden grew to cherish music, community, sports and boxing. After years of success as a student-athlete, Borden would leave New Glasgow for Halifax.

In 1958, she joined the staff at the Victoria General Hospital as an assistant lab technologist, a position she held while she raised two sons. She would become the first Black hematology specialist in Canada. During this time, she researched a series of tests related to lymphomas that could be used as indicators on patients in or out of remission. Under the direction of Dr. O.A. Hayne, she would go on to have an abstract article published in the New England Journal of Medicine 1987.



With a successful career in healthcare, Borden also dedicated time to the sport she grew up loving, boxing. In 1970, she founded the Halifax Recreational Amateur Boxing Club. In 1971, Borden became the first female boxing promoter in Canada. She would go on to manage and help train 150 amateur boxers, four of which went on to participate in the 1976 Olympics in Montreal. While she was a successful boxing promoter, it was Borden's time as a student-athlete in New Glasgow that led to her induction into the Pictou County Sports Heritage Hall of Fame.

Borden also excelled as a music producer. In 1989, she produced the acclaimed God's Trombones. She founded the internationally-known Nova Scotia Mass Choir in 1991. Borden produced the first international gospel festival in North America in 1992. She went on to be the founder and President of the Kangee Production Society and the Managing Director of the Jongleur Intensive Performing Arts Academy, the Jeri Brown Touring Youth Choir and the Jeri Brown Theatre Company. She was also a board member for the Charles Taylor Hall Society in 2010.

Borden is currently looking forward to the next project she plans to produce: a play telling the story of Black Nova Scotia from 1783 to 2010.



The Saint Mary's Alumni Association

will welcome more than 350 students into its global family this fall.

To signify the momentous transition from Saint Mary's students to becoming Saint Mary's alumni, volunteer members of the Alumni Honour Guard don special robes to lead graduates in and out of the convocation ceremony.

As each graduate crosses the stage, they receive an alumni pin from a member of the Saint Mary's Alumni Association, a tradition dating back to 1990. Graduates are encouraged to wear their pins with pride.

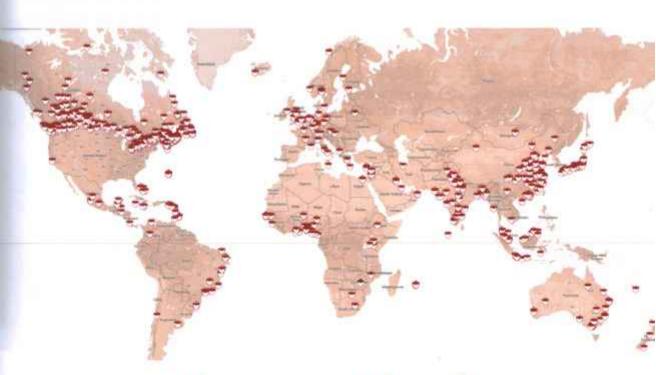


Alumni of Saint Mary's University, Santamarians, share a strong sense of community; this bond is evident whether alumni are cheering on the Huskies, supporting their alma mater with their time or resources, or heading back to campus for Hornecoming Weekend.

With more than 51,000 graduates worldwide, Saint Mary's has alumni networks in cities and towns across the globe.

Stay connected and keep in touch with classmates through social media, regional gatherings and networking opportunities. And if you want to volunteer, plan an event, or start an alumni network in your area, visit smu.ca/alumni.

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Alumni around the world

ABOUT SAINT MARY'S UNIVERSITY

NESTLED IN THE HEART OF HALIFAX.

Nova Scotia, Saint Mary's University is marked by iconic buildings. green spaces, and fresh ocean air. A vibrant and culturally diverse campus, Saint Mary's lets students experience the world, all in one city block.

The University's role in the creation and dissemination of knowledge, combined with its entrepreneurial and leadership skills training, provide ample evidence of its ability to change the world for the better - locally. nationally, and internationally.

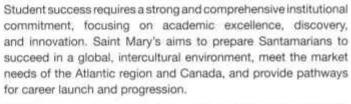
Graduates of Saint Mary's - who hail from more than 100 countries - share a special pride. Known as Santamarians, 50,000 alumni are contributing to communities and economies around the globe.

Saint Mary's has pioneered a number of academic programs and is home to one of the first faculties of commerce in Canada, now recognized as a national leader in business education. In more recent years, the University became known for programs and supports for students with disabilities; when the Fred Smithers Centre of Support for Students with Disabilities opened in 1985, it was one of only a handful of such facilities in the country.

Saint Mary's has always endorsed the idea that physical health is a strong foundation for a productive mind and spirit, and the University has proven time and again the legitimacy of this philosophy, winning many regional and national titles across a number of sports.







Building upon its strong history of teaching and research excellence, student-centred learning, community outreach, and commitment to diversity, Saint Mary's University is ready to meet the challenges and opportunities of the 21st century. So, too, are its graduates.

SAINT MARY'S WAS FOUNDED IN 1802

to provide opportunities for higher learning to young Catholic men. Its founder, the Reverend Edmund Burke, had meagre resources to work with, but on being named Bishop with responsibility for Nova Scotia, he continued to support the college as essential to the development of the Catholic community.

In 1841, the Nova Scotia House of Assembly formally recognized the institution's academic role. And in 1952, Saint Mary's College was granted university status. Just 50 years ago, in 1968, the school became a co-ed learning environment.

FRAMING OF PARCHMENTS

The Saint Mary's University Bookstore, is pleased to provide an on-site, instant framing program following graduation ceremonies. (Please note: This service is NOT available during the Convocation ceremony.)

Simply present your diploma at the designated area in the BMO Lounge area outside of the Conference Hall. In seconds, it will be professionally framed in a high quality, Canadian-made frame, complete with a mat emblazoned with the official crest of Saint Mary's University.





FLOWERS

Fresh flowers are available for purchase in the McNally Lobby. before and after the ceremony.

PHOTOGRAPHY

Family and friends are welcome to come forward and take photos of your favourite graduates as they exit the stage. However, we ask that you do not impede the flow of the ceremony or obstruct others taking their photos.

Stage trappings will be left in place for approximately one half hour at the conclusion of Convocation for graduates who wish to have photographs taken by family and friends against the backdrops on the stage.

There will also be photo backdrops of the University in the Conference Hall for pictures after the ceremony.

Calnen Photography is available in the BMO Lounge following each ceremony for graduation photos. For individual sittings please call Calnen Photography at: 902-423-8840 or visit their website at www.calnenphotography.com



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