

Saint Mary's University

Winter Convocation



Saturday, 24 January 2015

O CANADA

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

Car ton bras sait porter l'epee,
Il sait porter la croix!

Ton histoire est une epee
Des plus brillants exploits.

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 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

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 of 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
Father Rob Arsenault

Installation of the University Chancellor

Valedictory Address

Morning Ceremony - Jeremy A. W. MacDonald

Afternoon Ceremony - Dongsheng Li

Presentation of Faculty Awards

Presidential Remarks

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

Conferral of Honorary Degrees

Morning Ceremony

To be Doctor of Civil Law (honoris causa)

C. Mark Cleary

To be Doctor of Civil Law (honoris causa)

Michele Alison Wood-Tweel

Afternoon Ceremony

To be Doctor of Letters (honoris causa)

Claire B. Miller

To be Doctor of Commerce (honoris causa)

Gerald Pond

Presentation of Alumni Pins to Honorary Degree Recipients

Convocation Address

Conferring of Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates

Faculty of Arts

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

Sobey School of Business

Patricia Bradshaw, B.Comm., Ph.D., Dean of the Sobey School of Business, will present the candidates.

Faculty of Science

Steven Smith, B.A. (Hons.), M.A., Ph.D., Dean of Science, will present the candidates.

Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research

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

Induction to the President's Hall of Academic Excellence

Closing of Convocation

Recessional

Chairman of Convocation

David Gauthier, B.A., M.A., Ph.D.
Vice President, Academic and Research

Marshal of Convocation

Don Naulls, B.A., M.A., Ph.D.
Chair of Senate

Marshal of Students

Keith Hotchkiss, B.A.
Director of Student Services

University Orators

Charles P. Beaupre, B.A., M.A., Ph.D.
Associate Professor of Chinese and Asian Studies

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

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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.

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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.

BACHELOR OF ARTS

Marzouk Ahmed	Dhaka, Bangladesh
Bridget Beaton (cum laude)	Windsor, NS
Kctidra Leigh Blackburn	Halifax, NS
Augustina Boateng	Toronto, ON
Rory Robert Boutilier (Hon. Psychology)	Halifax, NS
Courtney Corissa Campbell	Bateston, NS
Simon Peter Carrier	Halifax, NS
Jesse Stephen Clarke Caseley	Brookside, NS
Anita Louise Casey	Albany, PE
Emma Marie Holly Cormier	Quispamsis, NB
Stephanie Raeanne Alyse Faubert (Hon. Criminology: Co-operative Education summa cum laude)	Halifax, NS
Brittany Anne Faulkner	Beaver Bank, NS
Carl Fitzgerald	Peterborough, ON
Scott James Forrest	Halifax, NS
Marine Asfaw Gameda	Halifax, NS
Elise Marie George	Berwick, NS
Richard Oren Gould	Hammonds Plains, NS
(Catherine Alexandra Haworth	Oakville, ON
Kristian Scott Hirtle	Lantz, NS
Jennifer L. Home	Halifax, NS
Dominique Marie Emilie Jory (summa cum laude)	Halifax, NS
Bennett Edward Kelley	Halifax, NS
Katie La Pierre	Milford, NS
Sara Elizabeth Lampinen	Sydney Mines, NS
Kelly Johanna LeBrasseur	Dartmouth, NS
Lindsay Samantha Loudon	Bathurst, NB
Micah Horiuchi MacAdam	Bridgetown, NS
Jeremy A. W. MacDonald (Hon. History summa cum laude)	Charlottetown, PE
Marianne Louise MacDonald	Milton, NS
Daniel Neil MacDougall	Cole Harbour, NS
Joel Alexander MacLean	Cole Harbour, NS
leasha L. G. MacPherson	Halifax, NS
Julie Frances Kathleen McEachern (Hon. Psychology)	Waverley, NS
Africa N. E. Millett	Hamilton Parish, Bermuda

Tess Panzarasa
Saxon Elaine Peters
Michael Dennis Picard
Emma N. G. Pink

Halifax, NS
Lantz, NS
Mount Uniacke, NS
Halifax, NS

Noor-Bano Rehman
Thomas Paul Reynolds

Glace Bay, NS
Dartmouth, NS

Timi Emmanuel Saighe
Isaac Stephen Shelley
Jessica Laura Sherman (Hon Psychology)
Sherab Dolma Sherpa
Jarrad Michael Sitland
Kevin D. Skeir
Emma Jean Squires

Lagos, Nigeria
Simcoe, ON
Berwick, NS
Kathmandu, Nepal
Halifax, NS
Dartmouth, NS
Cape Breton, NS

Ria Dondertman Tienhaara (Hon. English)
Courtney Elizabeth Vienneau

Halifax, NS
Dominion, NS

Greg M. Warren
Justin Robert James Watters
Melissa Marie Williams

Beaver Bank, NS
Dartmouth, NS
Halifax, NS

Xiao Yang
Michelle Katheryn Yates

Beijing, China
Fall River, NS

Julia Zwicker

Tantallon, NS

BACHELOR OF ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES

Justine Nicole Burke
Michael Holinsky
Brendan Darcy Piper

Halifax, NS
Halifax, NS
Dartmouth, NS

MASTER OF ARTS (HISTORY)

Sandra K. Curley

Montague, PE

MASTER OF ARTS (INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT STUDIES)

Jia-Shya Chou

Taipei, Taiwan

MASTER OF ARTS (THEOLOGY AND RELIGIOUS STUDIES)

Cory Lee Wensley

Sault Ste. Marie, ON

MASTER OF ARTS (WOMEN AND GENDER STUDIES)

Rachel Helen Fry
Janis Roberta Wall

Janetville, ON
Bedford, NS

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Osama Jamal Ashhab
Sarah Ali Al Khalaf

London, ON
Baghdad, Iraq

Michelle Jennifer Anne Bain
Abdoulaye Barry
Hannah Jade Bennett
Srushti Bhayani
Melissa Ellen Black
Chloe Elle Bramble

Mount Uniacke, NS
Conakry, Guinea
Stephenville, NL
Ahmedabad, India
Dartmouth, NS
Fitches Creek, Antigua

Sean R. Decoff

Bedford, NS

Sara Ossama Elherbawy

Gaza, Palestine

Loran Gavel
Adele Catherine Joyce (Hon. Biology)

Eastern Passage, NS
Arichat, NS

Jyeyoun Kim (Hon. Biology)
Murat Cagri Koc

Seoul, South Korea
Halifax, NS

David Lunn

Halifax, NS

Kayla Dawn MacDonald (**summa cum laude**)
Matthew V. A. MacKenzie
Graeme Andrew Matheson
Amanda Marion McDonald

Sydney, NS
Halifax, NS
Middleton, NS
Kelly's Cross, PE

Krista Anne Perry
Cora Chantal Pye

Summerside, PE
Trenton, NS

Ashley Rochelle Sebastian

Brampton, ON
Moncton, NB

Matthew Ryan Stimson (Hon. Geology **cum laude**)

Halifax, NS

Pinar Sadan Unsal

DIPLOMA IN ENGINEERING

Faisel Fahad Aldenaini
Mohammad Hussain Alqahtani
Bradley Rene Fiander
Dylan Cedrych Humber

Dammam, Saudi Arabia
Dhahran, Saudi Arabia
Halifax, NS
Kingston, NS

DIPLOMA IN FORENSIC SCIENCES

Michelle Jennifer Anne Bain

Mount Uniacke, NS

CERTIFICATE IN THE MATHEMATICAL SCIENCES FOR EDUCATION

Nigel S. O. Mailman

Halifax, NS

MASTER OF SCIENCE (APPLIED PSYCHOLOGY)

Dylan Powell George Smibert

Sylvan Lake, AB

MASTER OF SCIENCE (APPLIED SCIENCE)

Stephanie Jane Appleby-Jones

Fall River, NS

Dollie May Campbell

Iron Mines, NS

Melissa Nicole Healey (Co-operative Education)

St. John's, NL

BACHELOR OF COMMERCE

Yazeed Ali Al Shaibani

Riyadh, Saudi Arabia

Fesal Nasser Alakail

Riyadh, Saudi Arabia

Raad Saeed Alazhari

Riyadh, Saudi Arabia

Murwa Qadri Alban

Halifax, NS

Baan Hilmi Saied Al-Hakim

Halifax, NS

Tayier Alimire

Aksu, China

Ahmad AlQenai

Halifax, NS

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Alhassa, Saudi Arabia

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Riyadh, Saudi Arabia

Lauren Michelle Arsenault

Lower Sackville, NS

Adam Francis Bird

Cole Harbour, NS

Danielle Pauline Blinn

Clare, NS

Joel Jody Boisjoli (**magna cum laude**)

Mineville, NS

Eric M. A. Boutin

Dartmouth, NS

Xinxin Bu

Wuhu, China

Kelli Dawn Burbine (Co-operative Education **magna cum laude**)

Amherst, NS

Kristen A. Chamberlaine

Moncton, NB

Renee Claire Champagne

Burlington, ON

Crystal Jordana Chelli

Halifax, NS

Yufeng Chen

Fuzhou, China

Kelly J. Chin

St. John's, Antigua

Tyler D. Clemens

Waterloo, ON

Diana Christine Clouthier (Hon. Economics **summa cum laude**)

Ottawa, ON

Jessica Kayla Connors

Dartmouth, NS

Conor Demone

Halifax, NS

Cheng Ding

Ezhou, China

Simay Doser

Bursa, Turkey

Amanda M. Ecker	Fall River, NS
Ryan Enserink	Aylesford, NS
Paul Michael Ferris	Waverley, NS
Cody Michael Fraser	Riverview, NB
Joshua F. Frausell	Halifax, NS
Charlotte Kay Gillis (cum laude)	Dartmouth, NS
Matthew Grady	Cole Harbour, NS
Chelsea L. Grundy	Halifax, NS
Kiersten Arlene Hackett (Co-operative Education)	Beaver Bank, NS
Chad Alexander Hayman	Bible Hill, NS
Jessica Hope Herron	Halifax, NS
Ye Hong	Rugao, China
Rui Hu	Changzhi, China
Ameer A. Hussein	Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates
Mishal Jared	Halifax, NS
Chao Jiang	Nantong, China
Thomas Paul Jordan (Co-operative Education)	Halifax, NS
Juan Kubelka	Cole Harbour, NS
Pooja Lai (Co-operative Education)	Dartmouth, NS
Maria A. Lamprea	Toronto, ON
Alyssa Marie Langille	Halifax, NS
Marrianne Louise LeCocq (magna cum laude)	Halifax, NS
Dongsheng Li (Co-operative Education summa cum laude)	Halifax, NS
Xiang Li	Dalian, China
Xiao Li	Changsha, China
Yijun Li	Wuhan, China
Vincent Liang	Lawrencetown, NS
Yuman Lin (summa cum laude)	Halifax, NS
JiaRong Liu	Zhengzhou, China
Lin Liu	Guangzhou, China
Siran Liu	Qingdao, China
Sisi Liu	Hunan, China
Xiaoyu Liu	Urumqi, China
Yuhang Liu	Beijing, China
Ryan Andrew Locke	Halifax, NS
Tori Morgan Lucas (Co-operative Education cum laude)	Mineville, NS
Bingqian Luo	Leshan, China
Junyao Ma	Anji, China

Ling Ma	Zhuhai, China
WenboMa (magna cum laude)	Luoyang, China
Sheridan Ashton Lawrence MacDonald	Thunder Bay, ON
Ingrid Marie Maclsaac (cum laude)	Lower Sackville, NS
Patrick J. Maclsaac (Co-operative Education)	Timberlea, NS
Matthew Magee	Ottawa, ON
Simon William Marr	Saint John, NB
Afsao Bin Masud	Dhaka, Bangladesh
Mark Anthony Mayhew (magna cum laude)	Lower Sackville, NS
Ryan T. McDonah	Dartmouth, NS
Amanda M. Mercer	Halifax, NS
Teran D. Miller	Nassau, Bahamas
Mai Miyashita	Tokyo, Japan
Diane Ashley Morrison	Port Caledonia, NS
Arsalan Nadeem	Karachi, Pakistan
Takuto Nakayama	Tokyo, Japan
Andrew Stephen Nearing	Dartmouth, NS
Wenfei Nie	Zibo, China
Jeremy Arthur Putnam	Truro, NS
Zhi Wei Qu	Shijiazhang, China
Mayank Rana	New Delhi, India
Chad E. Sarty	Hammonds Plains, NS
Zane S. Sheikh	Dartmouth, NS
Zhewen Shen	Hangzhou, China
Jonathan Peter Martin Smeltzer	Dartmouth, NS
Gillian E. Smith	Halifax, NS
Samantha Jean Smith	Bathurst, NB
Mingjie Sun	Laiwu, China
Weizhen Sun	Harbin, China
Jamie Sweet	Dartmouth, NS
Kendal Stephen Thompson	Halifax, NS
Brittni Wambolt	Eastern Passage, NS
Jing Wang	Luoyang, China
Rui Wang	Shenzhen, China
Shiyu Wang	Zhengzhou, China
Xinzhe Wang	Shenzhen, China
Xue Wang	Xian, China
Yiran Wang	Halifax, NS
Zhuang Wang	Halifax, NS

R. Scott Wilkinson Xiaoxuan Wu	Halifax, NS Zhengzhou, China
Chunping Xie Ran Xing	Shenzhen, China Hefei, China
Jacqueline Isabella Joyce Yeoman	Head of St. Margaret's Bay, NS
Jiajun Yin Fan Yu ShuHui Yu Yu Yu	Halifax, NS Hangzhou, China Hefei, China Hangzhou, China
Min Zhang Pengcheng Zhang Renchi Zhang Shengchen Zhang (magna cum laude) Teng Zhang Xinyuan Zhang (magna cum laude) Zhe Zhang Xiaoyu Zhao Haozhe Zheng Yuqian Zheng	Changsha, China Halifax, NS Beijing, China Yiyang, China Beijing, China Halifax, NS Halifax, NS Zoucheng, China Huaian, China Nanjing, China

CERTIFICATE OF HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

Murwa Qadri Alban	Halifax, NS
Kristen A. Chamberlaine Kelly J. Chin	Moncton, NB St. John's, Antigua
Nevin Wahbi El Wardani	Halifax, NS
Paul Michael Ferris	Waverley, NS
Charlotte Kay Gillis Chelsea L. Grundy	Dartmouth, NS Halifax, NS
Karen Christine Kearney Ninoslav Kovacevic	Porters Lake, NS Halifax, NS
Katie La Pierre Maria A. Lamprea Marriane Louise LeCocq	Milford, NS Toronto, ON Halifax, NS
Marika Constance McTague Jasmine M. E. Moreash	Halifax, NS Halifax, NS

Xiaoxuan Wu Zhengzhou, China
Jacqueline Isabella Joyce Yeoman Head of St. Margaret's Bay,
NS

MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

J. Andrew Barbour Halifax, NS
Amy Elizabeth Blakeney Halifax, NS
Heather Elizabeth Brewer Halifax, NS
Natalie Marie Cornelius Dartmouth, NS
Scott Edward Hurst Dartmouth, NS
Emma Martin Halifax, NS
Kumar Raghav Halifax, NS
Ke Tang Shenizhen, China
Li Zhang Jinan, China

MASTER OF FINANCE

Fahad Abdullah Balubaid Jeddah, Saudi Arabia
Jia Cao Anqing, China
Kun Luo Zibo, China
Feifei Pan Fuzhou, China
Yixuan Song Shandong, China
YuPeng Yang Jinan, China
Xiao Zhang Harbin, China
Yanqing Y. Q. Zhang Xinxiang, China

MASTER OF TECHNOLOGY ENTREPRENEURSHIP AND INNOVATION

Paul Henry Farmer Bedford, NS
Christine Stefani Hamblin Tantallon, NS
Robert C. MacKenzie Sydney, NS
Suman Pettem Warangal, India
Bradley R. Rodgers Halifax, NS
Mandy Leigh Woodland St. John's, NL

CHANCELLOR

Saint Mary's University and the Sobey School of Business are pleased to welcome Dr. Paul D. Sobey, FCA, BComm, DComm, former President and Chief Executive officer of Empire Company Limited, as the University's next Chancellor. In assuming this role, he follows in the tradition of his father, Dr. David F. Sobey, who served with distinction as the first lay Chancellor of the University from 2008 until 2010.

Born in Halifax, and raised in New Glasgow, Paul Sobey graduated from Dalhousie University in 1978 with a Bachelor of Commerce and worked in Toronto as a Chartered Accountant with Grant Thornton. In the summer of 1981, he resumed his business studies at Saint Mary's University, obtained his CA designation, and joined Empire Company Limited in 1982.

Dr. Sobey worked through various positions in Empire and its subsidiaries, assuming the role of Vice-President & Secretary in 1985, and President & CEO of Sobey Leased Properties Limited in 1986. In 1988, he took over as Chairman of Lawton's Drug Stores Limited, and in 1989 as President & CEO of Atlantic Shopping Centres Limited. Dr. Sobey completed an Advanced Management Program at the Harvard University Business School in 1995. In 1996, he became President & CEO of Empire Company Limited.

In addition to the leadership he has demonstrated in business, Paul Sobey has given his time and talents to many organizations, sitting on a number of boards, including Emera Inc. and Nova Scotia Power; as a Trustee of Crombie REIT; and as a Director for Scotiabank, Wajax, Empire Company Limited, and Sobeys Inc. Dr. Sobey is also a trustee of The Sobey Foundation, The Sobey Art Foundation, as well as chair for the Frank H. Sobey Awards for Excellence in Business.

A remarkable friend to Saint Mary's, and a great inspiration for our aspiring citizens of the world, Paul Sobey has given the University more than two decades of visionary leadership. From service on our Board of Governors to chairing *Hearts and Minds*, an ambitious capital campaign that raised more than \$45 million, he has played a critical role in making Saint Mary's a special place to work and learn.

Over the years, Paul Sobey has received many honours, including the Fellow Chartered Accountant (FCA) designation from the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Nova Scotia, and the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Medal. He has also received three special tributes from Saint Mary's: an Associate Alumni Membership, induction into Saint Mary's Turning Points Hall of Leadership, and an Honorary Doctorate of Commerce.

PROFESSOR EMERITUS

PAT FITZGERALD

Dr. Fitzgerald joined the Saint Mary's faculty in 1976. It was a very different era and as the first woman with a tenure-track appointment in the Faculty of Commerce she had some very interesting experiences. At that time she was attracted to Saint Mary's because of its strong business program and for its emerging international reputation. During her tenure at Saint Mary's, she has seen many positive changes in these and other areas. The one she values most is the increased internationalization of the University and she would like to think she played a role in this expansion.

Dr. Fitzgerald's teaching encompassed a spectrum of management courses at various levels delivered in Halifax and in many different countries including China, Hong Kong, France, Zimbabwe, the Czech Republic, and Vietnam. Through her research activities she has been invited to speak, be a co-researcher, and act as a consultant in many different settings. Her geographic reach has extended to each of the five continents, but she is particularly proud of her work in Canada's north with its youth and its elders. She is energized with her research in the areas of family and global business and feels fortunate to be involved in new initiatives with colleagues in Beijing as well as with local colleagues.

Dr. Fitzgerald leaves Saint Mary's knowing that she has made a contribution to the development of the Institution, its students, and many of its practices. She is very proud of the achievements of many of her students and likes to think that she helped instill in them an insistence on quality and high standards that has contributed positively to their achievements to date and to their success in future endeavors.

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 Commerce faculty members at the time were either economists or accountants. As a result, Shripad was asked to teach a wide variety of other courses - in 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 50 Faculty members.

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

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 system that would combine the best features of a caring society and an efficient market system. One of his three most recent publications 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. A second publication suggests ways to reduce incidents of corporate unethical ethical behavior by identifying and removing the means, motives and opportunities that give rise to such behavior, while a third publication elucidates the role of self-understanding in how managers perceive and solve problems. His current research is on ways in which a focus on solving urgent social and environmental problems can help educational institutions to increase cooperative behavior among the faculty and students and to increase integration in the teaching of various subjects.

HONORARY DEGREE RECIPIENTS

C. MARK CLEARY

C. Mark Cleary is the quintessential life-long learner. A forward-thinking business leader, and tireless volunteer, he has been instrumental in supporting the foundations of our community, particularly in Nova Scotia's construction industry.

Born in Hartford, Connecticut and raised in Eastern Passage, Nova Scotia, Mr. Cleary (DipEng'48, BSc'72) is a two-time Saint Mary's alumnus. After graduating from NSCAD in 1945 with a Teacher's Diploma in Fine Art, he enrolled in Saint Mary's College, earning his Diploma in Engineering in 1948, and later receiving Electrical Journeyman's Certificates from both the City of Halifax and the Province of Nova Scotia.

A successful electrical contractor, he was a partner in Cleary Brothers Ltd. from 1952 to 1961; and President and CEO of Western Electrics Ltd., one of the largest contractors in Atlantic Canada, from 1964 to 1984.

Studying Law hadn't been in Mr. Cleary's plans, but a chance meeting with a respected colleague convinced him to apply to Dalhousie's Law School, where he graduated in 1964 with a Bachelor of Laws degree. A practitioner of property law and labour law, he was honoured with an appointment as Q.C. by the Province of Nova Scotia in 1981.

During his dual careers in the electrical contracting industry and the practice of law, Mr. Cleary satisfied his interest in geology by completing a Bachelor of Science degree at Saint Mary's in 1972. He demonstrated his commitment to the construction industry through the exemplary service and leadership he extended to many organizations.

Mr. Cleary has chaired the Construction Association of Nova Scotia, the Canadian Board of the International Foundation of Employee Benefits Plans, and the Provincial Apprenticeship Board

of Nova Scotia. He has served as Director for the Construction Association of Nova Scotia, the Management Labour Bureau of Nova Scotia, the Trade Centre Limited, Nova Scotia Resources Limited, and the Canadian Electrical Contractors Association. He has also been a member of the Manpower Board of Nova Scotia, the Construction Industry Panel of the Labour Relations Board of Nova Scotia, the Ambassadors' Club of the Trade Centre, and the Nova Scotia Barristers' Society.

Mr. Cleary resides in Halifax with Margaret, his wife of 64 years. They have five children.

MICHELE ALISON WOOD-TWEEL

Michele Wood-Tweel, FCA is a professional accountant with over 30 years of experience. Since 2005, she has been the CEO and Executive Director of The Institute of Chartered Accountants of Nova Scotia (ICANS).

Originally from Toronto, Ms. Wood-Tweel moved with her family to southern Alberta and later again to Nova Scotia. After graduating from Saint Mary's University in 1983 with a Bachelor of Commerce, cum laude, she obtained her Chartered Accountancy designation in 1985. She is a Certified Financial Planner, Registered Trust and Estate Practitioner and in 2007 was elected as a Fellow of the Chartered Accountants, thereby being awarded the FCA designation by ICANS.

Before taking the helm of ICANS, Ms. Wood-Tweel was in public practice with KPMG LLP in Halifax for over twenty years. Her extensive business experience includes a short-term transfer to New Zealand, professional writing and speaking responsibilities, and a variety of written and broadcast media opportunities.

A keen proponent of lifelong learning, Ms. Wood-Tweel enjoys the development and growth that come from combining a busy professional life with contributions to community organizations. As well as being a member of the ICANS Executive Committee, and Chair of the CPA profession's Professional Learning and Development Strategy Committee, she currently serves on the boards of the Halifax International Airport Authority, 1WK Health Centre Foundation, Efficiency Nova Scotia Corporation and Sacred Heart School of Halifax.

Ms. Wood-Tweel is also a past board member of the Halifax Chamber of Commerce, the Nova Scotia International Tattoo Society and the Halifax-Dartmouth Bridge Commission; and has served as a judge for both the Red Cross Humanitarian of the Year and the Halifax Chamber of Commerce Business Awards.

An energetic and passionate supporter of Saint Mary's University, the accounting profession, and Nova Scotia, Ms. Wood-Tweel is a past Chair of Saint Mary's University's Board of Governors and served for 10 years on the Board of Governors and various Committees. She is committed to informing students, employers and stakeholders about the opportunities within the accounting profession and working with the broader Nova Scotia business community to create more opportunities for graduates.

She lives in Dartmouth with her husband, Michael, and their daughter, Alison.

CLAIRE B. MILLER

Claire Miller is a professional storyteller and a pioneer in presenting oral storytelling as an art form.

Ms. Miller discovered storytelling in the 1980s when she was working at her local public library, and began telling stories professionally in 1991. For almost twenty years, she travelled to every corner of the Maritimes, to inner cities and suburbs, to small towns and isolated rural communities, telling stories to children in schools, libraries, playgrounds and museums. Drawn from oral tradition, her stories introduced young listeners to the folklore of their own region and cultures from around the world, all the while stimulating their imaginations and literacy skills.

Since 2007, Ms. Miller has presented stories for adult audiences in venues ranging from intimate living rooms to large concert stages. She has produced a number of sold-out house concerts, as well as several shows for large audiences, and is often invited to tell her stories at choral concerts and private events. She collaborates frequently with musicians, finding ways to create performance pieces by combining instrumental and sung music with stories.

Ms. Miller has performed throughout eastern Canada and New England, and lives by the motto that she is available to go wherever a good story is needed. In sharing her stories with seniors, she has seen, first-hand, the benefits of storytelling for older people, especially those with dementia, as they listen, respond and remember.

Over the years, Ms. Miller has contributed her storytelling to various charitable causes, including family literacy and breast cancer. She has also been involved as a volunteer in numerous community and provincial organizations as a music leader, board member, researcher/writer, and advocate for women and the environment. In October, she received the Saint Mary's University Alumni Award for distinguished community service.

Ms. Miller majored in Sociology at Saint Mary's, graduating summa cum laude in 1980 with a Bachelor of Arts degree and the university gold medal for academic achievement. She now lives in Halifax with her husband and has two sons and four granddaughters.

GERALD POND

Gerry Pond has over 45 years of in-depth experience in the Information and Communications Technology (ICT) sector. As the CEO of NBTel and the President of its successor, Aliant Telecom, he was at the helm during a period of significant deregulation in the Canadian industry. Under his innovative leadership, NBTel emerged as an international ICT leader.

Born in Quebec and raised in New Brunswick, Gerry Pond's educational achievements include a BA from the University of New Brunswick; Organizational Effectiveness Program, Harvard University; Executive Program, McGill University; and Senior Executive's Program, University of Western Ontario.

Pond is the Chairman of Mariner Partners Inc., and has co-founded a number of successful ICT start-ups in Atlantic Canada, including iMagicTV, Q1 Labs, Brovada Technologies, Radian6, Shift Energy and Cirrus9. He is also the Co-Founder of Propel ICT, a start-up accelerator, the Co-Founder of the Pond-Deshpande Centre at the University of New Brunswick (UNB), and the Co-Founder and Chairman of East Valley Ventures, an incubator for Atlantic Canadian start-up companies with a mission of helping passionate entrepreneurs launch meaningful and enduring technology companies.

Gerry Pond has received many honours, both regionally and nationally, including the prestigious 1997 Canadian Information Productivity Association (CIPA) Innovator of the Year and Hall of Fame, the NB Knowledge Industry Recognition and Achievement (KIRA) Awards Person of the Year in 2002, the 2003 Queen's Golden Jubilee Medal, Atlantic Business Magazine's Top 50 CEO Award in Atlantic Canada in 2003 and 2005, and an Honorary Doctor of Letters from UNB, Saint John. For his tireless contribution to regional economic development, he was inducted into the New Brunswick Business Hall of Fame in October 2007.

An inspiring innovator and social entrepreneur, Gerry Pond also earned recognition as 2011 Canadian Angel of the Year from Techvibes & KPMG. In 2012, he received the Canadian Red Cross Humanitarian award for New Brunswick. He was twice honoured in 2013, first by The Learning Partnership as a Champion of Public Education, and then as the recipient of the Order of New Brunswick for his innovative spirit and critical contribution to many of New Brunswick's IT and telecommunications success stories. Most recently, at the 2014 Canadian Startup Awards, Gerry Pond's passion for supporting innovation and entrepreneurship was recognized with the prestigious Wolf Blass Lifetime Achievement Award.

VALEDICTORIANS

JEREMY A. W. MACDONALD

Jeremy is graduating today with an honors degree in history, *summa cum laude*. He was born in Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, where he resided until June of 2011 when he relocated to Halifax. An only child, he was diagnosed with cerebral palsy at a young age, however he has not let this circumstance be an impediment to the pursuit of his goals and a fulfilling life. Currently enrolled in the Master's program in the Atlantic Canada Studies department at Saint Mary's University, he has an eye toward possible doctoral studies in the future.

In addition to his academic work, sport has long been an integral part of Jeremy's life. A competitive wheelchair basketball player for over a decade, Jeremy has represented both Prince Edward Island and Nova Scotia in national competition at both the junior and senior levels, including the 2011 Canada Games, where he served as co-captain. He also spent time in the Canadian national U-23 program. More recently, Jeremy has turned his attention to the sport of wheelchair rugby, where he one day aspires to represent his country at the Paralympic games.

Jeremy would like to thank his friends and family for their continued support in his pursuit of his many goals, as well as many members of the faculty and staff of Saint Mary's, most especially all of those in the History and English departments, as well as the staff of the Fred Smithers Centre of Support for Students with Disabilities.

DONGSHENG LI

Dongsheng Li is from Szechuan province in China, which is a place famous for spicy food. He appreciates his parents who worked so hard for years to support him to study in Canada. Unfortunately, they cannot attend this ceremony because of working schedules. Today he is graduating with a Bachelor of Commerce in Accounting, *summa cum laude*, with three terms of Co-operative Education.

During his undergraduate degree program, he earned an Academic Achievement Scholarship, David White Memorial Award, Dr. Harold Beazley Memorial Scholarship, Accounting Achievement Award and a place on the Dean's List. While pursuing his studies, he worked as a marker, research assistant, night auditor, waiter and as well as volunteering with local communities, contributing over 300 hours during the past two years. He says his success is really attributed to his family, friends, Professors, Co-operative Education Office, Writing Centre, Saint Mary's University and friendly Nova Scotians!

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 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 the Loyola Residence and the Science Building such that they are essentially new buildings and major renovations were completed on the McNally Building. New additions to campus include the Atrium Building featuring the Global Learning Commons and the Homburg Centre for Health and Wellness.

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 has been guided by the Academic Plan, most recently updated for 2012-2017.

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 Theatre Auditorium, 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 Theatre Auditorium 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 he/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 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 Bradshaw 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.

Academic Regalia

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.

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 1990 Spring Convocation. Graduates are encouraged to wear theirs with pride and to consider becoming an active member of the Association.

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.

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.

Photography

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

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

GradImages is the official photographer for our Convocation. Proofs will be sent to you via email within 72 hours following the ceremony. A printed proof will be sent via Canadian Post, three to five days after graduation. Pictures can be ordered online at www.gradimages.ca, by phone or by mail. GradImages can be contacted at 1-800-372-3686 or via email at www.gradimages.ca.

Since photographs will be available, family members and guests are encouraged to remain in their seats, relax and enjoy the ceremony.

Framing of Parchments

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

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

DVD

DVD videos of the convocation will be available and can be ordered from the website:

www.bigaro.ca

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

of

Saint Mary's University

Cordially invite you to attend a Reception
immediately following Winter Convocation

Conference Hall
Loyola Academic Building

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

Light refreshments will be served.