Princeton University Canadian Studies







Annual Report

for academic year **2014-2015**

THE FUND FOR CANADIAN STUDIES

The Fund for Canadian Studies has strived to bring Canada to life at Princeton University since 1991, when Canadian alumni and friends spearheaded by Eric Molson '59 - established an endowment with almost \$1 million in gifts.

The goals of the Fund are twofold. First, it supports students and faculty who want to learn more about Canada, whether they are from Canada or abroad, and to foster interest in the study of Canada on campus through cross-national dialogue. To this end, it offers monetary and logistical support for teaching, research, speakers and conferences. Second, it strives to showcase Canadian talent to the Princeton community by working with the Princeton Canadian Club to host a variety of social events and activities throughout the academic year. Additionally, for over twenty years, the Fund has provided generous support for the University's libraries, augmenting the collection of books and periodicals related to Canada.





MEMBERS OF CANADIAN STUDIES

ACADEMIC EVENTS & GUEST SPEAKERS

Canadian Studies co-sponsored several events in the academic year, 2014-15.



scholars from fields including Comparative Literature, Classics, English, Canadian Studies, Linguistics, Film Studies, the Visual Arts and Art History to discuss the many facets of literary production to which Anne Carson's corpus gives form and the respect she has garnered through her facility in speaking to various fields of inquiry on their own



On April 27, 2015, Ruthe Ozeki participated in a public lecture hosted by the Department of English entitled "Sea Changes: A Conversation with Ruth Ozeki and Chang-rae Lee." The event was a conversation with Ruth Ozeki (A Tale for the Time Being) and Chang-rae Lee (On Such a Full Sea) and moderated by Anne Cheng and Sarah Chihaya.



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On April 3 & 4, 2015 Canadian Studies cosponsored, "Decreations" A Graduate Symposium on the work of Anne Carson. This conference brought together

Canadian Studies also contributed to the Princeton-Mellon Initiative in Architecture, Urbanism and the Humanities. This initiative focuses on the cities of North and South America. Planning is underway to provide events during the 2015-2016 academic year that closely align with the mission of Canadian Studies.

SOCIAL EVENTS

Each year, Canadian Studies collaborates with the "Princeton Canadians" Club to offer social events and activities for Canadians and other friends on campus.

To ring in the academic year, we invited new and old members of the Princeton Canadian community to the **Annual Welcome Luncheon**, held on September 26th, 2014 at the Princeton Campus Club.



Canadian Club Prime Minister, Kevin Mills distributing hoodies.



Students enjoying the selection of food at the Annual Welcome Luncheon

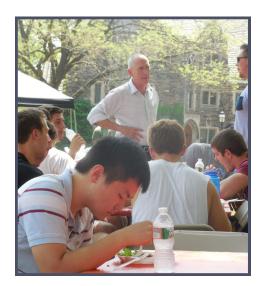
Attendees were treated to a full, catered buffet and received complimentary "Princeton Canadians Hoodies"



Students modeling 2014-2015 Princeton Canadian hoodies.

On October 13th, 2014, students, faculty, and friends gathered in the beautiful Carl Fields Multipurpose Room to celebrate **Canadian Thanksgiving**. The complimentary feast – featuring a variety of foods suited to the season – drew a substantial turnout, as always! In the generous spirit of the season, guests donated canned goods for local families in need.







The Carl Fields Multipurpose Room, an elegant setting for the Canadian Thanksgiving Dinner!

To celebrate the end of the academic year, the "Princeton Canadians" held the **Annual Barbeque** on May 8th, 2015 on the U-Store Courtyard. A perfect day for a barbeque, the crowd dined on an assortment of delicious foods and enjoyed one last Canadian Club gathering of the year. As always, an enjoyable way to take a break from studying before finals week!

Left Above: Director, James Stone and Jotham Johnson Left Below: Jeremy Adelman and students Below: Students enjoying the BBQ



2014-2015 FUNDING AWARDS

The Fund for Canadian Studies is an avid supporter of research related to Canada. During the 2014-2015 academic year, Canadian Studies provided funding to a number of members of the Princeton Canadian community to pursue their research on a wide variety of exciting and interesting topics, including the following projects:

• Cary Beckwith, PhD Student, Department of Sociology:

Graduate Research Summer Funding for travel to Estevan, Saskatchewan to research the effects of the oil boom and how it compares to the counterpart on the USA side, Williston, North Dakota. The main focus of this research is to determine if the towns have the same array of problems and do the findings from the comparison have the potential to highlight how the national setting-political, cultural, and regulatory-is moderating the social consequences of the oil boom.

Alfredo Garcia, PhD Student, Department of Sociology:

Graduate Research Summer Funding for travel to Montreal, Canada during the 2015 Mural Festival. The funding was used to conduct ethnographic and qualitative research in the role art plays in changing neighborhoods by comparing two cities, Miami, Florida and Montreal, Canada. The research will provide a comparison of street art and how they can transform cities to international art destinations.



Alfredo Garcia with artist, Elian Chali

• Hannes Mandel, PhD Student, Department of German:

Graduate Research Summer Funding to travel to the Library and Archives Canada, in Ottawa, Canada to research the manuscript of Canadian scholar, Herbert Marshall McLuhan. McLuhan's first publication "The Mechanical Bride" is particularly relevant in the context of Hannes' dissertation on the historical and theoretical relationship between Media Studies, Folklore Studies and 19th century (German) "Volkskunde."

- Calgary.
- Arctic.

• Sarah Grond, Undergraduate Ecology and Evolutionary Biology Major, Class of 2016: Senior Thesis Research Funding Award to support Summer 2015 travel to the University of Calgary, Alberta, Canada. Sarah will be researching how the development and behavior of the parasite Varestrongylus eleguneneinsis in its intermediate host Deroceras laeve is affected by changes in temperature. This parasite infects the lungs of large mammals native to northern Canada, such as caribou and muskoxen. This project will be conducted under Dr. Susan Kutz as the University of

• Mason Jarecki, Undergraduate Ecology and Evolutionary Biology Major, Class of 2016: Senior Thesis Research Funding Award to support Summer 2015 fieldwork at North Bay, Ontario, Canada. Mason will conduct a study of the vocal behavior of the Common Loon (Gavia immer) by examining the tremolo call, one of three main vocalizations produced by this species. The objective of the research is to determine the function of the tremolo call as there are many hypotheses but few conclusions.

• Kendall Peterkin, Undergraduate Ecology and Evolutionary Biology Major, Class of 2016: Senior Thesis Research Funding Award to support Summer 2015 travel to the University of Calgary, Alberta, Canada and travel to the Canadian Arctic. Kendall's research will take her to the Canadian Arctic to look at pathogens of infectious diseases, specifically the bacterium, Erysipelothrix rhusiopathiae, in rodents in the

RICHARD D. CHALLENER '44 SR. PRIZE

Established in 2000 in honor of Professor Richard D. Challener, Princeton Class of 1994, the Challener Prize is awarded to an undergraduate senior in any department or program who shall have submitted a senior thesis of outstanding quality on a topic having to do with Canada (of substantial relevance to Canadian culture, themes, experiences or issues).

In 2014-2015, Canadian Studies commended two seniors for their outstanding theses:

Divya Farias '15, an Anthropology major from Rockaway, NJ won the prize for her thesis entitled "Unstacking Maps: The Athabasca Chipewyan First Nation and the Politics of Place and Identity." Divya's thesis reveals the complexity of Athabasca Chipewyan (Dené) First Nations communities as they mobilize against the oil sands/bitumen extraction in their territories, Alberta Canada. Divya spent three months in Alberta, Canada working closely with Dené activists as an intern with the Athabasca Chipewyan First Nations (ACFN) leadership as well as with the Industry Relations Corporation (IRC), an organization created to facilitate communication between aboriginal communities, oil industries, and the Canadian government.

Divya's immediate plans after graduation is to attend the Banff International Workshop in Jazz and Creative Music.

Annaliese Ionson '15, an Anthropology major from Welland, Ontario won the prize for her thesis entitled "Competing Discourses: Diabetes and the Narrative of First Nations Identity." Annaliese's thesis explores diabetes and the ways in which current genetic discourses regarding the link between First Nations ethnicity and diabetes have been shaped by history and politics, and in turn shapes First Nations identity and movements for self-determination today

After graduation, Annaliese will attend McMaster University to obtain a Masters of Science in Global History before applying to medical school.



Divya Farias '15



Annaliese Ionson '15

PRINCETON CANADIANS IN THE NEWS

Cody O'Neil '15, from West Kelowna, Canada received the 2015 ReachOut fellowship, a \$30,000 stipend funded by alumni that supports year-long public service projects after graduation. Cody will be working with the National Research Centre for Truth and Reconciliation in Winnipeg, Canada to explore the effectiveness of reconciliation between Canadian Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal communities. Cody was also the recipient of the Martin A. Dale '53 Summer Award during his sophomore year.



Mike MacDonald '15

Zach Currier '17, was named the national player of the week following the men's lacrosse game against Johns Hopkins this past February. Zach also plays for Princeton's Club Hockey team.



Martin Barakso '16, from Nanaimo, B.C., will serve as captain for the 2016 Princeton heavyweights on the men's rowing team. This summer he rowed along with former Princeton teammate Michael Evans '13 and six of the nation's top rowers in the Pan Am Games and earned the Gold. "Winning the gold in front of the Canadian crowd was definitely the most incredible moment of my racing career so far."

Martin Barakso '16



Cody O'Neil '15

Mike MacDonald '15, from Ontario, Canada won the top award from Princeton Varsity Club on May 28. MacDonald set the Lacrosse school record for points in his senior season and received the William Winston Roper Trophy



Zach Currier '17

GIVING THANKS & LOOKING AHEAD

We are happy to report that 2014-2015 was another a successful year for the Fund for Canadian Studies, and for Canadian students at Princeton. None of this would have been possible without the help and encouragement of the student representatives.

Led by co-Prime Ministers Kevin Mills '15 (Calgary, A.B.) and Kelsey Dennison '16 (Vancouver, B.C.) the "Princeton Canadians" brought a number of events to campus in 2013-2014, including the Welcome Back Party, the Canadian Thanksgiving Dinner, and the End of Year BBQ!

After graduating in June 2015 with a degree in Economics and receiving a certificate in Finance, Kevin Mills spent the summer traveling, enjoying Mexico and a few weeks in the Canadian Rockies. He is currently living in Washington D.C. perusing employment in Finance.

Kelsey Dennison is a rising senior in the Politics department from Lions Bay, BC. After spending seven months in Shanghai, China this year studying abroad and completing an internship, Kelsey looks forward to returning to campus and reconnecting with the Princeton Canadian community.

This past spring Kyle Rankin '16 (Ottawa, CA), a newly appointed Co-Prime Minister, helped to plan the successful End of the Year BBQ. Kelsey Dennison has stepped down as Co-Prime Minister to focus on her senior year. We welcome Catherina Pan '18 (Vancouver, CA) as a new Co-Prime Ministers. Together, Catherine and Kyle will serve as Co-Prime Ministers in 2015-2016.

With best wishes from Princeton,

James M. Stone

Director, Canadian Studies Professor of Astrophysical Sciences and Applied and Computational **Mathematics**

Kevin Mills '15

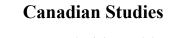








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Kelsey Dennison '16

