

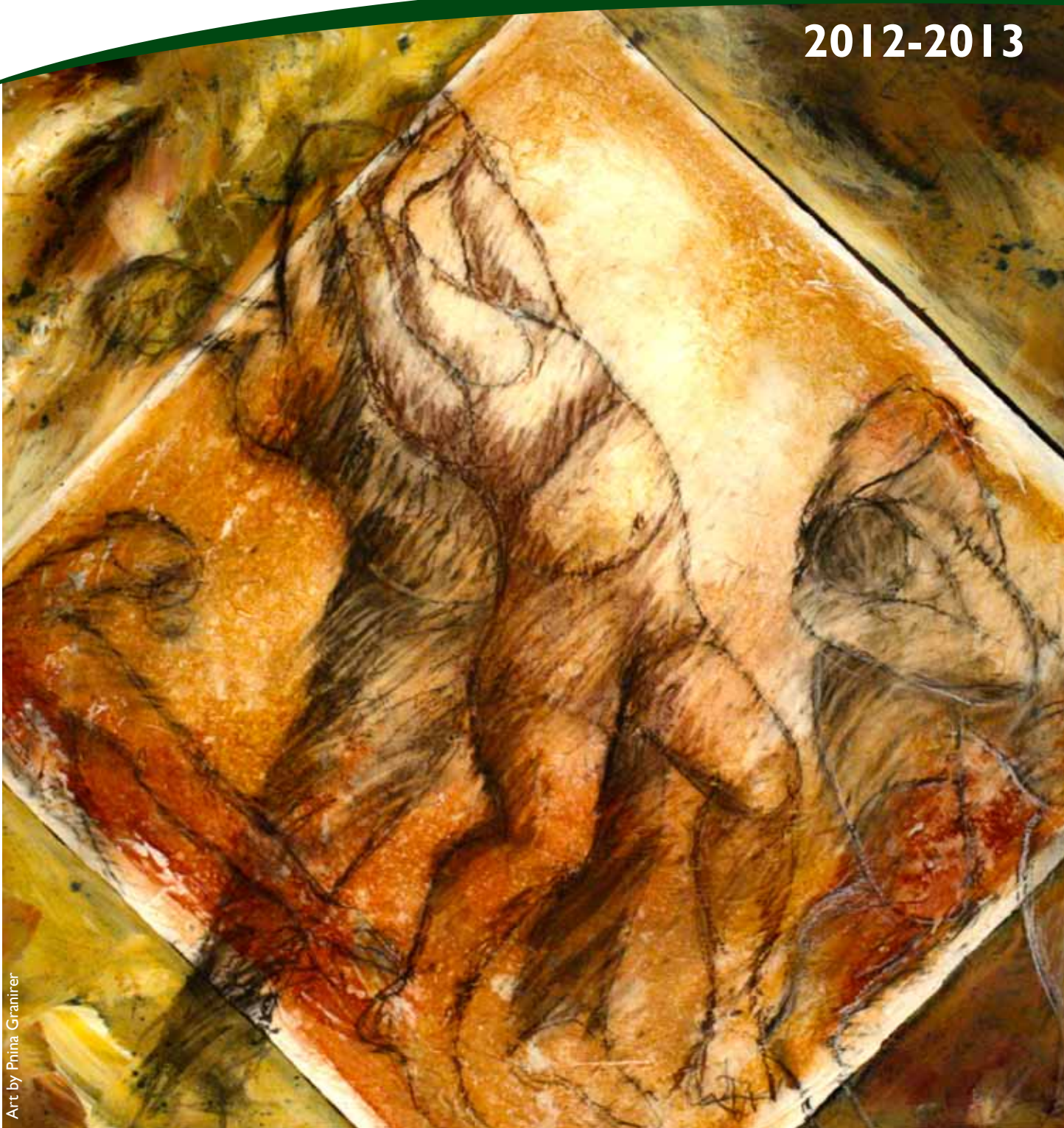


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A tradition of interdisciplinary conversation

ANNUAL REPORT

2012-2013



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THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Green College is a **graduate residential college** at the University of British Columbia, with a mandate to promote **advanced interdisciplinary inquiry**. The College offers resident membership to graduate students, postdoctoral scholars and visiting scholars at UBC, and (non-resident) faculty membership to UBC and other faculty. The College is committed to the cultivation of **intellectual and creative connections at the edge** of the main disciplinary and academic space of the university. To that end, it provides extracurricular interdisciplinary academic, artistic and cultural programming **for the UBC and wider local community** without charge.

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

First impressions are important, even after nearly twenty years. Members and guests of the College arrived in September 2012 to find the common, “heritage” buildings (Graham House, the Coach House) once more resplendent. Hardwood floors had been refinished, furniture re-upholstered, interior walls and trim repainted. The work was the first large tranche of a program of cyclical maintenance undertaken by the College’s landlords, UBC Student Housing (SHHS). Half of the residence rooms were refurbished in the summer of 2013, the remainder will be done in 2014, and then it will be time for the building exteriors. Inevitably, these major upgrades are disruptive for residents and make heavy demands on College staff. The response on all sides has been impressive, as have been the courtesy and efficiency of the SHHS personnel and (for the most part) the contractors.

Also cyclical, and essential for the maintenance of institutions, is the process whereby UBC units are externally reviewed. The College previously underwent such review in 1997 and 2003, receiving strongly positive reports in both instances. Its latest reviewers, in the summer of 2012, were Bruce Kidd, Professor of Kinesiology and Physical Education, and Warden of Hart House, University of Toronto (Chair); Kathleen Woodward, Professor of English, and Director of the Simpson Center for the Humanities, University of Washington; and Nancy Gallini, Professor of Economics, and formerly Dean of Arts, UBC. The committee’s thorough and wide-ranging report was posted at our website (in the Resource Gallery) in September. All those with the College’s future at heart owe a debt of gratitude to the reviewers for their cogent analysis and finely judged recommendations. (The College’s formal response to those recommendations will be posted alongside the Review at the website.)

From the 2012 External Review:

Green College is an exceptional incubator of new ideas and new knowledge, stimulating the interdisciplinary exchange, collaboration, and research and innovation that is essential to the 21st-century research university. The College ensures such interdisciplinary exploration and discovery by creating and encouraging three dynamic, interacting concentric learning communities: graduate students and postdoctoral fellow residents, the University of British Columbia, and the Greater Vancouver community...

The reviewers recommended that the Principal of Green College report from now on to the Provost’s Office,* and that the College’s Advisory Board be reconstituted. Both these recommendations have been promptly implemented. Since January 2013, the Principal has reported to the Associate-Provost Academic Innovation, and that is the administrative axis for work now being done towards implementing other recommendations of the Review. A draft “Academic Plan for Green College 2014-19,” drawn up in the light of guidance offered by the new Advisory Board and focussing on ways for the College to support major interdisciplinary initiatives at UBC, was submitted to the Provost’s Office in June 2013. It has since received preliminary approval. (For the membership of the Advisory Board, which met for the first time on the day after the Founders’ Dinner in March, see p.25 below.)

These constitutional and strategic *démarches*, together with the recently instituted regime of facilities maintenance, represent the culmination of efforts to establish a secure basis from which the College can develop naturally over the course of its third decade. As now envisaged, that development will entail (1) a **revised academic mandate** that recognizes the College’s current situation within UBC’s evolving

* Until this year, the Principal of Green College reported to the Dean of Graduate Studies.

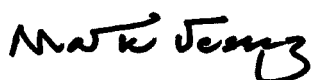
strategy for interdisciplinarity, (2) a renewed commitment to the idea and reality of the **Green College Society** as a global association of former resident members, faculty members and distinguished visitors, interested in the long-term flourishing of the College, and (3) continued, concerted relationship-building with the College's friends, neighbours and partners on campus and in the wider local community, i.e. **public engagement**.

In pursuit of this last objective, I was glad of the opportunity afforded by a six-minute slot at the Global Civic Society's "Public Salon" last November to explain the College's vocation to a packed audience at the Vancouver Playhouse.

The charming (but fictional) watercolour image of Cecil and Ida Green at the College that hangs in the lobby of Graham House, and that appeared in my slide-deck at the Public Salon, was painted in the early 1990s by Dr. Maria Klawe, sometime Vice-President (Students and Academic) and Dean of Science at UBC, now President of Harvey Mudd College in California, who did us the honour of returning to the College as our guest for this year's Founders' Dinner, when she delivered a brilliant extempore address in praise of institutions that support the multi- and interdisciplinary aspirations of scholars of all ages. Among other guests whom we were pleased to welcome that evening were several members of the new Advisory Board, including Professor Sir David Watson, Principal of Green Templeton College, Oxford, who was making his first visit.

Founders' Dinner also marked the official start of celebrations of the College's twentieth year. In June, the first issue of Green Commons, an e-newsletter for the Green College Society and other friends of the College, spread the news of this anniversary abroad. Twenty years is not long for a college. Even so, it would clearly be remiss of us not to begin rehearsals now for our quartercentenary in 2018. A reunion dinner will take place (where else but?) in Toronto in late September... and we hope that other metropolises will quickly stake their claims after that. To commemorate the official opening of the College by Cecil Green in November, 1993, an open workshop entitled "Between Worlds / Beyond Disciplines" will be held there on the two days immediately following the third annual Richard V. Ericson Lecture (November 21, 2013). Finally, a series of special, double-headed Cecil H. and Ida Green Visiting Professorships is set to run through 2014.

In past years, the Principal's Report has offered a preview of the contents of the main Report to follow. Not in the space left this year. Besides, there is no way of capturing the quality of a community and society like that of Green College in a published record. This Report will serve its limited purposes if it reminds members and frequenters of the College during 2012-13 of moments when the house motto of "Ideas and Friendship" rang true for them, if it gives new members and visitors a sense of the larger patterns of college life, and if it enables interested outsiders to catch some of the flavour of conversations that they are always welcome to join.



Mark Vessey, Principal



Photo: Sarah Murray

2012-2013 HIGHLIGHTS

- >> External reviewers acclaim the College as “*a university good, a signature unit of the University of British Columbia*”
- >> A new Advisory Board is constituted for the College
- >> The College’s reporting relationship is switched from the Office of the Dean of Graduate Studies to that of the Provost
- >> The Provost’s Office gives preliminary approval to a draft plan for the College’s future operation as an incubator for major interdisciplinary initiatives at UBC
- >> The College begins celebrations of its 20th anniversary
- >> The first issue of *Green Commons*, an e-newsletter for members of the Green College Society (i.e. former resident or non-resident members and distinguished visitors), is published
- >> Half the residence rooms in the College are extensively refurbished

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ACADEMIC PROGRAMMING

The core of academic programming at the College consists of the interdisciplinary lecture series. Most series host events once a month during the academic year (September to April). Some address broad fields of interdisciplinary interest and run for several years. Others address more particular interdisciplinary problems and themes and run for just a term or a year (Thematic Series). The balance of series and subjects from year to year is monitored by the College's Academic Committee, which advises the Principal. These regular offerings are complemented by the lectures and more informal talks or seminars given both at the College and around campus by distinguished visitors under the Cecil H. and Ida Green Visiting Professorships Program, the Writer-in-Residence Program, and under other arrangements made in response to particular opportunities.

The series, panels, workshops, conferences, special lectures, and other events hosted by and at the College—often in partnership with other academic units at UBC—are extracurricular and interdisciplinary. The College's programs are intended to bring together the resources of multidisciplinary learning in the interests of the newly emergent modes of inquiry that become possible, in unpredictable ways, when scholars with different kinds of expertise meet in the same place at the same time to address particular problems and issues. In other words, the College exists to facilitate breakthrough moments of interdisciplinary encounter, both for individuals and for groups. It serves as an incubator for personal scholarly initiatives and for the development of curricular institutions across the faculties.

The academic, cultural, and artistic programs of Green College are, as a rule, neither designed to provide credit towards a degree nor subject to the requirements of any existing university department or program. They are offered free of charge and are open to the general public.



Benjamin Purzycki, Resident Member Series

CECIL H. AND IDA GREEN VISITING PROFESSORSHIPS

The Cecil H. and Ida Green Visiting Professorships have been an important part of academic life at the University since their inception in 1972. The goals of the CIGVP Program are to enhance the intellectual environment of Green College and the University, and to provide opportunities for UBC students and faculty and interested members of the public to interact with outstanding scholars and intellectuals from outside the Province of British Columbia. Green Visiting Professors usually stay at Green College and give a series of presentations in different venues and for a variety of audiences over a period of a week or so. They are selected and invited by the College's Academic Committee on the basis of nominations received from the campus community. In 2012-2013, four Green Visiting Professors were appointed:



Martha Fineman, Robert W. Woodruff Professor of Law, Emory University School of Law

An internationally recognized law and society scholar, Martha Fineman is a leading authority on family law and feminist jurisprudence. She is founder and director of the Feminism and Legal Theory (FLT) Project, which was inaugurated in 1984. She also serves as director of Emory's Vulnerability and The Human Condition Initiative. Her special scholarly interests are the legal regulation of family and intimacy and the legal implications of universal dependency and vulnerability. Fineman has received several awards for her writing and teaching, including the prestigious Harry Kalvin Prize for her work in the law and society tradition. She has served on several government study commissions, and teaches courses and seminars on family law, feminist jurisprudence, law and sexuality, and reproductive issues. During her visit in October 2012, she gave the following talks:

The Eclipse of Public Education: Parental Rights and Corporate Power
Vulnerability and the Human Condition: A Different Approach to Equality
(Richard V. Ericson Lecture)

She also co-hosted the workshop:
Corporate Rights Versus Children's Interests



Hamid Dabashi, Hagop Kevorkian Professor of Iranian Studies and Comparative Literature, Columbia University, New York

Hamid Dabashi is a founding member of the Institute for Comparative Literature and Society, and of the Center for Palestine Studies at Columbia University. He has published extensively on Iranian Studies, medieval and modern Islam, comparative literature, world cinema, and the philosophy of art. His most recent books include *The World of Persian Literary Humanism* (2012), *The Arab Spring: The The End of Postcolonialism* (2012), and *Being a Muslim in the World* (2013). During his visit in March 2013, he presented the keynote address at the conference, Challenge of Democratization from Within: Rethinking Iran's Green Movement and the Arab Spring:

Opera Aperta: Fragmented Archives, Impermanent Allegories, and Open-Ended Revolutions



Anthony Grafton, Henry Putnam University Professor of History, Princeton University

Anthony Grafton's special interests lie in the cultural history of Renaissance Europe, the history of books and readers, the history of scholarship and education in the West from Antiquity to the 19th century, and the history of science from Antiquity to the Renaissance. His many acclaimed books include studies of major figures in early modern European intellectual history (Leon Battista Alberti, Girolamo Cardano, Joseph Scaliger, Isaac Casaubon), *The Footnote: A Curious History* (1997), *What Was History?* (2006), *Christianity and the Transformation of the Book* (2006), *Codex in Crisis* (2009), and *The Culture of Correction in Renaissance Europe* (2011). He is a regular contributor to *The New Republic* and *The New York Review of Books*, winner of a Guggenheim Fellowship, the Balzan Prize for History of Humanities, and the Mellon Foundation's Distinguished Achievement Award, and a past President of the American Historical Association. During his visit in March 2013, he presented the following talks:

Writing the History of Christianity in Early Modern Europe: Fall and Rise of a Tradition
Apocalypse in the Stacks: The Book and the Library in Transformation

The Marriage of Divination and Philology: An Inquiry into the Terminology and Practice of Scholarship in the Early Modern Period

How Jesus Celebrated Passover: The Renaissance Discovery of the Jewish Roots of Christianity



Anne Salmond, Distinguished Professor of Anthropology and Maori Studies, and former Pro Vice-Chancellor, University of Auckland

Dame Anne Salmond is one of the preeminent anthropologists of her generation and a leading expert on cross-cultural encounters between the Maori of her native New Zealand and the European explorers who visited the Pacific Islands during the colonial period, including the fraught intercultural dynamics and post-colonial legal disputes that are the legacy of those early encounters. She is a fellow of both the National Academy of Sciences in the USA and the British Academy in the UK, and is a Founding Fellow of the New Zealand Academy of the Humanities. Her many notable publications include *Two Worlds: First Meetings between Maori and Europeans 1692-1772* (1991), which won the Prime Minister's Award for Literary Achievement and other prizes, *Between Worlds: Early Exchanges between Maori and Europeans 1773-1815* (1997), *The Trial of Cannibal Dog: Captain Cook in the South Seas* (2003), *Aphrodite's Island: The European Discovery of Tahiti* (2009), and *Bligh: William Bligh in the South Seas* (2011). She has been recognized for her important work in advocating on behalf of Maori marae (sacred places) and their preservation as historical sites. She was named Dame Commander of the British Empire for services to New Zealand history in 1995, and Kiwibank New Zealander of the Year in 2013. During her visit to UBC in April 2013, she presented the following talks:

Ontological Quarrels: Citizenship and Exclusion in a Relational World

Pushing the Edges at Sea: Captain Cook and Captain Bligh

Tears of Rangī: Water, Power, and People in New Zealand

RICHARD V. ERICSON LECTURE



Martha Fineman, Robert W. Woodruff Professor of Law, Emory University School of Law

The second annual Ericson Lecture was given by Professor Martha Fineman (see above, page 6) on “Vulnerability and the Human Condition: A Different Approach to Equality.”

Fineman’s lecture focused on utilizing concepts of vulnerability and resilience in order to argue for a more responsive state and a more egalitarian society. Fineman suggested that vulnerability is and should be understood to be both universal and constant, inherent in the human condition and not marking the difference between most of us and certain stigmatized “populations.” Consequently, vulnerability analysis concentrates on the role of institutions and

structures in allocating and generating resilience with which to manage our common vulnerabilities. This approach, she argued, has the potential to move us beyond the stifling confines of current discrimination-based models toward a more substantive vision of equality.

The Richard V. Ericson lecture is funded from an endowment set up in honour of the late Richard Ericson. The College gratefully acknowledges the additional support provided for this year’s lecture by a Society Member.



*Founding Principal
Richard V. Ericson*

Richard V. Ericson (1948-2007), BA, MA, PhD, LittD, FRSC, was Professor of Criminology and Sociology and Director of the Centre of Criminology at the University of Toronto; Professor of Sociology and of Law, Distinguished University Professor, and founding Principal of Green College at the University of British Columbia (1993-2003); and Professor of Criminology, Director of the Centre for Criminological Research, and Professorial Fellow of All Souls College, at the University of Oxford. He was a Canada Council Killam Research Fellow in 1998-2000 and held visiting appointments at universities in the UK, USA, Europe and Australia. His many acclaimed publications spanned police work, crime reporting, risk and regulation, insurance and governance, and the sociology of knowledge.



Above: Principal Mark Vessey and Martha Fineman

Below: Prof. Fineman takes questions after the Ericson Lecture in Allard Hall, Faculty of Law



WRITER-IN-RESIDENCE



Shyam Selvadurai

This year's Writer-in-Residence was Shyam Selvadurai from Toronto. *Funny Boy*, his first novel, was published to acclaim in 1994, winning the W.H. Smith/Books First Novel Award in Canada and The Lambda Literary Award in the USA, and was named a Notable Book by the American Library Association. His second novel, *Cinnamon Gardens*, has been published in Canada, the UK, and the USA and translated into Italian, French, German, Danish, Spanish and Hebrew. It was shortlisted for the Trillium Award, as well as the Aloa Literary Award in Denmark and the Premio Internazionale Riccardo Bacchelli in Italy.

During his stay from September to December 2012, which was co-sponsored by the Canada Council for the Arts under its Author Residencies Program, he gave several public readings, ran a weekly writers' workshop at the College and hosted the following events:

Trauma and Diaspora

with Janet MacArthur, Creative and Critical Studies, UBC-O; Judy Fong Bates, writer, storyteller; Tamio Wakayama, photographer; Yalini Dreams, poet, playwright

Pardon: Is Accountability for Past Wrongs Necessary for a Person or Nation to Move Forward?

with Madeleine Thien, novelist; Rawi Hage, writer, visual artist, and curator; Dana Claxton, Art History, Visual Art and Theory, UBC

Buddhist Narrative and Poetry

with Jessica Main, Asian Studies, UBC; Sam Hamill, poet and founder of Copper Canyon Press and Poets Against War

LIU INSTITUTE VISITING FELLOW IN RESIDENCE



Mojtaba Mahdavi

The Liu Institute Visiting Fellow (formerly *Scholar*) in Residence at Green College program offers the opportunity for one globally influential activist, artist, leader, practitioner, or scholar to spend four months at UBC's Liu Institute for Global Issues, and to participate in the intellectual and social life of Green College. The position aims to facilitate problem-based interdisciplinary research on global issues. In 2012-13, the position was held by Mojtaba Mahdavi, a leading researcher on democratization in the Muslim World and modern Islamic political thought, who gave the following talks:

Post-Revolutionary Iran: Resisting Global and Regional Hegemony?
East Meets West: Three Lessons from the Arab Spring and Occupy Movement

He also organized a conference at the Liu Institute:

The Challenge of Democratization from Within: Rethinking Iran's Green Movement and the Arab Spring (see also page 6)

VISITING SCHOLARS

Green College invites senior scholars from around the world to stay at the College, conduct research, and give talks on an interdisciplinary topic related to their chosen fields and experience.



Karla Pollmann, Professor of Classics in the Department of Classical and Archaeological Studies, University of Kent

Karla Pollmann is a specialist in Latin literature and culture and their reception, with a major focus on early Christian thought and its interaction with the surrounding Mediterranean culture. Pollmann was a Cecil H. and Ida Green Visiting Professor in Residence at the College in 2006, and in 2012 returned both as a CIGVP and as a Visiting Professor in the Department of Classical, Near Eastern and Religious Studies to pursue research for a project entitled: “Go Beyond Boundaries: Designing an Interdisciplinary Graduate Teaching Programme,” funded by a grant by the Higher Education Academy (UK). During her stay she offered a graduate seminar on “Health and Human Well-Being from an Interdisciplinary Perspective.” As part of her research, she conducted focus groups on the topic of “Designing Interdisciplinarity,” bringing faculty, staff, and students together to share their experiences of the challenges and benefits of an interdisciplinary education. She also co-hosted several talks in the Principal’s Series, and made presentations on institutional aspects of interdisciplinarity to the College’s Advisory Board.



Philip Holden, Professor of English Language and Literature and in the University Scholars’ Programme, National University of Singapore

Philip Holden specializes in Southeast Asian literatures in English, auto/biography, and in thinking through global modernity and its effects on literature and literary styles. He earned his Ph.D. in English literature from the University of British Columbia, and was a graduate student representative on the original planning committee for Green College in the early 1990s. He gave the following talks during his stay:

The Idea of the University: Reflections from Singapore
Literary Biography as a Critical Form
Getting a Life: Thinking Biographically

He was accompanied as Visiting Scholar by his partner:

Ng Yun Sian, former Associate Director of the University Scholars Programme, National University of Singapore

Ng Yun Sian most recently acted as the Associate Director of the University Scholars Programme at the National University of Singapore, responsible for corporate communications and international programs. She holds a Masters in Educational Studies from the University of Warwick, UK, where she specialized in Educational Administration and Pastoral Care. Her Masters thesis, “Bullying in Singapore Primary Schools”, a quantitative survey, was the first research of that kind in Singapore.

Principal's Series: Thinking at the Edge of Reason—Interdisciplinarity in Action

Talks in this series, which is hosted by the Principal of Green College and members of the College, are designed to be accessible to a non-specialist audience and to showcase work by UBC and visiting researchers, including the Cecil H. and Ida Green Visiting Professors. There is always an opportunity for public discussion after the talk, and for informal conversation, continued over dinner at the College for those who choose to stay for that. During the 2012-13 academic year, the following talks were presented:

Reading from *Funny Boy and Cinnamon Gardens*

Shyam Selvadurai, Canada Council Writer-in-Residence at Green College

The Idea of the University: Reflections from Singapore

Philip Holden, English Language and Literature and University Scholars' Programme, National University of Singapore; Visiting Scholar in Residence at Green College, and Visiting Professor in the Department of English

What Are (Graduate) Colleges Good for at UBC?—And How They Could Be Made Better?

Andrew Riseman, Land and Food Systems; Henry Yu, St John's College; Mark Vessey, Green College; Moderator: Patricia Vertinsky, Kinesiology

Reflections on Bringing the Collective Together: Nonhuman Animals, Humans and Practice at the University

Laura Janara, Political Science; Elisabeth Ormandy, Animal Welfare Program; Darren Chang and Viara Gioreva, Political Science

Why Do We Still Perceive All Religions Through a Christian Lens? An Alternative Approach to Understanding Religion

Jordan Paper, Centre for Studies in Religion and Society, University of Victoria

Reading from *All Souls'*

Rhea Tregebov, Creative Writing Program

Panel Discussion: Why Do We Need Academic Publishing in the Digital Age?

Caroline Haythornthwaite and Rick Kopak, Library, Archival and Information Studies; Allan Bell, Digital Initiatives, UBC Library; Darcy Cullen, UBC Press; John Maxwell, Canadian Centre for Studies in Publishing; Moderator: Penney Clark, Education

Post-Multiculturalism, Immanent Cosmopolitanism?

Sneja Gunew, English and Women's Studies

Blurring or Challenging Intellectual Boundaries? The Quest for an Innovative Interdisciplinary Graduate Teaching Program

Karla Pollmann, Classics, University of Kent (UK); returning Cecil H. and Ida Green Visiting Professor, and Visiting Professor in the Department of Classics, Near Eastern and Religious Studies

East Meets West: Three Lessons from the Arab Spring and Occupy Movement

Mojtaba Mahdavi, Political Science and Middle East Studies, University of Alberta; Liu Institute Visiting Fellow in Residence at Green College

Boreal Passage: Two Writers from the Yukon

Patricia Robertson, returning Writer-in-Residence at Green College, and Erling Friis-Baastad, poet

How Can Sport Contribute to Social Development and World Peace?

Bruce Kidd, Kinesiology and Physical Education, and Warden of Hart House, University of Toronto

Arts and Humanities in Health and Medicine: Interdisciplinarity and Connectivism at Play

Pamela Brett-Maclean, Studies in Medical Education, and Arts and Humanities in Health and Medicine Program, University of Alberta; Green College Society Member

A Tale of Two Cultures: The Western Classics in Modern China

Shadi Bartsch-Zimmer, Helen A. Regenstein Distinguished Service Professor in Classics, University of Chicago

Writing the History of Christianity in Early Modern Europe: Fall and Rise of a Tradition

Anthony Grafton, Henry Putnam University Professor of History, Princeton University, and Cecil H. and Ida Green Visiting Professor

Literary Biography as a Critical Form

Philip Holden, English Language and Literature, National University of Singapore; Visiting Scholar in Residence at Green College, and Visiting Professor in the Department of English

Pushing the Edges at Sea: Captain Cook and Captain Bligh

Dame Anne Salmond, Distinguished Professor of Anthropology and Maori Studies, University of Auckland, and Cecil H. and Ida Green Visiting Professor

From Paris to Former French Indochina and Back Again: The Circulation of Knowledge, People and Objects

Nélia Dias, Anthropology, ISCTE – University Institute of Lisbon (Portugal); Visiting Research Scholar at the Peter Wall Institute for Advanced Studies

Resident Members' Series

Each week the Green College Members' Series features a different presenter (or presenters) from among the resident members of Green College. Graduate students and postdoctoral and visiting scholars are encouraged to offer talks on their areas of research or study and, as appropriate, to bring in their research colleagues from outside the College too. Like all academic programming at the College, these talks are open not just to Green College members, but to the community at large both within and beyond UBC. During the 2012-13 academic year, the convenors were Daria Boltokova and Melissa Ellamil, and the following talks were presented:

Reading from *The Hungry Ghosts*

Shyam Selvadurai, Canada Council Writer-in-Residence at Green College

Observation of a New Particle at the Large Hadron Collider

Simon Viel, Physics and Astronomy, Green College Society Member

Fat, Drugs and Electricity: Understanding How the Brain Creates the Mind

Keith Lohse, Kinesiology

Getting a Life: Thinking Biographically

Philip Holden, English Language and Literature and University Scholars' Programme, National University of Singapore; Visiting Scholar in Residence at Green College, and Visiting Professor in the Department of English

Understanding Radiation: How Can It Be Both Harmful and Useful?

Francis Viel, Physics and Astronomy

Consolation in Song: Music and Poetry in Two Late Songs by Robert Schumann

Alexander Martin, Music

Do You Know What Your Computer Is Doing?

David Williams-King, Computer Science

The Brains of Whales (and Why They're So Huge)

Kieran Fox, Cognitive Neuroscience

Something Doesn't Quite Add Up: Issues in Mathematics Education

Rob DeAbreu, Education

Vitamin D: Facts, Myths and What It Might Mean for You

Azadeh Arjmandi, Medicine

What's the Deal with Atheists Anyway? Flavours of Unbelief and the Cognitive Signature of a Religious Upbringing

Rita McNamara, Psychology

The Role of the Siberian Grizzly Bear in the Birth of Nationalism in the 19th Century: The Russian Case

Dmitry Mordvinov, History

A Tale of Two Parks: The Cultural Histories of Wilderness

Caroline Grego, Geography

Post-Revolutionary Iran: Resisting Global and Regional Hegemony?

Mojtaba Mahdavi, Political Science and Middle East Studies, University of Alberta; Liu Institute Visiting Fellow in Residence at Green College

The Meaning of Life: Why We Can't Reach a Definition

Haley M. Sapers, Biology

Sexually Exploited Youth in Canadian News Media from 1990 to 2008: How Language Influences Discourse

Robert Rivers, Interdisciplinary Studies Graduate Program

Song as Autoethnographic and A/R/Tographical Exploration

Daniel Bakan, Curriculum and Pedagogy

How We Wrecked the Ocean

Julia Lawson, Zoology

Navigating Interdisciplinarity

Anita Prest, Music Education

Compulsive Hoarding: A Personal and Social Problem

Kirstie Kellman-McFarlane, Alison Welsted and Sheila Woody, Psychology

The Evidence-Based City: How Urban Planning Learns from Science, Citizens and Its Mistakes

Timothy Baird, Community and Regional Planning

Economists' Contribution to Resource Management: Recovery from the 2011 Great Earthquake in Kesen-numa's Local Fishing Industry

Keita Abe, Economics

On Knowing the Minds of Gods

Ben Purzycki, Centre for Human Evolution, Cognition and Culture

A Life of Its Own: An Exploration of the Neural Mechanisms Underlying Seizures, Anticonvulsant Drugs and Refractory Epilepsy

Melanie Tremblay, Psychology

Living in Leopoldis, Lemberg, Lwów, L'viv, L'vov and L'viv Again: History and Memory

Dmitry Mordvinov, History

Energy Literacy for a Post-Normal Future

Terrance Berg, Curriculum Studies

MONTHLY INTERDISCIPLINARY SERIES

Early Music Concert Series

Early Music Vancouver was pleased to return this season for the fourth successive year with a series of Thursday evening chamber music concerts at the Coach House, featuring artists who also appeared in its Main Winter Series. These concerts offered Green College residents and friends an opportunity to hear performances in an intimate and informal setting which is eminently suitable for the baroque and early classical repertoires in this series. During the 2012-13 academic year, the organizers were Sarah Ballantyne and José Verstappen, Early Music Vancouver, and the following presentations took place:

Viol Music from Seventeenth-Century England

Les Voix Humaines: Susie Napper and Margaret Little (viola da gamba)

A Royal Concert: Music from the Time of the Sun King

Marc Destrubé, Jacques Ogg and Natalie Mackie (violin, harpsichord and viola da gamba)

The Art of Playing the Early Violin

Marc Destrubé (violin)



Marc Destrubé and Alexander Weimann

Environment and Society

Once again, the Environment and Society group welcomed anthropologists, geographers, historians, legal scholars, political scientists, sociologists and others interested in the relations between humans and nature, people and place, land and society to its varied slate of talks and activities. The convenor was Graeme Wynn, Department of Geography, and the following talks were presented:

Climate, Ecology and Politics: How Unconventional Natural Gas will Reshape BC

Karena Shaw, Political Science, University of Victoria

Tracing Nature's Trail: Landscapes of Recreation on Vancouver's North Shore

David Rossiter, College of the Environment, Western Washington University

The Republic of Nature: American History as Environmental History

Mark Fiege, History, Colorado State University

Arming Mother Nature: The Birth of Catastrophic Environmentalism

Jacob D. Hamblin, History, Oregon State University

Eurasian States and Societies: Past and Present

This new series developed from an earlier lively but informal interdisciplinary discussion group of local faculty members and graduate students from the humanities and social sciences. Featuring talks by political scientists, anthropologists, historians and an independent documentary filmmaker, the series explored how the past influences the present and future of the post-Communist Eurasian region, the role of memory in shaping contemporary identities, and the evolving nature of states in the region. The convenors were Alexia Bloch, Department of Anthropology, and Lisa Sundstrom, Department of Political Science, and the following talks were presented:

Sin and Soviet Memory: The Tainted Past as a Moral Resource in the Russian Orthodox Anti-Abortion Movement

Sonja Luehrmann, Sociology and Anthropology, Simon Fraser University

Lessons from Mongolian State Evolution: The Anthropocentric Theory of Human Security

Robert Bedeski, Political Science, University of Victoria

My Perestroika: A Journey from the Soviet Union, to Sesame Street, to Putin's Russia

Robin Hessman, Independent Filmmaker

Rehabilitating the Party: The Work of a Soviet Truth Commission

Yana Gorokhovskaia, Political Science

Pride versus Prejudice: Xenophobia and National Identity in Russia

Yoshiko Herrera, Political Science, University of Wisconsin

Cuba, My Love: Revolutionary Cuba and the Soviet Union in the 1960s

Anne Gorsuch, History

Human Evolution, Cognition and Culture: The Evolution of Religion, Morality and Cooperation

The evolutionary and cognitive sciences have recently experienced an explosion of work on religion, cooperation and morality, and in particular on their interrelationships. The emergent new framework has re-energized these long-languishing topics by bringing a fully interdisciplinary approach to them that then synthesizes the integrative rigour and precision of the evolutionary sciences with the depth of history and ethnography. This series featured both leading researchers on these topics from Vancouver and experts from across the globe. During the 2012-13 academic year, the convenors were Adam Barnett, Department of Asian Studies, Matthew Bedke, Department of Philosophy, Mark Collard, Department of Anthropology and Sociology, Simon Fraser University, Kiley Hamlin, Steven Heine, Joe Henrich and Ara Norenzayan, Department of Psychology, and Ted Slingerland, Department of Asian Studies, and the following talks were presented:

Religion and Spirituality in the Context of Everyday Life

David Sloan Wilson, Biology and Anthropology, Binghamton University

The Evolution of Prosocial Religions

Joe Henrich, Psychology and Economics

Spontaneous Giving and Calculated Greed: Intuitive Cooperation in Social Dilemmas

David Rand, Psychology, Harvard University

Reverse Engineering Complex Cultural Concepts: Identifying Building Blocks of "Religion"

Ann Taves, Religious Studies, University of Chicago

There is Nothing Special about Religion

Paul Bloom, Psychology, Yale University

The Evolution of Religion and Morality: An Interdisciplinary, Team-Based Approach

Edward Slingerland, Asian Studies

Law and Society

Law and Society has a long and interdisciplinary tradition at UBC. Building upon this, the speaker series at Green College facilitates cross-disciplinary dialogue that spans the social sciences and humanities and that addresses questions related to law in the broadest sense. This year, the series once again showcased the work of junior and senior scholars doing cutting-edge research in law and society on topics such as Aboriginal rights, free expression, migration, critical legal and social theory, and legal history. The convenors were Renisa Mawani, Department of Sociology, and Margot Young, Faculty of Law, and the following talks were presented:

The Unbearable Lightness of Being (Black): Legal and Cultural Constructions of Race and Nation in Colonial Latin America

Michelle McKinley, Law, University of Oregon

The Eclipse of Public Education: Parental Rights and Corporate Power

Martha Fineman, Robert W. Woodruff Professor of Law, Emory University School of Law, and Cecil H. and Ida Green Visiting Professor

Mobilizing Convict Bodies: Indian Convict Workers in Nineteenth Century Southeast Asia

Anand A. Yang, Job and Gertrud Tamaki Professor, International Studies and History, University of Washington

Religion and the Spectre of the West

Arvind-Pal Singh Mandair, Sikh Studies, University of Michigan

Roundtable: Section 15-The Most Challenged Right

Madam Justice Lynn Smith, Supreme Court of British Columbia; Hart Schwartz, Crowns Office, Attorney General of Ontario; Margot Young, Law

Raceocracy: How the Racial Exception Proves the Racial Rule

Barnor Hesse, African American Studies, Political Science, Sociology, Northwestern University

Litigating for Change? The Origins and Impact of Employment Discrimination Lawsuits in the U.S.

Elizabeth Hirsch, Sociology and Canada Research Chair in Social Inequality and Law

Islamic Law, Women's Rights and Popular Legal Consciousness in Malaysia

Tamir Moustafa, School of International Studies, Simon Fraser University

Intellectual Property

Lisa Vertinsky, Assistant Professor, Emory University School of Law

Religion and the Spectre of the West

Arvind-Pal Singh Mandair, Sikh Studies, University of Michigan

Love: Interdisciplinary Perspectives on the Ethics and Emotion of Love (Thematic Series)

This lecture series interrogated the discourses, emotions and ethics of love. A word and feeling with which we are all familiar, love nonetheless eludes definition. In virtue of its ever-shifting position in cultural and scientific spheres, its status in contemporary discourses of peace and justice, and its many guises of charity, eroticism, and kinship, love allows us to approach a global politics through an intimate but universal feeling. Embracing the ambiguity of love as a conceptual springboard for discussion and debate, this series addressed a topic that is ever-present in the public consciousness. In order to facilitate this dynamic understanding of love and its vicissitudes, an interdisciplinary array of speakers who have all written extensively on love in various scholarly and popular contexts were brought together. The convenors were Lisa Coulthard and Christine Evans, Department of Theatre and Film, and the following talks were presented:

Love Between Blindness and Ignorance

Renata Salecl, Law, University of Ljubljana

Love is Colder than Death: The Work of Love and Meaning

Christine Evans, Theatre and Film

Love or Desire in Shakespeare

David Schalkwyk, English, University of Cape Town, South Africa; Director of Research, Folger Shakespeare Library, Washington D.C.

The War Between the Loves

Stephen Guy-Bray, English

Love Beyond the Impossible: The New Pathology of Extreme Sports

Creston Davis, Philosophy and Religion, Rollins College

Play Chthonics: New Canadian Readings

Play Chthonics has been presenting readings by innovative and exciting poets at Green College since 2007. Organized and curated by graduate students in the Department of English, this cutting-edge reading series offers some of the best and most challenging new work by both young and established writers from across the country. In addition, Play Chthonics sponsored the first in a set of talks given at UBC on avant-garde poetics by the American poet Rachel Blau Duplessis. During the 2012-13 academic year, the convenor was Kevin McNeilly, Department of English, and the following guests presented:

Peter Culley and Ryan Fitzpatrick
Rachel Blau DuPlessis
Barbara Langhorst and Gillian Jerome
Brad Cran and Garry Thomas Morse
Jamie Reid and W. H. New
Jen Currin and Ken Babstock
Jan Zwicky and Robert Bringham

Population Health

UBC is internationally recognized for its contributions to the creation of “Population Health” as an interdisciplinary field concerned with the powerful role of a host of non-medical determinants of health, development, and well-being across the life course, particularly social and economic factors. The Population Health Series aims to bring together faculty, students, practitioners and policymakers interested in these issues. The series has a particular focus on the social sciences and their intersections with other disciplines within population health. Each monthly meeting featured an invited scholar who is conducting cutting-edge research integrating innovative theoretical perspectives and/or developing novel methods for use in advancing population health science and improving practice and policy. The speaker’s presentation and subsequent “brainstorming” dialogue with the audience aimed to appeal to a broad range of interests and to have a potential for informing the ideas, research, and practices of faculty, students and local agency representatives. During the 2012-13 academic year, the convenor was Richard Carpiano, Department of Sociology, and the following talks were presented:

Cultural Capital and the Production of Health
Thomas Abel, Institute of Social and Preventive
Medicine, University of Bern

**Horny and High: Sexual Risk Behaviours and
Substance Use Among Young Gay and Bisexual
Men**
Jeffrey T. Parsons, Psychology, Hunter College,
City University of New York

Operationalizing Culture in Population Health
James Broesch, Centre for Clinical Epidemiology and
Evaluation

**The Health and Well-Being Effects of the Great
Recession**
Christopher B. McLeod, School of Population and Public
Health

**Sex, Death and the American Way: What Behavioural
Science Says about Low HPV Vaccine Uptake**
Noel T. Brewer, Gillings School of Global Public Health,
University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill

Philippine-Canadian Crosscurrents: Thinking of the World through Global Migration (Thematic Series)

The talks in this series explored the effects of global migration, particularly on people moving between Canada and the Philippines. Geography, anthropology and sociology experts discussed the role of the state in regulating, managing and monitoring migration; the dependence of migrants on recruiters in their job placement; the evolution of ideas about feminism and masculinities through gendered migration; the re-configuration of the notion of the 'family', the intense dynamics between sending (i.e. the Philippines) and receiving (i.e. Canada) countries; and how such dynamics manifest in particular professions. The convenors were UBC graduate students Dada Docot, Teillard Paradela, and Mark L. Santiago, and the following talks were presented:

Medical Tourism in South Asia: Moving From Brain Drain to Brain Gain

Nir Eyal, Global Health and Social Medicine, Harvard Medical School

Co-sponsored by the Public Health Law and Policy in Asia thematic series (see below)

Taking *Nanay*, A Testimonial Play, to the Philippines

Geraldine Pratt, Geography; Charlene Sayo, Philippine Women's Centre of BC; Caleb Johnston, School of GeoSciences, University of Edinburgh; Alex Ferguson, Theatre and Film; Lissa Neptuno, actor

Migrants for Export: How the Philippine State Brokers Labour to the World

Robyn Rodriguez, University of California, Davis

Queering and Transing the Great Lakes: Filipino/a Tomboy Masculinities and Manhoods Across Waters

Bantigue Fajardo, American Studies and Asian American Studies, University of Minnesota

Public Health Law and Policy in Asia (Thematic Series)

Public health policy in Asia has become an issue of increasing public attention. From the SARS pandemic of 2003 to more recent concerns with avian flu and questions about food and pharmaceutical product safety, people are increasingly aware that national boundaries and geographic distances no longer offer protection against the global spread of disease and injury. As well, many people who have personal and professional links with Asia are increasingly interested in health policy matters. This lecture series provided an opportunity for internationally recognized specialists to speak to issues of current concern on public health policy in Asia. The convenor was Pitman Potter, Faculty of Law, and the following talks were presented:

Food Security in India: Subsidy Reforms and Competing Narratives

Bharat Ramaswami, Planning Unit, India Statistical Institute

When Things Go Wrong: Medical Error, Rights Violations and Access to Justice in Health Care on Asia Pacific Rim

Les Jacobs, Public Policy, Administration and Law, York University

Medical Tourism in South Asia: Moving From Brain Drain to Brain Gain

Nir Eyal, Global Health and Social Medicine, Harvard Medical School

Co-sponsored by the Philippine-Canadian Crosscurrents thematic series (see above)

Poverty and Globalization in Indonesia

Arianto Patunru, Economics, University of Indonesia

Health and Intellectual Property Rights: The Dynamics of Coordinated Compliance in the Provision of Pharmaceuticals to the Chinese People

Ilan Vertinsky, Sauder School of Business

Challenges of Public Health Policy in China

Wan Yanhai, Institute of Asian Research

Work Environment of Physicians and Quality of Healthcare in Japan

Yoshitaka Wada, Law, Waseda University

Science and Society

The Science and Society Series features speakers from the constituent areas of Science and Technology Studies at UBC: history, philosophy, sociology, rhetoric, and cultural and critical studies of science and technology. The talks discuss issues in science and technology as human practices and focus upon issues of wide appeal and relevance. During the 2012-13 academic year, the convenors were John Beatty and Alan Richardson, Department of Philosophy, and the following talks were presented:

Science and Technology Studies at UBC: A Sampler of Topics and Perspectives

Judy Segal, English; Alexei Kojevnikov, History;
Margaret Schabas, Philosophy

**The Paranoid Style in American History of
Science: On the Cold War Origins of Thomas
Kuhn's *Structure of Scientific Revolutions***
George Reisch, Philosophy, Northwestern
University

In Praise of Navel Gazing, or An Argument For and Against Bioethics Studies

James Broesch, Centre for Clinical Epidemiology
and Evaluation

Technology, War, and Social Justice: The Radical Religiosity of Jacques Ellul's Critique

Jennifer Alexander, Program in History of Science and
Technology, University of Minnesota

Infrastructures of Power: New Topographies of Wind in Kansas

Lisa Cartwright, Communications, University of
California, San Diego

Senior Scholars' Series: The Passions that Drive Academic Life

This series is convened on behalf of Green College and the UBC Association of Professors Emeriti. It provides opportunities for senior academics to describe their personal experiences and journeys through their own academic careers. Presenters are invited to distil a lifetime of scholarly work. Some examine the new projects that have grown out of that work; others reflect upon their changing attitudes to university life. The series is multidisciplinary and gives expression to the speakers' mature and personal insights. The speakers hope to engage Green College residents and other graduate students with senior faculty, to expose the academic community to UBC's most experienced academics, and to welcome the greater UTown/Point Grey neighbourhood to the richness of academic life at UBC. The convenor was Judith Hall, Department of Medical Genetics, and the following talks or events were presented:

Listening for Different Stories: Indigenous Knowledge and Its Transformations in Canada's Rapidly Changing North

Julie Cruikshank, Anthropology

A Career in Ruins: Memories of Excavating an Ancient Roman City in Turkey

James Russell, Classical, Near Eastern
and Religious Studies

A Career Working on China

Diana Lary, History

On Performing Beethoven

Robert Silverman, School of Music

Confessions of a UBC Lifer

Sid Katz, Pharmaceutical Sciences

From Dark to Light, a Survivor's Story

Martha Salcudean, Mechanical Engineering



Photo: John Corry

Sid Katz in the Coach House

The Composers' Collective

The Composers' Collective is a Vancouver-based organization that enables composers to promote and perform contemporary music. Its major goals are to nurture a community of creative musicians, to offer opportunities where people interested in the arts can converge and learn from each other, to raise the profile of members' artistic voices through public concerts and media exposure, to build connections to the wider artistic community by collaborating with other arts organizations in Vancouver, and to foster mentorship between established and emerging artists. During the 2012-13 academic year, the convenor was Daniel Marshall, and the following event was presented:

Me, Myself, and I

Adrian Verdejo (guitar), Liam Hockley (clarinet), Clara Shandler (cello), Stephanie Bell (flute)



SPECIAL EVENTS

Out of This World: Space Launch Canada Unveils a New Satellite Concept

Redouane Fakir, Space Launch Canada

Hemingway's *Hot Havana*

Brian Gordon Sinclair, actor and playwright

A Workshop Production of John Lyly's *Galathea*

Presented by ENGLISH 347 (Sixteenth Century Studies: Tudor Drama)

What Makes a Word Canadian? Revising the Dictionary of Canadianisms on Historical Principles

Stefan Dollinger, Laurel Brinton, Margery Fee and Gabrielle Lim, English

FIRESIDE CHATS

Green College Fireside Chats provide an informal setting for discussion and the sharing of ideas. In addition to the Cecil H. and Ida Green Visiting Professors, the following visitors took a fireside chair at the College this year:

Steven Shapin, History of Science, Harvard University

Ozzie Zehner, author of *Green Illusions*

Ellen Gruber Garvey, English, New Jersey City University

Sandor Katz, culinary author, DIY food activist and self-described “fermentation fetishist”

The Right Hon. Beverley McLachlin, Chief Justice of Canada



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CONFERENCES AND COLLOQUIA

Interdisciplinary Symposium

Acoustic Communication and Soundscape Design

Interdisciplinary Workshop

Anthropology in the Territory of Rights, Islamic, Human, and Otherwise...

Interdisciplinary Symposium

Before-After-Control-Impact Design and Analysis of Wildlife Data

Interdisciplinary Workshop

Corporate Rights versus Children's Interests

Graduate Student Conference

Endnotes 2013: Anonymity

Interdisciplinary Workshop

Give Peace a Chance

ADVISORY BOARD

The Green College Advisory Board, which was constituted afresh in 2013 after several years in abeyance, advises the College on all aspects of its organization, membership, programming and development. The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Canada, the Principal of Green Templeton College, Oxford, and the Master of Massey College, Toronto, are appointed ex officio by the President of the University of British Columbia, who is himself an ex officio member of the Board, as are the Provost and Vice-President Academic and the Associate-Provost Academic Innovation. Residents of the College are represented by the Chair (or co-Chairs) of the Residents' Council. Other appointments are made at the invitation of the Chair of the Board and the Principal and are typically for a term of three years in the first instance. In 2012-13, the members of the Advisory Board were:

Alana Boileau, Co-chair of the Residents' Council
Hugh Brock, Associate-Provost Academic Innovation
John Diggins, Chair
David Farrar, Provost and Vice-President Academic
John Fraser, CM, Master of Massey College, Toronto
John Gilbert, CM, Principal Emeritus of the College of Health Disciplines; Green College Society Member
Arnab Guha, Partner, Phase 5 Consulting Group Inc.; Green College Society Member
Judith Hall, OC, Emeritus Head and Professor of Pediatrics; Foundation Fellow of the College
Beverley McLachlin, PC, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Canada
Jessica Rose, Co-chair of the Residents' Council
Sandra Singh, Chief Librarian, Vancouver Public Library
Stephen Toope, President and Vice-Chancellor
Mark Vessey, Principal
Patricia Vertinsky, Professor of Kinesiology; Member of the Faculty Council
Sir David Watson, Principal of Green Templeton College, University of Oxford
Ronald Wright, author

COLLEGE COMMITTEES

Standing Committees

The Standing Committees are the primary decision-making bodies for the College. They are advisory to the Principal and are normally chaired by the Principal.

There are four places on each committee for Resident Members, who are chosen by ballot; another four places are filled by Faculty Members of the College at the invitation of the Principal; additional members may be co-opted as needed. Balloting for the Standing Committees occurs in September each year and the Committees remain in place for a year. The Standing Committees of the College are:

Academic Committee

The Academic Committee is responsible for the College's interdisciplinary academic programming, including the appointments of the Cecil H. and Ida Green Visiting Professors. The committee normally meets at least once per term in the academic year. The members for 2012-13 were:

Daniel Bakan, Curriculum and Pedagogy
Ashley Dudill, Geography
Alica LaValle, Resources, Environment and Sustainability
David Prest
Makoto Fujiwara, Tri-University Meson Facility (TRIUMF)
Sima Godfrey, French, Hispanic and Italian Studies
Harry Karlinsky, Psychiatry
Kevin Leyton-Brown, Computer Science

Membership Committee

The Membership Committee is responsible for evaluating applications for resident membership and for selecting Resident Members of the College. The committee meets monthly as needed, with the main business of the year falling between March and July. The members for 2012-13 were:

Timothy Baird, Community and Regional Planning
Sam Emblem, Economics
James Floman, Human Development, Learning, and Culture
Alastair Jamieson-Lane, Mathematics
Sneha Sheth, Experimental Medicine
Katelyn Verstraten, Journalism
Melanie Tremblay, Psychology
Christina Turner, English
Lisa Coulthard, Theatre and Film
John X. Cooper, English
Dianne Newell, History
Rusung Tan, Pathology and Laboratory Medicine

Media and Communications Committee

The Media and Communications Committee helps to plan and coordinate external publicity initiatives and internal communication channels for the College. The members for 2012-13 were:

Aimee Keay, English
Haley Sapers, Biology
Lucas Wardil, Mathematics
Brittany Welsh
Jim DeLaHunt, Society Member
Mary Bryson, Language and Literacy Education
Thomas Hutton, Centre for Human Settlements
Charles Menzies, Anthropology
Patricia Vertinsky, Kinesiology

Faculty Council

The Faculty Council is a group of Faculty Members of the College appointed by the Principal to serve as an advisory body on matters of policy and emergent issues. In 2012-13, the members of the Faculty Council were:

Werner Antweiler, Sauder School of Business
Lisa Coulthard, Theatre and Film
Margery Fee, English
Donald Fisher, Educational Studies
Makoto Fujiwara, TRIUMF
Sima Godfrey, French, Hispanic and Italian Studies
Tom Hutton, Centre for Human Settlements
Pawel Kindler, Cellular and Physiological Sciences
Hillel Goelman, Interdisciplinary Studies Graduate Program (ISGP)
Harry Maier, Vancouver School of Theology
Dianne Newell, History
Alan Richardson, Philosophy
Rusung Tan, Pathology and Laboratory Medicine
Ilan Vertinsky, Sauder School of Business
Patricia Vertinsky, Kinesiology

Resident Committees

Green College is home to many informal resident groups and committees, some of them relatively stable, others changing with the years and the interests of residents. In 2012-13, the Resident Committees were:

Residents' Council

The Residents' Council is a coordinating committee consisting of the Chair of the Social Committee, the President of the Green College Dining Society, and one Resident Member from each of the College Standing Committees chosen by the resident caucuses of those committees. If there is no Postdoctoral Scholar among these ex officio appointees, a postdoctoral resident will be added to the Council, chosen by the Postdoctoral Scholars. The Council may also co-opt up to two members at large, as it sees fit. The Council appoints its own Chair or Co-Chairs. Its role is to assist with communications between the various group-activities of residents and between resident groups and the Green College Office, with respect to any and all matters of actual or potential concern to residents and the Principal. It meets at its own discretion. In 2012-13, the members of the Residents' Council were:

Timothy Baird, Community and Regional Planning
Alana Boileau, Educational Studies (co-chair)
Melissa Ellamil, Psychology
Caroline Grego, Geography
April Karlinsky, Kinesiology
Keith Lohse, Kinesiology
Alexander Martin, Music
Charles Rabideau, Physics and Astronomy
Robert Rivers, Experimental Medicine
Jessica Rose, Law (co-chair)
Nadia Stennes-Spidahl, Library, Archival and Information Studies
Melanie Tremblay, Psychology
Francis Viel, Physics and Astronomy

Arts Committee

The Arts Committee was very active this year. It organized a total of four Coffeehouse Nights for members to showcase their musical and poetic talents in front of a coffee- and cookie-fueled audience; inaugurated the first ever Comedy Night—the hilarious fallout of which prompted a sequel at the Spring Gala; hosted the Arts Night for residents to display visual aspects of their research as *objets d'art*; screened foreign films at two Cultural Film Nights with a panel discussion; hosted a wine and cheese reception for Pnina Granirer, a local artist who donated her artwork to the College (see front cover); and arranged for light entertainment at each of the four Gala Nights. The Committee also coordinated ongoing projects such as the bi-weekly open-invitation jam sessions and a handful of stained-glass workshops for residents interested in glass and metal-work. In 2012-13, this committee was chaired by Alexander Martin.

Outreach Committee

The Outreach Committee is dedicated to helping the College, local and other communities by arranging volunteer opportunities, initiating fundraising events, and raising awareness of personal and social concerns. During the Welcome Dinner, the committee helped to raise \$360 for the Umuebu Neighbourhood House, a former resident's community initiative in his home country of Nigeria. The committee also helped to raise \$605 for the Movember Foundation, which promotes awareness and treatment of men's health issues, through a moustache fashion show, a card game invented by residents, a leave-a-penny/take-a-moustache donation tin, a ping-pong tournament (with the Sports Committee), and individual residents' fundraising websites. To encourage more involvement with the wider Vancouver community, eight committee members and residents volunteered as mentors at Lord Strathcona Elementary School in Vancouver's Downtown East Side, where they helped students with in-class activities and homework in literacy, math, science, and arts, in collaboration with the UBC Trek Program. Item and clothing donations accepted in the Common Kitchen were sold in a moving-out sale, with the proceeds and unsold items going to the Children's and Women's Still Fabulous Thrift Shop. As part of the committee's new "in-

reach” initiative, the formal support system of residents trained to provide emotional support and conflict problem solving that was proposed last year became a stand-alone, working committee called the Green Lanterns this year (see below). The Outreach Committee also hosted a sexual diversity workshop for residents with Positive Space UBC, and a mental and physical health awareness trivia night with the UBC Wellness Centre. In 2012-13, this committee was co-chaired by Rob Rivers and Melissa Ellamil.

Green Lanterns

2012-13 was the pilot year for the Green Lantern program. The Green Lanterns are a peer-selected group of volunteer resident members who are committed to providing emotional support and conflict problem-solving to fellow residents. As peers, their role is to be a resource to residents, to help promote a safe and supported community that is conducive to academic pursuits, personal growth, and fosters well-being. These roles are in addition and complementary to the support provided by the Green College Office staff. Green Lanterns guarantee confidentiality if requested and are able to make appropriate referrals to other UBC resources if needed. In 2012-13, the Green Lanterns were Katie Davison, Aimee Keay, Kirstie Kellman-McFarlane, Kyle Kotowick, Timea Molnar, and Francis Viel.

Environmental Committee (Green Team)

The Green Team organizes residents to better understand the College’s impacts on the earth, take action to reduce its footprint, and build sustainability knowledge and capacity. The committee’s ongoing projects included maintaining the backyard garden plot, where residents share knowledge and build skills at growing their own produce and herbs. The crop includes a diverse array of heirloom varieties selected by the Green Team from a local seed bank. The Team is also responsible for running Green College’s Bike Share program, which launched in 2012 with a generous grant from the AMS sustainability fund. The first year of the program was a success, with more than a dozen regular users putting the bicycles to work to get around campus and beyond. User fees have provided the bike share with the resources it needs to keep its bikes in shape and stay self-sufficient. In 2012-13, this committee was chaired by Timothy Baird and Roland Wilhelm.

Reading Room Committee

The Reading Room Committee oversees the reading room space in Graham House. The Reading Room contains books and serials that are of interest to residents of the College, and provides a pleasant space for work and social gatherings. The committee managed the periodical subscriptions to ensure an exciting, interesting, and varied collection. The committee also gathered feedback from residents to make sure it was serving the interests and needs of this year’s College community. During 2012-13, this committee was chaired by Nadia Stennes-Spidahl.



The Outreach Committee supported the Umuebu Neighbourhood House, Nigeria

Social Committee

This year, the Social Committee managed the entertainment, hosting responsibilities, and parties of the four formal dinners, and facilitated funding for resident-run activities. A farewell BBQ at the end of July kicked off the committee's term, celebrating the contributions of departing Greenies to the college. In the fall, the committee hosted the Welcome Dinner and the Winter Gala, and organized festivities afterwards for the residents of the College. The committee also threw the annual Halloween party, with Green College-brewed beer, homemade snacks, and music and dancing. In the spring, the committee hosted the two galas, and held parties in Graham House afterwards for the residents. The committee also funded a Super Bowl party in February and a Chinese spring festival and dumpling-making party. As always, the Social Committee was responsible for helping residents realize their ideas for social events, and for organizing larger parties and gatherings. In 2012-2013, this committee was chaired by Caroline Grego.

Sports Committee

The Green College Sports Committee encourages residents to get involved in recreational sports and physical activity. The committee promotes health and wellness, and a sense of community and athleticism. The 2012-2013 year saw the continuation of the traditional and much beloved Soccer Sundays in Green College's beautiful backyard, weekly yoga classes in Graham House led by resident yogis, and many a squash game in UBC's only squash court, conveniently situated right next door. Ping-pong has also continued to be a popular post-dinner activity, and the third annual Movember ping-pong fundraiser tournament organized in collaboration with the Outreach Committee was a great success. The Sports Committee is also responsible for maintaining and augmenting the residents' communal sporting equipment, and the highlight this year was the purchase of a new ping-pong table in collaboration with the Social Committee. The Sports Committee subsidized registration fees for UBC Recreation intramural programs including co-ed basketball, soccer, volleyball, and ultimate. The committee helped organize and subsidized three teams' participation in each of the popular Day of the Longboat and Storm the Wall events, and also encouraged residents' involvement in off-campus events, by promoting and subsidizing participation in the annual James Cunningham Sea Wall Run and the Vancouver Sun Run (when the College fielded a team of nine residents). Other well attended events organized by the Committee were a winter sports-filled weekend in Whistler and a curling bonspiel (a first-time experience for many residents). In 2012-13, this committee was chaired by April Karlinsky.



Green College stood tall in Storm the Wall



Photo: Alexander Martin

Coffee Houses hosted by the Arts Committee



Photo: Alexander Martin

Health and Safety Committee

The Health and Safety Committee's core duties each year are to update the fire and safety plans of the College, assign floor/fire wardens in each building, conduct the fire drill, and work on additional health and safety improvements as needed. This committee is chaired by the Administration Manager and made up primarily from resident volunteers.

Common Kitchen Committee

The Common Kitchen Committee is a task-force of resident volunteers who help coordinate the use of the Common Kitchen as a safe and hygienic shared space. They organize the inventory and labour (chores) in maintaining the kitchen, while providing a venue for suggestions of improvements and concerns. The committee usually consists of no more than five resident representatives, but may keep additional members as alternates. In 2012-13, the committee was chaired by Francis Viel.

Collège Vert

Collège Vert promotes the French language and francophone culture through community and cultural activities. In addition to inviting the community to a French-speaking table at dinner every week, Collège Vert organizes French movie nights. It also keeps an eye out for concerts in French in Vancouver, and organizes occasional outings. In 2012-13 this committee was chaired by Francis Viel.

Green College Players

This year, the Green College Players mounted an extremely well received four-performance run of Shakespeare's *The Tempest*, inside (and outside) the Coach House in March 2013. Through the artistic stylings of a cast of fifteen Green College residents, plus many more participants backstage and offstage (including valiant volunteers from around the College who baked goodies for audience members' enjoyment during the performance intermissions), the Players raised \$500. This money was donated to the Portland Hotel Society, an establishment that provides housing for homeless residents of the downtown eastside in Vancouver.



Photo: Jessica Rose

The Tempest

GREEN COLLEGE DINING SOCIETY

The Green College Dining Society (GCDS) is an independent society that assures the provision of meals to members of Green College and guests from the wider community, as well as providing catering services for events held at the College. Resident Members of the College automatically become members of the GCDS upon taking up residence. All resident members, and those staying in guest accommodation, participate in the meal plan organized by the Dining Society.

The GCDS is governed by a Board of Directors with Executive Officers elected annually by members of the Society. The GCDS operates a full-service kitchen in Graham House, managed by the Executive Chef who oversees GCDS staff.

Executive Officers

D'Arcy Davis-Case, Forestry (Secretary)

Sam Emblem, Economics (Treasurer)

Charles Rabideau, Physics and Astronomy (President)

Richard Sandlin, Philosophy (Vice-President)

Daniel Randles, Psychology (Green College Society Representative)

Werner Antweiler, Sauder School of Business (Faculty Representative)

Don Brooks, Pathology (Faculty Representative)



COLLEGE AWARDS AND CITATIONS

R. Howard Webster Foundation Fellowships

These fellowships, endowed by The R. Howard Webster Foundation and the Province of British Columbia, are open to graduate students in any field studying at the University of British Columbia who are Resident Members of Green College. The Webster Fellows for 2012-13 were:

Kyle Kotowick, Electrical and Computer Engineering

Anita Prest, Music Education

Norman H. Benson Award

This award, funded by an endowment established by the second Principal of the College, Dr. Keith Benson, in memory of his father, is made to an international student, who is a Resident Member of Green College. The next award will be made in 2013-14.

William C. Gibson Citation

The William C. Gibson Citation is conferred each year on Resident Members of the College who, on the basis of a canvas of their fellow resident members, have made outstanding contributions to the life of the College. It is named after the late William C. Gibson, one of the founders and original Foundation Fellows of the College. The recipients for 2012-13 were:

Charles Rabideau, Physics and Astronomy

Francis Viel, Physics and Astronomy

Roland Wilhelm, Microbiology and Immunology

Foundation Fellows

The title of Foundation Fellow is conferred in recognition of a historic contribution to the College.

John Grace, FCIC, BESC (Western Ontario), PhD (Cambridge), Dean of Graduate Studies (1990-96) and Professor of Chemical Engineering, UBC

The Hon. William C. Graham, PC, QC, BA (Toronto), LLB (Toronto), DUniv (Paris)

Judith Hall, OC, MA (Washington), MD (Washington), Emeritus Head and Professor of Pediatrics, UBC and BC Children's Hospital

Ellis Ripley Trafford

Graham Kelsey, MA (Cambridge), MEd (Alberta), PhD (Alberta), Professor Emeritus of Educational Studies, UBC

David W. Strangway, OC, FRSC, BA (Toronto), MA (Toronto), PhD (Toronto), President, UBC (1985-97)

Peter Suedfeld, BA (Queens College, NY), MA (Princeton), PhD (Princeton), Emeritus Dean of Graduate Studies and Professor of Psychology, UBC

Honorary Life Fellow

Larry Grant, Elder of the Musqueam Nation

Principal

Mark Vessey

Administrative Staff

Lynda Callard, Finance Assistant

John Corry, Communications Manager (acting)

Simone Goguen, Receptionist/Booking Clerk

Alan Gumboc, Events and Programming Coordinator

Clark Lundeen, Administrative Manager

Lyn Pedro, Membership and Accommodations Coordinator

Tatiana Tomljanovic, Communications Manager (on leave)

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Joseph Collet, Executive Chef

Elvis Damjanovic, Sous Chef

John Hall, Pastry Chef

Mike Henn, Pastry Chef

Gurmail Sohi, Kitchen Steward

Stephen Szierer, Second Cook

Kelly Wolfe, Bookkeeper

Custodians

Evangeline Cerpo

Danny Courschesne

Faculty Members

Faculty Membership of Green College is open to UBC faculty members (or in special circumstances, faculty of other local universities or organizations) who establish some voluntary connection with the College before being invited to become a Faculty Member. The invitation to become a Faculty Member is made by the Principal. The initial period of tenure of Faculty Membership is two years, and may be extended or renewed. At the end of their appointed terms, Faculty Members become Society Members of the College.

Werner Antweiler, Sauder School of Business
John Beatty, Philosophy
Sylvia Berryman, Philosophy
Sarika Bose, English
Donald Brooks, Pathology
Mary Bryson, Language and Literacy Education (Director, Institute for Gender, Race, Sexuality and Social Justice)
John X. Cooper, English
Lisa Coulthard, Theatre and Film
Susan Cox, Centre for Applied Ethics
Robert Daum, Vancouver School of Theology (Director, Iona Pacific Inter-Religious Centre)
Redouane Fakir, Space Launch Canada
Margery Fee, English
Donald Fisher, Centre for Policy Studies in Higher Education and Training
Makoto Fujiwara, TRIUMF
Sima Godfrey, French, Hispanic and Italian Studies
Hillel Goelman, Interdisciplinary Studies Graduate Program (ISGP); Human Early Learning Partnership (HELP)
Nicola Hodges, Kinesiology
Tom Hutton, Centre for Human Settlements
Daniel Justice, English (Chair, First Nations Studies Program)
Harry Karlinsky, Psychiatry
Pawel Kindler, Cellular and Physiological Sciences
Anna Kindler, Curriculum and Pedagogy (Vice-Provost and Associate Vice-President Academic)
Kevin Leyton-Brown, Computer Science
Harry Maier, Vancouver School of Theology
C.W. (Toph) Marshall, Classical, Near Eastern and Religious Studies
Renisa Mawani, Sociology
Charles Menzies, Anthropology
Dianne Newell, History
Donal O'Donoghue, Curriculum and Pedagogy
Wes Pue, Law (Provost and Vice-Principal, UBC-Okanagan)
Alan Richardson, Philosophy
Christopher Shaw, Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences
Anthony Shelton, Anthropology (Director, MOA)
Catherine Soussloff, Art History, Visual Art and Theory
Janice Stewart, English; Critical Studies in Sexuality
Rusung Tan, Pathology and Laboratory Medicine
Robert Tarzwell, Psychiatry
Steven Taubeneck, Central, Eastern and Northern European Studies
Stephen Toope, President and Vice-Chancellor of UBC
Charlotte Townsend-Gault, Art History, Visual Art and Theory
Ian Townsend-Gault, Law
Rhea Tregebov, Creative Writing
Ilan Vertinsky, Sauder School of Business
Patricia Vertinsky, Kinesiology
Graeme Wynn, Geography
Margot Young, Law

Resident Members

Graduate students, visiting graduate students, postdoctoral scholars, and visiting scholars at UBC can apply for resident membership. Their applications are reviewed by the College's Membership Committee and the Principal. On approval, applicants receive a membership offer together with an initial housing contract. With the approval of the Membership Committee, residents' partners, without current UBC affiliation, may also be admitted as resident members (and are listed below without mention of academic program). At the end of their residency, Resident Members become Society Members of the College.

Liu Institute Visiting Fellow in Residence

Mojtaba Mahdavi, Political Science and Middle East Studies, University of Alberta

Writer-in-Residence

Shyam Selvadurai, novelist

Visiting Scholars

Philip Holden, English Language and Literature and University Scholars' Programme, National University of Singapore

Karla Pollmann, Classics, University of Kent (UK)

Ng Yun Sian, National University of Singapore

Postdoctoral Scholars

Thomas Fenger, Biomedical Engineering

Keith Lohse, Kinesiology

Leon Loveridge, Physics and Astronomy

Ioannis Panagiotopoulos, Wood Science

Benjamin Purzycki, Human Evolution, Cognition and Culture

Haley Sapers, Biology

Lucas Wardil, Mathematics

Graduate Students

Keita Abe, Economics

Mahsa Akhavan Azari, Landscape Architecture

Azadeh Arjmandi, Medicine

Stacey Auld, Sustainable Forest Management

Timothy Baird, Community and Regional Planning

Daniel Bakan, Curriculum and Pedagogy

Vahid Bazargan, Mechanical Engineering

Terrance Berg, Curriculum and Pedagogy

Benjamin Blumer, Mechanical Engineering

Alana Boileau, Educational Studies

Daria Boltokova, Political Science

Anna Bowers, Educational and Counselling Psychology, and Special Education

Genevieve Breau, Interdisciplinary Oncology

Bethany Brothers, Classical, Near Eastern and Religious Studies

Daniel Brox, Electrical and Computer Engineering

Megan Callahan, Resource Management and Environmental Studies

Yu Shing Chan, Philosophy

Mollie Chapman, Resources, Environment and Sustainability

Alexandra Cheng, Landscape Architecture

Patrick Conroy, Electrical and Computer Engineering

Joseph D'Aquisto, Linguistics

D'Arcy Davis-Case, Forestry

Katherine Davison, English

Robert DeAbreu, Mathematics Education

Ashley Dudill, Geography

Melissa Ellamil, Psychology

Samuel Emblem, Economics

Janna Fabris, Materials Engineering

Sally Fendick, Social Work

James Floman, Human Development, Learning, and Culture

Kieran Fox, Psychology

Gregory Gavelis, Zoology

Caroline Grego, Geography

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Amanda Grochowich, Community and Regional Planning
 Shalimujiang Gulidana, Women's Studies and Gender Relations
 Razan Hamdi, Counselling Psychology
 Tongtong Hao, Economics
 Jeremy Hewett, Electrical and Computer Engineering
 Wei-Chiao Hsu, Counselling Psychology
 Katherine Hughes, Library, Archival and Information Studies
 Alastair Jamieson-Lane, Mathematics
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 Katherine Meredith, Political Science
 Brandon Miliate, Asia Pacific Policy Studies
 Tímea Laura Molnár, Economics
 Dmitry Mordvinov, History
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 Daniela Oliverio-Lauderdale, Anthropology
 Anita Prest, Music Education
 David Prest
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 Zahra Remtulla, Population and Public Health
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 Michael Scott, Botany
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 Emma Sim, Library, Archival and Information Studies
 Shashika Stanislaus, Law
 Suzanne Stark, Law
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 Nadia Stennes-Spidahl, Library, Archival and Information Studies
 Genki Taguchi, Mining Engineering
 Isabel Taylor, Library, Archival and Information Studies
 Patricia Taylor, Classical, Near Eastern, and Religious Studies
 Christina Toms, Theatre and Film
 Melanie Tremblay, Psychology
 Christina Turner, English
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First Row (L-R) : Patrick Conroy, Jeremy Hewett, Lucas Wardil, Irwin (Yu-Shing) Chan, Timothy Baird, Benjamin Blunner, Clark Lundeen, Ahmed Shahbaz, Charles Rabideau, Sebastian Medrano. **Second Row (L-R):** Jessica Saunders, Emma Koehle, Karla Pollmann, Thaise Cardoso-Wardil, Genevieve Breau, Sally Fendick, Zahra Remtulla, Anita Prest, Suzanne Stark, D'Arcy Davis-Case, Danny Bakan, Alana Boileau. **Third Row (L-R):** Mark Vessey, Gregory Gavelis, Kimberly Newman, Haley Sapers, Jessica Rose, Caroline Grego, Azadeh Arjmandi, Rita McNamara, Amanda Grochowich, Katherine Meredith, Nadia Stennes-Spidahl, Mollie Chapman, Melanie St-Arnauld, Tongtong Hao, Shalimujiang Gulidana, Estefania Merino-Garcia, Brittany Welsh, Sarika Bose. **Fourth (last) Row (L-R):** Alexandra Cheng, Alastair Jamieson-Lane, David Williams-King, Stacey Auld, Kirstie Kellman-McFarlane, Genki Taguchi, Lorenzo Lane, Dmitry Mordvinov, Keita Abe, Kyle Kotowick, Girish Nivarti, Roland Wilhelm, Vahid Bazargan, Ashley Dudill, Kieran Fox, Katelyn Verstraten, Melanie Tremblay, Richard Sandlin, Shashika Stanislaus, Thomas Fenger, Dan Brox, Anna Bowers, Patricia Taylor, Megan Callahan, Terrance Berg, James Floman, Jeffrey Ricker, Charles Rogger, David Prest, Leon Loveridge, Alexander Martin.

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