

**Saint Mary's University**

**Fall Convocation**

**Sunday, 30 October 2005**



## O CANADA

O Canada! Our home and native land!  
True patriot love in all thy sons' command.

With glowing hearts we see thee rise,  
The True North strong and free!

From far and wide, O Canada,  
We stand on guard for thee.

God keep our land, glorious and free!  
O Canada, we stand on guard for thee,  
O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.

Convocation is a joyous yet solemn event, bound by traditions which have evolved over centuries. It is a continuum with a formal beginning and an end. By being present here today, you have indicated your interest in being part of this academic tradition. Graduating students and their guests are therefore expected to remain in their seats until this 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.

## **Order of Academic Procession**

Marshal of Convocation

Graduates

Guests

Faculty

Board of Governors

Deans of Faculties

President, Deans, and Faculty Emeriti/ae

Recipients of Honorary Degrees

Vice-President, Academic and Research

President

Chancellor

The Lieutenant-Governor of Nova Scotia

The audience is requested to stand when the Academic Procession arrives, to remain standing until the close of the Prayer of Invocation; and at the close of Convocation, to remain standing until all the Academic Procession has recessed.

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

To be Doctor of Civil Law

Sid Pobihushchy

A scholar who is an internationally recognized leader in the Cooperative movement.

To be Doctor of Civil Law

Hendrika (Hetty) M. van Gulp

An educator, author and advocate of peaceful schools.

Convocation Address

Hetty van Gulp

Founding President of Peaceful Schools International

Presentation of Alumni Pins to Honorary Degree Recipients

Conferring of Degrees, Diplomas, and Certificates

## **UNDERGRADUATE**

### **Arts**

Esther Enns, B.S.L., M.A., M.Ed., Ph.D., Dean of Arts, will present the candidates.

### **Commerce**

David Wicks, B.Comm., M.B.A., Ph.D., Acting Dean of Commerce, will present the candidates.

### **Science**

David H. S. Richardson, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.A., D.Phil., Sc.D., will present the candidates.

## **GRADUATE**

### **Arts**

### **Commerce**

### **Science**

J. Kevin Vessey, B.Sc. (Hons), M.Sc., Ph.D.

Dean of Graduate Studies and Research, will present the candidates from the graduate programs in all faculties.

Induction to the President's Hall of Academic Excellence

Message from Alumni Association  
Paul O'Hearn, B.Comm.

Closing of Convocation

*The Queen*  
Heather Fitzpatrick, B.P.R.

Recessional

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**Chancellor of Saint Mary's University**  
Most Reverend Terrance Prendergast, S.J., B.A., M.Th., D.Th.  
Archbishop of Halifax

**Chairman of Convocation**  
Terrence Murphy, B.A., M.A., Ph.D.  
Vice-President, Academic and Research

**Marshal of Convocation**  
Donald J. Naulls, B.A.(Hons.), M.A., Ph.D.  
Associate Dean of Arts, Associate Professor of Political Science and  
Chairperson of the Academic Senate.

**Marshal of Students**  
Keith Hotchkiss, B.A.  
Director of Student Services

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**Appreciation**

The Administration and Faculty of Saint Mary's University gratefully acknowledge the generous assistance received during the past year from individuals and groups in the form of contributions of scholarships, bursaries, prizes, and numerous and varied services.

**Photography**

To ensure that there is no interference with the conferring of degrees, diplomas, and certificates, and to comply with fire regulations, audience guests will not have access to the floor area in front of the stage or the aisles during the Convocation ceremony.

**Fire Exits**

Guests are asked to observe carefully the locations of all fire exits in the Port Royal Room.

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## BACHELOR OF ARTS

Al-Sharhan, Sumaiya R.	Kuwait
Anderson, Nathan L.	Wauchula, FL, USA
Andrews, Ashley Dawn	Hubbards, NS
Banks, Hilary Allison	Waterville, NS
Blaikie, Megan Marie (Hon. Psychology)	Truro, NS
Bosomworth, Adam Gordon	Toronto, ON
Brown, Tanis M.	Halifax, NS
Bushey, Richard James Lloyd	Kentville, NS
Campbell, Jill M. S. (Hon. Int'l Development Studies: First Class)	Cape North, NS
Cann, Nadine C.	Yarmouth, NS
Carmichael, Raegan (Hon. Criminology)	Bridgewater, NS
Charles, Joy-Ann Natasha	St John's, Antigua
Chisholm, Carissa Ann	Antigonish, NS
Christian, Hayley Lauren	Halifax, NS
Christian, Oliver J. R.	St John's, Antigua
Clovis, Sebastian James	Scarborough, ON
Coprez, Margaret Terezija	Halifax, NS
Coughlin, Matthew Martin	Napanee, ON
Crosby, Kara Lynn	Shelburne, NS
Curtis, Jennifer Anne	Dartmouth, NS
Davis, Lisa Ann (Hon. Criminology)	Herring Cove, NS
de Jonge, Carlin Lee	Edmonton, AB
Digout, A. Dale	Truro, NS
Dompierre, Christopher David	Bedford, NS
Dort, Carrie Leanne	Guysborough, NS
Evans, Brian D.	Halifax, NS
Forbes, Andrew Gordon (Hon. English)	Dartmouth, NS
Fraser, Terri Anne	Dartmouth, NS
Galea Staszko, Suzan E. ( <b>magna cum laude</b> )	Halifax, NS
Goreham, Shauna Michelle	Bear Point, NS
Gorman, Hilary Leslie (Hon. Int'l Development Studies)	Guelph, ON
Gould, Stephanie Elaine	Membertou First Nation
Hitchcock, David Wayde	Amherst, NS
Hoeg, Julie Anne	Amherst, NS
Hunter, Jane W.	Fall River, NS
Huynh, Vu Van	Halifax, NS
Ingvason, Bjorgvin	Kopavogur, Iceland

Jennings, Denis C. E.	Bathurst, NS
Jones, Katie M. E. (Hon. Criminology)	Kingston, NB
Kalogeras, Constantinos D.	Halifax, NS
Keen, Jonathan Atkinson (Hon. Anthropology)	Halifax, NS
Keeton, Marlene (Hon. English)	Halifax, NS
Lloyd, Stephanie Michelle	Bridgewater, NS
Logan, Neil K. J.	Springhill, NS
MacCulloch, Emily W. S.	Halifax, NS
MacDougald, Ellen H. P.	Bedford, NS
MacEachern, Jolene Kristin	Dartmouth, NS
MacEachern, Nicolle Emily	Dartmouth, NS
MacEwen, Angella Dawn (Hon. Int'l Development Studies)	Elrose, SK
MacIntosh, Jennifer L.	Lockeport, NS
MacKinnon, Amanda L. (Hon. Psychology)	Halifax, NS
MacLean, Natasha Krystal	Truro, NS
MacLellan, L. Kristopher (Hon. Int'l Development Studies)	Upper Tantallon, NS
MacRae, Robert Shane	Bridgewater, NS
Maher, Meghan Holly	Halifax, NS
Mann, Jody Scott	Riverview, NB
Marcotte, Nicole Danielle	Halifax, NS
Martinez De La Cerda, Araceli	Veracruz, Mexico
Mason, Robert James	Bedford, NS
Masters, Kyle C.	Bermuda
Matheson, William Cale	Lower Sackville, NS
McBarron, Christina Patricia	Eastern Passage, NS
McCallum, Melanie D.	Bible Hill, NS
McCallum, Neil J. (Hon. Criminology)	Toronto, ON
McCarthy, Danielle Nicole	Halifax, NS
McCarthy, Stephanie Marilyn	Steady Brook, NL
McDonald, Erin Marie	Halifax, NS
McDougall, Ainslie Mary ( <b>Hon. Psychology: First Class Co-operative Education</b> )	Sydney, NS
McDougall, Libbey Catherine	Halifax, NS
McIntyre, Sophie Marie	Dartmouth, NS
Neatby, Philip Stuart	South Granville, PE
Nevin, Melissa C.	Shubenacadie, NS
Partington, Neil J.	Halifax, NS
Piercey, Carolyn Beth	Corner Brook, NL
Richard, Julie K. (Hon. Philosophy)	Halifax, NS
Richard, Ronnie Lee	Halifax, NS
Richardson, Brett M.	Halifax, NS
Robinson, Billy Donald	Halifax, NS



Rodrigues, Terri A.  
Root, Danielle (Hon. Psychology)

Sack, Helena Noelle  
Salonen, Shae Jillian  
Sandiford, Krystle H. C.  
Scammell, Vanessa Jane  
Shaw, Jill Raylene  
Sheppard, Erin Connolly

Smith, James William  
Srirathum, Ploy  
Stefansson, Brynjar  
Stephenson, Jill B.

Throop, Jennifer Lee (Hon. Psychology)  
Toner, Lori Ann  
Tucker, Jennifer Eileen

Uegama, Jeffrey Victor

Webber, Jennifer Anne  
Wetmore, Jonathan D. L.  
Whyte, Scot Alan  
Willis, Michelle C.

Zora, Manur M.

## **BACHELOR OF COMMERCE**

Adams, Gary C.  
Adlain, Shemma Chantal  
Albright, Nathan Dalton  
Al Kindi, Manam M.  
Allum, Nicole Jasmine  
Anderson, Graeme Thomas  
Andrews, Kate E. (Co-operative Education)

Benigno, Alessandra S.  
Bragg, Peter Douglas

Campbell, Donald John  
Campbell, Karen Janet  
Chao, Li (**magna cum laude**)  
Cheeseman, Paul C.  
Chen, Cao  
Chu, Zimin (**summa cum laude**)

Hamilton, ON  
Listuguj, QC

Indian Brook, NS  
Oromocto, NB  
Hammonds Plains, NS  
Bedford, NS  
Margaree Valley, NS  
East Bridgewater,  
MA, USA  
Dartmouth, NS  
Thailand  
Kopavogur, Iceland  
Halifax, NS

Sackville, NB  
Saint John, NB  
Sydney, NS

Richmond, BC

Dartmouth, NS  
Halifax, NS  
Fall River, NS  
Indian Brook, NS

Bedford, NS

Pembroke, Bermuda  
Vieux Fort, St Lucia  
Riverview, NB  
Dubai, UAE  
Glencoe, Trinidad  
Saint John, NB  
Riverview, NB

Halifax, NS  
Auburn, NS

Woodstock, NB  
New Glasgow, NS  
China  
Burin, NL  
Guangzhou, China  
Shenzhen, China

Ciamacco, Stefano	Dartmouth, NS
Ciccolella, Joseph Marc	Halifax, NS
Clarke, James Scott	Mount Pearl, NL
Coolen, Robert William	Lower Sackville, NS
Cormier, Marcel D. (Hon. Economics)	Dieppe, NB
Cruz, Cynthia Marie	Halifax, NS
Davis, Travis James	Goose Bay, NL
Dawson, Kenneth K. Virgin Islands	Tortola, British
Deware, Walter James John	Moncton, NB
Dorsett, Dino Valentino	St John's, Antigua
Dunbar, Morgan Lynn	Hantsport, NS
Dwyer, Nicole Anne	Bishop's Falls, NL
El-Dalaw, Motaz Tayseer	Halifax, NS
Fader, Afton Nancy Elizabeth	Halifax, NS
Farah, John Samir	Lebanon
Fox, James Alexander	Halifax, NS
Godwin, Adam Paul	Dartmouth, NS
Han, Liu	NanJing, China
Handren, Alacia D.	Barrie, ON
Hart, Matthew B.	Halifax, NS
Harvey, Shaynell Renae	Hamilton, Bermuda
Hayman, Alan T.	Dartmouth, NS
Horning, Brendan T.	Halifax, NS
Jennings, Denis C. E.	Bathurst, NB
John, Javier R. G.	Basseterre, St Kitts
Kelly, Matthew H.	Placentia Bay, NL
Kenny, Elizabeth Jane	Vancouver, BC
King, Jonathan Berkeley	New Minas, NS
Langman, Kate Lynn	Truro, NS
Larrazabal, Jose A. Colombia	Valledupar,
Leong, Simon	Hong Kong
Li, Chuankai	Beijing, China
Li, Ye	Halifax, NS
Li, Yingzhi ( <b>cum laude</b> )	Beijing, China
Li, Zhenhan	Xiamon, China
Lim, Jung-Ah	Bedford, NS
Little, John David	Milton, NS
Liu, Ling Ling	Loukou, China

Liu, Xian	Shanghai, China
Lynch, Müge Balko	Istanbul, Turkey
MacDonald, Melissa Mary-Louise	Enfield, NS
MacIntyre, Ashley Christeen	Halifax, NS
MacKenzie, Raymond David	New Waterford, NS
MacKinnon, Ryan Daniel	Shubenacadie, NS
MacLeod, Marcy Rae	Miramichi, NB
MacNeil, Raymond Andrew	Glace Bay, NS
MacNeil, Tyler Adam	Creignish, NS
Mason, Andrew Peter	Dartmouth, NS
Matthews, Rodney Terrence	Brookside, NS
Mendez Carrasquillo, Kandia Isabel	Caracas, Venezuela
Mercer, Suran M.	St Kitts
Monk, Tammie Lynn ( <b>magna cum laude</b> )	Halifax, NS
Moses, Brenda Audrey	Halifax, NS
Munroe, Kristie Lauren	Peabody, MA, USA
Murphy, Lori Margaret	Charlottetown, PE
Neily, Francisco Rodney	Nassau, Bahamas
O'Connell, Cheyanne Nadine (Co-operative Education)	Yarmouth, NS
O'Malley, Ryan Patrick	Dartmouth, NS
Organ, Ryan Paul	Halifax, NS
Paul, Amanda Marie	Diego Martin, Trinidad
Pearl, Lisa Marie	Hammonds Plains, NS
Peters, Matthew William	Dartmouth, NS
Price, Stephen Scott	Louisbourg, NS
Purdy, Sheryl Lynn	Dartmouth, NS
Rahman, Muhammad Muddassir	Lahore, Pakistan
Raymond, Beth E.	Liverpool, NS
Robicheau, Sarah C.	Lake Echo, NS
Rose, Joy Yvonne	Burgeo, NL
Scanlan, Erinn Christina	Halifax, NS
Short, James Curtis	Terra Nova, NL
Snide, Jeffrey Mark Douglas	Halifax, NS
Sobaih, Mohammed Salem	Gaza, Palestine
Staple, Louis James	Halifax, NS
Tan, Zhuo (Tina)	Dartmouth, NS
Tao, QingYun	Wujiang, China
Trider, Jonathan Andrew	Bedford, NS
Turnbull, Gillian Andrea	Cole Harbour, NS
Tutty, Jan M.	Sydney, NS

Vincent, Benjamin Thomas

Halifax, NS

Wallace, Janine M.

Halifax, NS

Wan, Jinfan

Qingdao, China

Wang, Haibo

Harbin, China

White, Karla-Rae Rebecca

Dartmouth, NS

Wilson, Rebecca Lynn

New Glasgow, NS

Winsor, Jennifer Louise

Halifax, NS

Worrell, Robert J.

Halifax, NS

Yang, Jianing

Shanghai, China

Yuan, Jing

Halifax, NS

Zhang, Pu

Beijing, China

Zhang, Yu (**summa cum laude**)

Halifax, NS

#### **CERTIFICATE OF HUMAN RESOURCE MANAEGMENT**

Adams, Gary C.

Pembroke, Bermuda

Adlain, Shemma Chantal

Vieux Fort, St Lucia

Albright, Nathan Dalton

Riverview, NB

Andrews, Kate E.

Riverview, NB

Campbell, Donald John

Woodstock, NB

Campbell, Karen Janet

New Glasgow, NS

Chen, Cao

Guangzhou, China

Coolen, Robert William

Lower Sackville, NS

Cruz, Cynthia Marie

Halifax, NS

Dompierre, Christopher David

Bedford, NS

Dunbar, Morgan Lynn

Hantsport, NS

Dwyer, Nicole Anne

Bishop's Falls, NL

Foley, Laura M.

Oxford, NS

Fox, James Alexander

Halifax, NS

Gaglardi, Darrell J.

Halifax, NS

Handren, Alacia D.

Barrie, ON

Hart, Matthew B.

Halifax, NS

Humphreys, Meghan Kathryn

New Glasgow, NS

Langille, Bruce Murray

Halifax, NS

Li, Yingzhi

Beijing, China

MacDougald, Ellen H. P.

Bedford, NS

MacIntyre, Ashley Christeen

Halifax, NS

MacKenzie, Raymond David	New Waterford, NS
MacKinnon, Amanda L.	Halifax, NS
MacLeod, Marcy Rae	Miramichi, NB
MacNeil, Raymond Andrew	Glace Bay, NS
MacNeil, Tyler Adam	Creignish, NS
Matthews, Rodney Terrence	Brookside NS
McCharles, Meghan P.	Halifax, NS
Mercer, Suran M.	St Kitts, NS
Milosevic, Jelena	Halifax, NS
Moses, Brenda Audrey	Halifax, NS
Neily, Francisco Rodney	Nassau, Bahamas
O'Connell, Cheyanne Nadine	Yarmouth, NS
Paul, Amanda Marie	Diego Martin, Trinidad
Rose, Joy Yvonne	Burgeo, NL
Scanlan, Erinn Christina	Halifax, NS
Trider, Jonathan Andrew	Bedford, NS
Turnbull, Gillian Andrea	Cole Harbour, NS
Wan, Jinfan	Qingdao, China

#### **BACHELOR OF SCIENCE**

Abdel Ghani, Tariq M.	Halifax, NS
Babaoglu, Doruk (Hon. Computing Science)	Istanbul, Turkey
Badruzzaman, Tareq Bin	Dhaka, Bangladesh
Belisle, Jacqueline Rose	Gaetz Brook, NS
Clarke, Melissa R.	Lewisporte, NL
Clow, Stephen N. K.	Summerside, PE
Colbourne, Scott Richard	Jeddore, NS
Connolly, Ryan M. (Hon. Geology)	Pictou, NS
Dobson, Colleen Marie	Bathurst, NB
El-Ashkar, Layal I.	Jordan
Ellis, Herbert	Accra, Ghana
Geroux, Chris Matthew (Hon. Astrophysics)	Malagash, NS
Ghanayem, Ziad Ahmad	Tolkarem, Palestine

Hepburn, Lakeisha Dessica Tercelle Hillier, Jennifer Elizabeth Horne, Peter Andrew	Nassau, Bahamas Cole Harbour, NS Stewiacke, NS
Irwin, Katherine Louise (Hon. Geology)	Ludlow, MA, USA
King, Wayne Baxter	Mount Uniacke, NS
Marlin, Ashley (Hon. Environmental Studies/ Co-operative Education)	Halifax, NS
Moshiri, Houtan (Hon. Biology)	Halifax, NS
Muise, Leslee Adrianna	Yarmouth, NS
Nichols, Patrick Blair	Wolfville, NS
O'Garro, Ineacho J. P. A.	Basseterre, St Kitts
Salame, Rita	Halifax, NS
Scott, Jason Myles	Bathurst, NB
Stevens, Ryan Carter	Louisbourg, NS
Taylor, Andrea Leslie (Hon. Biology)	Hampton, NB
Tingley, Reid Jonathan (Hon. Biology)	Bedford, NS
Ward, Matthew R. B.	Dartmouth, NS
Wilson, Lindsay Jane	Enfield, NS

#### **BACHELOR OF SCIENCE AND DIPLOMA IN ENGINEERING**

Wilkie, Troy Vincent	Whites Lake, NS
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#### **DIPLOMA IN ENGINEERING**

Anderson, Michelle Dawn Arabi, Alaa Ali	Dartmouth, NS Lebanon
Farajmandi, Mahmoud	Bandar Lengeh, UAE
Hearn, Scott Aaron Hussini, Majd Ahmad	Halifax, NS Bedford, NS
Lawther, Gregory S.	Antigonish, NS
Toulany, Wahib J.	Dartmouth, NS

**MASTER OF ARTS (ATLANTIC CANADA STUDIES)**

Boutilier, Alexander D. Fall River, NS  
Thomson, Joyce Rebecca Wentzell Dartmouth, NS

**MASTER OF ARTS (HISTORY)**

Burton, Emily Francesca Prospect, NS

**MASTER OF ARTS (INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT STUDIES)**

Cutler, Jennifer Hatherly Roseann Fredericton, NB  
Khan, Aga Saqib Raza Islamabad, Pakistan  
Lau, Edgar Zayago Emiliano Zapata  
City, Mexico  
Victoria, BC  
Loveday, Sarah Megan  
McPeake, Heather Ann Halifax, NS  
Shannon, Regina Marie Oakville, ON  
Shen, Shuhong Shawn Scarborough, ON  
Shortall, Jennifer C. Ottawa, ON

**MASTER OF ARTS (PHILOSOPHY)**

Lidstone, Faye Marie Cornwall, PE

**EXECUTIVE MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION**

Kumpic, Carl Franz Halifax, NS

**MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION**

Blotnicky, Richard Benny Frank Lawrencetown, NS  
Childs, Andrea Faye Halifax, NS  
Deshmukh, Rahul Pramod Mumbai, India  
Dinh, Duc Minh Hochiminh City,  
Vietnam

Geddes, Donald Gordon

Tantallon, NS

Hart, Matthew Andrew  
Hu, Tongqian  
Huang, Zhenyang (Jenny)

Halifax, NS  
Wuhan, China  
Beijing, China

Isnor, Mary Katherine

Hammonds Plains, NS

Lau, Veronica Wai Yin

Vancouver, BC

MacEachern, Mary Anne  
Mishra, Adhir K.  
Mullally, George J.  
Munro-Cape, Christopher J.

Antigonish, NS  
New Delhi, India  
Halifax, NS  
Halifax, NS

Yue, Lan

China

#### **MASTER OF FINANCE**

Chen, Jiayi

Zhanjiang, China

Dai, Xiao Ying

Hang Zhou, China

Huang, Peng

Xinyang, China

Jin, Ling  
Jin, Xing

Wu Nan, China  
Halifax, NS

Lin, Cui  
Lin, Yun  
Lu, Xiaohu

Fuzhou, China  
Shanghai, China  
Nantong, China

Pan, Fangfang

Jiujiang, China

Shi, Guang

Beijing, China

Tan, Jiani  
Wan, Xuerong  
Wu, Ge  
Wu, Shuwei

Shanghai, China  
Zhejiang, China  
Nanjing, China  
Changsha, China

Xia, Di

Beijing, China

Yu, Chenggong  
Yu, Zhuoyun

Beijing, China  
Hangzhou, China

Zhou, Xiaoying

Suzhou, China



Zhou, Yi  
Zhu, Wenxin

Fuzhou, China  
Guangzhou, China

**MASTER OF SCIENCE (APPLIED PSYCHOLOGY)**

Boyes, Fraser Alexander James

Winnipeg, MB

Hess, Adriana Ariff

Kuala Umpur,  
Malaysia  
Guangdong, China

Hong, Ying

Pepin, Julie  
Poole, Amanda E. R.  
Power, Trinda Lee  
Prosser, Matthew A.

Montreal, QC  
Perth, ON  
Halifax, NS  
Boutilier's Point, NS

Slaunwhite, Jason Murray

Middle Sackville, NS

**MASTER OF SCIENCE (APPLIED SCIENCE)**

Akiyama, Yasushi (Co-operative Education)

Yokohama, Japan

Maimaiti, Jiamila

XinJiang, China

Tian, Geng

XinJiang, China

Xue, Guang (Co-operative Education)

Xian, China

Yu, Wei

China

**MASTER OF SCIENCE (ASTRONOMY)**

Kacprzak, Glenn George

Bromont, QC

Lovekin, Catherine  
Ruiter, Ashley Jade

Toronto, ON  
Nepean, ON

**PH.D. IN BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION**

Mullen, Jane Elizabeth

Sackville, NB

## **Honorary Degree Recipients**

At this Fall Convocation, Saint Mary's University will confer three honorary degrees.

### **Michael (Mickey) MacDonald**

A native Haligonian who grew up in Fairview, Michael MacDonald regarded his Mother, Belle, as his template for success. She worked full-time as a nurse while raising seven children. He has indicated "I watched my mother's strong will and determination and I knew that's what I needed to be a success".

Leaving school without finishing Grade 9, he concurs that he did things "the hard way" in the "school of hard knocks". A number of odd jobs followed not only in Halifax but Toronto and Vancouver. It was during this time in his life that he developed his passion for boxing which has developed into a life-time interest. At last he decided it was time to grow up and head home. The turning point? Finding himself sleeping in his car under the shadow of the giant Canada goose in Wawa, Ontario, in the mid 1970's.

From 1976-1992, he was employed with the Halifax Fire Department and on the side operated a successful auto body shop, a car lot, and a snow plowing business. He also earned a Certificate of Financial Management from Saint Mary's University.

Termed a "master strategist with an all-encompassing vision incorporating family, staff, suppliers and customers", Michael MacDonald purchased "the struggling one-location retail store", DownEast Communications in 1991. Over the next 13 years this business venture grew by 8,536% under his guiding principle that "Service doesn't cost, it pays". Together with MacDonald's unyielding determination and uncanny capability to predict market trends, it developed into Metro's fastest growing company. MacDonald had succeeded in building a communications powerhouse of 52 retail locations in Atlantic Canada providing total communications solutions (product and services to the general public, private sector corporations and all levels of Government). In 2004, Mr. MacDonald sold DownEast to the regional phone company, Aliant, for \$38 million.

Given Mr. MacDonald's strong leadership it is not surprising that he and DownEast were recognized with a significant number of awards. A few of these are – Canada's 50 Best Managed Companies (2002 & 2003); one of the best places to work (2003); and Atlantic Progress Fastest Growing Companies Top

40 in Atlantic Canada with minimum annual revenue of \$1 million – ranked by revenue growth. The company moved from 29<sup>th</sup> (2000) to 7<sup>th</sup> overall in 2001. DownEast was also recognized with an outstanding number of Motorola Awards.

Business acumen and outstanding entrepreneurial success are but a part of Mickey MacDonald. He regularly encouraged by example and rewarded staff for their community involvement. He has served on the boards of a large number of charities, including the Halifax Metro Food Bank (where he is the Honorary Chairperson); the Canadian Wireless Telecommunications Association (CWTA); Ward 5 Neighbourhood Centre; and Saint Mary's University Sports Super Auction (serving as Honorary Chair). His generosity to the community extends to the Danny Gullivan Cystic Fibrosis Golf Tournament; QEII Foundation; the YMCA; the Canadian Cancer Society; and many others. His gift of \$1 million to Janeway Children's Hospital Foundation in Newfoundland was in memory of his late mother, a Newfoundlander, who was a pediatric nurse at the IWK in Halifax from whom he claimed to have learned the value of giving. This had been preceded by an identical gift to the IWK Hospital in Halifax, also in memory of his mother.

### **Sid Pobihushchy**

Born in Saskatchewan of farming parents for whom co-operation was a way of life, Sid studied engineering at the University of Manitoba, then subsequently worked for the British Columbia Forest Service, Stora Forest Products and Texaco Canada. In 1984, he graduated from Saint Mary's University with a Bachelor of Arts degree. Both here and later at both the Universities of Alberta and Michigan he studied political economy. He came to believe in and to be a major spokesperson for "an alternative form of economy.....the co-operative economy".

In 1968 he joined the faculty at the University of New Brunswick where he rose to the rank of full professor 14 years later. For eight years he served as the chairperson of the Department of Political Science.

A born teacher, he was awarded the Dr. Allen P. Stuart Memorial Award for Excellence in Teaching. During his teaching career he researched and wrote on many topics and was particularly interested in aboriginal peoples and co-operatives. He has authored a significant number working papers and articles on political economy on co-operatives. Recently he served on the Advisory Board

for the Masters of Management in Co-operatives and Credit Unions Programme at Saint Mary's University.

He has a reputation in co-operative circles not just in Canada but internationally as a co-operative thinker and educator. In the early 1990's Dr. Sven Book from Sweden was asked by the International Co-operative Alliance to meet with co-operative thinkers from around the world as part of an exercise in updating the co-operative principles and values. Canada was one of the last stops on his year and a half long quest and he had a brief meeting with Sid in Kingston Ontario at the Learned Societies. He was so impressed by Sid's thinking that he changed his travel plans to spend a day with him in Fredericton. His assessment was "You don't know how lucky you are to have one of the four or five best co-op thinkers in the world right here".

Sid served not only on co-operative boards, but on the boards of many other community organizations as well. That said, his co-operative contribution includes nine years as President of Atlantic Canada's most successful consumer co-operative and eighteen years on the board of Co-op Atlantic (retail level sales of about \$1 billion a year), the regions retail and farm co-operative wholesale central. The most innovative and dynamic ideas that came to the Co-op Atlantic Board came from Sid. Many people feel that his contribution was key to making Fredericton Direct Charge Co-op enormously successful and vital to ensuring that Co-op Atlantic survived during a period when almost all the independent grocery businesses in Atlantic Canada disappeared. He brought the same vision and integrity to the Board of The Co-operatives, Canada's largest general insurance company, and the York Credit Union board and other boards upon which he served. Sid also served on the board of the Tucson Co-operative Warehouse. It is the only known instance of a Canadian co-operator having been asked to sit on the board of a co-operative that does not even do business in Canada.

The Board President of the Tucson Co-operative Warehouse recently noted that "Sid has been available to his co-operative friends in the United States 'in whatever way you can use me' and has spoken at a variety of venues always contrasting the 'what is' with the 'what could be'. His knowledge of history and economics along with his direct experience of co-operatives from inside out has been inspiring as well as practically helpful as many of us have struggled to spread the co-operative message here in the United States. His knowledge and passion are powerful".

It has been suggested that if Sid had been paid for the time, energy, intelligence and vision he devoted to corporate boards that he gave so freely to co-operatives and community groups he would be very well off today. Instead, he deliberately chose to make his contribution on a voluntary basis to First Nations groups, farmers' organizations and co-operative business.

### **Hetty van Gulp**

Hendrika (Hetty) Margaretha van Gulp was born in Delft, Holland and educated at Mount Saint Vincent University from which she graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree (1982); a Bachelor of Education degree (1986) and, in 1992, a Master of Education degree. For 30 years (1969-1999) she was a classroom teacher and a principal which included extensive and varied assignment in Canada and the U.S.A. In addition to teaching in the public schools, Ms. van Gulp has taught students with special needs as a resource teacher and as a teacher at the School for the Blind in Montreal. Currently she is an adjunct professor at Mount Saint Vincent University, teaching on a part-time basis.

The year 1991 was a turning point in her life. Her son, Benjamin, died after an incident with a bully. His Mother resolved to take action. "Can't we all just get along?" she asked. She set out with the aim of ridding school of violence by teaching about peace. Starting with her own students, Hetty worked to foster a classroom atmosphere which discouraged all forms of aggression. Initially, she probably never imagined that her ideas would spread to such diverse areas as Northern Ireland, Asia, and Russia. Since 1991, she has served as a peace educator and consultant to schools across Canada and internationally. During this time she introduced the concept of peer mediation to schools in Nova Scotia and still regularly conducts training sessions for students, educators, and community members. The media frequently consult her on issues related to safe schools. She is also frequently invited to deliver keynote addresses at local and national conferences.

Hetty has served on several national working groups to develop and coordinate guiding principles for safe schools. In 1998 she co-founded the League of Peaceful Schools, an organization which supports schools which are committed to creating a safe and peaceful environment. Following an extensive visit to Japan, Serbia, and Macedonia in 2001, she established Peaceful Schools International which is headquartered at Clementsport, Nova Scotia. She is its President and ambitiously fosters its objective which is to provide international

support to schools committed to creating a culture of peace. Saint Mary's was the first post-secondary institution to apply and be granted membership in this organization.

Given Ms. van Gulp's untiring work on peaceful schools, it is not surprising that her talents have been sought by many organizations and that she has received many honours. A few of these are noted. In 1995 she was appointed to a two-year term as a member of the federal Human Rights Tribunal Panel followed one year later by receiving the YMCA Peace Medal. In 1998 she was presented with the Nova Scotia School Administrators' Association's "Principal of Distinction Award". That same year, Hetty was awarded a Baha'i Commendation for "Promoting Racial Harmony" and, in 1999, she received the Annual Crime Prevention of Nova Scotia Award. She was awarded the Queen's Jubilee Medal in 2003.

In addition to her presentations, Hetty is the author of three books, Peace in the Classroom: Peaceful Schools: Models That Work; and Peer Meditation: A Complete Training Manual. She is also the co-creator of the Peace @ Schools toolkit.

She and her husband, Ward Carson, reside in Granville Ferry, Nova Scotia.

## **Awards**

### **Professor Emeritus**

The honorary rank of Professor Emeritus is awarded, upon or after retirement from full-time active academic duties, to faculty members who have served the University with distinction. Distinguished service shall consist of a combination of some or all of the following: extensive research and publication of unusually high quality, teaching performance recognized by colleagues and students to be of exceptional merit, contribution to the administration and development of the University of a creative kind.

The rank of Professor Emeritus carries no salary or honorarium; only the following entitlements:

- full use of the University library facilities;
- where possible, working space on request;
- the right to use faculty secretarial facilities as available; and
- the right to apply and be considered for University research funds.

**Jamal Badawi**

Dr. Badawi joined Saint Mary's University's Commerce Faculty in 1970 after completing his Ph.D. from Indiana University from which he also holds a Master of Business Administration as well as a Bachelor of Commerce degree from Ain-Shams.

In addition to teaching in his formal field of education [Management], he taught a course on "Islamic Religious Tradition" for many years and for the last several years he has had one half of his teaching load in the Department of Religious Studies.

He served on various committees at the University, including the University Curriculum Committee for two years and was Acting Chair of the Department of Management for one academic year.

Dr. Badawi is the author of several works in both Management and Islamic studies published in the forms of books, chapters in books and articles in various journals, audiotapes and videotapes. Some of his works were printed several times in different countries and translated into various languages.

In addition to his participation in lectures, seminars and interfaith dialogues in North America, he was invited as a guest speaker in nearly 30 countries, some of which he visited several times. He is also actively involved in several national and International Islamic organizations including membership in the Islamic Juristic Council of North America, The European Council of Fatwa and Research and on the Board of the International Association of Muslim Scholars. He was frequently interviewed by local, national and international media.

Dr. Badawi is married and has 5 children and 15 grandchildren.

He officially retired on 31 August 2005.

### **Cyril J. Byrne, O.C.**

In the autumn of 1970, a Newfoundlander, Dr. Cyril Byrne, began teaching in the Department of English at Saint Mary's University. Previously, he had earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from St. Dunstan's, Prince Edward Island; a Master of Arts from the National University of Ireland and another from Oxford University; and a Ph.D. from the University of Toronto.

With his friend and colleague, Dr. Kenneth MacKinnon, he began working on the establishment of a program in Atlantic Canada Studies which he saw through Senate and served as the program's Co-ordinator for the first two years of its existence. It is now a thriving program at both the undergraduate and master's level.

In 1980, he began the process of building the groundwork and raising the funds for the establishment of a Chair in the Irish Studies which was partially funded through the then Department of Multiculturalism, now Heritage Canada. The D'Arcy McGee Chair of Irish Studies began operation in the fall term of 1986 and is intended to focus on the enormous debt Saint Mary's owes to the Irish of Halifax who founded and supported its aims. Dr. Byrne has served as the Chair's Co-ordinator and chief fund raiser. He was also responsible for raising funds from the Jackman Foundation for the setting up of a University Archives. Through his activities on behalf of the Chair, he was responsible for obtaining funding to augment the library holdings in Irish Studies, making the Irish Collection at the Patrick Power Library one of the largest in Canada. In 1991, he set up a Committee of the Charitable Irish Society to raise funds to obtain a copy of a rare and valuable facsimile of the famous *Book of Kells*. As well, a beautiful wall hanging inspired by one of the book's pages executed by Cheticamp Artist, Yvette Muise, was obtained for the University by Dr. Byrne and now hangs behind the *Book of Kells* facsimile in the Patrick Power Library.

In 1993, Dr. Byrne was awarded the Order of Canada in recognition of his work at Saint Mary's. He himself feels most proud of his career as an effective teacher at Saint Mary's for which he was awarded the Father William Stewart, S.J. Medal for Teaching in the Spring of 1994.

He officially retired on 31 August 2005.



### **George Fredrick W. Young**

Born in Buffalo, New York, Dr. Young was educated at Harvard University (B.A.); the Universitat Freiburg in Germany; and the University of Chicago (Ph.D.). After a four year stint lecturing at the State University of New York at Buffalo, he came to Saint Mary's in 1969 and retired officially in 2003 but continued teaching for two additional years.

During his academic career, Dr. Young was a productive scholar whose books and articles focused on the trajectories of imperial growth and decline, on Viking explorations in the New World, on German immigration and colonization in South America, on capital investment and banking in Latin, and upon fascism in Europe and South America. His monograph The Germans in Chile (1974) was a highly regarded study of German immigration to and involvement in Chile prior to World War I. He also completed a number of essays in imperial trajectories of states and empires, and provided suggestions on how to understand "rise and decline" in cross-cultural and comparative ways. More latterly, by focusing his research on the economic underpinnings of countries which experienced rise and decline trajectories, he produced a number of articles on banking and finance in the leading German journals for Latin America. His research career is "that of a scholar interested in the comparative study of civilizations and empire".

Dr. Young's scholarly work has received considerable recognition, including a Fulbright Fellowship,

In addition to his teaching research, he served the University in many areas, including several terms as Chairperson and Acting Chairperson of the Department of History. He also presided over the Department's Self-Study in preparation for its External Review.

Always interested in how history could inform public debate, in the 1980's, he was the driving force and chairperson of the weekly news commentary programme Canadian Commentary on the Maine Public Broadcasting Networks. This was an early experiment in a TV format which has since become widespread across the national networks in the United States. As an accomplished musician, Dr. Young, has endeavored to enrich our community's cultural and artistic life and to provide it with informed public commentary.

## **Valedictorian**

### **Jill Campbell**

Hailing from Cape North in Northern Cape Breton, Jill Campbell entered Saint Mary's in September 2001, intending to pursue a Bachelor of Arts degree in International Development Studies. During her first year of study, she chose also to pursue a major in History. Today, she will graduate with her Bachelor of Arts degree with First Class Honours in International Development Studies and a major in History.

During her time at Saint Mary's, Jill was involved with a number of pursuits. For example, she served in World University Services Canada (WUSC) as well as the International Development Society at Saint Mary's University. In 2004-2005, she was the International Development Studies Undergraduate Representative. Jill helped to create and then served on the first editorial board of *Undercurrent: Canadian Journal of International Development Studies* which is the first undergraduate Journal in IDS in Canada.

This year, 2005-2006, Jill opted to take a time off from her studies and is currently employed as a Project Leader for Katimavik. Her future plans include pursuing graduate studies in her chosen fields.

## **Candidate to Be Hooded & Presented With Alumni Pin**

### **Zhuoyun (Grace) Yu**

In June 2004, Ms. Yu arrived in Canada from China which marked the first time that she ever had been out of her native land. She held a Bachelor's degree in Automation Engineering from Tianjin University of Science and Technology (2002) as well as a Diploma in International Trade from Dongbei University of Finance and Economics (2003).

After two months of orientation, in September 2004 she officially began a Master of Finance degree programme at Saint Mary's and within one year completed all compulsory requirements. She admitted that having been an engineering student in China provided her with little knowledge of finance. However, once she began her graduate studies, by dint of hard work and concentration, she not only explored this area successfully but also found it "fairly appealing".

While admitting that the masters' programme was "really intensive and demanding", she still found time to pursue such leisure activities as learning

languages, mixing cool cocktails, traveling, playing squash, reading novels, as well as enjoying both movies and music. She indicated that all of these are areas which she is interested in continuing to pursue.

There are two very divergent directions to her future plans. Academically she hopes to pursue a Ph.D. in Finance and also achieve a CFA designation while teaching and undertaking research in her areas of expertise. On the other hand she wants to own her own bar in China.

### **History of Saint Mary's University**

Saint Mary's University 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 later 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 gave formal recognition of its academic role. Its legal status was confirmed in perpetuity by enactment in 1852.

In 1913, the Christian Brothers of Ireland, a teaching order, were invited by the Archdiocese of Halifax to direct the college and its academic program. During the ensuing years, Saint Mary's University became more widely known for the quality of its undergraduate teaching and continued to develop new instructional programs, most notably within its Faculty of Commerce. In 1940 the Upper Canada Province of The Society of Jesus was invited to succeed the Christian Brothers as administrators and teachers in the University, and for thirty years until the enactment in 1970 of the new act of incorporation, the college remained under Jesuit supervision. The long-standing emphasis on liberal arts and commerce was extended to include new programs in science, engineering, and teacher education. Extension courses became an important part of the University's commitment to an active educational role in the community. The newest building on campus, The Sobey Building, opened in the fall of 1998 and houses the Frank H. Sobey School of Business and provides meeting rooms as well as state-of-the-art classrooms for all three faculties of the University.

In 2002, a year long series of events marked the institution's 200th anniversary. Included in these was the official launch on 15 May 2002 of our very own postage stamp. Three cairns were unveiled to mark two former sites of Saint Mary's, namely, the Glebe House Campus (corner of Spring Garden Road and Barrington Street) and the Windsor Street Campus (now the site of St.

Vincent's Guest Home). On 5 June 2002, the final cairn, unveiled on the present campus on Robie Street, marked the end of the official Bicentennial year activities.

### ***The Academic Plan: Framework Document***

Recently, a major undertaking has been the development and articulation of an ambitious Academic Plan which essentially outlines the University's future. Supporting existing programs, protecting the University's core values, and providing clear strategic directions are central elements of this document entitled *Academic Plan: Framework Document*. The University's motto: "What you do, do well" was the guiding principle of the Plan.

The Academic Plan is the result of over a year of planary sessions, research, and consultations with all levels of the University's many constituencies. The dimensions of Saint Mary's activities are highlighted under four sections:

- History and Character
- Key Success Factors
- Building on Strength
- Meeting Challenges and Opportunities

"The plan describes the scope of activities which comprise our institutional agenda and emphasizes the mutually reinforcing nature of these endeavours," says Dr. Terry Murphy, Saint Mary's Vice President, Academic and Research, who led the process of developing the Academic Plan. "Working with a clearly articulated sense of academic priorities was crucial to the development of the Academic Plan," he says. "We wanted to ensure that academic concerns would drive, rather than be driven by, the process." Dr. Colin Dodds, President of Saint Mary's says, "Academics are at the core of what we do, research, teaching, service and everything else has to support that."

Dr. Dodds further describes the Academic Plan as a partnership within the Saint Mary's community. "Through a consensus in the academic areas on direction, in consultation with other areas of the University we have ended up with a shared vision and will share in the implementation of the plan." Dr. Dodds says that the Academic Plan will provide a roadmap for the future. "The Academic Plan outlines what we will need to sustain us along the journey, our direction and how long it will take." He says that it will also establish markers of the University's progress and help to assess performance. "To simply say that we have a plan is not enough, as implementation moves forward we will be revising

the plan and continue to go back to it,” says Dr. Dodds. “What we are doing is strategizing and not being rigid so that we can deviate from the plan. It requires a fluidity because things can change. The dynamism and flexibility of the plan will allow us to fine tune it as we go along.”

## **An Explanation for our Guests: The Convocation Ceremony**

### **(a) The Procession**

The ceremony starts with the procession — the entering of the members of Convocation, beginning with the Marshall of Convocation and the students who will be presented with degrees, diplomas, and certificates during the service. As the students fill up the chairs in the Port Royal Room, they will give the impression that today’s ceremony really is, as convocations traditionally were, a meeting of the whole University. (The word “convocation” means “calling-together”.) Indeed, the Gymnasium could not hold all the individuals who are part of Saint Mary’s — the students, the professors, the administration, the staff, and a large number of alumni around the world — not to mention their families and friends.

Next in the procession are special guests, the Members of Faculty, the Board of Governors, and the Deans of the Faculties.

They are followed by the honorary degree recipients. In addition to “earned” degrees awarded to students who have studied and met the stipulated requirements, annually the University confers several “honorary” degrees on individuals who have been designated by the University’s Board of Governors and Academic Senate as deserving special honour. To symbolize the degrees, they will receive hoods trimmed with specially designated colours. The person receiving this honour will be introduced during the Convocation ceremony and a brief text is read to explain why he/she merits the award. Details are found in the earlier in this program.

The final members of the academic procession are the Vice-President, Academic and Research (who presides over Convocation), the President, and the Chancellor of the University. Frequently, the Lieutenant Governor of Nova Scotia and her husband join the procession.

Many will have colourful gowns and hoods of institutions from across Canada,

the United States, and many nations of the world.

**(b) The Ceremonial Mace**

The ceremonial mace, which is carried by the Marshall of Convocation at the head of the academic procession, was presented to Saint Mary's in April 1980 and used for the first time at the Spring Convocation of that same year. It symbolizes the University's authority to grant degrees. It was made and presented to the University by Maritime Command in recognition of Saint Mary's alumni killed in both world wars and also serving members of the Canadian Armed Forces who have been students at the University.

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

**(c) 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 quality point averages of all courses taken at Saint Mary's University. Students must have taken a minimum of 75% of their courses at Saint Mary's University to qualify for a distinction. There are no distinctions awarded in the Bachelor of Education program, nor in graduate and certificate programs.

<b>Program:</b>	<b>Quality Point</b>	<b>Distinction:</b>
<b>B.A., B.Comm., &amp; B.Sc.</b>	<b>Average</b>	<b>Diploma in Engineering</b>
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
Honours: First Class	4.00 - 4.30	-

**Traditions**

Traditions form a very important component of a University. A number of these are associated with Convocation, including the six described in the following paragraphs.

**(a) University Crest**

Hanging above the centre of the stage is a replica of the University crest, designed in the 1940s by the Reverend Daniel Fogarty, S.J., then Dean of Education. Each symbol in the crest has a significance relevant to the various phases and history of the University.

On the outer portion of the crest, the name and location of the University are inscribed in Latin and, in Roman numerals (1841), the date the University received its charter authorizing it to grant degrees.

The book shown above the shield represents learning and knowledge. The inscription on the page of the book is in Latin — “Age Quod Agis”. This is the motto of the University which exhorts all those connected with the University to strive to do their best in everything which they do. This quotation is from the Irish Christian Brothers and symbolizes their contribution to the development of the institution.

The upper part of the shield has the official seal of the Jesuits with I.H.S. being the Greek initials for Christ’s name. Below these initials are the three nails which represent the Crucifixion, and surrounding these is the Crown of Thorns. The two crowns represent a dual loyalty — to the then Dominion of Canada and to the British Commonwealth. Below these crowns is the thistle, which stands for Nova Scotia’s Scottish heritage.

**(b) The Presidential Medallion of Office**

On 22 October 2000, a Medallion of Office was officially presented to the University and used for the first time that same day at the installation of Dr. J. Colin Dodds as President. Designed and crafted by James Bradshaw and Bruce Babcock of James Bradshaw Jewellery Design Studios, Inc., Halifax, its centre is a University Gold Medal, traditionally awarded to the top graduating students. It symbolizes the University’s deep commitment to academic excellence. It is surrounded by contrasting sterling silver, representing the diversity of the institution’s students and of its academic programs. It was generously presented by the late Mary Eileen Donahoe and her family as a memorial to the late Senator Richard A. Donahoe, Q.C., K.S.G., LL.D.(Hon.), a member of one of the earliest Boards of Governors, in recognition not only of his career of public service but also his love of Saint Mary’s.

**(c) The President’s Hall of Academic Excellence**

In May 2002, the President’s Hall of Academic Excellence was officially opened.

Located directly outside the President's Office on the main corridor of the McNally Building, its purpose is to provide a permanent, visible record of all students who earned their academic credentials with a distinction and/or won a Governor-General's or University Gold Medal. The University is extremely proud of the academic achievements of its top students and wanted to ensure that all who visit the McNally Building will know who these students are. This is one of many Bicentennial Projects initiated during this very special year in our institution's history.

At this year's Fall Convocation, eight of the top students will be presented with a framed parchment during the actual Convocation Ceremonies.

**(d) The Hooding Ceremony**

As you will observe, all the graduates and members of the academic procession are attired in the basic elements of formal academic dress, which at Saint Mary's follows the general guidelines established at Oxford and Cambridge Universities in England. Formal attire consists of academic robe, hood and mortar board, although at Saint Mary's the latter is limited to Master's graduates only. The academic dress worn by each participant depends upon the academic level attained. There is a special attire for the Bachelor level candidates, for the Master's, and the Doctorate. While tradition has dictated the style or cut of the academic attire, each post-secondary institution, for the most part, will amend certain details of the attire to suit its own particular tastes and traditions.

The academic hood which each graduate is wearing symbolizes the degree into which the student will be or has been admitted. The hood itself traces its tradition back to the Middle Ages, when its prototype, with a cowl-like appendage and tail, was used to cover the shoulders in the cold and draughty medieval buildings or in inclement weather. Gradually this garment was modified and the hood assumed an academic rather than functional significance. The hood has two basic elements: the trim on the outer edge and an inner satin lining. Each hood has its outer edge trimmed with a colour to indicate a particular faculty and degree: white symbolizes Arts; gold, Science; grey, Commerce; and white with pale blue, Education. The hood for the Master's candidates is essentially the same as the Bachelor's hood except that the trim is usually an inch or two wider. All the Bachelor level hoods are lined with satin in the colours of the institution granting the degree. Hence at Saint Mary's the hood is lined with maroon satin with a white chevron. The Master's hood at Saint Mary's is lined with maroon satin only to give it added distinction from the Bachelor's.



A symbolic hooding ceremony has become a traditional feature of all Convocations at Saint Mary's.

**(e) Graduation Alumni Pins**

The Alumni Association of Saint Mary's University will generously provide an Alumni Pin to each member of the Fall Class of 2005. This is a tradition which started with the 1992 Spring Convocation. Graduates are encouraged to wear theirs with pride and to consider becoming an active member of the Association.

A symbolic presentation of an Alumni pin to the Hooding Candidate by the President of the Alumni Association has also become a traditional feature of all Convocations at Saint Mary's University.

**(f) Flags on the Stage**

Each year Saint Mary's has a great number of non-Canadians in its student body. In 2005-2006 for example, the number of countries represented is 94. The flags which you see displayed on the stage for Convocation are from some of the countries from which these 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. Also 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. In May 2002, a flag symbolizing the University's 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations was added to the permanent collection. This Fall (2005) the flag for the Peaceful Schools International has been added to this historic flag collection.

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The University's symbols and traditions reflect its roots as well as looking to its future. The ritual of Convocation looks to the roots of the University as well as being a beginning for the students who now enter a new stage in their lives. Indeed, both the symbols and the Convocation look back far beyond the beginning of this University to the centuries of academic life in western civilization. Today the University community dresses in clothes which are symbolic, not functional, and goes through the 600-year-old ritual of a convocation for the conferment of degrees, diplomas, and certificates.

We thank you for being present to share in this special event with the Saint Mary's University community.

**Alumni Framing Service**

The Saint Mary's University Alumni Association, in conjunction with the University's 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 Cornwallis Room which is located on the lower level of the World Trade and Convention Centre. 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.

The Board of Governors, The Academic Senate, and  
The Graduating Class

of

Saint Mary's University

cordially invite you to attend a

**RECEPTION**

Convocation Day  
Sunday, 30 October 2005  
immediately following Fall Convocation

Mariner Suites  
Main Level  
World Trade and Convention Centre

This informal setting will provide an opportunity for the graduates and their guests to meet Faculty, Administrators, and Staff of Saint Mary's University.

Light refreshments will be served.

