

## History Departments and Cultural Institutions Départements d'histoire et institutions culturelles



### Algoma University

**Robert Rutherford** is the Chair of the Department. The history program at Algoma University continues to develop new course offerings to meet student demands in various areas: a new stream in public history has been introduced this year, with courses that familiarise students both with the varieties of public history and provide opportunities for field work experiences. New course offerings include an upper year course on Crime, the State, and Society in Early Modern England and a senior seminar on Historical Memory and Social History. Students opting to complete an Honours Thesis rose sharply this year. As the Hayes-Jenkinson lecturer in 2015, Ian Mosby delivered a public talk on nutritional experiments conducted in Indian Residential schools, which was attended by many residential school survivors. Warren Johnston is departmental chair. No change has taken place in our faculty complement, but a tenure-track appointment is anticipated.



### Brock University

**Daniel Samson** is the Chair of the department. We have lost one historian in the last year when Kevin Kee was appointed Dean of Arts at University of Ottawa. We welcome two new post-docs: Tim Comeau (Atlantic world and DH working with Kevin Kee and Mark Spencer) and Jaipreet Viridi-Dhesi (Science, technology, and hearing, working with Elizabeth Neswald)



### University of Calgary

**Hendrik Kraay** is the Chair of the department. The number of historians has shrunk. In 2014-15, we hired Timothy J. Stapleton (who will join the department in January 2016). George Colpitts was promoted to the rank of professor. Holger Herwig retired on 30 June 2015 and R. Douglas Francis retired on 31 August 2015. We were saddened by the death of Donovan Williams (12 August 2015). Leaves for 2015-16 include John Ferris (fall and winter); Lyndsay Campbell, Amelia Kiddle, and Ken MacMillan (fall 2015); and Heather Devine (winter 2016). Frank Towers is the Mary Ball Washington Professor of American History at University College Dublin for 2015-16. Jewel Spangler is a fellow at University College Dublin's Humanities Institute for 2015-16. Department members received the following awards: David Bercuson and Holger Herwig's *Long Night of the Tankers: Hitler's War against Caribbean Oil* won the John Lyman Book Award from the North American Society for Oceanic History. George Colpitts won a Faculty of Arts Research Award in the category of established scholar. Ken MacMillan received a

University of Calgary Teaching Award for Educational Leadership (Informal Role). Hendrik Kraay's *Days of National Festivity in Rio de Janeiro Brazil, 1823-1889* received the Warren Dean Memorial Prize from the Conference on Latin American History. Donald B. Smith's *Mississauga Portraits: Ojibwe Voices from Nineteenth-Century Canada* won the Floyd S. Chalmers Award. Amelia Kiddle won a Killam Emerging Research Leader Award. George Colpitts and Hendrik Kraay both won SSHRC Insight Grants. Elizabeth Jameson is president of the Western Historical Association.



### Camosun College

**Susan Johnston** is the Chair of the department. There has been no change in the number of historians employed. Chris Morier was hired as a 75% continuing instructor to replace partially replace Larry Hannant and Clarence Bolt who hold post-retirement contracts. Retirements: We anticipate Larry Hannant to fully retire in August 2016.



### Capilano University

**Cheryl Schreder** is the Chair of the department. There has been a decrease from three full-time and two part-time to two full-time and one part-time historians employed in the department in the last 12 months. Towser Jones retired after nearly thirty years distinguished service in the department. Derek Murray was hired to teach Canadian, world, and American history. We are a small department offering history courses primarily as electives for students in other programs at Capilano. Many of our students are enrolled in Capilano's new Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Studies degree program. Some go on to complete an Associate of Arts degree in Global Stewardship and others take history courses as pre-requisites for teaching at the primary and secondary levels.



### Concordia University

**Nora Jaffra** is the Chair of the department. There has been a slight decrease in the number of historians employed, one faculty member has left the profession. In the past twelve months, several colleagues were on sabbatical leave; two were on parental leave. One professor Emeritus died – Dr. Alan Adamson.

September 2014: Affiliate Assistant Professor Stacey Zembrzycki has just received some excellent news. The book that she and former Concordia post-doctoral student Anna Sheftel co-edited, *Oral History Off the Record* has won the Oral History Association's 2014 Book Award. September 2014: Professor Steven High

was named a Fellow of the “College of New Scholars, Artists and Scientists” in the Royal Society of Canada. October 2014: Professor Ron Rudin, Philip Lichti (associate director at COHDS) and Archinodes (web design firm) were finalists for Le Prix d’histoire du Gouverneur général pour l’excellence des programmes communautaires for the website they created for: Returning the Voices to Kocuhibouguac National Park / Le retour des voix au parc national Kouchibouguac. June 2015: The Canadian Historical Association awarded Steven High’s most recent monograph, *Oral History at the Crossroads: Sharing Life Stories of Survival and Displacement* (UBC Press, 2014) with the Clio-Québec Prize for the best book published on Quebec History. September 2015: Affiliate Assistant Professor Stacey Zembrzycki’s book, *According to Baba*, has been shortlisted for the Kobzar Literary Award.

Upcoming events include the Annual graduate students’ History in the Making Conference - March 2015. Ongoing workshops and guest speakers series at our affiliated research centres: the Center for Oral History and Digital Storytelling: <http://storytelling.concordia.ca/news-and-events/events> And the Center for Ethnographic Research and Exhibition in the Aftermath of Violence: <http://cerev.concordia.ca/programme/lectures-events>.



#### University of Guelph

**Catherine Carstairs** is the Chair of the department. The number

of historians employed at the department has remained the same in the last year. Kevin James and Alan Gordon were both promoted to Full Professor. Kevin James was awarded the College of Arts Teaching Excellence Award. Karen Racine was awarded the UGFA Distinguished Professor Award for Excellence in Teaching in the College of Arts. Catharine Wilson was awarded the 2014 Canadian Historical Review Article Award from the Canadian Historical Association and Susan Nance was nominated for the Wallace K. Ferguson Prize. Graduate Student Sarah Shropshire was awarded the Jean-Marie Fecteau Prize and another graduate student, Alice Glaze was given the Women’s History Scotland Leah Leneman Essay Prize 2014.

The first Cassidy-Reid lecture in American History will be held October 6th and will feature Shauna Devine, Western University speaking on “Making Medicine Scientific: The Civil War and American Medicine. We will also be hosting the Artifacts in Agraria Conference in October, 2015. The Tri-University Conference will be held at Guelph in March, 2016. The Scottish Studies Fall Colloquium was held September 26th, 2015.



#### John Abbott College

**James Vanstone** is the Chair of the department. The number of historians employed at the department has remained the same in the last year. Our Canadian History sections are fully subscribed each semester.



#### Kings University College at the University of Western Ontario

**Alison Meek** is the Chair of the department. Dr. Patrick Ryan, Dept. of History at King’s University College, has been elected President of The Society for the History of Children and Youth (SHCY) for the 2017-19 term. SHCY is the world’s largest organization dedicated to the critical, historical study of childhood and youth. It is based on an affiliate network (H-Childhood) with over 1,700 scholars world-wide, and publishes a peer-reviewed journal through Johns Hopkins University Press, the *Journal of the History of Childhood and Youth*. SHCY holds conferences of between 220-250 papers biennially. It draws scholars from all continents and has met in the U.S., Sweden, the UK, and Canada.



#### Lakehead University

**Michel Beaulieu** is the Chair of the department. The Department of History at Lakehead University turns 50 this year and has been very active during the university’s 50th Anniversary Celebrations. With the recent hiring of Dr. Steven Jobbitt (tenure-track Eastern Europe), the department has 4 full-time faculty members at Lakehead’s Thunder Bay Campus and two joint-appointments with the Department of Interdisciplinary Studies at our Orillia Campus. Total full-time faculty compliment is down by 5 positions since 2012. Our dedicated and valiant cohort of Contract Lecturers continues to assist in ensuring our programs thrive during these tumultuous times. Undergraduate numbers, despite declines in education resulting from provincial changes, are relatively stable. Graduate program numbers have climbed approximately 45% since 2012. Recent books by faculty include Ernest R. Zimmermann, Michel S. Beaulieu, and David Ratz’s *Little Third Reich on Lake Superior: A History of Canadian Internment Camp ‘R’* (University of Alberta Press) and Pallavi Das’ *Colonialism, Development, and the Environment: Railways and Deforestation in British India* (Palgrave Macmillan). Professor Emeritus Min-sun Chen received an honorary life-time membership to the American Historical Association in recognition of his 50 years of continual membership. On the 4 October, the department honoured John Potestio and Carlana Lindeman with Alumni Honour Awards and recognized the Thunder Bay Public Library (TBPL) and Jesse Roberts, Head of Reference Services at TBPL, with Community Partnership Awards as part of Home Coming Weekend and 50th Anniversary Celebrations. On 14 November we will be hold our 4th Annual Military Symposium which will feature Dr. Jack Granatstein as the keynote.



#### Université Laval

**Michel Fortin** est le directeur du département. Il y a eu une légère diminution d’historiens employés au département dans les douze derniers mois. Aline Charles s’est méritée le Prix Hilda Neatby 2015 de la Société

historique du Canada en histoire des femmes et du genre pour son article intitulé «Femmes âgées, pauvres et sans droit de vote, mais... citoyennes ? Lettres au premier ministre du Québec, 1935-1936 (Recherches féministes, Volume 26, numéro 2, 2013). À l'automne 2015, Jocelyn Létourneau sera chercheur associé à l'Institut d'éducation de University College London. Il travaillera notamment avec Arthur Chapman et Stuart Foster. Il sera responsable de l'édition, avec Arthur Chapman, d'un numéro spéciale de la London Review of Education sur le thème « Negotiating the Nation : Young People, National Narratives and History Education » (<http://ioepress.co.uk/ioe-content/uploads/2014/03/LRE-Call-for-Papers-Negotiating-the-Nation.pdf>). Le 10 septembre dernier, avait lieu le lancement de la phase 2 de l'application mobile «Découvrir Québec», dont la majorité des contenus ont été créés par la Chaire de recherche du Canada en patrimoine ethnologique de l'Université Laval, dirigée par Laurier Turgeon, à la suite d'un mandat accordé par la Ville de Québec. Depuis son lancement en septembre 2013, Découvrir Québec a remporté plusieurs prix et nominations, dont le prix Visionary au Summit Emerging Media Awards 2013 et le titre de finaliste aux Prix Numix 2014, OCTAS 2014, Museums and the Web 2015. À ce jour, l'application a été téléchargée plus de 22 500 fois, en plus des quelque 23 000 visionnements sur le YouTube QuebecVille.



#### MacEwan Institution

**Michael Carroll** is the History Coordinator and **Ed Lorkovic** is the Chair of

the humanities department. There has been an increase in the number of historians employed in the last twelve months. Kelly Summers has joined the humanities department as an intellectual and cultural historian of modern Europe.



#### University of Manitoba

**Tina Chen** is the Chair of the Department. There has been a decrease in the number of

historians employed in the past year. There was one retirement in the last year - Ravi Vaithees while David Churchill, Esyllt Jones, and Tom Nesmith were promoted to professors.

David Churchill received the Faculty of Arts Outstanding Professor Award; George Buri received the Faculty of Arts Excellence in Teaching, Sessional category award; David Churchill received a University of Manitoba creative research grant for the Box Gallery Urban Art Initiative Project; G. Bak received a UM/SSHRC Research Grant for his research on "History of Computing in Manitoba"; Ravi Vaithees received a one-year UM/SSHRC Research Grant for his project "Making 'religion in colonial south India and J. Nállim received a UM/SSHRC Travel Grant to attend the Latin American Studies Association International Conference.

The Stephen A. Jarislowsky Chair in the Modern History of the Middle East and North Africa Speakers Series workshop on

"Lines of Identity: Middle Eastern Diaspora Communities in North America", will be held in December 2015 and the History Department Jackson Lecture with speaker, Laura Madokoro, McGill University will take place in January 2016.

Finally, the department is undergoing a joint Undergraduate and Graduate Program review.



#### McMaster University

**Pamela Swett** is Chair of the department. There has been a decrease of 4 faculty members in the past year. There were four

retirements this year: Dr. H.V. Nelles, Wilson Professor - 30 June 2015; Dr. B. Kaczynski, Professor - 30 June 2015; Dr. V. Aksan, Professor - 30 June 2015; Dr. E.W. Haley, Associate Professor - 30 June 2015. There also were new Hirings: Dr. Ian McKay, Wilson Professor - 1 January 2016 <http://dailynews.mcmaster.ca/article/new-wilson-chair-in-canadian-history-says-its-time-for-historians-to-join-public-dialogue/>; Dr. Philip Van Huizen, Assistant Professor, Wilson Institute for Canadian History, 1 July 2015 - 30 June 2017; Dr. Asa McKercher, Assistant Professor, Wilson Institute for Canadian History, 1 July 2015- 30 June 2017 and appointments: Dr. John C. Weaver, Acting Wilson Professor, 1 July - 31 December 2015; Dr. Pamela Swett, Acting Associate Dean, Graduate Studies and Research, Faculty of Humanities, 1 August - 31 December 2015; Dr. Bonny Ibhawoh - Acting Associate Vice-President, Research, 1 July 2015 - 30 June 2016 as well as promotions: Dr. Bonny Ibhawoh, Professor; Dr. Pamela Swett, Professor; Dr. Juanita Debarros, Professor. Finally, here are the leaves for the upcoming year: Dr. Michael Gauvreau, fall 2015; Dr. Juanita Debarros, Fall 2015; Dr. Jaeyoon Song, 2015-2016; Dr. Ruth Frager, Fall 2015 and Dr. Stephen Heathorn, Winter 2016.

Dr. Peter Holquist, Hooker Distinguished Visiting Professor, gave a public lecture on September 24 entitled: "A Genealogy of the Concept of 'Crimes Against Humanity': 1868-1945". We also held a Research Symposium in honour of Dr. H.V. Nelles' retirement on 16 October 2015.



#### Memorial University of Newfoundland

**Terry Bishop Stirling** is the Chair of the department. The number of historians employed at the department has remained the

same in the last year. In 2013-14 we lost three faculty members: 2 left or other positions and 1 retired. In 2014-15 we hired three new faculty in tenure track positions. New Hires Dr. Jonathan Clapperton (Aboriginal History); Dr. Justin Fantauzzo (Global History); Dr. Michael Kirkpatrick (Global History). Expected retirement, January, 2016: Professor Lewis Fischer (Maritime and American History). Promotion tenured and promoted to Associate Professor: Dr. Neil Kennedy and Dr. Kurt Korneski. There are no anticipated hires this year.

Jacques Y. Perreault est le directeur du département. Nous avons 2 nouveaux professeurs à engager pour juin 2016.



#### Mount Royal University

**Dr. Jennifer Pettit**, Chair of the Department at Mount Royal University (MRU), is pleased to report that the history program at MRU is thriving. In the next year the department anticipates hiring at least one tenure track position in the area of Indigenous history/Studies. The number of history majors is holding steady and it is hoped that some changes at the university that will allocate a guaranteed number of seats will increase the number of majors. Currently demand exceeds space in the program.

Two events that are of interest are the upcoming *Historians Teaching History* conference and the *Foothills Colloquium in Undergraduate History*, both of which will be hosted by MRU in the Spring of 2016. The *Historians Teaching History* conference will take place on May 28, 2016 at MRU (one day prior to the start of the Canadian Historical Association Meeting at Congress). The conference builds upon the success of the teaching university history sessions hosted by MRU at Congress, 2013. The *Foothills Colloquium* which takes place May 2 and 3, 2016, provides a venue for undergraduate students in history from across Canada to present their research.

In addition to the two aforementioned conferences, a number of initiatives related to a new Indigenization plan for the university are underway. The Indigenization plan affects all aspects of the university, from curriculum and research to student support. Central to the plan is making connections and educating faculty and students. As a result, MRU has formed a partnership with the Ininiists Arts Society to host events such as *Redx Talks*, a speaker series that expresses and embodies Indigenous world views. MRU was also a sponsor of the documentary *Elder in the Making* which premiered at the 2015 Calgary International Film Festival.

Initiatives that involve experiential learning continue to flourish, including placing students in internship positions at local heritage institutions such as the Military Museums of Calgary and Heritage Park. In addition, field schools and travel study courses continue to be popular. This year historians led students on a trip to the United States for a travel study course that examined the history of slavery and civil rights. The Treaty 7 field course hosted by MRU also continues to attract a large number of students. The class collaborates with local Indigenous nations to learn about the people, history and cultures of the Treaty 7 area. Upon their return the students participate in a number of service learning activities. Next spring MRU is partnering with Wilfrid Laurier University to offer a WWI battlefield travel course.

Students in the program continue to be active as well, publishing yet another volume of the *Mount Royal Undergraduate Humanities Review*, a peer-reviewed online journal that showcases the work of undergraduate students, and overseeing the Student Historical Society, one of the most popular student clubs on campus.



#### Nipissing University

James Murton is the Chair of the department. We have lost two members and gained one for an overall loss of one department member. Dr. Kirsten Greer was hired as the Canada Research Chair in Environmental Histories and Geographies (cross-appointment with the Department of Geography). Dr. Steve Muhlberger retired. One department member was laid off due to budget cuts. Hilary Earl was named Scholar-in-Residence for Holocaust Education Week at the Sarah and Chaim Neuberger Holocaust Education Centre, Toronto.

Dr. Paul Finkelman of Albany Law School will deliver the 2nd annual Anne Clendinning Memorial Lecture, on the topic of "John Anderson: Canada's Last Fugitive Slave Case and a Crisis in U.S.-Canadian Diplomacy." The Department of History established the Clendinning Lecture in 2015 to celebrate and honour the memory of our outstanding colleague, teacher and scholar of Victorian Britain, Anne Clendinning.

On September 30th, Dr. Katrina Srigley spoke at an Aboriginal Research Ethics Symposium at Wilfrid Laurier University with Dr. Marlene Brant Castellano. See: <https://www.facebook.com/wlu.aboriginal.waterloo/photos/a.271994582823945.63912.269011559788914/962535443769852>. Brian Thorn's book *Left to Right: Maternalism and Women's Political Activism* in Canada will be published on 1 June 2016 by UBC Press. Hilary Earl will speak on the early release of prisoners convicted at the Nuremberg trials, and on the reintegration of Nazi war criminals into German society, as part of Holocaust Education Week at the Sarah and Chaim Neuberger Holocaust Education Centre, Toronto.



#### University of Prince Edward Island

**Sharon Myers** is the Acting Chair of the department. A term position in Canadian History was discontinued for the 2015-2016 term. Dr. G. Edward MacDonald received the Lieutenant Governor's Award, Heritage Canada - The National Trust, for 2014.



#### University of Regina

**Roman Blake** is the Chair of the department. We have increased the number of historians by one, but another retires at

the end of 2015. Dr. Donica Belisle (PHD, Trent) has been hired as Assistant Professor. Dr. Stephen Kenny will retire at the end of 2015. Dr. Robin Ganve is on leave. Dr. Ian Germani is on sabbatical leave. Dr. James Pitsula, who retired in 2014, was made Professor Emeritus. Dr. Katrina Rose Ackerman (PhD Waterloo) will join the Department as SSHRC Post-Doctoral Fellow in 2016.

The Department recently concluded its Centenary Reflections lecture series commemorating the centenary of the outbreak of the First World War “1914: A Turning Point in History and Culture”, spearheaded by Dr. Ian Germani. Plans are underway for a series of events to commemorate the 150th anniversary of Canada’s Confederation. Raymond B. Blake published his 15th and most recent book, *Lions or Jellyfish. Newfoundland-Ottawa Relations since 1957*, in August 2015, with the University of Toronto Press.



#### Ryerson University

**Catherine Ellis** is Chair of the department. The number of historians employed at the department increased from 17 to 18 tenure-stream faculty. We are currently searching for a new tenure-stream Assistant Professor in Urban History (open time-period; any geographical area other than Canada and USA). The closing date for applications was 15 October 2015. Dr. Ronald Stagg was awarded the Ontario History Society’s Cruikshank Medal (2014).



#### Saint Mary's University

**Kirrilly Freeman** is the Chair of the department. The number of historians employed at the department has remained the same in the last year. Dr. James Morrison is on leave, Dr. Michael Vance and Dr. Xiaoping Sun are on sabbatical while Dr. Lyndan Warner and Dr. Tim Stretton are on half sabbatical for the winter term. Dr. Xiaoping Sun received a SSHRC Insight Development Grant. Dr. Carl Dery has 4-month appointment, starting this fall.



#### University of Saskatchewan

**Jim Handy** is the Chair of the department. The number of historians employed at the department has increased by two. Newly hired: beginning July 1, 2015-- Benjamin Hoy (US Aboriginal History), Maurice Labelle, (Middle East), beginning Jan. 1, 2016--Matthew Neufeld (Early Modern British Imperial History) Resignations: Lisa Smith (Early Modern Europe). Jim Handy received 2015 Distinguished Fellow award from Canadian Association for Latin American and Caribbean Studies, July 2015.

The department is searching for Western Canadian Historian (anticipate appointment for July 1, 2016) Erika Dyck (CRC in

Medical History) became co-editor of the Canadian Bulletin of Medical History.



#### Université de Sherbrooke

**Léon Robichaud** est le directeur du département. De notre côté, il n’y a rien à ajouter. Aucune embauche, aucune retraite. Aucun prix pour des publications, bien qu’il y ait eu des nominations.



#### Simon Fraser University

**Jennifer M. Spear** is the Chair of the department. The number of historians employed at the department has remained the same in the last year (one retirement, one hire). Jack Little retired and Sarah Walshaw joined the department as Senior Lecturer in African history. Paul Garfinkel was promoted to Associate Professor and Elise Chenier was promoted to Professor.

Nicolas Kenny’s *The Feel of the City: Experiences of Urban Transformation* (Toronto) was shortlisted for the Sir John A. MacDonald Prize. Jeremy Brown just completed a sabbatical year funded by the Henry Luce Foundation/ACLS Program in China Studies Postdoctoral Fellowship.

The History Department is celebrating SFU’s 50th anniversary with a lecture series entitled “1965: Reflections on 50 Years of History,” featuring talks by noted writer and filmmaker Tariq Ali, Professor emeritus Hugh Johnston, Professor Hilmar Pabel, and Senior Lecturer Sarah Walshaw.



#### University of Toronto

**Nicholas Terpstra** is the Chair of the Department. Appointments made include: Brian Jacobson (University of South California): Film and Media History; Brian Gettler (Université du Québec à Montréal): Canadian History; Anup Grewal (University of Chicago): Gender in East Asia. Alison Smith is promoted to Professor, and Li Chen is promoted to Associate. We are saddened by the passing of two faculty members: Ann Provost Robson, who taught British History from 1967 to 1997, and David Higgs, who taught the history of France and Portugal from 1964 to 2004.

Margaret MacMillan and David Wilson are elected Fellows of the Royal Society of Canada. James Retallack wins both a Killam Research Fellowship and a J.S. Guggenheim Fellowship. Jeffrey Pilcher wins a Connaught Cross-Divisional/Cross-Cultural Award. Joseph Goering wins the 2015 Medieval Academy’s CARA Award for Excellence in Teaching. Eric Jennings is named Distinguished Professor in the History of France and the Francophonie. In the most recent SSHRC competition, Doris Bergen, Heidi Bohaker, Alison Smith and Nicholas Terpstra won Insight grants, while Thomas Lahusen and Luis van Isschot won SSHRC

Connection grants. In 2014-2015, faculty authored and edited twelve new books. Nicholas Terpstra's *Cultures for Charity* won both the Gordan Book Prize from Renaissance Studies of America and the Helen and Howard R. Marraro Prize in Italian History from the American Historical Association.

The department is currently undertaking a search in International Relations: Modern Global Security, along with two cross-appointed positions with the Women's and Gender Studies Institute (Gender and Transnational History) and the Centre for Medieval Studies (Medieval History/ Latin Languages). Enrollments rose from 2033 to 2062 with continuing strength in the Specialist Program. Major-level Course enrollment declined slightly, and is currently slightly under 5000.



### University of Toronto, Scarborough

**Donna R Gabaccia** is the Chair of the department. She is serving as Interim Chair of HCS for 2015-2016. We decreased in size by one historian. Anup Grewal was hired - Chinese History, Global Asian Studies, Women Studies while Li Chen and Atiq Hachimi were promoted to Associate Professors. Daniel Bender received a Canada Research Chair, tier 1 and Natalie Rothman is a member of the inaugural cohort of the Royal Society of Canada's College of New Scholars, Artists, and Scientists. Our post-doctoral fellows and Research Associates are: Camille Begin, Vanessa Oliveira, Elizabeth Zanoni.

See UTSC website for details on upcoming events: <https://www.utsc.utoronto.ca/hcs/welcome> Interactions Seminar (4 interdisciplinary workshops and lectures on Oral History) Connaught Seminar, "City Food" (5-6 workshops and seminars, an initiative of the new Culinaria Research Centre) ASFS (Association for the Study of Food and Society) Conference to be held at UTSC, June 2016. Tamil World Initiative, lecture by Sid Maungru, Nov 23, 2015.



### University of Victoria

**John Lutz** is Chair of the department. The number of historians employed at the department has remained the same in the last year. Neilesh Bose CRC Chair in Global History started July 2015; Kristin Semmens is a new appointment as an Assistant Teaching Professor, July 2015; Greg Blue retired in January 2015 and Eric Sager announced his retirement for July 2016. Promotions - Zhongping Chen, Rachel Cleves and Serhy Yekelchuk were promoted to Professor while Christine O'Bonsawin was promoted to Associate Professor.

Paul Wood won the Scottish Studies Fellowship for 2015-16; Lynne Marks won the Religious Studies Fellowship for 2015-16; and Simon Devereaux was awarded a Humanities Award for Teaching Excellence, 2015. *Charity and Sylvia: A Same-Sex*

*Marriage in Early America* by Rachel Cleves won many awards: Stonewall Honor Book of the American Library Association, Finalist for the Lambda Literary Award in LGBT Studies, Winner of the Best Biography Prize from the Society for Historians of the Early American Republic, New England Society Book Awards Finalist, and Finalist for the Wallace K. Ferguson Prize of the Canadian Historical Association.

We have three visiting scholars this year: Zhijun Li and Yan Wu from China as well as Jack Thomas from Toulouse France. Special events include: - Khaled Fahmy - Lansdowne Lecturer in March 2016; Kate Brown - Distinguished Women Scholar in October 2015; a Pro-D event for Social Studies teachers, as well as a History fair for high school students.

More news: Great Unsolved Mysteries in Canadian History launched a new mystery on the Franklin expedition; Zhongping Chen is working on a new project called the Chinese Legacy Initiative and 2015 was the 40th anniversary of our annual Qualicum History Conference - organized by Jill Walshaw. We will continue to run our Café Historique events. Once a month we host an event where community members come to hear a talk and discuss new ideas about how the past has shaped our present and future, as well as to drink, eat, converse, meet friends, and have an evening to remember. Elizabeth Vibert is working on a film called *Grannies Grow the World* - a documentary that will tell the inspiring stories of older women innovating for food security in South Africa and John Price is working on a new project called Asian Canadians on Vancouver Island: Race, Indigeneity and the Transpacific.



### University of Waterloo

**Gary Bruce** is the Chair of the department. The number of historians employed at the department has remained the same in the last year. Ian Milligan is on sabbatical in fall 2015. Bruce Muirhead and Dan Gorman are on sabbatical in fall 2015 and winter 2016 while Susan Roy is on sabbatical in winter 2016. Ian Milligan's book 'Rebel Youth' was shortlisted for 2015 Sir John A Macdonald Prize. Ian Milligan and Susan Roy won Ontario Early Researcher Awards. We are currently hiring a Tier 2 CRC in Global/Transnational History.



### University of Western Ontario

**Keith Fleming** is the Chair of the department. There has been a decrease of one faculty member due to retirement in the last year. Professors Alan MacEachern and Bill Turkel were promoted to Full Professor; Professor Margaret Kellow retired; Professors Frank Schumacher, Luz Maria Hernandez-Saenz, and Ben Forster were on sabbatical leave during 2014/15; and Professors Francine McKenzie and Michelle Hamilton are on sabbatical leave during 2015/16.

