

Saint Mary's University
Spring Convocation



Friday, 23 May 2008

O CANADA

O Canada! Our home and native land!
True patriot love in all thy son's 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

Recipients of Honorary Degrees

Vice-President, Academic and Research

President

Chancellor

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.

Order of Proceedings

Processional

Welcome

O Canada

Heather Fitzpatrick, B.P.R.

Introduction of Special Guests

Invocation

Installation of the University Chancellor

Valedictory Address

Morning Convocation
Jeff Lohnes

Afternoon Convocation
Meghan Van Gaal

Symbolic Hooding and Presentation of Alumni Pin

Morning Convocation
Chelsea Pridham

Afternoon Convocation
Zhen Ya Guo

Presentation of Governor-General's Medals & Faculty Awards

Presidential Remarks

J. Colin Dodds, B.A., B.Sc., M.A., Ph.D.

Conferral of Honorary Degrees

Morning Convocation
To be Doctor of Commerce (honoris causa)
Gary Mooney, B.A., M.A., Ph.D., LL.B.

To be Doctor of Civil Law (honoris causa)
Nancy Smithers

Afternoon Convocation

To be Doctor of Civil Law (honoris causa)

Jamal Badawi, B.Comm., M.B.A., Ph.D.

To be Doctor of Laws (honoris causa)

Arthur Donahoe, Q.C., B.A., LL.B.

Convocation Addresses

Morning

Gary Mooney, B.A., M.A., Ph.D., LL.B.

Afternoon

Arthur Donahoe, Q.C., B.A., LL.B.

Conferring of Degrees, Diplomas, Certificates and the Presentation of the University's Gold Medals and Academic Subject Awards.

Morning Convocation

Arts

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

Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research

J. Kevin Vessey, B.Sc. (Hons.), M.Sc., Ph.D., Dean of Graduate Studies and Research, will present the candidates.

Afternoon Convocation

Sobey School of Business

David Wicks, B.Comm., M.B.A., Ph.D., B.A., Dean of the Sobey School of Business, will present the candidates.

Science

Malcolm Butler, B.Sc. (Hons.), Ph.D., Dean of Science, will present the candidates.

Closing of Convocation

Recessional

Chancellor of Saint Mary's University

David Sobey, C.M., D.Comm.

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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Acknowledgement

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, as well as numerous and varied services.

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Photography

The floor area immediately behind the boards has been left clear for the convenience of members of the audience who wish to take photographs during the ceremony. You may come to this area when it is close to the time that the parchment is to be conferred on the graduating student whose picture you wish to take. In order to ensure that there is no interference with the conferring of degrees, diplomas, and certificates, please note that the audience guests will not have access to the floor area.

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Refreshments

The concession stands on both sides of the Metro Centre on the concourse level will be open for an hour preceding each Convocation. They will NOT be open during the Convocation ceremonies.

MEDALS

Names of winners will be announced at the appropriate Convocation Ceremony.

Undergraduate Students

Governor General's Silver Medal

Donated by the Governor General of Canada

University's Faculty and Division Medals

Bachelor of Arts

Donated by the Archbishop of Halifax

Bachelor of Science

Donated by Saint Mary's University Alumni Association

Diploma in Engineering

Bachelor of Commerce

Donated by Grant Thornton LLP

Academic Subject Awards

Biology: The Dr. Brij M. Kapoor Memorial Award

Donated by the family of Dr. Brij M. Kapoor

Geography: Canadian Association of Geographers Award

Geology: The Centennial Medal

Donated by The Mining Society of Nova Scotia

Human Resource Management: The Hermann Schwind Medal

Donated by faculty members, past and present, in the Department of Management

Modern Languages: The Book Prizes

Donated by the Ambassador of Switzerland to Canada

Graduate Students

Governor General's Gold Medal

Donated by the Governor General of Canada

University's Faculty Medals

Master of Arts (International Development Studies)

Donated by Dr. James H. Morrison

Master of Business Administration: Dr. Harold G. Beazley Medal

Funded by Dr. H. G. Beazley Trust

Executive Master of Business Administration

Donated by the Bridges Family

Master of Science in Applied Psychology

Donated by Aramark Canada Ltd.

Master of Management – Co-operatives and Credit Unions: Pobihusky Medal

Faculty

The Dr. Geraldine Thomas Educational Leadership Award

(To be presented at the afternoon ceremony)

In 2007, the Quality of Teaching Committee established an Educational Leadership Award to recognize the long-term commitment of faculty who develop, enhance and promote the quality of teaching and learning at Saint Mary's, and beyond. The Committee gratefully acknowledges the support of the Saint Mary's University Faculty Union for this Award.

The Award is named for Dr. Geraldine Thomas, national teaching award winner, and founding member of the Quality of Teaching Committee. Dr. Thomas has spent the past twenty years of her academic career supporting efforts which improve teaching and learning within the University, the Atlantic region, and nationally.

The inaugural recipient was Dr. Shelagh Crooks (Philosophy). This year's recipient of the Educational Leadership award is

Dr. Adam Sarty, Department of Astronomy and Physics

Dr. Adam Sarty arrived at Saint Mary's in September, 2000 from Florida State University, where, as a young professor, he won an 'Excellence in Teaching Award', the first of many to come.

Over the past eight years Adam has continued to be recognized for the expertise, energy and passion he brings to the classroom, and to his many associations with students, colleagues and the community at large. In 2005 he was awarded the Saint Mary's Students Association Faculty of Science Teaching Award and, later that same year, he was the winner of the Alumni Association's Father W. A. Stewart, S.J. Medal for Teaching. In 2007 he was named Saint Mary's Teaching Scholar, an award which provided him an opportunity to further research and engage his colleagues in discussions on using technology in teaching.

Adam has been an innovator in the use of technology – introducing a web-based assignment system for delivering personalized assignments and real-time feedback to students; pioneering the use of 'clickers' in the classroom and leading an initiative for cross-campus adoption of the technology; working with the Atlantic Centre for Students with Disabilities Liberated-Learning Project to tape his lectures to enhance students' ability to access the material; and developing a Physics Demonstration Website as a resource for his department colleagues and for P-12 teachers.

It was recently announced that Adam is the national winner of the Canadian Association of Physicists (CAP) Medal for Excellence in Teaching for "inspiring his students to love learning physics, successfully implementing innovative teaching technologies and sharing the beauty of the discipline, through his dedication to physics education".

Adam Sarty's outreach activities to many and diverse communities are a reflection of his efforts to make science understandable and accessible. Adam sits on the Board of Directors of the Discovery Center but he also plays an active role in many other aspects of the organization. One of his nominators, junior high school teacher, Heather Aucoin, states "Adam has played an active role in helping us promote our strong belief that science is fun, exciting, but most of all cool and worthwhile. He is an amazing role model for the potential support that university professors can provide to adolescents. Whether in person, or through his website, his leadership and excitement for science is infectious and one can't help but believe that anything is possible when it comes to learning and understanding science".

BACHELOR OF ARTS

Shannon Ashley Abbott	St. John's, Antigua
Stephanie Laurel Adshead	Lower Sackville, NS
Haiveen Al-Iso	Halifax, NS
Amanda P. Allen	Hampton, NB
Patrizia Solidea Vittoria Aloisi	Halifax, NS
Kelley Anne Marie Amirault	Pubnico, NS
Jennifer Lynn Amiro	Halifax, NS
Brittany Dawn Amos (Hon. English: cum laude)	Halifax, NS
Ashley Elizabeth Anderson (Hon. Psychology)	Dartmouth, NS
Edwin Bert Anderson (Hon. Sociology)	Trenton, NS
Jacqueline E. Archibald	Truro, NS
Jody Lynn Armstrong (Hon. Geography)	Richmond, BC
Holly Anne Arthur	Halifax, NS
Evan Charles Aylard	Cole Harbour, NS
Nicholas Randall Bagnell	Halifax, NS
Alexander J. Baker	Napanee, ON
Kathryn J. Baker	Meagher's Grant, NS
Kaylee Margaret Balcom	Bedford, NS
April Rene Bateman	North Sydney, NS
Abdulkarim Z. Bazara	Sana'a, Yemen
Alisha Dawn Beaton	Inverness, NS
Sean Marc Beauchamp	Dartmouth, NS
Lisa Rhea Beaudry (Hon. Psychology: summa cum laude)	Weyburn, SK
Gizela Nicole Begin	Falmouth, NS
Julya Belaia	Halifax, NS
Cassandra Gail Belanger (cum laude)	Lower Sackville, NS
Matthew Joseph Bellefontaine	Porters Lake, NS
Valerie Christine Bellemore	Dartmouth, NS
Christopher M. Bennett	Halifax, NS
Sasha Rae Bennett (Hon. Psychology)	Corner Brook, NL
Jordan N. Bent	Grafton, NS
Margaret J. Bezanson	Halifax, NS
James-Michael Robert Billard	Lantz, NS
Colette Margaret Bishop (Hon. Anthropology: magna cum laude)	Wabush, NL
Ramon Gregory Bonamy	Nassau, Bahamas
Daniel Jean Boudreau	Truro, NS
Jonquil Inez Boudreau	Petit De Grat, NS
Luc R. Bourgeois (Hon. Psychology)	Moncton, NB
Larry Andrew Bowden	Halifax, NS
Laura Anne Bower	Shelburne, NS

Sheldon E. Bowman	Windsor, NS
Melanie Laura Boyd	Halifax, NS
Michael Anthony Bray	Regina, SK
Kaala J. C. Bridger	Porters Lake, NS
Tancia Eleisha Aluida Lapsey Bridgewater	Basseterre, St. Kitts
(Hon. Psychology: cum laude)	
Jeannette A. Brinklow	Halifax, NS
Alise Justine Brown	Halifax, NS
Leslieann A. Brown	Nassau, Bahamas
Danielle Nicole Brunet	Verona, ON
Corrie C. Bunin	Sydney, NS
Jonathan David Burgess	Halifax, NS
Courtney Heather Burke	Halifax, NS
Morgan Elizabeth Burrows	Truro, NS
Rhonda Adele Butler	Dartmouth, NS
Cheryl A. Byrne (magna cum laude)	Halifax, NS
Samantha Ann Marie Calder	St. Peter's, NS
Bhreagh Jeanette Caldwell	North Sydney, NS
Michael Blaise Cameron	Truro, NS
Brandi Sue Campbell (Hon. Psychology: cum laude)	Kensington, PE
Crystal Brenda Campbell (cum laude)	Cornwall, ON
Kelly L. Campbell (cum laude)	Moncton, NB
Scott Arthur Campbell	Halifax, NS
Christopher J. Cann	Yarmouth, NS
Catherine Faye Cantin	Kingston, NS
Katie Lynn Caracristi	Halifax, NS
Danny J. Carew	Dartmouth, NS
Helen C. Carroll	Enfield, NS
Sarah Danielle Carroll	New Glasgow, NS
Alix Sarah Carter (Hon. Psychology)	Riverview, NB
Mein Fang Chan	Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
Kelly L. Chapeskie (Hon. Religious Studies:	Spencerville, ON
magna cum laude)	
Travis Richards Chapman	Alliston, ON
Huay Woon Chee	Terengganu, Malaysia
Peter J.-H. Cheng	Halifax, NS
Alicia Maureen Chislett	Westville, NS
Dominique A. Chopty (cum laude)	Churchbridge, SK
Julien P. Choueiri	Halifax, NS
Anastasia Christofi	Halifax, NS
Ben A. Clark	Kensington, PE
Gillian Eileen Clarke	Halifax, NS
Arthur Richard Allan Cluett	Port Hawkesbury, NS
Alexander Read Colgan (Hon. Political Science:	Yarmouth, NS
magna cum laude)	

Stephen Aaron Colwell
Kaylin Michelina Comeau
Chloe H.M. Comstock
Kevin James Howell Cooper
Jennifer Lynn Corey
Bradley G. Cormier (Hon. Psychology)
Cynthia Lynn Cormier (Hon. Anthropology:
summa cum laude)

Stephen Frederick Cormier
Jennifer Lynn Corning (**cum laude**)
Greg P. Cox
Nikki Beth Creber
Natalie Laura Crenna (Hon. English:
summa cum laude)

David L. Crocker
Courtney Patricia May Cromwell
Laurisha Cromwell
Elizabeth Molly Crowe
Nicholas L. F. Crowther
Melissa Dawn Marie Cull (**cum laude**)
Blair Alexander Cunningham (Hon. Economics)

Shana Marie Dalrymple
Corey Raymond Dandurand
Rodrigo Davalos
Julia Rose de Villers
Chantelle M. Dean
Roy Patrick Dempsey
Danielle Marie d'Entremont
(Hon. Psychology: **cum laude**)

Lise Marie d'Entremont (**cum laude**)
Loriann Lorraine d'Entremont
Gregory R. Dickey
Jacob Nathan Dickie (**cum laude**)
Jean-eva Marie Dickie
Jenna Dorothy Dickie (Hon. Psychology)
Jillian Rita Dixon
Stephanie Joy d'Obrenan
Michael Gordon Doleman
James Domenie
Ian J.T. Donihee
Ashley Rae Donovan
Katherine S. Donovan
Nathaniel C. Doucette
Peter A. B. Downing

(Hon. Criminology: **summa cum laude**)

Saint John, NB
New Glasgow, NS
Lunenburg, NS
Burlington, ON
Fall River, NS
East Margaree, NS
East Margaree, NS

Halifax, NS
Cole Harbour, NS
Dartmouth, NS
Dunrobin, ON
Guelph, ON

Halifax, NS
Digby, NS
Annapolis Royal, NS
Burntcoat, NS
Hammonds Plains, NS
Porters Lake, NS
Calgary, AB

Porters Lake, NS
Kentville, NS
Calgary, AB
Dartmouth, NS
Ottawa, ON
Halifax, NS
Dartmouth, NS

Lower West Pubnico, NS
Middle West Pubnico, NS
Truro, NS
Truro, NS
Truro, NS
Sydney, NS
Halifax, NS
Calgary, AB
Dartmouth, NS
Halifax, NS
Cornwall, ON
Miramichi, NB
Rothesay, NB
Lantz, NS
Indian Harbour, NS

Jared Gary Doyle	Milford, NS
Martine E. Drew	Conne River, NL
Melissa Catherine Duffy	Dartmouth, NS
(Hon. Psychology: summa cum laude)	
Shannon T. Duggan	Hatchet Lake, NS
Connie Melissa Dyson	Goose Bay, Labrador
Cassandra P. Eberhardt	Belleville, ON
(Hon. International Development Studies: cum laude)	
Aimee L. Ehler	Halifax, NS
Erica Lynn Ellis	Eastern Passage, NS
Jennifer Katherine Ells (Hon. Psychology: cum laude)	New Minas, NS
John Peter Englehutt	Dartmouth, NS
Meghan J. Etter (Hon. Psychology)	Halifax, NS
Brianne Catherine Evans	Halifax, NS
Melinda M. Evong	Halifax, NS
Jessica Dawn Fancy	Enfield, NS
David Bradley Fay	Halifax, NS
Emory Luke Fedorchuk Muir	Thunder Bay, ON
(Hon. Economics: cum laude)	
Noel W. Fellows (magna cum laude)	Halifax, NS
Kelly Leigh Fiendel	Halifax, NS
Alycia Gail Margaret Findlay	Barrie, ON
Thomas J. Finlayson-Trenchard	Bedford, NS
(Hon. International Development Studies)	
Mary Elizabeth Finney	New Glasgow, NS
Cristina E. Firmini (magna cum laude)	Bedford, NS
Marcella Firmini (summa cum laude)	Halifax, NS
Julia Rose Fitzgerald	Halifax, NS
Tara Jocelyn Flemming	Ketch Harbour, NS
Marisha A. Flynn (Hon. Psychology: cum laude)	Charlottetown, PE
Michael T. Foley	Halifax, NS
Jessica Brooke Ford	Oshawa, ON
Gregory Lantz Forrest	Dartmouth, NS
Julie Marie Franc	Westville, NS
Danielle Frenette	Halifax, NS
Catherine M. Fulton	Sussex, NB
Sandra I. Fumerton	Dartmouth, NS
Jarrett D.S. Gabriel	Dartmouth, NS
Bethany Ann Gallant	Souris, PE
Allison Kathleen Garroway	Halifax, NS
Lisa Ann Gavin	Halifax, NS
Erinn Jane Gay	Halifax, NS
Raziyeh Ghaedi	Dartmouth, NS

George Giannoulis	Halifax, NS
Christopher David Gibson	Kentville, NS
Branigan Marie Giles	Stillwater Lake, NS
Michael John-Hugh Gillan	Bras d'Or, NS
Lisa A. Gillis (magna cum laude)	Middle Sackville, NS
Andrew Ryan Gilroy	Truro, NS
Brandon L. Gilroy	Amherst, NS
Sonia A.F. Gilroy	Halifax, NS
Sook Yi (Jaymee) Goh (Hon. English: cum laude)	Subang Jaya, Malaysia
Michael E. Gostock	Lansdowne, NS
Adam William Grady (Hon. Psychology)	Lower Sackville, NS
Haley Marie Grandy	Halifax, NS
Melanie Jasmine Grant (Hon. Philosophy: summa cum laude)	Westville, NS
Ryan D. Gray (cum laude)	Halifax, NS
Amber E.L. Green (cum laude)	Halifax, NS
Stephen Christopher Green	Burlington, ON
Michael W.C. Greencorn (Hon. Linguistics: magna cum laude)	Guysborough, NS
Kaitlyn Mary Greene	Greenfield, NB
Petra E. Hamm	Halifax, NS
Jessica Eliza Harding	Bedford, NS
Megan Jenea Hardwick	England
Lyndsay Marie Harnish	Timberlea, NS
Mikkel M. Harris	Warwick, Bermuda
Nicholas M. Harris (Hon. Psychology: summa cum laude)	Halifax, NS
Eleanor Catherine Hartigan	Bedford, NS
Perry Evan Harvey	Windsor, NS
Felicia Lynn Hattie	Yarmouth, NS
Melissa Lee Ann Hawboldt (Hon. Psychology: magna cum laude)	Pictou Landing, NS
Sacha Ann Marie Hebb	Halifax, NS
Sarah C. Heighton	New Glasgow, NS
Michael James Henman (cum laude)	Waverley, NS
Ross Andrew Higgins	Halifax, NS
Amanda Jane Hiscock	Gander, NL
Randal John Hobbs	Toronto, ON
Brian Allan Hodgson	Toronto, ON
Natalie Laura Hodgson (cum laude)	Dartmouth, NS
Lauren A. Hollywood	Moncton, NB
Karen Susan Hopkins	Happy Valley, Goose-Bay, NL
Oren L. Houghton	Kentville, NS
Mark Hoyt	Ottawa, ON
Shannon C. Huckle	Burlington, ON

Adam J. Huffman	Halifax, NS
Elissa McLean Hughes	Halifax, NS
Michael Andrew Hughes (Hon. Political Science/ Hon. History: summa cum laude)	Windsor Junction, NS
Amy Hum (Hon. Criminology)	Halifax, NS
Donna M. Hunt	West Chezzetcook, NS
Sara Lynn Hutchinson	Fall River, NS
Michelle L. Ingraham	New Glasgow, NS
Laurie Shane Isenor	Dutch Settlement, NS
Jillian Elizabeth Jackson-Rutledge	Boutilier's Point, NS
Tanya Dawn Jacquard	Yarmouth, NS
Jerylin M. Jardine	Lunenburg, NS
Tegan Shea Jardine	Sunny Corner, NB
Kelly-Lynn Jennex (Hon. Sociology: cum laude)	Truro, NS
Anna Christine Jolly	Bedford, NS
Courtney Elizabeth Lynn Johnston (cum laude)	Halifax, NS
Mark Vincent Joyce	Pictou, NS
Kamagaju Karekezi	Nairobi, Kenya
Robyn A. Kennard (magna cum laude)	Oakville, ON
Emily Dora Kennedy	Exeter, New Hampshire, USA
Jefferey R. Kennedy	New Glasgow, NS
Shannon G. Kenney	Barrington, NS
Kathleen Marie Kerr	Halifax, NS
Clea Elizabeth Kindred	Halifax, NS
Heather Kirby	Halifax, NS
Patrick Lumbila Kitengie	Lubumbashi, Democratic Republic of the Congo
Sergio Knircha	Coldbrook, NS
Allison Christine Knox	Halifax, NS
Heather Michelle Kowalski	Dartmouth, NS
Katrina Beth Kraft (Hon. Anthropology)	Cranbrook, BC
Nicholas Robert Lee Kunysz (Hon. Political Science)	Dartmouth, NS
Bethany Lynne Kunz	Halifax, NS
Anna Elizabeth Labrador (cum laude)	Paisley, Scotland
Christopher Charles Joseph Lampier	Dartmouth, NS
Christine M. Landry (Hon. Anthropology)	Herring Cove, NS
Corin Marie Langille	Bridgewater, NS
Patricia Anne Langille (Hon. English: cum laude)	Bridgewater, NS
Kathleen MacNeil Leaman (cum laude)	Dartmouth, NS
Brian John Macdonald LeBlanc (Hon. Political Science: summa cum laude)	Dartmouth, NS
Spencer Townsend LeBlanc	Truro, NS

Teri Lynn LeBlanc
Josie Leigh LeClair
Randi Lynn Lempen
Lesoina Julius Lenanyokie
(Hon. International Development Studies)

Shila F. Lent
Marc Andre Lessard
Nathan Dwight Lewis
Erica L. Lightfoot (Hon. Philosophy)
Wan-Chun Lin
Ashlee Danielle London
Mahogany R. Lucas
Jacques-Olivier K. Lumbala
Jillian Leigh Lund (Hon. History: **cum laude**)
Vanessa Jane M. Lundrigan

Donovan M. MacCluskey
Jennifer Lynn Machielsen
Christopher Joseph MacDonald (**cum laude**)
Shannon H. MacDonald
Amanda Mari MacDougall (**magna cum laude**)
Stacey Irene MacDougall
William Dewar MacDougall
Rylan Scott MacDow
Joshua Adam MacGlashen
Sean Stuart MacInnes
Donnie Blaise MacInnis
Janet Lynn MacInnis
Peter Gregory MacInnis
Kathleen Mary Elizabeth MacIsaac
Amy Nicole MacKenzie
Christine Louise MacKenzie
Richard Cory MacKenzie
Martin Paul MacKinnon
Nick A. MacLellan
Caitlin Elizabeth MacLeod
Ian R. MacLeod
John Douglas MacMaster
Ashlie Dawn MacNeil (Hon. Psychology/
Co-operative Education)

Chrisanne MacNeill
Scott P. MacPhail
Lindsay Grace MacPherson (Hon. Psychology)
Alexander G. Madden
Christina Lynn Mahony
Jennifer E.D. Mailman

Amherst, NS
Dartmouth, NS
Moncton, NB
Oldonyiro, Kenya

Yarmouth, NS
Lower Sackville, NS
Halifax, NS
Kentville, NS
Taipei, Taiwan
Montague, PE
Lower Sackville, NS
Calgary, AB
Hampton, NB
Halifax, NS

St. John's, Antigua
Guysborough Co, NS
Cardigan, PE
Halifax, NS
North Sydney, NS
Glace Bay, NS
Beaver Bank, NS
Bedford, NS
Dartmouth, NS
Mabou, NS
Creignish, NS
Sioux Lookout, ON
West Mabou, NS
Milburn, PE
Eastern Passage, NS
Wolfville, NS
Glace Bay, NS
Lower Sackville, NS
Halifax, NS
Dartmouth, NS
Halifax, NS
Porters Lake, NS
Trenton, NS

Halifax, NS
Vancouver, BC
Halifax, NS
Sussex, NB
Oakville, ON
Bridgewater, NS

Kirsten Elizabeth Malloy	Halifax, NS
David A. Z. Mann	Bedford, NS
Amy Elizabeth Manuel (Hon. Psychology)	Corner Brook, NL
Sarah Danielle Manning	Milford Station, NS
Tina Marie Marchand	Louisdale, NS
Petra T. L. Marshall	Nassau, Bahamas
Ashley Dawn Martell	Wedgeport, NS
Sean M. Martin (magna cum laude)	Springhill, NS
Motselisi K. Maruping	Roma, Lesotho
Catie Marie Mason	Dartmouth, NS
Elizabeth Jane Mathers	Halifax, NS
Tracey Lynn Matheson (Hon. Psychology)	Dartmouth, NS
Christie Marie Louise Mathieu	Dartmouth, NS
Sherri Lee Mattatall	Dartmouth, NS
Dawn P. Matthews	Halifax, NS
Chido Samantha Mbavarira (Hon. International Development Studies)	Bulawayo, Zimbabwe
Robyn P. McAuley	Corner Brook, NL
Andrew J. McBride	Dartmouth, NS
Stephen Glen McCabe (Hon. Psychology)	Crowes Mills, NS
Laura Kathleen McDaniel	Margaree Forks, NS
Nicole Marjorie McDonald (magna cum laude)	Halifax, NS
Lindsey Christine McDonnell (summa cum laude)	St. Peter's, NS
Jenna McGrath	Sydney, NS
Amanda D. M. McInnis	Amherst, NS
Robert Andrew McIver	Scotsburn, NS
Patricia Yvonne McKelvie	Halifax, NS
Aaron Stuart McKinley (cum laude)	Dartmouth, NS
Jessica Marie McKinnon	Sackville, NB
Michael Barry McLean (Hon. Philosophy)	Labrador City, NL
Jennifer Lynne McNutt (Hon. Psychology)	Halifax, NS
Chris L. Meisner	Lunenburg, NS
Denise Melanson	Halifax, NS
Nicole Siobon Merrick	Fall River, NS
Brittany Rae Michael	Charlottetown, PE
Tara Eileen Millar	Windsor, NS
Joel W. Miller	Cole Harbour, NS
Moisis Langley Missailidis	Athens, Greece
Fatima Mohammed	Bedford, NS
Jillian Marie Mombourquette	Halifax, NS
Jamie Judy Monteith	Perth-Andover, NB
Jessica Etta Monteith	Perth-Andover, NB
Christeen Elizabeth Moore (cum laude)	Halifax, NS
Lyndsay Kathryn Moore	Halifax, NS
Jordan R. Morrison	Bedford, NS
Stacey Ann Morrison	Westville, NS

Karlee Sandra Muise	Yarmouth, NS
Sarah Margaret Mumford	Lower Sackville, NS
Ryan Darcy Robert Mundy	Ancaster, ON
Dallas D. Munroe	Hubbards, NS
Lubaya Mupela	Lusaka, Zambia
Ian A. B. Murdoch	Fredericton, NB
(Hon. International Development Studies)	
Lindsay Alexa Murphy	Antigonish, NS
Ruari Aonghas Lonce Murphy	Dartmouth, NS
Ryan Patrick Murphy	Braeside, ON
Laura Elizabeth Myers (Hon. History)	Gaetz Brook, NS
Michael Robert Nahirnak (Hon. Psychology: summa cum laude)	Halifax, NS
Kevin Daniel Neatt (cum laude)	Halifax, NS
Courtney Nevin	Shubenacadie, NS
Tyler Alexander Nicholson	Palm Harbour, Florida, USA
Barry John Nooyen	Lower Sackville, NS
Heather Marie Noseworthy	St. John's, NL
Jessica Lynn Nowen	Lakeview, NS
Adeyemi Mayowa Oluyole	Lagos, Nigeria
Vanisa Omicevic	Halifax, NS
Erin McKenna O'Neil	Cole Harbour, NS
Lydia A. O'Regan	Halifax, NS
Kevin Donald Orr (magna cum laude)	Dartmouth, NS
Nicholas Matthew Osborne	Eastern Passage, NS
Haley Lin Osbourne	Halifax, NS
Lisa M. Osmond	New Waterford, NS
Sarah Marie Owens	Markham, ON
Rebecca A. Paige	Upper Rawdon, NS
Steve J. Panella	Brampton, ON
Craig A. Passmore	Bridgewater, NS
Melanie Ann Paterson	Chester, NS
Lacey-Anne Nicole Patterson	Walton, NS
Allicia Carol Ann Payne	Oxford, NS
Adam James Pelham	Halifax, NS
Jo-Ann Linda Pemberton	Halifax, NS
Christina Elizabeth Perrotto	Oshawa, ON
Krishnen Pillay	Halifax, NS
Vickren Pillay	Halifax, NS
Natalie Polito (Hon. Psychology)	Brampton, ON
Olivia Alexandra Polkowski (Hon. Religious Studies)	Doha, Qatar
Marcel Joseph Pothier	Halifax, NS
Lucas R. Powell	Granville, NS

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Lillianne Ruth Townsend	Halifax, NS
Hien Thi Ai Truong (cum laude)	Halifax, NS
Stephen Andrew Turple	Bedford, NS
Meghan E. Van Gaal	Charlottetown, PE
Michael E. Walsh	Halifax, NS
Jonathan Lee Wamback	Halifax, NS
Julia Christina Wamboldt	Halifax, NS
Fan Wang	Guangzhou, China
Le Wang (magna cum laude)	Jinan, China
Pin Wang	Huludao City, China
Weiwei Wang	Shanghai, China
Yi Wang	Yi Bin, China
Erin Donna Weagle	Upper Tantallon, NS
Wei Wei	Taipei, Taiwan
Erin Ashley Westhaver	Dartmouth, NS
Devon Selina Whalen	Halifax, NS
Travis Ross Whiteside	Tillsonburg, ON
Anthony John Wight	Bedford, NS
Samuel Angus Williamson	Halifax, NS
Charles Joseph Oxner Willis	Riverport, NS
Ian J. Wilson	Yarmouth, NS
Aaron Douglas Windsor	Dartmouth, NS

Devin W.L. Withers-Hum	Halifax, NS
Evan Michael Wolthers	Enfield, NS
Brandon Jun-Wah Wong	Bridgewater, NS
Jaclyn Ann Wood	Fredricton, NB
Marco C. Wood	Antigonish, NS
Christopher M. Woodburn	Halifax, NS
Jeffrey Christopher Woodford	Halifax, NS
Kuan-Hsuan Wu	Taiwan (ROC)
Ye Wu	Beijing, China
Tianjun Xiong	Nanchang, China
Shanshan Xu	Kunming, China
Tugba Yagci	Istanbul, Turkey
Chunyan Yang	Hebei, China
David W. Yochoff	Halifax, NS
Heather Louise Young	Fall River, NS
Yuanhang Yuan (Co-operative Education)	Rong Xian, China
Ke Zhang	Guang Zhou, China
Lin Lin Zhang	TianJin, China
Liqiong Zhang	Fen Yang, China
Peng Zhang	China
Qingbo Zhang	Shang Hai, China
Yao Zhang	Xinjiang, China
Liang Zhao	Zhengzhou, China
Fukai Zhu	Shanghai, China
Yaodong Zhu	Guangzhou, China
Jing Ye (Jimmy) Zhuang	St. John's, Antigua
Tyler David Zinck	Eastern Passage, NS
Peter Zygoris	Toronto, ON

CERTIFICATE OF HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

Raja Saeed F. AbuJaber	Amman, Jordan
Johnnel Andrea Adderley	Nassau, Bahamas
Kelsie Lynn Anderson	Dartmouth, NS
Ted R. Atkinson	Halifax, NS
Ashley Arlene Aucoin	Sydney, NS
Brandi Briana Babando	Dartmouth, NS
Jody D. Bayers	Musquodoboit Harbour, NS
Lisa Rhea Beaudry	Weyburn, SK
Sherry L. Berg-MacPhail	Scotsburn, NS
Waverly Ann Bird	Amherst, NS

Stephanie D. Boudreau
Luc R. Bourgeois
Jeannette A. Brinklow
Leslieann A. Brown
Courtney Heather Burke

Katie Lynn Caracristi
Alix Sarah Carter
Mein Fang Chan

Mianyong Chang
Amanda Lynn Chisholm
Ben A. Clark
Katrina Cheyenne Cole
Ryan Coles
Laura J. Conrad
Laurisha Cromwell

Kevin Michael Desjardins
Marc E. DesRoches
Stephanie Joy d'Obrenan
Marc Leonardo Donatelli
Heather Marie Doran

Ryan Michael Fitzpatrick
Debbie E. Flemming

Michael John-Hugh Gillan
Leanne Dawn Gordon
William E. Grady

Michael Mounir Haddad
Lisa M. Hames
Suzanne Catherine Hames
Marc C. L. Harpell
Adele Elizabeth Haslam
Stephen James Heckman
Laura Ann Henderson
Denyse Deborah Hockley

Amber Dawn Jackson
Alma L. Joseph
Erin Dawn Joudrey

† Melissa Elizabeth Joyce

Bathurst, NB
Moncton, NB
Halifax, NS
Nassau, Bahamas
Halifax, NS

Halifax, NS
Riverview, NB
Kuala Lumpur,
Malaysia
Beijing, China
Bathurst, NB
Kensington, PE
Dartmouth, NS
Gander, NL
Halifax, NS
Annapolis Royal, NS

Dalhousie, NB
Windsor, NS
Calgary, AB
Montreal, QC
Halifax, NS

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Bras d'Or, NS
Halifax, NS
Dartmouth, NS

Halifax, NS
New Glasgow, NS
Truro, NS
Halifax, NS
Westville, NS
Halifax, NS
Campbellton, NB
Lower Sackville, NS

Fall River, NS
Castries, St. Lucia
Head of Chezzetcook,
NS
Dartmouth, NS

Kamagaju Karekezi	Nairobi, Kenya
Nathaniel S. Kelly	Charlottetown, PE
Rita B. Kumar	Halifax, NS
Ann Marie Lahey	Halifax, NS
Mark David Layman	Lower Sackville, NS
Bridget Kathleen Lemke	Halifax, NS
Kristen R. Lively	Beaver Bank, NS
Lynn Rose Llewellyn	Dartmouth, NS
Ashlee Danielle London	Montague, PE
Zhonghua Lu	Suzhou, China
Hui Luo	Yunnan, China
Liberty Rachel Tanis MacDougall	Beaver Bank, NS
Stacey Irene MacDougall	Glace Bay, NS
Janna Dawn MacInnis	Tantallon, NS
Krista Ann MacKinley	Fall River, NS
Sarah Lynn MacMillan	Halifax, NS
Ashley Marie MacNeil	Waverley, NS
Jeffrey James MacNeil	Dartmouth, NS
Chrisanne MacNeill	Halifax, NS
Scott P. MacPhail	Vancouver, BC
Gwendolyn W. Martin	Halifax, NS
Laura Elizabeth Martin	Williamswood, NS
Tracey Lynn Matheson	Dartmouth, NS
Jessica Marie McKinnon	Sackville, NB
Kimberley Anne McNeil	Dartmouth, NS
Denise Melanson	Halifax, NS
Jillian Rae Miller	Halifax, NS
Kristen Dawn Moore	Markham, ON
Steve Joseph Morley	Halifax, NS
Valencia G. Moss	New Providence, Bahamas
Hailey M. Mumby	Saint John, NB
Andrea Marie Murdoch	Amherst, NS
Kristi Sommer Murdock	Mississauga, ON
Edward Blake Murray	Amherst, NS
Kathryn Victoria Northrup	Halifax, NS
Ramy A. Obaid	Halifax, NS
Haley Lin Osbourne	Halifax, NS
Sarah Marie Owens	Markham, ON
Nathan Berkley-Chapman Oxford	Wolfville, NS
Andrew Ju-Yun Parlee	Cole Harbour, NS

Lisa J. Pavelak
Crystal L. Pearson
Amanda Kathleen Pike
Catherine Rebecca Ann Pitman
Natalie Polito

Truro, NS
Halifax, NS
Dartmouth, NS
St. John's, NL
Brampton, ON

Heather Laura Reid
Natasha R. Robinson

Pasadena, NL
Amherst, NS

Jessica Elizabeth Sampson
Laura Grace Stanford
Alexandra L. Stoupakis
Karyn Laurie Sullivan

Bedford, NS
Dartmouth, NS
Dartmouth, NS
Yarmouth, NS

Christine Anne Tanner
Lillianne Ruth Townsend

Halifax, NS
Halifax, NS

Holly Joan Underhill

Gray Rapids, NB

Meghan E. Van Gaal

Charlottetown, PE

Fan Wang
Le Wang
Erin Donna Weagle
Erin Ashley Westhaver
Alicia Cally White
Anthony John Wight

Guang Zhou, China
Jihan, China
Upper Tantallon, NS
Dartmouth, NS
Halifax, NS
Bedford, NS

Shanshan Xu

Kunming, China

David W. Yochoff
Heather Louise Young

Halifax, NS
Fall River, NS

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Melissa Mary-Cecilia Abbott
Fatin Yousef Al Misleh
Matthew William Alderson (Hon. Mathematics:
magna cum laude)

Moncton, NB
Bedford, NS
Bras d'Or, NS

Allison Marie Allain
Michael Brent Allardyce
Daniel James Andrews (**magna cum laude**)
Ntorbea Asamoah-Odei (Hon. Biology/
Co-operative Education)

St. Louis, PE
Calgary, AB
Truro, NS
Accra, Ghana

Shanna Caroline-Ann Aucoin
Brang Mai Aung Hlaing

Bathurst, NB
Halifax, NS

Jayne Babin (cum laude)	Dalhousie, NB
Shahistha Baboolal	Durban, South Africa
Danielle Lee Barkhouse	Halifax, NS
Ashley Tamara Beckingham	Norton, NB
Janice Alicia Bell	Halifax, NS
Amy Marie Bernard	New Mills, NB
Aaron Timothy Bishop	Centreville, NS
Will S. Blades	Halifax, NS
Ryan Andrew Blagdon (Hon. Psychology)	Dartmouth, NS
Trina Sara Blake	Grande Cache, AB
Joshua Gerald Blakeney	Halifax, NS
Alphus Shazhan Boota	Halifax, NS
Megan Christine Boucher	Dartmouth, NS
Meghan Mary Anastasia Branch	Bathurst, NB
Evan T. Brown	Bedford, NS
Dara Nicole Burke	Halifax, NS
Shannon M. Burke	Halifax, NS
Lindsay Ivy-Marie Cameron	MacPherson's Mills, NS
Dollie M. Campbell	Orangedale, NS
Sarah S. Camsell	Annapolis Royal, NS
Mendara Lynn Chan	Upper Sackville, NS
Anuj Singh Charan	Rajasthan, India
Robin Kristin Cleary	North Sydney, NS
Emile Gregory Colpron (Hon. Biology)	Dartmouth, NS
Peter Oliver Cooper (Hon. Geology)	Halifax, NS
Jessica J. Corkum (Hon. Biology)	Halifax, NS
Tarik Shakir Bean Darrell	Warwick, Bermuda
Simon Nicholas Novelle Dawe	Dartmouth, NS
Jayne Ruth Derrah (Hon. Astrophysics)	Florenceville, NB
Jennifer Linda Desjardins	Dalhousie, NB
Kevin Michael Desjardins (magna cum laude)	Dalhousie, NB
Jillian C. Di Penta (Hon. Biology: summa cum laude)	Dartmouth, NS
Adam R. Dingwall	Dartmouth, NS
Andre Louis Doucette (Hon. Computing Science/ Co-operative Education : cum laude)	Yarmouth, NS
Selina Joy Dunbar	Halifax, NS
Hamed H. F. Farahanchi	Tehran, Iran
Kathlene Marie Farrell	Halifax, NS
Alycia Gail Margaret Findlay	Barrie, ON
Lindsay N. Flinn (summa cum laude)	Halifax, NS
Bryan C. J. Flynn (Co-operative Education)	Souris, PE

Aaron T. Gallant (Hon. Astrophysics: summa cum laude)	Eastern Passage, NS
Melissa Anne Gendron (Hon. Psychology: cum laude)	Sackville, NS
Jennifer Elizabeth Giffin (Hon. Psychology)	Halifax, NS
Andrew Alexander Gilyan (Hon. Biology: cum laude)	Halifax, NS
Lee G. Godfrey	Souris, PE
Clyde Dexter Gomes	St. Mary's, Antigua
Lyndsay Marie Greenwood	Riverview, NB
Mikkel M. Harris	Warwick, Bermuda
Peter Hico	Halifax, NS
Amy Marie Holland (Hon. Chemistry: magna cum laude)	Dartmouth, NS
Yukari Hori (Hon. Environmental Studies)	Nagano, Japan
Chunglin Hsieh	Taipei, Taiwan
Kaitlyn V. Hyslop	Chester, NS
Andrew Stephen Inkpen (Hon. Biology: magna cum laude)	Halifax, NS
Karen Alicia Joudrey	Dartmouth, NS
Ursula Noelle Kellum	Halifax, NS
Sharon Ann Jean Kelly	Riverview, NB
Jibran Bashir Khan	Halifax, NS
Kathleen Clair Siobhan Killen (summa cum laude)	Saint John, NB
Heather Jean Kirk	New Glasgow, NS
Jacob T. Kroeker	Halifax, NS
Valarie Arlette Langille (cum laude)	River John, NS
Peter Anthony Lawrence (cum laude)	Conrod Settlement, NS
Kristopher Jason Leasak	Calgary, AB
Kathryn Leanne LeBlanc	Dartmouth, NS
Geoffrey Lewington	Halifax, NS
Ashley Taylor Lewis	Enfield, NS
William Clarence Logan	Parrsboro, NS
Peter Neil Edward MacDonald (Co-operative Education)	Bedford, NS
T. Graeme MacDougall	Dartmouth, NS
Jesse Philip MacLean	Westville, NS
Alexander Jae MacLeod	Sussex Corner, NB
Laura Elizabeth Martin	Williamswood, NS
Janice Kimberly Mason	Cole Harbour, NS
Kendra Elizabeth Matheson (summa cum laude)	Halifax, NS
Laura Elizabeth Matthews	Halifax, NS
Cindy A. McCarron	Tantallon, NS
Angel Jessica McGee (Hon. Psychology)	Rothesay, NB

Heidi Leigh McKee (Hon. Geology/ Co-operative Education: magna cum laude)	Hampton, NB
Erin Elizabeth Rogers McKinnon	Fall River, NS
Cameron P. McNeill	Halifax, NS
Celia Darlene Moase (Hon. Psychology)	Charlottetown, PE
Krista Ann Moore	Halifax, NS
Jason John Ralph More	Waverley, NS
John Vernon Munro	Westville, NS
Zenobia K. Munroe	Nassau, Bahamas
Meagan H. Murphy	Halifax, NS
Tarek N. Nasser (Co-operative Education)	Halifax, NS
Oluyemi Olaniyi Odedoyin	Lagos, Nigeria
Christopher W. H. C. Perro (Hon. Astrophysics)	Dartmouth, NS
Heather Marie Piccott	Dartmouth, NS
Frederick G. Porter	Enfield, NS
Candice Amber K. Randall	Wolfville, NS
Cindy-Jo Mary Reid	Gaspereau, NS
Amy Kathryn Richard	Dartmouth, NS
Stephanie Ashley Saade (Hon. Biology)	Halifax, NS
Wafa Saoud (Hon. Psychology)	Dartmouth, NS
Prescott E. Sawler	Dartmouth, NS
Courtney Rose Schaller (cum laude)	Sydney, NS
Catherine Sesay (Hon. Psychology)	The Gambia
Jenna Chauntel Shand (Hon. Biology)	Barrington Passage, NS
Felicia Jenny Smith	Nassau, Bahamas
Graham Bryce Stevenson (magna cum laude)	Halifax, NS
Margaret Kathleen Stevenson (magna cum laude)	Halifax, NS
Carolyn Joyce Tilley	Halifax, NS
Carrie-Lee Anne Trider (Hon. Chemistry: cum laude)	Dartmouth, NS
Wanda Jamee Trott	Hamilton Parish, Bermuda
Holly Joan Underhill	Gray Rapids, NB
Zhao Wang	Beijing, China
Jonathan Duncan David Whitman	Bridgewater, NS
Loriann Marie Williams (Hon. Psychology: cum laude)	Sydney, NS
Kerry Dawn Worth (Hon. Biology/Psychology: summa cum laude)	Windsor, NS
Jiayang Xu	Guangzhou, China

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE & DIPLOMA IN ENGINEERING

Gordon Graham Hart Dartmouth, NS

CERTIFICATE OF HONORS – SCIENCE

Venessa M. J. Ryan Moncton, NB

CERTIFICATE IN THE MATHEMATICAL SCIENCES FOR EDUCATION

Jody Matheson Arenburg	Truro, NS
Donald Garth Kingston	Truro, NS
Mairi Theresa MacDonald	Antigonish, NS
Jennifer Layne MacNeil	Halifax, NS
Jeannine Chantel McCulley	Parrsboro, NS
Sharon Wendy Midwinter	Parrsboro, NS
Marsha E. VanSlyke	Enfield, NS
Pamela Joy Williams	Hilden, NS

DIPLOMA IN ENGINEERING

Waleed Faisal Ahmed	Abu Dhabi, U. A. E.
Fatin Yousef Al Misleh	Bedford, NS
Jonathan Robert Allen (with greatest distinction)	Windsor, NS

Wallace L. Barkhouse (with greatest distinction)	Belmont, NS
Stephen Ryan Bevis (with greatest distinction)	Timberlea, NS

Brian Edward Carter	Dartmouth, NS
Adam Michael Cleversey	Dartmouth, NS

Grant Andrew Fraser (with distinction)	Timberlea, NS
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Eric P. Gilroy (with great distinction)	Halifax, NS
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Dale James Haazen	Halifax, NS
Ryan Michael Houtekamer	Lower Sackville, NS

Tyler Colin Legere	Timberlea, NS
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Michael David Alexander MacDonald	Cole Harbour, NS
Daniel Ryan MacDougall (with greatest distinction)	Dartmouth, NS

Jonathan Duncan Pearo	Whycocomagh, NS
Joshua L. Pidgeon	Halifax, NS
Bryce Jon Jeffrey Pulsifer	Dartmouth, NS

Kyle Douglas Spence

Moncton, NB

Walter K. Weiss de la Vega (**with greatest distinction**)

Berlin, Germany

DIPLOMA IN FORENSIC SCIENCES

Melissa Mary-Cecilia Abbott

Moncton, NB

Lindsay Ivy-Marie Cameron

MacPherson's Mills,
NS

Jessica J. Corkum

Halifax, NS

Alycia Gail Margaret Findlay

Barrie, ON

Jessica Brooke Ford

Oshawa, ON

Andrew Alexander Gilyan

Halifax, NS

Amy Marie Holland

Dartmouth, NS

Valarie Arlette Langille

River John, NS

Stephanie Ashley Saade

Halifax, NS

Courtney Rose Schaller

Sydney, NS

Kerry Dawn Worth

Windsor, NS

JANUARY 18, 2008 GRADUATES

In 2007, the University changed its regulations such that students who had completed their degree requirements in December would be eligible to graduate at the January Senate meeting. There would not be a January convocation ceremony but students would have the option to participate in the May ceremony.

BACHELOR OF ARTS

Colin Matthew Butler	Fall River, NS
Marc N. Caines (magna cum laude)	Halifax, NS
Colleen Lynn Dickie	Dartmouth, NS
Mark G. Ferris	Burlington, ON
Colin E. Graves	Halifax, NS

GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT STUDIES

Nadine Ilona Herman	Halifax, NS
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BACHELOR OF COMMERCE

Xiaofeng Ding	LuoYang, China
Ahmad A.H. Hasan	Halifax, NS
Yongxi Huang (cum laude)	Guangzhou, China
Niclas Julian Jaeckh	Hamburg, Germany
Zhonglei Jin	Shanghai, China
Ching-Hsien Lin	Taipei, Taiwan
Yongjun Qian	Shanghai, China
Scott G. Rudderham	Dartmouth, NS
Lashonda L. Seymour	Bahamas
Xin Sheng	ChangSha, China
Lisa N. Tran	Halifax, NS
Thesa Tara Wheaton	Halifax, NS
Erica Ann Wilson	Halifax, NS

CERTIFICATE OF HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

Scott G. Rudderham	Dartmouth, NS
Lashonda L. Seymour	Bahamas
Xin Sheng	ChangSha, China
Alireza Sing	Halifax, NS
Thesa Tara Wheaton	Halifax, NS
Erica Ann Wilson	Halifax, NS

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Katherine G. Freeman	Bridgewater, NS
Philip O. Isukuru	Port Harcourt, Nigeria
Nicole Janet MacAdam	Sydney, NS

CHANCELLOR DAVID SOBEY, C.M.

Dr. David Sobey will be installed as Chancellor of Saint Mary's University at the morning convocation ceremony.

Dr. Sobey is the Chairman Emeritus of Sobeys Inc. and one of the most widely respected business leaders in Canada. He was appointed Chancellor by the Board of Governors this past January, and will serve as Chancellor until May 2010. He will act as a key ambassador and advocate for the University, and sit as an ex-officio member on its Board of Governors.

Dr. Sobey has been a tireless supporter of Saint Mary's over the last three decades. In the mid-1980s he was appointed to the Board of Governors of the University. From 1993 to 1998 he chaired Saint Mary's Building on Strength capital campaign which raised more than \$24 million for various initiatives at the University, including the creation of the Sobey Building - today home to the Sobey School of Business, one of Canada's most prestigious business schools.

PROFESSOR EMERITI

The title professor emeritus will be bestowed on **Dr. Wendy Katz**

WENDY KATZ

During her thirty-two years at Saint Mary's, Dr. Wendy R. Katz has had a distinguished academic career marked by an exceptional record of research and publication, notable contributions to the administration and development of the University, and innovative and highly regarded performance as a teacher.

Among the most important of her research interests has been her work in women's studies, which has resulted in publications on women and language, affirmative action, women writers of children's literature, Victorian writers Christina Rossetti and Margaret Gatty, and twentieth-century Polish-American immigrant writer Anzia Yezierska. Particularly influential was her book *Her and His: Language of Equal Value*, a set of gender-neutral guidelines.

A second key interest is represented by Dr. Katz's work in the area of British imperial fiction, including her ground-breaking monograph *Rider Haggard and the Fiction of Empire: A Critical Study of British Imperial Fiction*, published by Cambridge University Press in 1987, a work favorably received by leading Victorian scholars and still frequently cited by scholars today.

Still another area of research and publication is Dr. Katz's work on the Victorian revival of the Renaissance emblem, including her book *The Emblems of Margaret Gatty: A Study of Allegory in Nineteenth-Century Children's Literature*. Her article on Robert Louis Stevenson's emblem book *Moral Emblems* is now on display at the Stevenson Museum in Saranac, New York, as an accompaniment to his original woodcuts.

Dr. Katz is also co-editor of *Introduction to Literature*, the first multi-genre literary anthology that included Canadian literature. Now in its fifth edition, this effort, the brainchild of a group of Saint Mary's English professors thirty years ago, is the result of considerable deliberation about effective teaching of literature. Literally thousands of students across Canada have benefited from this anthology, which has not been out of print since 1980.

For several years Dr. Katz has been working on various aspects of the Scottish writer Robert Louis Stevenson and has developed an international reputation among Stevenson scholars. Dr. Katz's most significant accomplishment in this area is her critical edition of *Treasure Island*, published by Edinburgh University Press.

Dr. Katz was a member of Senate for three terms. She was one of ten members of the President's Committee on the Future of Saint Mary's in 1989. Close to her heart was the work she did on the Senate Task Force on Literacy which resulted in the formation of the University Writing Centre. Dr. Katz has also chaired the Department of English, during which time she became member-at-large for the executive of the Canadian Association of Chairs of English.

Dr. Katz has been an effective, energetic and enthusiastic teacher. She has chiefly taught Victorian literature but has also taught writing by women, the history of children's literature, literary theory, and the modern novel. Dr. Katz has both spoken and written about teaching. Her teaching vignette for *Teaching and Learning at Saint Mary's*, "Caring for Text, Context, and Above All, Students," has been reprinted in *The Higher Education Development Bulletin* of the University of Botswana.

Dr. Katz plans to continue her research on Robert Louis Stevenson in her retirement, in particular her work on Stevenson and America, a revised edition of *Treasure Island*, and a new interest in approaches to teaching *Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde*.

HONORARY DEGREE RECIPIENTS

At this year's Spring Convocations, Saint Mary's University will confer four honorary degrees: two in the morning and two in the afternoon.

MORNING CEREMONY

GARY MOONEY

Dr. Gary Mooney will receive an Honorary Doctorate of Commerce in the morning ceremony. Mooney is a Santamarian, former Jesuit priest, lawyer, entrepreneur, community leader and patron of the arts and scholarship. He is currently the President and Chief Operating Officer of Fidelity National Financial (FNF) Canada, Chief Title Agent for Chicago Title Insurance Company and the Senior Partner with the law firm Anderson Sinclair. He attended Saint Mary's for two years in the mid 1960s, has a Bachelor of Arts from the University of Guelph, a Master of Arts from the University of Toronto, a Master of Divinity from the University of Toronto, a Doctor of Philosophy from the University of Cambridge, and a Law degree from Osgoode Hall Law School. He has also studied at the University of Florence and Pontifical Gregorian University in Rome. Mooney has received many awards as an academic and as a business and legal professional. In 2003 he was a finalist for the Ernst and Young Entrepreneur of the Year Award. In 2004 he was recognized by the Mississauga Board of Trade as the Business Person of the Year, and in 2005, the same year he received an Alumni Gold Key Award from Osgoode Hall Law School, he received the Arbour Award from the University of Toronto. He is active in community service as a member of the Governing Council of the University of Toronto, the Principals' Advisory Board of the University of Toronto, Mississauga (UTM), the Deans' Advisory Board of Osgoode Hall Law School and the Board of the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation. He is also a member of the National Board of Learning Disabilities Association, the Canadian Orthopedic Foundation and a trustee with Landmark College in Vermont. His other community service activities include ongoing work with the Rotary Club of Mississauga, Credit Valley, and support for many arts, cultural, health and philanthropic organizations, such as the Newfoundland Symphony Youth Choir, the University of Montreal Geriatric Institute and the UTM Scholarships for Students with Learning Disabilities. This Honorary Doctorate recognizes the contribution Dr. Mooney has made to business and civil society as well as his record of service to educational institutions, community groups and foundations.

NANCY SMITHERS

Nancy Smithers will receive an Honorary Doctorate of Civil Law at the morning ceremony. Smithers is an entrepreneur and community service volunteer with more than 25 years of business experience in financial management, accounting, personnel management, marketing, strategic planning and international trade development. She is the President and Chief Executive Officer of Naturally Nova Scotia Health Products Limited, an organic herb farm and manufacturing facility. The company employs 30

people and supplies herb products and nutraceuticals to retailers across Canada and Japan. She leads all aspects of the company's operations, including research and product development, market development, promotion, human resources and financial development. She has received several grants from the National Research Council's Industrial Research Assistance Program (IRAP) to study the active ingredients of herbs and the stability of vitamins and minerals, as well as optimal extraction and production methods. She also co-sponsors NSERC-funded research. In 2004, she earned a Premier's Commendation recognizing leadership in Quality Management Practice, and in 2007, she won a Nova Scotia Women of Excellence Award. She is a past member of the Board of Directors of the Canadian Coalition for Health, Freedom and Citizens for Choice in Health Care, a member of the Natural Health Product Directorate's Management Advisory Committee on Natural Health Products, and a member of the Saskatchewan Herb and Spice Association advisory board. She is also a director of the Dartmouth General Hospital Charitable Foundation and the Dalhousie University Art Gallery, and sits on the Dalhousie University Faculty of Management advisory board. She has studied natural health through Alberta's Wild Rose College since 1995, completing diploma courses in herbology, pharmacology and vitamins and minerals. She has also completed course work in Japanese at Saint Mary's, as well as other course work in economics, computer science and liberal arts at Dalhousie University. This Honorary Doctorate recognizes the value Nancy Smithers provides as a role model for entrepreneurial students and her ongoing support for academic research.

AFTERNOON CEREMONY

DR. JAMAL BADAWI

Dr. Jamal Badawi will receive an Honorary Doctorate of Civil Law at the afternoon ceremony. Dr. Badawi is a professor, an Imam and an international scholar on Islam. He is a Professor Emeritus with Saint Mary's and has devoted his career to promoting a better understanding of Islam to audiences ranging from theology students to the Nova Scotia Human Rights Commission. He is a Fulbright Scholar and has published widely on Islam and management studies. His academic achievements include a Bachelor of Commerce degree from Ain-Shams University in Cairo, a Master of Business Administration degree and a Doctorate of Philosophy from Indiana University. After teaching Management at the University of Maine, he joined Saint Mary's in 1970 as a faculty member in the Department of Management, where he taught until retirement in 2005. Since retirement, he has continued to teach part time with the Department of Religious Studies. Throughout his career, his active role in building community and promoting understanding has included service as the Nova Scotia representative for Human Concerns International (a non-profit international relief organization), the founding of the Maritime Muslim Academy and the Islamic Information Foundation, and participation as a member of the FIQH Counsel, a group of Islamic scholars who interpret Muslim religious law. Too, he is an Imam in the Islam Association of the Maritime Provinces and the Halifax Mosque. This Honorary Doctorate recognizes the contribution Dr. Badawi has made to civil society around the world, as well as his long service and commitment to Saint Mary's University.

ARTHUR RICHARD DONAHOE, Q.C.

Arthur Donahoe will receive an Honorary Doctorate of Laws at the afternoon ceremony. Donahoe is a Santamarian who went on to become a lawyer, politician and public servant. He has a Bachelor of Commerce degree from Saint Mary's and a Law degree from Dalhousie Law School. He practiced law in Halifax, and from 1978 until 1992 was a member of the Nova Scotia Legislature, where he served as Speaker of the House from 1981 until 1991. During his time as Speaker he was instrumental in a modernization of the House procedures, including a complete revamping of the committee system. In 1992, following a Commonwealth-wide selection process, he became the first Canadian chosen to be Secretary General of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (CPA), based in London, England. The CPA promotes parliamentary democracy, and during his two terms in office, Donahoe managed a substantial growth in the size and operations of the organization, which resulted from the implementation of the Commonwealth's Harare Declaration. He remains the only Canadian to have served as CEO of the organization in its nearly 100-year history. His community service includes being the Honorary Vice Consul of Barbados, membership on the board of the Canadian Centre for Ethics in Public Affairs (CCEPA), acting as one of trustees of the Patrick Power Estate, and assisting in the campaign to raise funds for the completion of the auditorium at the new Citadel High School. He is also a past president of the Charitable Irish Society, a former vice president of the United Way, a former chairman of the board of management of St. Vincent's Guest House, and a past president of the Ashburn Golf Club. This Honorary Doctorate recognizes the contribution Arthur Donahoe has made promoting democracy and democratic processes throughout the world, as well as his ongoing support for Saint Mary's through his work with the Patrick Power Estate.

RETIREMENTS

Eleven faculty members will retire before the beginning of the 2008-2009 academic year.

PETER BOYLE

The University community respects Dr. Boyle's request that no special recognition be made at his retirement.

STEPHEN DAVIS

Steve came to the Department of Anthropology in 1973 on a nine month terminal contract and managed to hang around for thirty-five years. In that time he taught a variety of courses in his sub discipline of archaeology. His contributions to the governance of Saint Mary have included many years as chair of the department, a member of Senate and of the University Faculty Union. He also served on a multitude of committee's both appointed and elected.

Steve's research interests have taken him in many directions and countries such as Spain, Norway and most recently the outer Islands of Scotland. Although intent on lowering his

handicap he still plans to pursue his consulting activities and maintain contact with his colleagues.

Career highlights include being the recipient of the President's award for Excellence in Research (2003). Recipient of the Saint Mary's Alumni Fr. William A. Stewart Medal for Teaching (2007) and his personal favorite the Faculty of Arts Excellence in Teaching Award (2006) because it came from the students.

CLIVE ELSON

Clive joined the Department of Chemistry in 1974 after completing his doctoral program at Queen's University, Kingston, and post-doctoral work at the Unit of Nitrogen Fixation, University of Sussex. His teaching areas included analytical and introductory chemistry. Recently, the focus of his research has been the development and application of water soluble forms of the natural biopolymer, chitosan.

Over the years, Clive has served as chair of his department, a member of the Board of Governors, a member of the University Budget Committee and the President's Committee on the "Future of the University" and as acting Dean of Science. Clive has also served as treasurer and chair of the Atlantic Section of the Canadian Society for Chemistry and as a member of the Board of Directors of the Nova Scotia Chemist's Society. Clive was named a Fellow of the Canadian Society for Chemistry in 1981. He was a member of the Board of Directors of the Biotech Working Groups (NS) and the Board of Directors of Canadian Agricultural New Uses Council.

Together with two former colleagues, Clive was a founder of a biotech firm that is pursuing commercial applications of derivatives of chitosan. His work, along with that of collaborators, has yielded more than ten US patents and patent applications and a number of international patent applications in the field of chitosan derivatives and their applications.

WALTER FINDEN

Dr. Walt Finden joined the Department of Mathematics in 1972. He has been offered a post-retirement position and asks that no special recognition be made at this time.

MARGARET HARRY

Dr. Margaret Harry was born and grew up in South Wales. She attended the University of London, where she received a B.A. Honours degree in English Language and Medieval Literature. After moving to Canada in 1968, she received her M.A. from the University of Manitoba, and her Ph.D. from the Centre for Medieval Studies, University of Toronto, in 1979. She was the recipient of the John D. B. Watkins Fellowship (Canada Council) in 1977-78. She joined the Department of English at Saint Mary's University in 1988, was Chair of the Department from 1996 to 1999, and has been Graduate Coordinator of Atlantic Canada Studies since 2002. She is a member of the Board of Directors of the Gorsebrook Research Institute.

Dr Harry has always been interested in language, and the way language changes and develops through time. In 1999, in collaboration with Dr. Lilian Falk, she co-edited *The English Language in Nova Scotia*, a collection of essays on English as it is spoken in Nova Scotia. She has appeared on television and radio discussing various aspects of language and folklore. She is the joint author of an online WebCT Introductory English course, and as Graduate Coordinator of Atlantic Canada Studies, she is currently involved in a SSHRC-funded project for developing a community-based university program incorporating Indigenous Ecological Knowledge for the Innu Guardians Program.

WENDY KATZ

See previous entry under Professor Emeritus

MO-TAK KIANG

Mo Tak Kiang first came to the Department of Mathematics at Saint Mary's in the fall of 1966, when it was still a part of the Faculty of Arts, soon after she had completed her Masters Degree in mathematics. In 1968 she took a leave of absence to return to Dalhousie where, in 1971, she graduated with her Ph.D. in Mathematics, becoming the first woman to receive that degree in that subject from any Atlantic Canadian University.

Following her graduation, she returned to Saint Mary's, where she has taught ever since, in what has become the Department of Mathematics and Computing Science and is now lodged within the Faculty of Science.

Since 1985, Dr. Kiang has been a full professor in the Department, which she also chaired from 1987 to 1990. During her career, she has continued to pursue her research interests, both publishing independently and often collaborating with colleagues Michael Edelstein and K. K. Tan from Dalhousie. From 1973 to 1989 her research activities received continuous support from the National Research Council of Canada.

She has been a reviewer for the Mathematical Reviews of the American Mathematical Society since 1975, and has also served as a referee for the Canadian Mathematical Bulletin, the Proceedings of the American Mathematical Society, and for National Sciences and Engineering Research Council grant applications.

Throughout her career Dr. Kiang has been fondly regarded by her students, and has taught a full range of mathematics courses, from pre-calculus for commerce and social science students to real and complex analysis for advanced honors students.

Mo Tak is married to David Kiang, a now-retired professor of physics at Dalhousie. They are very proud of their two children, Michael and Karen, both of whom went on to study at Harvard. Michael is now a doctor, and Karen a lawyer.

ROGER MACDONALD

Roger MacDonald joined the University's English Department in 1967. He will retire on August 31, 2008. The University community respects Dr. MacDonald's request that no special recognition be made at his retirement.

PETER MARCH

Peter March was appointed as an Assistant Professor in the Philosophy Department in 1980. He took early retirement in December 2007.

SHRIPAD PENDSE

When Shripad came to Saint Mary's, it had only about a thousand students, almost all male. Students and faculty wore ties and jackets to class, and smoking in the classroom was common. Dr. Harold Beazley was the Dean, and all Commerce faculty members at the time were either economists or accountants. As a result, Shripad was asked to teach Finance, Marketing, Human Relations (now Organizational Behaviour), and Business Policy (now Strategic Management). These subjects are now taught in three separate Departments, with a total of about 40 Faculty members.

After two years of teaching, Saint Mary's offered him the opportunity to go to Stanford University for his Ph.D. Shripad has always enjoyed the congenial nature of his colleagues with different research and teaching interests, and who encouraged each other in their work. He was the President of the Faculty Union in the second year after it was formed. He also served as a Department Chair and a member of numerous committees, and was elected several times to the Senate and the Board of Governors. He also appreciated the opportunity he had to spend almost a dozen years on leaves of absence at various times to pursue his research and teaching interests in many countries, including the US, India, Japan, Australia, China, and the Czech Republic. He was chosen by the Sobey School of Business students as the Professor of the Year in 2004, an honor that he particularly values.

Shripad's main research interest has been in the design of living systems – whether at the level of an organ such as the brain, an organization, or a society. He has published research articles on each of these levels and edited a book on designing an economic model that would combine the best features of a caring society and an efficient market system. His most recent publication describes an innovative approach for a company to choose the best employees for promotion without creating an unhealthy rivalry among co-workers, while simultaneously fostering the creativity of its employees. His current research is on the teaching of business ethics as well as on the relationship between corporate growth and profitability.

VLODEK TARNAWSKI

The University community respects Dr. Tarnawski's request that no special recognition be made at his retirement.

BRENT VULANO

Dr. Vulcano attained a B.A., M.A. and Ph.D. in Psychology; subsequently, he earned the designation of Registered Psychologist (R.Psych.) in Nova Scotia in 1988.

Joining the Department of Psychology in 1984, Dr. Vulcano's original areas of expertise were stress, personality, and health. Since taking the position at Saint Mary's Dr. Vulcano has proven himself a dedicated and talented teacher, making a significant contribution not only to Saint Mary's University but also to his profession. In the teaching arena, Dr. Vulcano taught and/or developed 20 courses including the *Psychology of Personal Adjustment, Health Psychology, and Positive Psychology*. To the benefit of the students, Dr. Vulcano worked constantly and consistently to improve his presentations, develop course materials, and revise his course handouts. By way of illustration, he put in well over 40,000 hours including time spent on course development, revisions and preparation. In addition to his outstanding teaching contributions, Dr. Vulcano has also made contributions in service roles, both internally and externally to the university. Most recently he passionately directed his energies into the scholarship of teaching. Dr. Vulcano's desire to learn from his students and excel in his contributions inspired him to switch research areas. These efforts were rewarded with subsequent publications regarding ways to improve the teaching and learning experience for students and faculty alike. Dr. Vulcano has proven tireless in his attempts to create the best learning experience for both.

Dr. Vulcano takes this opportunity to extend his appreciation and gratitude for the opportunity to serve as instructor to more than 6000 students during his tenure, earning their trust in his abilities. Dr. Vulcano believes students deserve no less than the best. He would like to be known for his diligent work over the years on behalf of the students, and his accomplishment of this objective. Given the personal motivation for his career choice, Dr. Vulcano takes pride in the recent recognition as an outstanding teacher.

Throughout his entire career Dr. Vulcano has strived to make a significant contribution to the lives of the students and the work of Saint Mary's University. He retires from the professoriate at Saint Mary's as Associate Professor. Dr. Vulcano extends best wishes to all students, both former and new, as each travels the paths of life's journey.

MORNING CONVOCATION

VALEDICTORIAN

JEFF LOHNES

Jeff came to Saint Mary's from Rose Bay, Nova Scotia. He was very involved in competitive singing during his high school years, competing in regional and provincial music festivals and musical theatre competition and was Coordinator of Lunenburg Folk Harbour Festival as a summer job. He was very involved in volleyball, basketball, and soccer.

At Saint Mary's he has been very engaged in student life and this has been recognized by the student community: Freshman of the Year, Sophomore of the Year and this year, the Gold M from SMUSA. He has been a Residence Assistant, Event Programmer for SMUSA, VP Internal of SMUSA, and two years on the University Board of Governors. He has served the University and community in numerous other volunteer capacities.

And he just loves getting painted up in maroon and white and watching SMU win football and basketball games.

Just this past week he accepted a job in Toronto working with the National Speakers Bureau as the 'Campus and Youth Market Associate'. Beyond this position, he hopes to return to the east coast and do business in Halifax, possibly in management consulting or marketing of some form.

HOODING CANDIDATE

CHELSEA PRIDHAM

Chelsea graduated from Riverview High School (Riverview, NB) and was offered an entrance scholarship to Saint Mary's. In high school she was actively involved in Air Cadets and was very successful in regional and national marksmanship competitions.

She started at Saint Mary's in September 2005, lived in residence and says she "had a blast attending SMU football games and floor events." She volunteered in the PALS program and looks forward to continued volunteer work in her community with relation to her degree. In addition to having a good time at Saint Mary's, she has excelled academically, earning achievement scholarships. Chelsea graduates today with a Bachelor of Arts, **magna cum laude**, with majors in Criminology and Sociology. She is the first person in her immediate family to graduate from university.

She wants to further her education and secure a job using both her majors in an attempt to integrate and expand upon the various theories and applications related to both. She expresses her deep gratitude to my mother for her neverending support throughout her degree.

AFTERNOON CONVOCATION

VALEDICTORIAN

MEGHAN VAN GAAL

Meghan will graduate today with a Bachelor of Commerce degree with majors in Accounting and Human Resource Management. She came to Saint Mary's from PEI, after graduating from Charlottetown Rural High School. Throughout her high school education she was a dedicated volunteer in both her school and community.

At Saint Mary's she has continued to be an active volunteer. This year, she has held the position of vice president of the Saint Mary's University Grad Class working to help organize all of the events and activities for the graduating students. In past years, she was the president of the Saint Mary's University Accounting Society as well as an active and dedicated volunteer in the Sobey School of Business Commerce Society. Meghan has been a committed employee and volunteer of the Saint Mary's University Students' Association, working in the Gorsebrook Lounge, the Information Desk and various activities offered by SMUSA.

Meghan plans to pursue a career as a Chartered Accountant with KPMG in Toronto. Meghan would like to travel and seek employment opportunities around the world.

HOODING CANDIDATE

ZHEN YA GUO

Zhenya came to Canada from Qian Guo Village, Anhui Province, in the central part of China. He had completed an Associate Degree at the X'ian International University.

He has been very successful in his studies at Saint Mary's, earning achievement scholarships and the Faculty Union Scholarship. He graduates today with a Bachelor of Commerce with a major in Marketing.

He has financed his education in part with employment on and off campus including working as an Office Assistant with Admissions Office, Teaching Assistant with Finance Department, Residence Security Officer with Residence Department, and as an interpreter/translator for Park West School. He has been active with various societies and volunteering, including: Beta Gamma Sigma, Canada Results(a volunteer organization try to influence the political will of Canada MPs on issues such as poverty, hunger, AIDS by writing letters to them on a monthly basis), OPTAMUS-Society for part-time & mature students, Halifax TallShips Festival, and the Halifax Multi-Cultural Festival.

Zhenya's immediate plan is to work after graduation and later may further his education at Mount Siant Vincent University in the program of Masters in Public Relations.

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, houses the Sobey School of Business and provides meeting rooms as well as state-of-the-art classrooms for all three faculties of the University. In the last decade the University has totally rebuilt of the Loyola Residence and most recently the Science Building such that they are essentially new buildings. Ground was broken this spring for the new Atrium Building featuring the Global Learning Commons.

In the year 2002-2003, the University celebrated its 200th Anniversary in a year long series of celebratory events. The celebration provided a marvelous retrospective of our past and set the stage for the University's significant role in the 21st Century. This will be guided by the Academic Plan, first developed for the period 2002-2007 under the guidance of Dr. Terry Murphy, Vice President, Academic & Research, and recently updated for 2008-2011.

In December 2005 a new focus on the image of Saint Mary's University was unveiled. "SAINT MARY'S UNIVERSITY. ONE UNIVERSITY. ONE WORLD. YOURS. This powerful statement captures the fundamental nature of today's Saint Mary's". "It encompasses our strategic directions and our vision to be the University of Choice for aspiring citizens of the world". Each of the three elements of rallying cry has a significant and thoughtful meaning:

One University: Our singular vision and commitment

One World: Unlimited possibilities

Yours: The challenge and the responsibility for all Santamarians

AN EXPLANATION FOR OUR GUESTS: THE CONVOCATION CEREMONY

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 Metro Centre, 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 Metro Centre 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.

Next are honorary degree recipients. In addition to "earned" degrees awarded to students who have studied and met the usual requirements, annually the University confers several "honorary" degrees on individuals who have been designated by the University's Board of Governors and 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 she merits the award. Details are found in the earlier portion 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.

Many will have colourful gowns and hoods of institutions from across Canada, the United States, and many nations of the world.

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 in recognition of 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.

University Crest

Designed in the 1940's 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 that 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.

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 Bardshaw Jewelry 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 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 University's earliest Boards of Governors, in recognition of his career of public service and his love of Saint Mary's.

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 that academic level attained. There is special attire for the Bachelor, Master, and Doctoral level candidates. 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.

Flags on the Stage

Each year Saint Mary's has a number of international students. 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. Also part of this collection is that of the Mi'kmaq's in recognition of their First Nation's Status. For the first time at our Spring 2002 Convocations the University's Bicentennial flag has taken its rightful place in our permanent collection.

Graduation Alumni Pins

The Alumni Association of Saint Mary's University has generously provided an Alumni Pin again this year. 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 become a traditional feature of all of our Convocations.

Degrees and Diplomas Awarded with Distinctions

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

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

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

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The University's symbols and traditions reflect its roots as well as looking to its future, and 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 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 it with the Saint Mary's University community.

Framing of Parchments

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 the graduation ceremonies. (**Please note:** This service is **NOT** also available during the Convocation ceremony.) Here is the chance to proudly frame your diploma. Simply present your diploma at the kiosk in the Time Out Sports Lounge on the concourse level, Brunswick Street entrance. In seconds it will be professionally framed in a high quality, Canadian-made frame, complete with a mat emblazoned with the official logo of Saint Mary's University.

Be sure to pick up your frame today. It makes the perfect graduation gift!