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Huskies lose longest-serving Soccer Coach

The Saint Mary's University community is saddened by the passing of Roy Clements, the longest-serving soccer coach in the University's history.

Roy, known by all as "Coach," died January 30 at his home in Dartmouth. He was 80.



Above: Coach Clements on the pitch

Below: Coach Clements as portrayed by Chad Newhook, Athletic Therapist in the Sports Medicine Clinic

Coach Clements was representative of an era when Saint Mary's cut its teeth on competitive sport nationally. He will always be remembered as a coach who was irascible, demanding, argumentative, and beyond all else, cared about the success of his players on and off the field. He was a players' coach.

A native of Stoke-on-Trent, Staffordshire, Roy was a seasoned pioneer of the Maritime soccer scene when he arrived to coach at Saint Mary's in 1964. After guiding teams to numerous Atlantic Senior and Maritime Command Championships, he immediately made his presence felt at Saint Mary's by molding his first Huskies soccer teams into league champions in 1965 and 1966.

In total, he led the soccer Huskies to five league championships, two AUAA (now called AUS) championships and a silver medal as Eastern Canadian CIAU (now CIS) champions.

His influence on soccer in Nova Scotia extended far beyond Saint Mary's. For more than 50 years he was a valued and enthusiastic soccer administrator who played a major role in fostering the sport's popularity, success and enormous growth.

He served as the president of Soccer Nova Scotia, managed the Armed Forces League, chaired the Atlantic Universities' Soccer Conference, was a Commissioner of the Halifax Metro Soccer League and represented Nova Scotia as a delegate to the CSFA. He also initiated Junior Olympic Soccer Clinics and helped organize the Canada Games.

His commitment to Saint Mary's and the soccer community did not go unnoticed.

He was recognized as the AUAA Coach of the Year in 1978 and again in 1981, received the AUAA Board of Directors Award for Contributions to University Soccer, and received a Gold M Award from the Saint Mary's Student Association twice. He was also honoured by Soccer Nova Scotia, as well as the cities of Halifax and Dartmouth, the Nova Scotia Department of Culture, Recreation and Fitness, and Sports Nova Scotia.

He retired from full-time coaching at Saint Mary's in 1983, and continued to be a part of the University's athletics program for the next 20 years as game-day ticket manager. In this role he was responsible for all game-day events and activities for all varsity sports. Most importantly, he continued to be a well-loved and valued mentor for the men's and women's soccer coaches who succeeded him.

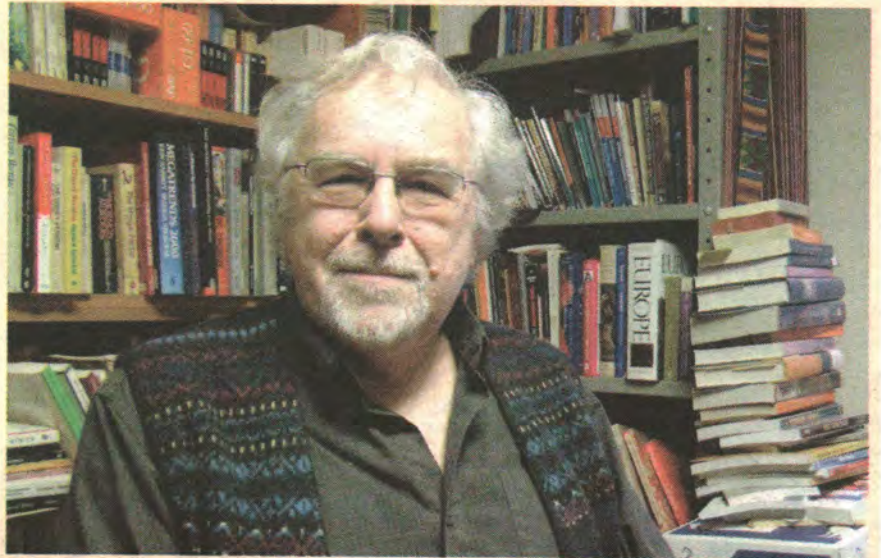
In 2000, he was inducted into the Saint Mary's University Sport Hall of Fame, and in 2005, was named Coach Emeritus by the University.

The University community extends its sympathy to Roy's family, including his wife Florence, his grandchildren Robert and Jamie Roy, his sons Brett and Gary (who are graduates of Saint Mary's) and his daughter-in-law, Dana Clements, who is the Coordinator of Marketing for the Saint Mary's University Department of Athletics and Recreation.

Donations in his memory can be made to the Roy Clements scholarship fund at Saint Mary's.



Dr. Jim Morrison, Order of Canada



Dr. Jim Morrison, a History professor at Saint Mary's University, has been named a Member of the Order of Canada.

The Order of Canada is the centrepiece of Canada's honours system and recognizes a lifetime of outstanding achievement, dedication to the community and service to the nation. Dr. Morrison's appointment was one of 60 new appointments to the Order of Canada announced by Governor General Michaëlle Jean in December. Recipients will be invited to accept their insignia at a ceremony to be held this spring.

Dr. Morrison's appointment recognizes his service to education through the collection and preservation of Nova Scotia's multicultural heritage, notably as an authority on oral histories. He has published works on Canadian and global history, and contributed actively to the collections and displays at Pier 21, Canada's Immigration Museum.

"We're proud to have a member of our faculty recognized nationally for his long-standing commitment to excellence in education," said Dr. J. Colin Dodds, the President of Saint Mary's University. "His contributions to the preservation of Nova Scotia's history have long benefited our students and will serve as a legacy for this province and this country."

Dr. Morrison has had many achievements throughout his career and served in many capacities at Saint Mary's from Executive Director of the International Education Centre to Dean of Arts, and coordinators of the Asian Studies as well as the International Development Studies programs. He was promoted to Full Professor in 1990.

Dr. Morrison's research and teaching interests lie in Global, Southeast Asian and oral history. His interest in oral history began when he was a child listening to his father relate stories of Nova Scotia's shipbuilding heritage. As an academic, Dr. Morrison has held visiting fellowships at Institute of Southeast Asian Studies (Singapore), Hokkaido University of Education (Japan), and Jawaharlal Nehru University (India). He has held various positions with historical and heritage associations. As well, Dr. Morrison has written numerous books and papers on oral history, military history, social history, ethnicity, and adult education.

Congratulations Dr. Morrison!

Planning underway for the Homburg Centre for Health and Wellness



Plans for the much-anticipated Homburg Centre for Health and Wellness were unveiled this month. The Centre will join the Tower and a new Dauphinee Arena providing a high performance training link between the two facilities.

The Homburg Centre will build upon the high caliber facilities and programs offered through The Tower and become home to the Huskies and other competitive athletes in the region as well as offer additional health and wellness services to all Nova Scotians. The Homburg Centre will also be the new home of the Centre for the Study of Sport and Community Health, which will be a vital component to promoting a healthy lifestyle for all Nova Scotians. Construction of the Homburg Centre is expected to begin this spring.

The Centre is funded by the \$40 million Hearts and Minds Capital Campaign, which is the largest campaign in the history of Saint Mary's University. Led by campaign chair Paul Sobey, President and CEO of Empire Company Ltd., it has rallied considerable support from alumni, faculty, staff, students, foundations and businesses. The campaign has nearly reached \$38 million of its \$40-million goal and helped fund the innovative \$17.5-million Atrium and Global Learning Commons now under construction at the University.

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Chuck Bridges joins Atlantic Lottery Corporation

After nearly two decades of serving and building the Saint Mary's University brand, **Chuck Bridges**, Vice President (Assoc.) External Affairs, will leave Saint Mary's University later this month to pursue an executive role with the Atlantic Lottery Corporation (ALC).

Saint Mary's, along with Atlantic Lottery Corporation, made the announcement Jan. 27. Chuck will join ALC as Vice President, Stakeholder Relations, effective Feb. 23. His last day at Saint Mary's will be Feb. 19.

In his announcement to the Saint Mary's University community, Dr. J. Colin Dodds extended the University's thanks to Chuck for his leadership and guidance during one of the University's most significant periods of growth and change.

"During his nearly 20 years at Saint Mary's, Chuck played a leadership role in the life of Saint Mary's," said Dr. Dodds. "Over this time, our University has been well served from media relations to branding to government relations to fundraising and to celebrating our successes."

Following a well-respected career in broadcast journalism, Chuck joined the University in July 1989 as Director of Public Affairs, then Director of External Affairs, and for the last seven years, as Vice President (Assoc.) External Affairs.

While at Saint Mary's, he played key roles on several strategic committees. He also chaired the steering committee for the University's 200th Anniversary Celebrations and represented the University in the community on management teams and boards for the United Way (Halifax), Neptune Theatre and the Canadian Council for the Advancement of Education (CCAE).

"His active community leadership in organizations such as the 2011 Canada Winter Games and more recently NSERC is in keeping with our Santamarian ideals," said Dr. Dodds. "His love of varsity sports, particularly the football Huskies, is well known and infectious."

Chuck is well respected for his dedication to students, especially those he taught as a member of the Sobey School of Business Management Department.

Most recently, he led a strategic marketing initiative that successfully repositioned Saint Mary's in the post-secondary marketplace. Today, thanks in part to this initiative, the University is known as the region's preeminent business school as well as a regional and international leader in higher education.

In his new job, Chuck will be based in Halifax with responsibilities throughout Atlantic Canada. Specifically, he will bring a strategic focus to ALC's efforts across Atlantic Canada and build understanding and appreciation for the contribution the Corporation makes to the region.

"On behalf of our Saint Mary's family and the wider communities we serve, I know that you will want to join me in wishing Chuck and his family continued success in his next adventure," said Dr. Dodds.

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Sustainability Week at Saint Mary's March 2-6

Monday – Thursday, March 2 - 5

Campus Wide Green Challenge • Individuals and departments, take up the Green Challenge by having your own event or designing your own awareness campaign! Great prizes to be won! Registration is required to qualify, so stay tuned for entry details! For more information, contact the Sustainability Week Coordinator at sustainability@smu.ca.

Monday, March 2

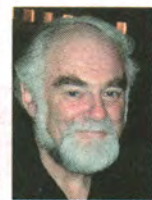
Faculty, Staff Luncheon: The Story of InterfaceFlor Commercial • 12:00pm – 1:15pm. Courtside Lounge, The Tower. Jennifer MacNeill, Atlantic Regional Account Executive, will present the Story of InterfaceFlor Commercial, putting sustainability in a business model. This Free event is open to all Saint Mary's faculty and staff. Space is limited, RSVP to shelley.price-finn@smu.ca with the subject line: Sustainability Week: Faculty, Staff Luncheon

Opening Ceremony and Movie Night: Garbage the Revolution • Reception: 6:30 Movie starts at 7pm. Scotia Bank Theatre, Sobey Building. Sustainability Week kicks off with a Reception and Movie Night hosted by the Saint Mary's University Environmental Society (SMUES) and sponsored by the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA). Get Caught Recycling prizes will be drawn at this event.

Tuesday – Thursday, March 3 – 5

Sustainability Week Fair • 10:00am – 4:00pm. Loyola Conference Hall. Take part in the Fair happening in the Loyola Conference Hall! Three days of activities include a bike maintenance workshop, clothing swap, and green café. Eco-friendly water bottles and light bulbs will be given away!

Tuesday, March 3



Speaker and Panel Discussion • 7:00pm – 9:15pm. Scotia Bank Theatre, Sobey Building. Saint Mary's University, Ecology Action Centre and Fusion Halifax present Dr. Gordon Young, former Coordinator of the United Nations World Water Assessment Program and President of the International Association of Hydrological Sciences, who will discuss the threats to our global water supply. A panel discussion afterwards considers environmental ethics, local and aboriginal issues, and government policy.

Thursday, March 5

Sustainability Week Market • 10:00am – 4:00pm. Loyola Conference Hall. Come to the Market on Thursday as local community groups, businesses, student societies and various Saint Mary's departments showcase how to be sustainable! Win prizes for participating!

Local Food, Local Artist, Local Charity • 4:00pm – 7:00pm. Gorsebrook Lounge. SMUSA and ARAMARK highlight their locally grown menu choices. Entertainment by local artist, Paul Lamb. Voluntary cover or donation, with proceeds going to the SMU Food Bank.



Beaches of Nova Scotia • 7:30 pm - ScotiaBank Theatre, Sobey Building. Award-winning author Silver Donald Cameron shares his passion for Nova Scotia beaches. Reception to follow. Sponsored by Saint Mary's University, Ecology Action Centre, Dalhousie University, and Coastal Coalition of Nova Scotia.

Friday, March 6

WildernessAid • SMUES and Nova Scotia Chapter of the Canadian Parks and Wilderness Society (CPAWS) invite the community to hike the Bluff Wilderness Trail. Hikers are invited to find sponsors for each kilometer they walk. All proceeds go to CPAWS for wilderness conservation. For more information, visit www.smues.ca or www.cpawsns.org.



Study of the Nova Scotia Catfish

Dr. Alfonso Rojo, Professor Emeritus of Biology, has worked for the Nova Scotia Museum of Natural History as a Research Associate since his retirement from Saint Mary's. His work on the type of fish remains commonly found on archaeological sites has been critical to helping archaeologists evaluate fish species that were important to aboriginal people in Canada.

His latest paper deals with the osteology of the Nova Scotia catfish (*Ameiurus nebulosus*), which is a native to Nova Scotia and Quebec and represents the northernmost dispersion of this fish out of the 2,584 freshwater catfishes in the world. This complete study of the catfish's skeleton will help archaeologists evaluate the commercial and dietary value of this fish species for aboriginal people as well as provide reference material for biologists.

The study, *Osteological Atlas of the Brown Bullhead (Ameiurus nebulosus) from Nova Scotia waters: A Morphological and Biometric Study*, was presented to the NSMNH and is currently in press.



Focus on: International Activities

FEATURE

International Programs have deep roots at Saint Mary's

Recently appointed to the Order of Canada by the Governor-General Michaëlle Jean, Professor Jim Morrison has spent much of his academic career at Saint Mary's University. In early January, Dr. Morrison sat down with *The Times* to discuss the early days of international education at Saint Mary's.

Dr. Morrison is from Economy, Nova Scotia and graduated from Acadia with Bachelor of Arts and Education degrees. He went on to receive a Commonwealth Scholarship and studied in Africa where he earned his PhD in African History from the University of Ibadan in Nigeria in 1976. After returning to Nova Scotia, Dr. Morrison worked for a few years as a historian with Parks Canada and then, in 1979, came to Saint Mary's as Executive Director at the International Education Centre.

The International Education Centre opened its doors in the Burke Building in 1972 with a mandate to provide resource materials on developing nations for the University and the broader Saint Mary's community. The Centre grew to become a key international education link that tied Saint Mary's and Nova Scotia to the World.

For over twenty years the International Education Centre coordinated Saint Mary's international projects and provided outreach to Nova Scotia schools. The Centre was a hive of activity with a publication program and library, and acted as a clearing house for local multi-cultural groups, international education programs and activities.

As the hub of activity for international education and multi-culturalism in the province, the International Education Centre received funding from the federal and provincial governments for programming and outreach.

Back in the day before the Internet, the International Education Centre brought the world to Nova Scotia by welcoming local multi-cultural groups and international students to Saint Mary's and sending our students out in the world as global citizens.

"The International Education Centre would draw upon Saint Mary's international students to provide outreach in Nova Scotia communities and schools," said Dr. Morrison.

The International Education Centre helped shape international programs at Saint Mary's that have been a cornerstone of the University for decades.



These popular international education publications were developed by the International Education Centre and distributed to schools in Nova Scotia for many years, enriching the Nova Scotia public school curriculum.

Back in the 1980s when the Canadian government was interested in establishing partnerships in China, Saint Mary's University was already working with educational institutions there. Through the efforts of the International Education Centre and international education pioneers like Drs Kay Tudor and Mary Sun, Saint Mary's developed connections with Chinese post-secondary institutions.

Dr. Tudor, a professor in the English Department, taught at the Shangdong Teacher's University in China setting a precedent for other faculty to follow, and Dr. Sun, a professor of History at Saint Mary's, coordinated the Canada-China Language Institute in Beijing in the early 1980s. Saint Mary's was the lead institution in this Canadian International



Staff at the International Education Centre frequently opened their doors to community groups for meetings and discussions as shown in this 1980s photo. Staff featured in the photo include: Mary Boyd (1st from left, back row), Jim Morrison (6th from left, centre, back row) and Carla Calhoun (3rd from left, front row).

Development Agency project which helped bring Canadian teachers to China to teach English and Chinese students to Canada for post-secondary studies.

Dr. Morrison left the International Education Centre in 1983 to become Dean of Arts, but remained involved in the programs of the Centre and international education through the years. Among other things, he coordinated the Asian Studies and International Development Studies programs and developed the syllabus for courses on global history and ethnic groups in Nova Scotia.

Dr. Morrison remarked that today the curriculum is much more internationalized. "Over twenty years ago when I introduced a course on the History of the Third World, there weren't many courses with an international theme, but now there is much more of an international focus to the curriculum."

Looking to the future, Dr. Morrison believes that even more students should be given an opportunity to study abroad. He also suggests that Saint Mary's should explore offering joint-degree programs where students could study at Saint Mary's and universities in Nigeria, India or Singapore, for example.

In fact, Dr. Morrison is so committed to promoting international mobility for Saint Mary's students that he personally sponsors the *International Development Studies Graduate Medal*. This medal is awarded to IDS graduate students that base their theses on research conducted in the field.

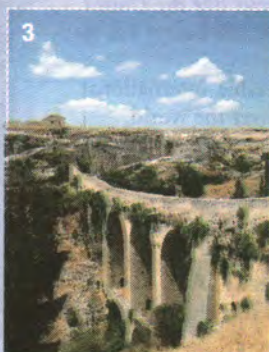
Dr. Morrison believes that if we want to foster global citizenship in our students, we need to provide undergrads with the opportunity to study or volunteer internationally. "The Homburg scholarship for international exchange is an excellent idea," said Dr. Morrison.

Many students have taken advantage of the Homburg International Mobility Award established through the generosity of Dr. Richard Homburg. Each year eight awards, averaging \$12,000, are given to Saint Mary's students studying or volunteering abroad. The deadline for the next round of award applications is March 16, 2009. Details can be found on the International Activities website: http://www.smu.ca/administration/international/learn_award.html

The globalization of Saint Mary's has deep roots spanning more than thirty years. Today thanks to the pioneering efforts of Dr. Morrison and others, there are many more students going abroad, more international students studying here and more opportunities for faculty to teach internationally and develop partnerships with other universities around the world.

"That is one of the wonderful things that I like about Saint Mary's. We have been very consistent all along. That is part of what a university should be doing. Whether it is actually going to another country or educating people here about other countries, that has been part of our mandate for a very long time," said Dr. Morrison.

International Activities Office of Saint Mary's University held its second annual Study Abroad Photo Contest and received some remarkable entries from students studying around the world.



Winners (clockwise from left to right)

- 1. Best Overall Photo**
Carian (Qionglu) Wu – took this photo of a Japanese koto class.
- 2. Best Lives and Livelihoods Photo**
Chris MacDonald – took this photo of a dentist performing his services in a market in Dali, Yunnan Province, Beijing.
- 3. Best on the Path of Learning Photo**
Sarah Matte – took this photo of a bridge and Neolithic caves in Gravina Italy.
- 4. Best Unusual Adventure Photo**
Fiona McNutt – took this photo of Kinkokuji, or the Golden Pavilion in Kyoto.
- 5. Best Environment Photo**
Erbin Crowell – took this photo of a canal in Venice while on a field trip to Italy as part of the Masters of Management – Cooperatives and Credit Unions Program.



Focus on: International Activities

International Development Studies puts Saint Mary's on the Map



Saint Mary's University Graduate IDS Class held at Zacatecas University in Mexico - Summer 2008

One of the Saint Mary's University programs that seeks to motivate and educate "aspiring citizens of the world" is the International Development Studies (IDS) Program. Dr. Anthony O'Malley, the Coordinator of Program, has been associated with Saint Mary's since 1988 when the IDS Program was first established and became Program Coordinator in 2005.

Dr. O'Malley told *The Times* how over the past twenty years, the IDS Program has trained aspiring global citizens through its offerings of undergraduate and graduate degrees, and a professional development diploma in international development studies.

"This program is where we train students to be both development professionals and citizens of world," said Dr. O'Malley. "Our whole 'raison d'être' is training students to work in international development, and in the process provide them with an education and experiential opportunities focusing on overseas cultures, societies, and economies in the developing world."

Saint Mary's offers students many opportunities to study or work abroad, but no program on campus embraces the international experiential education concept more than IDS. Students of the Program have explored every continent through internships, study abroad or field study and research opportunities through IDS linkages and partnerships.

"Part of global citizenship means getting out into the world, being in the world," stated Dr. O'Malley, "and relating your IDS education to the real world and the realities of global citizenship."

Dr. O'Malley explained that one of the fundamental educational issues in international development studies is the "development problematic": Students exploring global citizenship are confronted with the problem of global equity which paints a stark contrast between societies living in luxury right next to societies living in abject poverty.

"Part of being a global citizen is coming to terms with and understanding the development problematic and ultimately doing something about it," said Dr. O'Malley.

Dr. O'Malley pointed out that IDS graduates have a considerable range of opportunities for employment. "Our graduates move on to work for multi-lateral agencies like the United Nations or the World Bank or non-governmental organizations like OXFAM. We have a 100% employment rate for IDS graduate students," added Dr. O'Malley.

Over the past twenty years, Saint Mary's has developed a considerable international reputation in development studies which has attracted faculty from all over the world.

The IDS Program now boasts a Canada Research Chair in International Development Studies, currently held by Dr. Saturnino Borrás. Dr. Borrás is also editor of the internationally acclaimed *Journal of Peasant Studies*, the leading journal in the field of rural development and agrarian transformation which is now housed at Saint Mary's University.

The IDS Program also has a Distinguished Visiting Professor (DVP) Program. Dr. Benjamin Cousins from the University of the Western Cape is the current DVP, and Dr. Walden Bello, a renowned international scholar from the University of the Philippines, is coming back to Saint Mary's as the 2009 DVP.

Saint Mary's leads a global network in graduate development studies and is developing ways to accredit students who are from universities that are members of the network of international institutions offering graduate programs in IDS.

"Last summer, we coordinated the first international graduate seminar for the Graduate Network for Development Studies held at Zacatecas University in Mexico. This Saint Mary's course was so successful that it will be repeated again this summer," said Dr. O'Malley.

"Eventually, students from around the globe will be able to take courses accredited toward a degree at their home institution or any member institution in the IDS network," added Dr. O'Malley.

Saint Mary's plans to build on the success of the IDS Program by expanding it to include a doctoral program. "We hope that by 2010, Saint Mary's will be able to offer the first stand-alone PhD program in International Development Studies in North America," said Dr. O'Malley.

Saint Mary's commitment to global citizenship is a fundamental component of the University's Academic Plan. The IDS Program furthers this goal by training its students in global citizenship and offering them the opportunity to truly be "citizens of the World."

Distinguished visitors bring their International Perspective to Saint Mary's



Top: Author and Scottish nationalist Ken MacAskill visited Saint Mary's Monday, January 26 to give a lunch-hour talk called *Scottish Identity in a Global World*. The Hon. Ken MacAskill, pictured here with Dean of Arts Dr. Esther Enns, is the Cabinet Secretary for Justice for the Government of Scotland. He has served as a Member of the Scottish Parliament since it was formed in 1999, and has written and edited several books about the history and future of the Scottish nation.

Bottom: David Hutchings, the Canadian Ambassador to Bosnia and Herzegovina, visited Saint Mary's on January 19. While here he took time to talk to undergraduate and graduate students about Canada's role in the international community and career opportunities in Canada's Foreign Service. Ambassador Hutchings also met with members of the Halifax Branch of the Canadian International Council (CIC) to discuss Canada's foreign policy priorities within the context of his experience as a Canadian diplomat. His presentation to CIC members was called 'Engaging the World through Diplomacy'. He is pictured here with Dr. Marc Doucet (left) of Saint Mary's Political Science Faculty, Dr. J. Colin Dodds, President, Saint Mary's University, and Michael MacKinnon (right), Co-President of the Halifax Branch of CIC.

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Sobey EMBA Students fly South to do Business

A crucial component of the curriculum of the Sobey Executive MBA Program is a required international trip in the spring of the second year of the Program. At this point in the curriculum, students can draw on extensive coursework in marketing, finance, economic, accounting, strategic planning, and leadership that they can apply to real world situations.

In recent years, trips to Asia, Latin America and India have offered an extraordinary experience for Executive MBA students. With the help of the students and faculty, the program identifies the best sites for the international trip by considering student interests, organizational needs and evolving trends.

The class of 2008 visited Bangalore, India and the Class of 2009 will be visiting Santiago, Chile and Buenos Aires, Argentina. A record number of EMBA teams consisting of four or five EMBA students will represent the products or services of a local Maritime business while on the field trip. To make the most of the trip, the EMBA Program has partnered with Nova Scotia Business Inc. (NSBI) whose primary goal is to expand business activity in Nova Scotia.

"It's a partnership that makes perfect sense for both the Sobey School of Business and NSBI," said Kelly Fraser, Program Manager of the EMBA Program.

Troy Sawler, Trade Development Executive with NSBI commented, "This is an excellent partnering opportunity between students and the business community. The Program gives the students experience in international trade while helping expand our province's exports."

It would be difficult to duplicate the experience and match the growth that occurs in the EMBA students during the 11-day international trip. Students visit businesses in places not ordinary available to travelers, including visiting ministries and universities to enhance their understanding of government positions on trade, multinational operations and economic policy. And meetings with top corporate officials offer important insights on business practices in the destination country.



(From left to right from bottom of stairs): Sarah Horne, Kimberley Dares, Jenna-Leigh Wilson, Caitlin Dix, Kalina McCaul, Jennifer McNeil, Becky Murray, Fadi Al Qassar, Jessica McEachern, Adam Harris, Giuseppe Scichilone, Kathryn Bliss, Keith McMillan and Bridget Brownlow.

Saint Mary's continues peace efforts in Northern Ireland

Fourteen students from Saint Mary's will soon travel to Belfast, Northern Ireland to promote peace in the former war-torn country.

From February 12 to 23 students from the University's Conflict Resolution Society will travel to Belfast in order to work with young citizens and teachers to address issues surrounding peace and the importance of conflict resolution.

This is the fourth year in a row that students from Saint Mary's will visit Catholic, Protestant and Integrated schools throughout Belfast and participate in the facilitation of conflict resolution workshops. While there, the students will also be interviewed about their work by the BBC and the *Belfast Telegraph*.

According to Bridget Brownlow, Conflict Resolution Advisor at Saint Mary's, the students will work alongside Catholic and Protestant students and promote hope for a more peaceful world in which we can all learn in a safe environment.

"This initiative presents an opportunity to share our experiences living and growing up in Canada, as well as an opportunity to share our conflict resolution skills with many of the children in Belfast and its surrounding areas," said Brownlow, who will be joining students on this unique venture abroad. "This trip for the students is an ideal occasion for them to assist a new generation of Irish people with the development of conflict resolution skills and knowledge."

Dr. Hetty van Gorp, President of Peaceful Schools International, applauds the University's commitment to making this trip to Northern Ireland an annual event. Saint Mary's is the first university both nationally and internationally to have met the criteria for membership in Peaceful Schools International, by virtue of its internal Conflict Resolution Program — a benefit for faculty, staff and students alike.

"This trip has become an annual event for SMU and, based on my observations, it seems to have a profound impact on both the SMU students who participate and the pupils in Belfast schools they visit," said van Gorp. "Last year's presentations and workshops led by SMU students for the children and youth in schools in the troubled area of Belfast left a lasting impression on them."

Pádraig Ó Siadhail, Coordinator of the D'Arcy McGee Chair of Irish Studies at Saint Mary's, agrees. He said the project has benefited students educationally and experientially.

"The project was not just about imparting newly acquired conflict resolution skills to Irish school children, but also about listening to the Irish children and learning from them," said Ó Siadhail. "As such, the ultimate value of the students' time abroad was that it began a process of opening dialogue, building trust, sharing experiences and nurturing relationships."

This year's initiative has been developed in consultation and partnership with Peaceful Schools International, An Cumann, the Irish Association of Nova Scotia; the Charitable Irish Society of Halifax, An Cumann; and the departments of Irish Studies, Religious Studies, Political Science, and International Development Studies; the Conflict Resolution Office; and the offices of the Dean of Arts, Vice President Academic and Research and Vice President Administration; as well as the International Activities Office at Saint Mary's.



Sobey Executive MBA students discuss their International trade mission plans to represent the Nova Scotia Liquor Commission in Chile and Argentina.

Read Jorgensen, EMBA alumni from the Class of 2008 and Director of Abu Dhabi SIP Director with EduNova said of his trip to India last year, "The trip was an invaluable experience from both a practical and theoretical standpoint. We were required to promote a Nova Scotia business in a very different environment as well as deal with the basics like setting up meetings and navigating the streets of Bangalore. The international skills I learned were put to good use when I traveled to the United Arab Emirate two months later to help EduNova win a three-year, multi-million dollar development contract."

The students in this year's EMBA Program depart for South America on March 12 and will return eleven days later with firsthand experience of the opportunities and challenges of doing business abroad.

Saint Mary's English Prof adds to Shakespeare debate

It's a question for the ages that doesn't go away — Who wrote Shakespeare's plays? Was it Shakespeare or was it Christopher Marlowe?



Dr. Goran Stanivukovic

Dr. Goran Stanivukovic, Acting Chair of the English Department at Saint Mary's University, was recently named the winner of the 2008 *Calving & Rose G. Hoffman Prize* — a prize awarded annually for an essay that best examines the possibility that Marlowe, a contemporary of Shakespeare's, may have written (or at least influenced) the plays and poems now commonly attributed to The Bard.

Stanivukovic's winning essay is called "Remember Me: Marlowe and the Pleasure of Influence in Shakespeare." In it, he speculates that Shakespeare may have been familiar with the 1585 portrait of Christopher Marlowe that was reputed to hang in Corpus Christi College, Cambridge, in Shakespeare's time.

The motto on the portrait, "Quod me nutrit me destruit" (What feeds me destroys me) is found nowhere else in sources available to Shakespeare at

that time, and yet, line 12 of Shakespeare's Sonnet 73 adapts the motto as "Consumed that which it was nourished by."

Stanivukovic speculates the use of the adapted motto suggests Shakespeare was fascinated with and anxious over his imitation of Marlowe, who lived an unorthodox life and was already a celebrity playwright.

How would Shakespeare have known about the portrait? Stanivukovic brings in theatre history to help with this mystery.

From the 1580s until 1592, Shakespeare belonged to The Lord Strange Company of players. During the plague years, 1593 and 1594, Strange's Men did not perform in London but instead toured the provinces and made Cambridge one of their destinations. Stanivukovic imagines a scenario in which Shakespeare arrived in Cambridge with Strange's Men and saw the portrait of the striking-looking young man (Marlowe) hanging in the Old Court in Corpus Christi College.

The *Calving & Rose G. Hoffman Prize* is normally awarded to only one scholar in the world each year, but this year an adjudicator decided to share the prize between two winning essays — Dr. Stanivukovic's as well as an essay called *New Sightings of Christopher Marlowe in London* by Dr. David Mateer.

Dr. Stanivukovic's share of the 2008 prize is \$7,800. As a winner of the prize, Dr. Stanivukovic will travel to Canterbury for a reception and to give a lecture at King's School, the school which Marlowe attended.



Times of Awakening Reflections on Teaching in Japan

By Frances Morrison

In this world, there are mysteries that will never be revealed, cultures that may never be discovered, and dreams that rarely become real. In my lifetime, I hope to make aspirations tangible and dreams into realities.

A few years ago, I had a vision – a flash of color, a feeling of peacefulness, and an appreciation for somewhere distant. Where did this take me? Across the ocean to a country that I had never seen, and had never thought of as a place where I would like to travel. Japan? Really?

Though I had very little knowledge of Japan, other than the stories my uncle (a History professor) had told me of his travels, the *anime* that I had watched as a child, the technology that everyone was talking about, and the articles I had read years ago about capsule hotels, I felt called to this mysterious land of kimonos, Shintoism, Buddhism, and its respect for life and self, white cranes and ancient traditions. And so, I contacted my uncle to begin my inquiries and education, which would inevitably result in my journey to the land of The Rising Sun.

Fortunately for me, my uncle was not only enthusiastic, but also in contact with a university that sent interns to Japan to teach in a bilingual school for a year. You don't say!

I quickly enrolled in a one-month course to obtain the almost mandatory Language Teaching Certificate. It had been so long since I had walked through the doors of a learning institution that I dared not count. I had travelled for at least a decade and was older than the average university student. I had long forgotten the process of classroom learning, the academic world and the intellect I would need where I was going.

Three months and four interviews after I completed my certificate, I received word... I was going to Tokushima, Japan!! I pause to relive that moment... Yeeeeeesssss!!!

I learned that there were about nine other English teachers at the school. We were to create our own materials and curriculum, and had almost full reign over the subject matter. Well, creativity is a wonderful thing, and I was thrilled to know we had the green flag to use it. I had one month to ready myself, and so I began learning as much as I could about proper etiquette, language, and culture.

I expected nothing as I boarded the plane at 6:00 am on New Year's Day in 2008 and travelled from the glistening snow and the crisp chill of Nova Scotia, to the rolling green hills and the mandarin orange trees of Tokushima, 24 hours later. I took it all in as I stepped off the bus that brought me from the airport in Osaka to Tokushima where I would live for a year. The air had a different feel. Heavy but calm. The city was impeccably clean. Busy bustling streets were peppered with soft voices "Sumimasen" (meaning "sorry"), "Konnichiwa", "Ohio Gozaimasu",... what did they mean? I looked up and saw that the street signs were no longer in familiar ABCs, but in beautifully drawn characters. The sun was a brilliant red ball in the sky. I was transfixed, elated, overflowing with the joy of what my senses experienced.

I was introduced to my homeroom class – twenty-three wonderfully positive and enthusiastic Grade 2s. We soon become comfortable with each other, and I learned about classroom management; how to think spontaneously, use imagination and help bring out the gifts that each little charge had to offer. Throughout my year at this school, I taught Social Studies to Grades 3-6, Music to Grades 1-6, Art to Grades 1-2, and English to a Grade 1. What a joy and a challenge it was!

Tokushima is located on the Island of Shikoku, famous for its pilgrimage to 88 temples. The pilgrimage is accomplished on foot and was established thousands of years ago by a man who greatly influenced the religion, beliefs and even the educational system of Japan. Pilgrims are recognized by their walking sticks, white robes with Japanese spiritual characters, and wide-brimmed hats. The temples range from small, simple structures in open fields to massive temples on mountain tops, surrounded by pink and purple poinsettias, hundreds of marble statues and living quarters for monks. After the 88th temple, one is said to reach spiritual enlightenment. I can only hope to find such peace one day; I still have a few temples to go.

Since I stepped off the plane a year ago, I have grown to appreciate human life in a different way; I have learned how to learn; I have taken responsibility for the education and growth of young minds; and, I have experienced a culture that I had never thought of knowing.

And now for the next adventure...

Editor's note: Frances Morrison completed a one-year teaching internship in Seiko Gakuen Bilingual School in Tokushima, Japan and liked it so much that she has gone back for another year.



Frances Morrison teaches music to elementary students (inset) and helps her students understand the importance of reducing waste.

International Activities take Saint Mary's around the World

Hidden in the historic 19th century Stanfield Mansion called *The Oaks*, the International Activities Office provides support for the University's numerous international activities that bring Saint Mary's faculty, staff and students to every continent. Whether it is sending Saint Mary's students abroad to study or preparing them to do internships, staff in the International Activities Office help students as they venture out into the world.



Students on the road to Global Citizenship

Students have many options on their road to becoming citizens of the world. Many disciplines at Saint Mary's offer students the opportunity to participate in field trips to such places as Peru, Italy or Northern Ireland. In fact, this winter, Executive MBA students are headed to South America and the University's Conflict Resolution Society students are going to Northern Ireland.

Saint Mary's students also have the opportunity to study abroad at any number of universities or take part in far away internships in places like Vietnam, Ghana or Japan when they graduate. All of the coordination for these activities is handled by the International Activities Office.

Although the International Activities Office is not directly involved in recruitment, Maureen Woodhouse, who is the Acting Director, points out that the office provides strategic advice about areas of the world where there may be interest in studying at Saint Mary's. For example, a lot of European students are expected to do a semester abroad and Saint Mary's, with its international flavour, might be the ideal location for this experience.

"One of the issues that Saint Mary's is looking at is offering joint degrees with other universities," said Maureen, who has worked with International Activities for the past 15 years. "Right now, Saint Mary's has articulation agreements with colleges and universities in China and India where students can complete a certain amount of their studies abroad and then get advanced standing at Saint Mary's where they can finish their degrees."

"Also Saint Mary's courses are being offered at universities in other parts of the world," added Maureen. For example, International Development Studies students have the opportunity to take a Saint Mary's course at the University of Zacatecas in Mexico.

Saint Mary's faculty travel the World

The International Activities Office works with faculty and staff who are involved with international projects and collaborations with other universities. Be it preparing Saint Mary's staff and faculty for an international field trip or a visiting faculty position at another university, the International Activities Office is there to coordinate international logistics for Saint Mary's University.

"Our professors who teach internationally use their knowledge and experience to develop case studies that they bring back to the classroom," said Maureen.

Saint Mary's University's reputation in international development has meant that the University has received considerable support for capacity-building and community development projects over the years. Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA) funded projects on the international stage largely involve working with universities in the host country to improve the capacity of these universities to deliver programs to their citizens.

"Saint Mary's has been very successful in winning CIDA-funded projects in Asia and Africa. There was a fishery project in Cambodia, a women and prostitution project in the Philippines, a mining and environmental project in Mongolia, and a community-based conservation management projects in China and Vietnam," said Maureen.

Right now, there is a project in Vietnam where Saint Mary's professors and staff are working with the National Economics University in Hanoi to develop programs for small- to medium-sized businesses. This \$2.8 million project spans six years and will include developing entrepreneurship programs at the Centre for Entrepreneurship, which is housed at the National Economics University.

The Vietnam director for this CIDA-funded project is Dr. Pham Hong Chuong, who came to Saint Mary's in the late 1990s to do his Masters of Business Administration. He is now Deputy Dean of International Collaboration and Research at the National Economics University. Since graduating, Dr. Chuong kept in touch with the Sobe School of Business and approached Saint Mary's about this collaborative continuing education project.

Saint Mary's staff and faculty will assist in modernizing the curricula and improving instructional capabilities of the newly formed Centre for Entrepreneurship, which trains owners and managers of small- to medium-sized businesses in various business functions. Business training programs will focus on human resource and financial management, marketing, strategic planning, diversity training and business ethics.

Since its inception in 1992, the International Activities Office has played a pivotal role in internationalizing the campus. A new permanent Director of International Activities is expected to be appointed soon and will further the mandate of encouraging Saint Mary's students to be "citizens of the world."



BioBlitz 2009

Saint Mary's University is gearing up for the second annual *BioBlitz* to be held June 5 and 6 in the Blue Mountain – Birch Cove Lakes Candidate Wilderness Area located behind Bayer's Lake Business Park in the Halifax Regional Municipality. *BioBlitz* is the only event of its kind to take place in Eastern Canada.



Top: The Saint Mary's *BioBlitz* team meets at Blue Mountain in the Blue Mountain – Birch Cove Lakes Wilderness Area.

Left: Susies Lake, one of the pristine lakes in the Blue Mountain – Birch Cove Lakes Wilderness Area.

BioBlitz is a 24-hour taxonomy survey that identifies the biodiversity of a specific wilderness area. It is part scientific endeavour, part contest, and part educational event. The event's first goal is to identify as many species as possible in a given area. This leads to a second goal, as the scientists take part in a contest to see who can find the most species, as well as other discoveries such as rare, previously unidentified, and other unique or unusual species. The third goal is to educate the public. *BioBlitz* is designed to increase public awareness of biodiversity in our immediate neighbourhood and the valuable services that various animal and plant species provide to improve the quality of our lives.

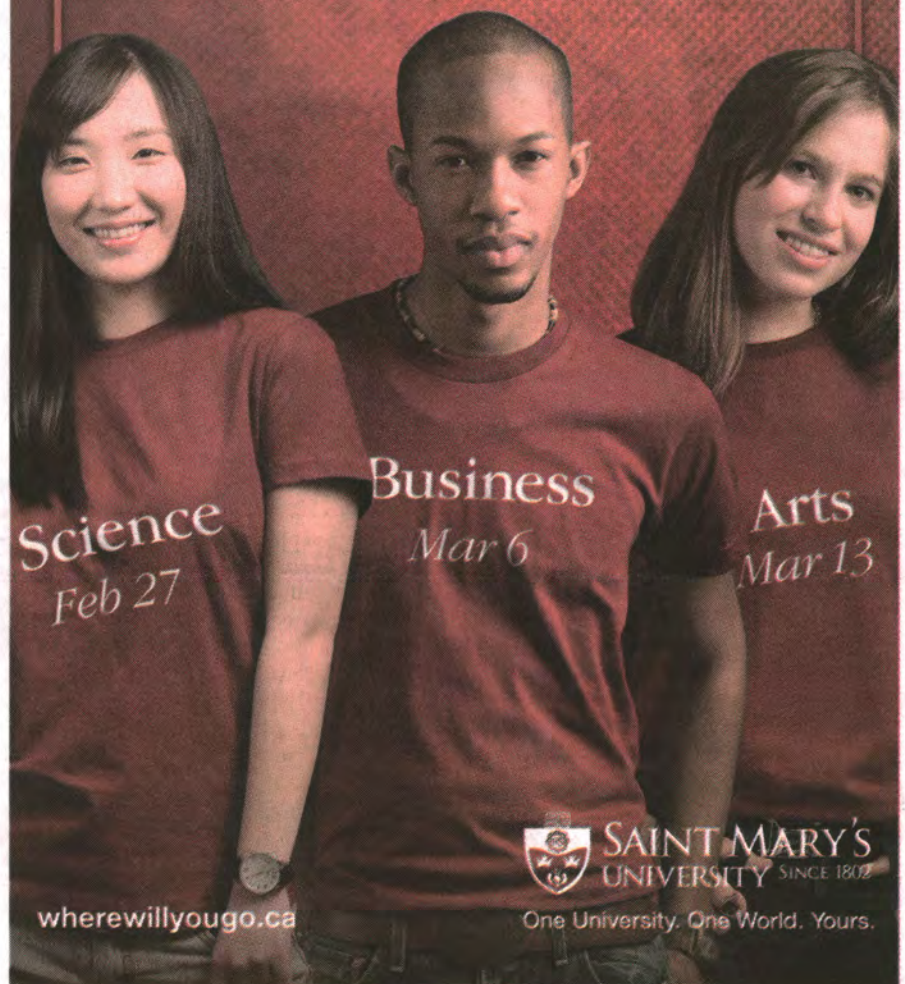
This year's event will take place in the Blue Mountain – Birch Cove Lakes area, which is a candidate area for protection under the Wilderness Areas Protection Act. This 1,350 hectare area includes forests and barrens, and a system of interconnected lakes, streams, and wetlands. To date, there has not been a detailed survey of the species found in this area.

Last year's event, which was held on June 6 and 7 in Long Lake Provincial Park, had more than 80 scientists participating and exhibits from ten community groups. 250 people came to view the displays, watch scientist in action and participate in the guided tours. Last year, 694 species were identified in the park within a 24-hour period. This year at Blue Mountain – Birch Cove Lakes, because of the diversity of habitats, the number of species is expected to exceed last year's totals significantly.

The *BioBlitz* 2009 organizers include members of faculty and staff at Saint Mary's University, as well as representatives from several community groups including, Ecology Action Centre, Canadian Parks and Wilderness Society, the Sackville River's Association, the Young Naturalists Club and the Halifax Field Naturalists. In addition, the Discovery Centre, the Museum of Natural History, and the Nova Scotia departments of Environment and Natural Resources are helping to make this year's *BioBlitz* event a success.

Which Open House is for you?

Dig deep into the area of study you're interested in at one of our three faculty-specific open houses. Learn the ins and outs of your faculty, find out where your degree can take you, meet your future profs and other students, and take a tour of the campus. It's an open house tailor-made for you and your goals.



Meet the new Advisors...

Recently, Saint Mary's brought on two new Academic Advisors to the team of staff guiding students through their studies at Saint Mary's. The Sobey School of Business welcomed Mahbouba Nassim, who will help undergraduate commerce students, and the Faculty of Arts welcomed Olugbenga Oredugba, who will assist Arts students as they navigate through their program.

Mahbouba Nassim, Sobey School of Business, Undergraduate Programs Officer



Mahbouba Nassim

Mahbouba is a Saint Mary's alumna, graduating in 2001 with a Bachelor of Arts in psychology. When she was a student, Mahbouba worked in the Registrar's Office during registration periods. When she graduated, like so many Saint Mary's grads, Mahbouba went to Korea to teach English for a year.

"Teaching in Korea was one of the best experiences of my life. I got to experience not only Korean culture but other Asian cultures during my travels in Asia," said Mahbouba.

When she returned from Korea she began working full-time in the Registrar's Office first as a transcript secretary, and then as a front counter information assistant.

"That's where I began the bulk of my work with students, assisting them with registration and other aspects of their university needs," added Mahbouba.

From that position, she moved up to become the Coordinator of Registry Services in 2007, supervising the front counter and our student employees. Now Mahbouba is Undergraduate Programs Officer in the Sobey School of Business.

Knowing the Academic Calendar and the Registrar's office as well as she does makes Mahbouba well equipped to help students as they move through their commerce degree.

Added to that, Mahbouba has considerable international experience. Born and raised in Halifax, Mahbouba has lived in the United States and Lebanon and speaks Arabic as well as some Korean.

Olugbenga Oredugba, Faculty of Arts, BA Program Advisor



Olugbenga Oredugba

Olu came to Nova Scotia from Nigeria in 1983 as an international high school student. He liked Nova Scotia so much that he went on to complete his post-secondary studies in Halifax, graduating from Dalhousie University with a Bachelor of Arts in English Literature and the Nova Scotia College of Art and Design with a Bachelor of Design in Environmental Planning.

Then in 1993, Olu moved to Vancouver to begin a professional career in the natural resource management field of the forestry sector, followed by a career in post secondary student services. From 2002 to 2006, he served as the International Student Coordinator in the Faculty of Arts at the University of British Columbia where he was involved with student recruitment, admissions, and academic advising. While at UBC, Olu traveled the world, recruiting students to British Columbia from Mexico, the United States, Norway, Japan, Taiwan, Nigeria, Ghana, and Kenya.

"In 2006, I returned to Nova Scotia to reconnect with my maritime roots and continue to work in post secondary student services. For a while, I worked as a policy and educational outreach consultant for the Nova Scotia Department of Environment, and then most recently, as an Admissions Officer for the Nova Scotia Community College," said Olu, who joined the Faculty of Arts as Bachelor of Arts Program Advisor this January.

Olu's broad range of experience in various disciplines and his extensive travel around the world will greatly help our Saint Mary's students as they navigate through their university degrees.

Welcome Aboard, Mahbouba and Olu!



Huskies Varsity Action Atlantic University Sport (AUS)



Huskies basketball player Mark McLaughlin

Women's Hockey – The Huskies are at home Feb 13, 21 and 22. On Feb 13, catch SMU against StFX at 7pm. Enjoy afternoon games the weekend of Feb 21 and 22 (Saturday against MTA at 2 pm and Sunday against UdeM at 1 pm). SMU is at DAL Saturday Feb 28 at 2 pm and then finishes the regular season schedule at home on Sunday Mar 1 at 2pm vs. StFX.

Men's Hockey – Catch the Huskies on Wednesday, Feb 11 at 7pm at home at the Forum vs. Acadia. Then over at DAL Feb 14 at 7pm. The AUS Quarterfinals begin the week of Feb 18-22.

Men's and Women's Basketball – Court action at home continues on Friday, Feb 13 vs. MUN (Women's at 6pm and Men's at 8pm). Then the teams play at DAL on Wednesday, Feb 18 (Women's at 6pm and Men's at 8pm). Catch afternoon games at home Feb 14 and 22 against MUN and UNB

(Women's at 1pm and Men's at 3pm). The AUS Championships are at DAL Feb 27-Mar 1.

Women's Volleyball – The women's volleyball team is hoping for a top berth in the AUS playoffs to be held at Acadia Feb 13-15.

For full athletic schedules and game time, check on-line at visit:

<http://www.smuhuskies.ca>

or www.atlanticuniversitysport.com for upcoming playoffs

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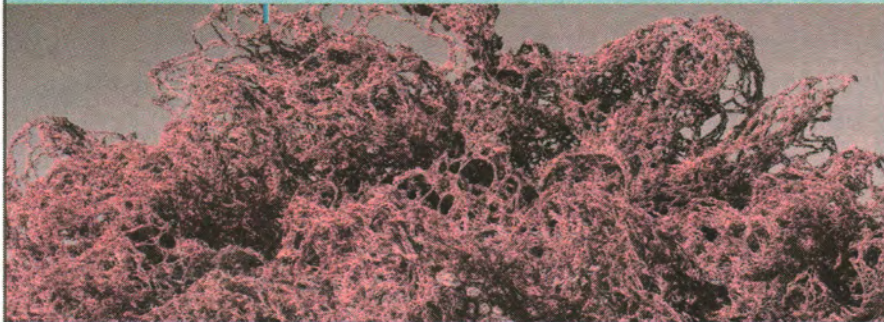
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What's happening at the Saint Mary's Art Gallery

10 January – 22 February	Doug Guildford – <i>Between the Tides</i>
19 February, 8:00pm	Artist's talk and catalogue launch
7 March – 11 April	Two Solo Exhibitions: Matt Wedel in the Main Gallery and Mary-Anne Wensley: <i>inescapable shelter</i> in the Side Gallery
6 March, 8pm	Opening Reception
2 April, 8pm	Mary-Anne Wensley Artist's talk and catalogue launch
3 April, 8pm	Matt Wedel Artist's talk and catalogue launch

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Image: Doug Guildford, *Skirt* (detail), begun 2007. Photo Steve Farmer



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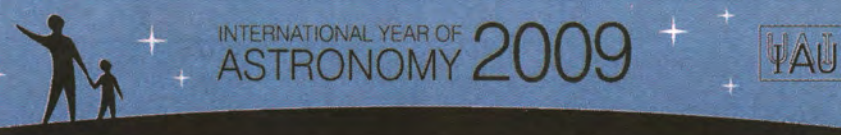
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Saint Mary's University offers *English as a Second Language (ESL)* support to non-native speakers of English, as well as support services for credit students and training for teachers interested in teaching ESL to children and adults.

Students, who are registered in credit courses, and whose first language is not English, can receive ESL Support Services at the Drop-In Centre located in the Writing Centre of the **Burke Building**. This program, which furthers student success, offers students help with reading, writing, listening, speaking, note-taking, vocabulary building and spelling strategies.

The TESL Centre also offers ESL Training to people interested in teaching English as a Second or Foreign Language. *TESL 100 - The Overview Course* is a practical introduction to the techniques, methodologies and instructional resources used to teach English as a Second or Foreign Language to children and adults. *TESL 100* is a pre-requisite for the Saint Mary's Diploma in Teaching English as a Second/Foreign Language.

For details on courses and programs, contact the TESL Centre at 902-420-5691 or www.smu.ca/academic/tesl



Saint Mary's Continues International Year of Astronomy Celebrations

Saint Mary's University and Astronomy Nova Scotia continue to take a lead role in the UNESCO International Year of Astronomy (IYA 2009), which marks the 400th anniversary of Galileo's invention of the telescope. *IYA 2009 events in February include:*

In Search of Time – A lecture by Dan Falk

The Royal Astronomical Society of Canada – Halifax Chapter will host award-winning science journalist and author Dan Falk on Friday, February 20 at 8pm in Room SB 260 of the Sobeys Building at Saint Mary's University.

Dan Falk's book *"In Search of Time"* draws on the latest research in physics, cosmology, psychology, and anthropology to explore time travel. *In Search of Time* is an extraordinary journey along a most curious dimension.

In April, Astronomy Nova Scotia will be presenting prizes for the best astronomy project in honour of IYA 2009 at the Team Nova Scotia Showcase, the provincial science fair for grades 7-12 to be held April 30-May 2 at Saint Mary's University.

For a detailed listing of International Year of Astronomy events around Nova Scotia and links to events around the world visit: www.astronomynovascotia.ca



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