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**MEETING OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
OF THE  
FEDERATION FOR THE HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES**

**June 2, 2015**

**Room 112  
Tabaret Hall  
University of Ottawa**



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Dear member of the Federation,

It is my sincere pleasure to welcome you to the Annual General Meeting of our membership.

At the Federation, we promote year-round the research and learning in the humanities and social sciences. We can only do so through strong relationships with you, our members. It is the richness of these relationships that allows us to communicate and influence the policy agenda on the federal front, as well as with the wider Canadian public.

Like any relationship, it is a two-way street. While we are able to offer you a national platform to share your ideas, you give us tremendously valuable insight into the academic and research worlds in which you work in your various disciplines. We greatly appreciate and benefit from this insight, and it fuels our plans for the future.

We are thinking a great deal about the future, as the Board is working to develop the 2016-2020 Strategic Plan. Following consultations with the membership last year, deliberations by the Board this year, we look forward to consulting once again in the fall before finalizing the details of the new plan.

This fall we will also be launching our 75th anniversary celebrations at the Annual Conference, to be held in Ottawa on November 16-17. This will be a celebration of sorts—a retrospective on the long and varied history of the Federation and a discussion of the challenges and opportunities facing our community for the next quarter century! We hope to see you there.

My hope is that you come away from Congress feeling energized and inspired by the discussions and debates that are taking place throughout the week. Congress is a key moment in the intellectual life of Canada. Without your collective efforts, it would not happen. Post Congress, we will be in touch to seek your advice and feedback on improving Congress. Meanwhile, don't forget to tweet about Congress using the **#congressh** hashtag, and keep conversations going year-round using the Federation handle **@ideas\_ideas**.

Sincerely,



Jean-Marc Mangin  
Executive Director



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**Annual Meeting of the General Assembly  
Agenda**

Room 112, Tabaret Hall, University of Ottawa  
5:00pm to 7:00pm

*Registrations are from 4:30pm 5:00pm  
Dinner will be served buffet style at 6:30pm*

1. **Welcome** – *Jean-Marc Mangin, Executive Director*
2. **Introductions and Roll Call**
3. **New Scholarly Voices: 2 Winners of the storytellers National Competition (in collaboration with SSHRC)**
4. **Adoption of the Agenda**
5. **Approval of the March 2014 General Assembly Minutes**
6. **Business Arising from the Minutes**
7. **Presentation of New & Current Board Members and Thanks to Departing Members**
8. **Review of Membership Applications** –*Julia Wright, Director, Associations*  
**Associations:**
  - a. Canadian Association of Professional and Academic Librarians
  - b. Canadian Association for Work and Labour Studies
9. **Presentation of Audited Financial Statements for 2014** – *Ann Miller, Director of Corporate and Congress Services*
  - a. 2014 Audited Financial Statements
  - b. Appointment of Auditors for Fiscal Year 2015
10. **President’s Report: “The State of the Humanities and Social Sciences in Canada: the role of the Federation and its members” and Q&A** – *Stephen Toope, President*
11. **Summary and Adjournment** – *Stephen Toope, President*



**Annual Meeting of the General Assembly  
 Minutes**  
 Ballroom, McGill Faculty Club, McGill University

**1. Welcome**

The president of the Board of Directors, Antonia Maioni, welcomes members and declares the meeting open at 12:33pm.

**2. Introductions & Roll Call**

A microphone is passed around the room and members are invited to introduce themselves. Members present are:

Name	Organization Name (EN)	Name	Organization Name (EN)
Nadia Abu-Zahra	Federation Board of Directors	Tim Loreman	Concordia University College of Alberta
Patrizia Albanese	Canadian Sociological Association	Gayle MacDonald	St. Thomas University
Diego Argáez	Canadian Association of Research Libraries	Eli MacLaren	Bibliographical Society of Canada
Patrick Baker	Classical Association of Canada	Antonia Maioni	Federation Board of Directors
Alexandre Beaupré	Canadian Society for the Study of Higher Education	Christopher Manfredi	McGill University
Don Beecher	Canadian Society for Renaissance Studies	Cathy Martin	Canadian Association of Music Libraries, Archives and Documentation Centres
Mario Boido	Canadian Association of Hispanists	Bruce Muirhead	University of Waterloo
Frédéric Bouchard	Canadian Philosophical Association	Monica Mulrennan	Canadian Association of Geographers
Graham Carr	Federation Board of Directors	Nicola Nixon	Association of Canadian College and University Teachers of English
Shelley Clark	Canadian Population Society	Jean Ntakirutimana	Canadian Association of African Studies
Denyse Côté	Association for Nonprofit and Social Economy Research	Francis Peddle	Dominican University College
Nadine Desrochers	Canadian Association for Information Science	Douglas Peers	Federation Board of Directors
Michel Duquet	Canadian Historical Association	Lisa Philipps	York University
Valérie Dusailant-Fernandes	Association des professeur.e.s de français des universités et collèges canadiens	Katherine Quinsey	University of Windsor

Frank Emanuel	Canadian Theological Society	Christine Rivas	University of Ottawa
Joerg Esleben	Canadian Association of University Teachers of German	Janice Rosen	Association for Canadian Jewish Studies
Patrick Fafard	Canadian Political Science Association	Marie-Andrée Roy	Université du Québec à Montréal
Marco Fiola	Ryerson University	Jeff Sahadeo	Canadian Association of Slavists
Anne-Marie Fortier	Federation Board of Directors	Lyne Sauvageau	Federation Board of Directors
Josée Gauthier	École nationale d'administration publique	Karen Schwartz	Carleton University
Fernand Gervais	Federation Board of Directors	Gillian Siddall	Lakehead University
Victor Glickman	Canadian Society for the Study of Education	Richard Sigurdson	University of Calgary
Karen Grant	Mount Allison University	Michael Sinatra	Canadian Society for Digital Humanities
Arpi Hamalian	Canadian Association for the Study of Adult Education	Gordon Smith	Queen's University
Jacqueline Holler	University of Northern British Columbia	Eldon Soifer	University of Regina
Michele Holmgren	Canadian Association for Irish Studies	Doreen Starke-Meyerring	Canadian Association for the Study of Discourse and Writing
Pierre Jolicoeur	Royal Military College of Canada	Heather Stephens	Thomas More Institute
Ryan Katz-Rosene	Environmental Studies Association of Canada	Claude Thérien	Université du Québec à Trois-Rivières
Krista Kesselring	Dalhousie University	Van Troi Tran	Folklore Studies Association of Canada
Jane Koustas	Brock University	Leif Vaage	Victoria University
Peter Kuling	Canadian Association for Theatre Research	Gurli Woods	Association for the Advancement of Scandinavian Studies in Canada
Isabelle Lehuu	Canadian Association for the Study of Book Culture		

### 3. Adoption of the Agenda

Antonia notes that the agenda sent to members had an item called “Changes in by-laws”. As there are no changes to the by-laws proposed this year, she asks that it be removed from the

agenda. Also, the Director of Equity and Diversity, Lynn Wells, was held back in Regina at the last minute because of a family emergency, therefore, the item 12.a. will not be addressed.

<b>Motion #1</b>			
<b>Moved by</b>	Michael Sinatra	<b>Seconded by</b>	Karen Grant
That the agenda be approved as amended.			
			Carried

**4. Approval of the March 2013 General Assembly Minutes**

Antonia notes that members have received a copy of the minutes via email ahead of the meeting and gives a moment for members to review them.

<b>Motion #2</b>			
<b>Moved by</b>	Graham Carr	<b>Seconded by</b>	Doug Peers
That the minutes be approved as presented.			
			Carried

**5. Business Arising from the Minutes**

No questions or comments are brought up regarding the minutes of the March 2013 AGM.

**6. Submission of Audited Financial Statements for 2013-2014**

The Federation treasurer, Lyne Sauvageau, presents her report. She happily notes that, for the second year in a row, the Federation is able to present a modest surplus.

She notes three major events that have marked the past fiscal year:

- In consultation and with the approval of the Board of Directors, the Federation changed its fiscal year from an October 1 to September 30 period to a January 1 to December 31 period. This change was done to allow the Federation to respond to and/or communicate the impact of major financial activities and to take advantage of opportunities as they arise. As a result, the financial statements presented to you are for a 15 month period starting October 1, 2012 and ending December 31, 2013.
- To further simplify presentation and internal accounting processes and under the advice of the Federations Auditors, the Federation no longer prescribes to the Fund Accounting methodology to record and present financial information. Funds are now identified as Unrestricted or Internally Restricted.



- Finally the Federation complied with the mandatory changes to the Accounting Framework as prescribed by the CICA governing body.

She closes by thanking the Federation’s Secretariat for the hard work in this particularly challenging financial year due to the many changes.

Motion #3			
<b>Moved by</b>	Lyne Sauvageau	<b>Seconded by</b>	Patrick Fafard
That the General Assembly receives the auditors’ report and financial statements for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2013 as approved by the Board of Directors.			
Carried			

**7. Appointment of Auditors for Fiscal Year 2014**

Antonia notes that the Federation has been dealing with Deloitte, LLP in the past and has been very satisfied with their services. She recommends that the General Assembly carries this engagement.

Motion #4			
<b>Moved by</b>	Lyne Sauvageau	<b>Seconded by</b>	Doug Peers
That the General Assembly approve the appointment of the Deloitte LLP as auditors for the fiscal year 2014			
Carried			

**8. Report of the Nominating Committee**

Graham Carr, the Federation’s Past-President and Chair of the Nominating Committee, reports that the nomination committee has recruited Stephen J. Toope, President and Vice-Chancellor of the University of British Columbia and Cindy Blackstock of the University of Alberta to run respectively for President and Director, Equity and Diversity of the Board of the Directors. He also notes that two incumbent Board members, Doug Peers and Fernand Gervais, had decided to seek reelection for their positions as their terms were coming to an end. Following online elections that closed on March 4, 2014, all four candidates supported by the nominating committee were declared elected.

He invites members to consult the Returning Officer’s Report for more detailed information on the elections.

Graham thanks the other members of the nominating committee, Gayle MacDonald and Nadia Abu-Zahra for their time.

Antonia welcomes the new members to the Board and notes that unfortunately, neither Cindy nor Stephen could join the General Assembly today as they had previous long standing engagements. Both have however sent their warm wishes to the Assembly and have expressed their excitement to work with the Federation in the coming years. Stephen has sent a video message in which he expresses his gratitude to members for the confidence they have put in him and how he wishes to use his mandate as President to help reinforce the Federation’s international presence and network.

<b>Motion #5</b>			
<b>Moved by</b>	Graham Carr	<b>Seconded by</b>	Nadia Abu-Zahra
That the General Assembly welcomes the new members of the Board of Directors and that the ballots for the position of Director, Teaching and Learning and Director, Equity and Diversity be destroyed.			
Carried			

Antonia takes a moment to thank outgoing Board members, Graham Carr and Lynn Wells. She notes that Graham has been a long standing member of the board and has been a great ally since she’s taken on her role as President. She thanks him for his engagement and his leadership in leading the Federation in some very important changes in the past years. She also notes Lynn’s contribution to the Board, particularly on issues of aboriginal education.

**9. Membership**

Nadia Abu-Zahra, Director, Associations, notes that three associations that have requested to join the Federation in the past year: the Canadian Association of African Studies, the Canadian Cartographic Association, and Sexuality Studies Association. She confirms that all three have submitted the necessary documents requested as part of the membership process and that their membership applications have been deemed admissible.

<b>Motion #6</b>			
<b>Moved by</b>	Nadia Abu-Zahra	<b>Seconded by</b>	Lisa Philipps
Whereas the following associations have submitted their application for membership in good standing and these have been deemed complete and admissible;			
It is proposed that the General Assembly approve the following associations’ membership applications:			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Canadian Association of African Studies</li> </ul>			





- Canadian Cartographic Association
- Sexualities Studies Association

Carried

Gayle MacDonald, Director, Institutions, gives an update on institutional membership. She also invites members to highlight institutions that could be potential members and invites members to reflect on how smaller institutions, who can't host Congress can still host Federation activities on their campuses.

#### **10. Update on Strategic Framework**

Jean-Marc Mangin, Executive Director, updates members on the 2011-2016 Strategic Framework and notes that the Board of Directors will start working on renewing this Framework for the next period starting tomorrow.

Frederic Bouchard of the Canadian Philosophical Association asks what place the declining confidence in the Federation's advocacy by some members will have in the new Framework. Jean-Marc notes that the Federation has done some great work in terms of advocacy, particularly in the Federal Budget 2015. The new framework will need to define its goals in terms of advocacy by building on the achievements of the current plan. Jean-Marc reminded members about the advocacy principles adopted by the Board and available on the Federation's website, which focuses on areas of commonality amongst all of its diverse membership. He also mentions that, as a Federation, members retain their individual autonomy and voice.

Victor Glickman, of the Canadian Society for the Study of Education, notes that the Federation needs to develop better accountability tools to address members' frustrations regarding Congress and this should be reflected upon in the new Framework.

#### **11. Policy Outreach by the Federation: Issues and Challenges**

Antonia invites members of the Board of Directors to update the General Assembly on their respective policy portfolios.

Lisa Philips, Director, Research Policy notes three important projects on which she has been working in the past year: the Research Impact measurement project, the changes in Mitacs internship eligibility criteria, and hosting the Canada Prizes ceremony at York University on May 7.

Fernand Gervais, Director, Teaching and Learning notes again three important files on which he has been working during his past term: he is organizing the Congress for The International Society for the Scholarship of Teaching & Learning (ISSOTL) at Université Laval in October 2014, in which the Federation will be a partner, he is currently studying the possibility of putting together strategic information bulletin on teaching and learning to be shared with members and finally, he notes that he wished to continue connecting members with each other to facilitate joint initiatives.



Doug Peers, Director, Development notes that the Federation is progressing in a context of a change of culture in philanthropy and has to develop better methods to reach potential donors and philanthropists.

#### **12. Report on Awards to Scholarly Publications Program**

Anne-Marie Fortier, Chair of the ASPP's Academic Council, notes three major changes to the program in the past year that are meant to help boost its profile. Firstly, the Academic Council has reviewed the program's assessment system as of 1 April, 2013. One more significant development this year was the beginning of an outreach strategy with Francophone publishers. Finally, the Open Access policy for the ASPP has been launched. An international policy scan has been completed and a draft policy is being prepared for consultation.

#### **13. Congress Update (2014 to 2018)**

Due to lack of time, Jean-Marc Mangin, Executive Director, is unable to give a full update on upcoming Congresses. However, he extends the invitation to all members to attend the Congress at Brock in May 2014.

#### **14. Summary and Adjournment**

The President, Antonia Maioni, declares the meeting adjourned at 1:36pm.

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## **Elections 2015 – Presentation of New and Current Board members and Thanks to Departing Members**

Online elections were held between Monday February 2, 2015 and Thursday, February 12, 2015.

This election marks a change in the Federation presidency. After completing her two-year term as President, **Antonia Maioni** will hold the position of Past-President until March 2016 and **Stephen Toope** ends his term as President-Elect and will be President of the Board until March 2017.

Six positions on the Board of Directors of the Federation for the Humanities and Social Sciences were up for elections in the past two weeks. The winners are as follows:

- Director, Research Policy : **Lisa Philipps**
- Director, Research Dissemination: **Michael E. Sinatra**
- Director, Associations (2 positions): **Dominique Marshall** and **Julia Wright**
- Director, Institutions (2 positions) : **Michael Owen** and **Lisa Young**

In addition, the Board has appointed **Carmen Charette** as its new Treasurer and re-appointed **Anne-Marie Fortier** for a second term as the Chair of the ASPP Academic Council.

Biographies of all current Board members may be found in the following document.

The Federation wishes to thank outgoing Board members **Lyne Sauvageau**, **Ray Siemens**, **Gayle MacDonald** and **Nadia Abu-Zahra** for their hard work and dedication in past years.

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

The Board of Directors has ratified the elections results on 28 March, 2015. The Board therefore recommends that the General Assembly welcome the new members and that the ballots for all positions be destroyed.

### **MOTION:**

**That the General Assembly welcomes the new members of the Board of Directors and thanks outgoing members while asking that elections ballots be destroyed.**

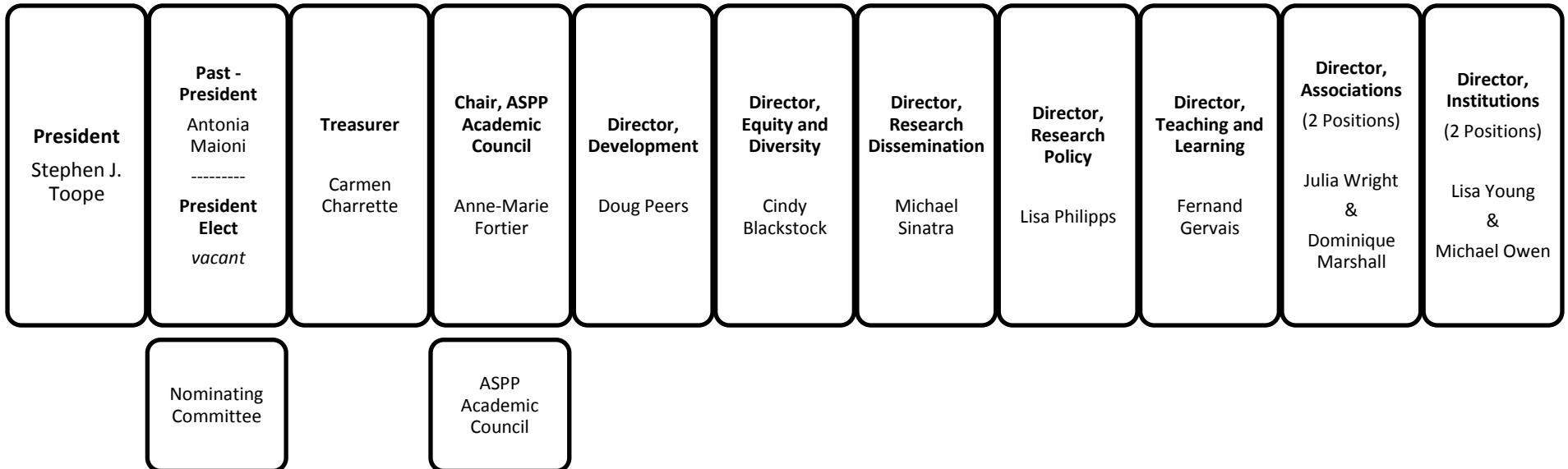
## Federation Governance Organizational Chart

### Members

77 Institutions, 78 Associations, 6 Affiliates

### General Assembly

### Board of Directors





## Stephen J. Toope, PhD

Director, Munk School of Global Affairs, University of Toronto

### President

Stephen J. Toope is currently the Director of the Munk School of Global Affairs at the University of Toronto since January 2015. He was President and Vice-Chancellor, the University of British Columbia, from 2006-14. A former President of the Pierre Elliott Trudeau Foundation, and Dean of Law, McGill University, Professor Toope also served as Law Clerk to the Rt. Hon. Brian Dickson, of the Supreme Court of Canada. He served as President of the Canadian Council on International Law and member of the Executive Council of the American Society of International Law. Toope publishes in leading international journals on international dispute resolution, international environmental law, human rights, the use of force, and international legal theory. Toope also served as Chair of the United Nations Working Group on Enforced and Involuntary Disappearances.



His most recent book with Jutta Brunnée, Legitimacy and Legality in International Law: An Interactional Account. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press (2010) was winner of the American Society of International Law's 2011 Certificate of Merit for Creative Scholarship.





## Antonia Maioni, PhD

Professor, Department of Political Science/Institute for Health and Social Policy, McGill University

### President

Antonia Maioni is Professor of Political Science at McGill University in the Department of Political Science and the Institute of Health and Social Policy. From 2001 to 2011, she served as the Director of Interdisciplinary McGill Institute for the Study of Canada, while holding the position of William Dawson Scholar at McGill University.



Trained as a political scientist, Professor Maioni studied at St. Mary's University, earned a B.A. in Political Science and French at Université Laval, an M.A. from Carleton University's Norman Paterson School of International Affairs, and a Ph.D. in Political Science from Northwestern University.

She has held visiting appointments at Harvard's Center for European Studies, the North American Studies Program at Duke University, and the European University Institute in Fiesole, Italy, as well as teaching at the Mailman School of Public Health at Columbia University. At McGill University, she teaches in the Department of Political Science and in the Fundamentals of Medicine and Dentistry, and is a member of the International Masters in Health Leadership team in the Desautels Faculty of Management.

Professor Maioni has published widely in the fields of Canadian and comparative politics, with a particular focus on public policy, social policy and health care reform. A recipient of many research grants, her most recent research projects were funded by the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, the Canadian Institutes for Health Research, and the Max Bell Foundation. Her latest book, *Health Care in Canada*, was published by Oxford University Press (Canada) in 2014. In addition, she contributes to the research community as a peer reviewer for CHIR and as a member of CIFAR's Research Council.

In addition to teaching and scholarship, she is active in the wider academic and public community, having organized numerous workshops, roundtables and conferences on issues of public policy at McGill University, as well as participating regularly in academic and policy settings in Canada, the US and abroad. She is also a frequent media commentator on Canadian and Quebec politics and public policy, in both English and French, is a regular political analyst for the CTV News and a contributor to the Globe and Mail.

Antonia Maioni has served on the boards of the Institute for Research on Public Policy, the Banff Forum, the Canadian Health Services Research Foundation, the McCord Museum of Canadian History, the Priory School of Montreal, as well as serving as a mentor for the Action Canada leadership program and the Loran Scholars/Canadian Merit Scholarships. She is currently on the Board of the Jeanne Sauvé Scholars Program and the Sacred Heart School of Montreal.



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## Carmen Charette

Vice-president, External Relations, University of Victoria

### Treasurer

Carmen Charette was appointed vice-president external relations at the University of Victoria in August 2012. The external relations portfolio includes alumni relations, fundraising, government relations, communications and marketing, community relations, corporate relations, ceremonies and events, the Farquhar Auditorium and the Legacy Art Galleries.



Carmen was previously executive vice-president of the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC). Prior to joining SSHRC in 2007, Carmen was director-general with the Science and Innovation Sector of Industry Canada, senior vice-president with the Canada Foundation for Innovation and director with the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council.

In June 2014, Carmen was awarded the national [Walter Hitschfeld Award](#) from the Canadian Association of University Research Administrators. The award is presented to “an individual who has demonstrated an exceptional impact on the enhancement of the research environment in Canada”. Carmen holds degrees in Biochemistry and in Business Administration from the University of Ottawa.



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## Anne-Marie Fortier, PhD

Professor, Département des  
littératures, Université Laval

Chair, ASPP Academic Council

Since 1997 Anne-Marie Fortier is Professor of 19th- and 20th-Century French and Québécois Poetry in the Department of Literature, Université Laval (Québec)



Having graduated from McGill University (Ph. D. ) in French literature, she has worked on Rimbaud and René (René Char et la métaphore Rimbaud, Presses de l'Université de Montréal, 1999).

She is the Director of the *Études Littéraires* Journal and currently works on two Research Projects: the *Éloi de Grandmont* collection, which is currently in the process of being transferred to the Library and National Archives of Québec (BAnQ) and the *André Roche* collection (private) which led to a conference at London on April 2013.

Dr. Fortier has published book chapters and articles in the field of French and Quebecoise Literature in particular on magazines such as *Liberté*, *L'Atelier du roman* (Paris), *Littératures McGill*, *Romanic Review* (New York), *Les Lettres romanes* (Louvain, Belgium).

In addition to teaching and research, she has served as jury member for the *André Laurendeau 2014* award (ACFAS). Furthermore, because of her interest in proving the worthiness of humanities and their contributions to society, she has been appointed Chair of the Academic Council of the Awards to Scholarly Publications Program (ASPP).







## Cindy Blackstock, PhD

Executive Director, First Nations Child and Family Caring Society of Canada and Associate Professor, University of Alberta

### Director, Equity and Diversity

A member of the Gitksan First Nation, Cindy has 25 years of social work experience in child protection and indigenous children's rights. As Director of the First Nations Children's Action Research and Education Service (FNCARES) at the University of Alberta, her research interests are indigenous theory and the identification and remediation of structural inequalities affecting First Nations children, youth and families.



Her promotion of culturally-based and evidence informed solutions, has been recognized by the Nobel Women's Initiative, the Aboriginal Achievement Foundation, Frontline Defenders and many others.

An author of over 50 publications and a widely sought after public speaker, Cindy has collaborated with other Indigenous leaders to assist the United Nations Committee on the Rights of the Child in the development and adoption of a General Comment on the Rights of Indigenous children. She also recently worked with Indigenous young people, UNICEF and the United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues to produce a youth friendly version of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of the Child.

Cindy is currently completing a Master of Jurisprudence in Children's Law and Policy at the Loyola University Chicago.





## Dominique Marshall, PhD

Professor and Chair, Department of History, Carleton University

### Director, Associations

Dominique Marshall is the History Department Chair at Carleton University. She teaches Canadian and Quebec history of poverty and welfare, families and childhood, state formation, as well as the transnational history of humanitarian aid, and Political Economy. She has written about the history of the Canadian welfare state, the history of children's rights, and the Child Welfare Committee of the League of Nations. Her current research is about the Conference on the African Child of 1931, and the early history of OXFAM in Canada.



She has been Supervisor of Graduate Studies of her department for four years, and the French Editor of the Journal of the Canadian Historical Association for 20 years. She was trained mainly at the Université de Montréal, with stays at Boston University, the London School of Economics, and SOAS. Her book, *Aux origines sociales de l'État providence* (1998) (available in English as *The Social Origins of the Welfare State* (2006)) received the Jean-Charles Falardeau Price from the HSSFC.



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## Doug Peers

Dean, Faculty of Arts, University of Waterloo

Director, Development

Douglas Peers joined the University of Waterloo on 1 July 2011 as Dean of Arts and Professor of History. He was previously Dean of Faculty of Graduate Studies and Associate Vice-President Graduate at York University from 2007 to 2011. In 2009 he was elected president of the Canadian Association for Graduate Studies. Prior to coming to Ontario, he spent twenty years at the University of Calgary where he was Professor of History and Associate Dean and Interim Dean of the Faculty of Social Sciences. In 2004, he was Interim Vice-President (Programs) of the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada. He has sat on a number of boards including the management board of Aid to Scholarly Publications Program of the Canadian Federation for the Humanities and Social Sciences from 2005 to 2012 and the Board of Directors of the Shastri Indo-Canadian Institute from 1996 to 2005. In 1993 he was elected a Fellow of the Royal Historical Society.



The author of two books and co-editor of three collections, Doug has published more than twenty articles and chapters on the intellectual, political, medical and cultural dimensions of 19th century India, with a particular interest in the impact that the military had upon the character of colonial rule. He is currently co-editing India and the British Empire, a companion volume in the Oxford History of the British Empire Series.





## Fernand Gervais, PhD

Dean, Faculty of Education, Université Laval

Director, Teaching and Learning

Fernand Gervais is currently the Dean of the Faculty of Education at Université Laval and also a Professor in Educational Psychology at the Faculty of Education since 1994. He teaches courses in learning and cognition and his main research interests are in social cognition, situated learning and networked communities of practice. His numerous involvements related to teaching and learning include Vice-President and President of the Canadian Society for the Study of Education between 2008 and 2013 and scientific expert for the *Agence universitaire de la Francophonie* (AUF) between 2002 and 2006.



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## Julia Wright, PhD

Professor, Department of English, Dalhousie University

Director, Associations



I completed my Ph.D. in English Literature at the University of Western Ontario in 1994, and I am now a Full Professor in the Department of English (cross-appointed to European Studies) and Associate Dean Research in the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences at Dalhousie University. Previously, I was a tier-2 Canada Research Chair in English and Cultural Studies (Wilfrid Laurier University, 2002-2005) and a tier-2 Canada Research Chair in European Studies (Dalhousie, 2005-2012). Before 2002, I was an Associate Professor at the University of Waterloo. I have a reading knowledge of English and French (some Italian, a little Irish), though I miss the opportunity to speak French as often as I did when I lived in Montreal.

I have been Dalhousie's SSHRC Leader since 2013, attending meetings of that group as well as acting in that capacity at Dalhousie, for instance in organizing *Connecting Cultures*, a SSHRC-funded knowledge-mobilization event that included researchers from six different Faculties related to the *Imagining Canada's Future* initiative. I have been a Senator at two universities, and served on the Senate Executive at Wilfrid Laurier. I am something of a "policy nerd," as the phrase goes. I chaired the committee to revise Dalhousie's Scholarly Misconduct Policy to align with Tri-Council requirements, and have worked on policies at a range of other levels, including curricula for new undergraduate programs. I have served on a number of SSHRC committees, as well as on international bodies. For instance, I was on the organizing committee for a joint Canada-UK conference held near London, England (1998) and recently completed a five-year term on a Modern Language Association (MLA) Discussion Group Executive Committee (I was Chair from 2013-14). I also sit on various editorial boards in Canada, the US, and the UK, and have served on the Executives of the North American Society for the Study of Romanticism and the Canadian Association for Irish Studies (CAIS). I have also been a member of a number of conference committees dating back to the early 1990s, and have organized a series of exchanges between Dalhousie and the Sorbonne (Paris 3).

My research primarily involves ideas of nationalism and other theories of political sovereignty in eighteenth- and nineteenth-century British and Irish literature, and I am currently working on



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the Irish poet Thomas Moore and Romantic-era Irish literary theory in this context. I have authored, edited, or co-edited fourteen volumes, including three monographs (my fourth is in press): *Blake, Nationalism, and the Politics of Alienation* (Ohio UP, 2004); *Ireland, India and Nationalism in Nineteenth-Century Literature* (Cambridge UP, 2007); *Representing the National Landscape in Irish Romanticism* (Syracuse UP, 2014). Among the books I have edited is the two-volume *Companion to Irish Literature* (2012), with 58 contributors from half-a-dozen countries. I also have an ongoing research interest in governance and university culture (arising from my work on the debate over Irish sovereignty during British rule), with published essays on that subject throughout my career. I have presented plenaries in Ireland, England, Canada, and the US.

I have organized panels and/or presented papers at fourteen Congresses since 1995, attending mostly ACCUTE but also other organizations such as CAIS (when it was affiliated), CSRS, and so on. I am currently on the committee organizing the inaugural Digital Humanities Summer Institute at Dalhousie, working with the Federation association the Canadian Society for Digital Humanities as well as colleagues from the DHSI at the University of Victoria. I was also my department's "campus representative" for ACCUTE for a number of years until the office moved to Dalhousie in 2014.





## Lisa Philipps, LL.M.

Professor, Osgoode Hall Law School, York University

Director, Research Policy

Lisa Philipps is a Professor at York University's Osgoode Hall Law School where she has been a member of the full-time faculty since 1996. Lisa teaches and writes on taxation law and fiscal policy. She has served in leadership positions at the Law School and University level, most recently as Associate Vice-President Research from 2011-2014. She currently serves as Director of Research Policy on the Board of the Federation for Humanities and Social Sciences (since 2013).



Philipps received her LL.B. from the University of Toronto ('86) and her LL.M. from York University ('92). She articulated and then practiced tax law with the firm of Blake, Cassels & Graydon LLP before commencing her academic career as a full-time member of the Faculty of Law at the University of Victoria in 1991. Lisa was honoured to receive a Master Teacher Award at the University of Victoria in 1993 and a Teaching Excellence Award at Osgoode in 2005. She was featured in the Ontario Council of University Faculty Associations' video campaign, "We Teach Ontario", for her integration of research into teaching: <http://weteachontario.ca/professors/lisa-philipps/>

Lisa is a leading socio-legal scholar in the fields of tax law, fiscal policy, and feminist legal studies (full CV and SSRN papers can be accessed here: <http://www.osgoode.yorku.ca/faculty/full-time/lisa-philipps>). Her research has been funded by SSHRC, the Canadian Tax Foundation, the Law Commission of Canada and others. She has published widely on topics such as income splitting, tax expenditures, R&D tax credits, balanced budget and fiscal transparency laws, gender budgeting, the distributional impact of tax cuts, taxation of family businesses, the tax treatment of disability, charitable donation tax incentives, and tax implications of unpaid work.

Philipps is a regular media commentator on tax policy issues and has spoken and provided her expertise to parliamentary committees (Finance, Status of Women), NGOs, public agencies, and law firms. A short clip of her speaking to a public audience on tax policy can be found here:





<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nG4uCaYPQv0>. In 2015 she was appointed as Special Counsel providing advice within Ontario's Ministry of Finance.

Lisa has participated on the governing boards of several organizations including the National Association of Women and the Law (early-mid 1990s); the Canadian Journal of Women and the Law (2001-2014); IP Osgoode (2010-2014); and Learning for a Sustainable Future (2011-2014). She served as SSHRC Leader for York University (2012-14). She is a member of the Canadian Tax Foundation and the Canadian Law and Society Association. Her written and spoken languages are English, with French a continued work in progress.





## Lisa Young, PhD

**Professor of Political Science & Vice Provost and Dean, Graduate Studies, University of Calgary**

### **Director, Institutions**

Lisa Young is Vice Provost and Dean of Graduate studies of the University of Calgary while having previously served as Associate Dean of Graduate Studies and Graduate Program Director for the department of Political Sciences.



Dr. Young has served as a board member for the Canada Association of Graduate Studies from 2012 to 2014. While being involved with the Canadian Political Association, Dr. Young has served as a jury member for the Jill Vickers Prize in 2009-2010 and has been a member of the Program Committee in 2004-2005 and chaired the committee in 2006-2007. She has also served as a board member for the Canadian Study of Parliament Group and has served as a Committee member for the SSHRC Standard Research Grants Competition in 2000 and in 2005. Dr. Young is fluent in English and reads and comprehends French.





## Michael Owen, PhD

Vice-president, Research, Innovation & International,  
University of Ontario Institute of Technology

### Director, Institutions

Dr. Michael Owen is currently the Vice-President Research, Innovation & International at the University of Ontario Technology Institute. He has previously served as UOIT's Associate Provost Research and OCAD's Associate Provost Research and VP Research & Graduate Studies. Dr. Owen has also served as Associate VP Research & International at Brock University and as Director, Research Services at Brock University, Ryerson University and the University of Saskatchewan.



Dr. Owen currently serves as the Director, Associations to the Federation for the Humanities and Social Sciences where he previously served as VP Research Dissemination and Chair, Standing Committee on Ethics and Integrity. He has served as a Board member and President of the Society of Research Administrators International and has chaired the Scholarly Symposium and the Senior Leadership Institute. He is currently a member of the International Network of Research Management Societies and a previous president of the Canadian Society of Church History. He has served as a board member for the Canadian Society for Studies in Education and the Canadian Corporation for Studies in Religion. Dr. Owen has been a board member and member of the Annual Conference Planning Committee of the Canadian Association of University Research Administrators and a board member and executive member to the National Council on Ethics in Human Research. He is currently a Board member of SHARCNet, the Southern Ontario Water Consortium, the Southern Ontario Smart Computing Innovation Platform, Ontario Council on University Research, the Durham Strategic Energy Alliance, IDEAHUB and the Clinical Trials Stakeholders Association (Ontario)/Clinical Trials Ontario. Dr. Owen is fluent in English.



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## Michael Sinatra, PhD

Associate Professor of English,  
Université de Montréal

### Director, Research Dissemination



After earning a D.Phil. at Oxford and a period as Research Associate at the Northrop Frye Centre, University of Toronto, Sinatra joined the Université de Montréal in June 2001. His work on new forms of research dissemination began while a graduate student when he founded in February 1996 the first open access electronic journal devoted to British Romantic literature (*Romanticism and Victorianism on the Net*), which expanded into the Victorian period in 2007 and is funded by SSHRC. His interest in the impact of technologies on knowledge transfer in the social sciences and humanities led to his leading the CFI-funded project *Synergies: The Canadian Information Network for Research in the Social Sciences and Humanities*, between 2007 and 2012, which involved 22 universities and over 40 researchers from coast to coast.

Sinatra was one of the researchers involved in three SSHRC-funded Knowledge Synthesis on the Digital Economy consultation: “Lasting Change: Sustaining Digital Scholarship and Culture in Canada” (Brown, *et al.*), “Digital Technology Innovation in Scholarly Communication and University Engagement” (Lorimer, *et al.*), and “Le livre universitaire numérique: Pour un foyer d’expertise et une infrastructure de stature mondiale” (Boismenu, *et al.*). His latest contribution to exploring new directions in scholarly publishing with an OA orientation is the collection “Parcours numériques” (Presses de l’U de Montréal).

Sinatra currently serves as the Chair of the Research Dissemination Advisory Committee of the Federation. In that capacity, he contributed to the Federation’s position statements on cyberinfrastructure and open access, as well as organizing panels at Congress and the annual AGM. Before being elected vice-president (French) of CSDH/SCHN, and then President (French) for two terms, Sinatra was the treasurer of the Canadian Comparative Literature Association, and then the secretary-treasurer of the Canadian Association of Learned Journals. He also served on the board of the Federation as representative of small associations in 2010-2 (during which time he was involved in the sub-committee on site selection for Congress 2015).

Sinatra was chair of the Partners Committee of the SSHRC-funded MRCI project *Implementing New Knowledge Environments*. He served as a member of the executive committee of the Alliance of Digital Humanities Organisations (ADHO), and CenterNet: An International Network of Digital Humanities Centers, and he was also an elected member of the Modern Language Association (MLA) Committee on





Information Technology. He was a founding member of the executive committee of the North American Victorian Studies Association (NAVSA), and was elected to the advisory board of the North American Society for the Study of Romanticism (NASSR). Sinatra also served as Chair of two SSHRC granting programs: “Image, Text, Sound, and Technology”, and “Research Development Initiatives”. In addition to the national and international roles listed above, Sinatra is a former University of British Columbia Summer Scholar in Residence. Sinatra is also fluent in both English and French.



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The Federation received two applications for membership. The By-Laws require that the Board of Directors receive the applications and make a recommendation to the General Assembly based on the membership criteria listed in the Rules and Regulations. The following association has submitted the required documents and demonstrated their eligibility for membership in the Federation.

**Canadian Association of Professional Academic Librarians / Association canadienne des bibliothécaires académiques professionnels**

<b>Acting President:</b>	Marie Kandiuk, York University Libraries
<b>Representative-Designate to the Federation’s General Assembly:</b>	To be determined during their AGM held during Congress 2015

Objectives or purpose: CAPAL is a national membership association representing the interests of professional academic librarians in relation to the area of education, standards, professional practice, ethics, and core principles. CAPAL differs from other library associations in that it is an advocacy group focused on the individual and the profession. Like other academic associations, we aim to work collaboratively with local, provincial and national organizations working on behalf of librarians and libraries.

Date of establishment: 2012

Membership:

Regular Members:	146
Student Members:	86
Total Members:	232

**Canadian Association for Work and Labour Studies / Association canadienne des études du travail et du syndicalisme**

<b>President:</b>	Stephanie Ross, York University
<b>Representative-Designate to the Federation’s General Assembly:</b>	Stephanie Ross, York University

Objectives or purpose: The Canadian Association for Work & Labour Studies (CAWLS) is an academic association for scholars interested in work, workers, and labour.

Their mandate includes:

- Fostering high quality, interdisciplinary labour studies research and teaching
- Building labour studies networks and community for researchers and students
- Recognizing and celebrating the best labour studies scholarship
- Promoting labour studies in universities, colleges, communities, and the media

Date of establishment: 2013

<u>Membership:</u>	Regular Members:	60
	<u>Student Members:</u>	72
	Total Members:	132

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

The Board of directors recommends the General Assembly accepts the applications of the above associations.

### **MOTION:**

**WHEREAS the above-mentioned associations have submitted their application for membership in good standing and these have been deemed complete and admissible.**

**IT IS PROPOSED that the General Assembly approve the following associations' membership applications:**

- Canadian Association of Professional Academic Librarians / Association canadienne des bibliothécaires académiques professionnels
- Canadian Association for Work and Labour Studies / Association canadienne des études du travail et du syndicalisme

## **Treasurer's Report**

### Review of 2014 results

The Federation ended the fiscal year with a surplus before unrealized gains and losses of \$347,286. This surplus allows the Federation to replenish its Operating Fund to the level experienced in 2008 just prior to several years of significant losses. A significant effort by the secretariat has been undertaken in the last three years to return the Federation to a strong and sustainable financial health.

The change in revenue between 2013 and 2014 is mainly the result of the difference in number of months in each operating periods (see note 1 below). Investment income gains, which are budgeted at zero as a conservative risk management practice, were significant as a result of a steady market and exchange gains on the Canadian dollar. Better than expected attendance at Congress at Brock University and increased sponsorships and partnerships further contributed to the 2014 financial success.

Expenses increased in the areas of staffing and meetings as the Federation added resources and partnerships for achieving the objectives outlined in the 2011-15 strategic framework. Notably, the Federation launched the first stages of the Open Access and Impact Projects: nonetheless 2014 expenditures were less than anticipated. Reduced capital spending and the non use of the annual contingency budget (3% of operations) round out the gains in the year.

It should be noted that many of these gains are one-time events. The outcome of a congress, the fluctuation of the marketplace for our investments and the timing of projects vary from year to year. As such, the Federation therefore budgets on both an annual and a 5 year cycle to properly and effectively reflect the continuity of operations and to adhere to a relatively low risk management profile.

The Board of Directors met with representatives of the audit firm Deloitte LLP on April 22, 2015. At that meeting the Financial Statements were reviewed with the auditors as well as a discussion regarding the audit procedures and results. The auditors also conducted an in camera session with the Board and have issued Financial Statements with an unqualified opinion.

### Technical notes to the Financial Statement Review:

The 2014 Financial statements are impacted by 2 accounting changes that were implemented in 2013.

1. In 2013 the Federation changed its fiscal year end to December 31st. This resulted in the 2013 statements representing 15 months of operations. The 2014 Statements represent 12 months of operations. It is therefore difficult to compare the two years of results as they represent different operating timeframes.
2. In 2013 the Federation adopted mandatory changes to the Accounting Framework as prescribed by the CICA governing body. The Framework now requires that any Unrealized Gain/Losses are recognized on the Income statement as either a revenue or expense. It must be carefully noted that this figure only represents the growth or loss in an investment portfolio and not actual cash

flow or loss. Investments would have to be sold to be able to access this 'gain'. This figure can fluctuate over the course of a year and it would be inappropriate to budget for this or operate as though this amount was available to offset operational activities. As a result the line called, "*Excess of revenue over expenses before unrealized gains and losses*" is the line management focuses on in terms of results for the Federation.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

**THAT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY RECEIVE THE AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 2014 AS APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.**



## 9.b. Appointment of Auditors for the fiscal year 2015

### RECOMMENDATION:

**THAT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF DELOITTE LLP AS AUDITORS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2015**

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# About the Federation

The Federation for the Humanities and Social Sciences promotes research, learning and an understanding of the contributions made by the humanities and the social sciences towards a free and democratic society. Established in 1940, with a membership now comprising 160+ universities, colleges and scholarly associations, the Federation represents a diverse community of 85,000 researchers and graduate students across Canada.

## Federation Landmark Events

### We organize

Canada's largest academic gathering, the Congress of the Humanities and Social Sciences, which brings together more than 8,000 participants each year.

**We are active** in policy outreach, where we help ensure that the humanities and social sciences have a voice in discussions about the future and the contributions of Canadian research and teaching.

**We administer** the Awards to Scholarly Publications Program, Canada's only funding program exclusively for scholarly books.

**We host** a *Big Thinking* lecture series on Parliament Hill and on the road, **bringing in leading researchers to offer fresh ideas** to Canada's parliamentarians and policy-makers and forming a critical link between publicly funded research and policy development.

## From the President's Desk

*Interconnected. Interdependent. Interdisciplinary.* These are concepts that permeate and increasingly define academics, research and the workplace. Canada's post-secondary institutions are challenged at all levels to prepare graduates for a rapidly evolving marketplace and society. We support universities, students and faculty as they confront these challenges in diverse ways.

Ideas can... **reach**. By sharing ideas, we engage and influence new audiences. We have considerably improved our coverage of social science and humanities perspectives in the media, diversified and increased our blog content, and dramatically expanded our social media presence.

Ideas can... **be relevant**. Celebrating our 20th year of ensuring important research reaches legislators, we delivered another terrific season of *Big Thinking* on Parliament Hill as well as on the road, featuring lecturers who bring topical research to Ottawa's policy community.

Ideas can... **build relationships**. As a not-for-profit, partnerships are central to our ability to host events and actively contribute to the evolution of Canadian policy debates. We have benefited from support from key partners such as the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, the Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada, the Canadian Foundation for Innovation, the Royal Society, and many others to deliver timely programs and research in support of innovation and democratic discussion throughout the year.

Forging ahead in 2015, we look forward to the launch of our new five-year strategic plan to consolidate and grow our efforts to advance the contributions of our diverse humanities and social science community to finding people-centred solutions in an increasingly interconnected world.

**Antonia Maioni,**  
President, Federation for the Humanities and Social Sciences



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# Mission

The Federation for the Humanities and Social Sciences promotes research, scholarship, creative activity and learning, and works to foster understanding of the contributions made by the humanities and the social sciences to Canada and the world.

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## The Board

The Federation has an active and engaged Board of Directors that meets twice a year to align and advance its agenda. In 2015, the Board will finalize the 2016–2020 Strategic Plan.



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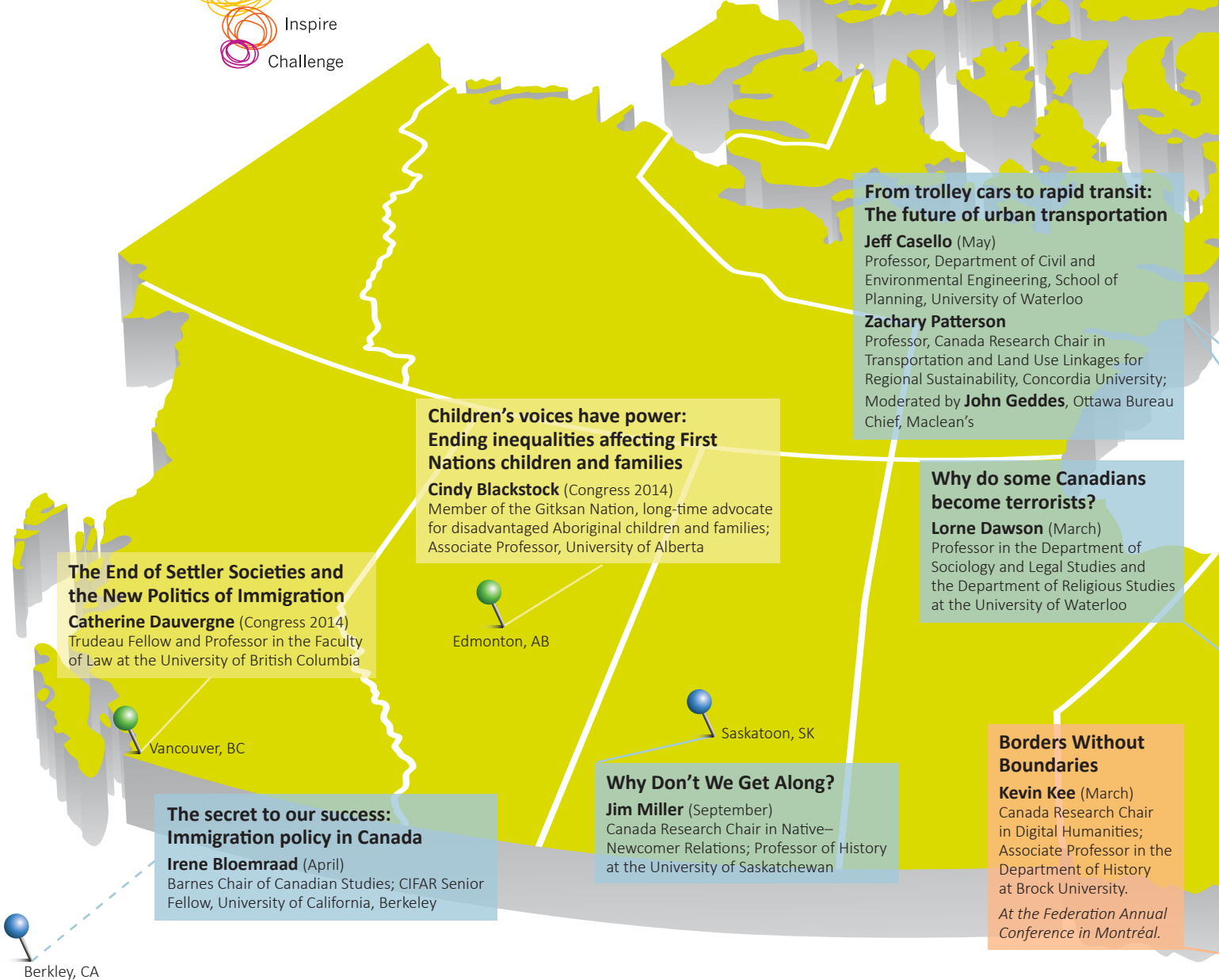


Director, Associations  
**Dominique Marshall**  
*Carleton University*



2014 featured an array of *Big Thinking* speakers from across North America and Europe

- Transform
- Inspire
- Challenge



## Big Thinking... on the Hill

The Federation's *Big Thinking* lecture series on Parliament Hill brings leading Canadian researchers in the social sciences and humanities together with members of Parliament, senators, public servants and policy-makers to spark dialogue about Canada's most pressing policy issues. This year, the spotlight was on Canada's relationships—with immigrants, with Québec, with Aboriginal peoples—and on the future of our cities and our health care.

### Then and now

To mark the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the series in 2014, the Federation invited several lecturers who had spoken 20 years ago to share their perspectives on how policy issues have—or have not—changed, and what we can learn going forward. They were joined by first-time *Big Thinking* lecturers, who addressed issues that have emerged since the series began.

In 2014, the Hill series was made possible through the sponsorship of The Honourable James Rajotte, Member of Parliament for Edmonton–Leduc, and the support of the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada.

# Big Thinking... on the Road

In an effort to expand dialogues and widen the Federation's reach, we took *Big Thinking* on the road on two occasions in 2014.

# Big Thinking... at Congress

Each year, the Federation's *Big Thinking* lectures are among the most anticipated and well-attended events at Congress. They are a focal point for interdisciplinary programming and offer a rare opportunity for high-profile researchers and public figures to present innovative ideas and outside-the-box analysis of the critical issues of our time.

### Congress 2014 *Big Thinking* series sponsors:

- Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada
- Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada
- Canadian Foundation for Innovation

### The borders between life and death: Stories of the supernatural and uncanny among Canada's Great War Soldiers

**Tim Cook** (Congress 2014)  
First World War historian at the Canadian War Museum and Adjunct Research Professor at Carleton University

### Mythes et science: The ideology of 'standard' French

**Shana Poplack** (November)  
Canada Research Chair in Linguistics; Distinguished Professor at University of Ottawa.  
*The Royal Society of Canada Annual Meeting in Québec City.*

### Reason versus passion in politics

**Joseph Heath** (February)  
Director of the Centre for Ethics at the University of Toronto; Professor in the School of Public Policy and Governance and the Department of Philosophy; Trudeau Fellow

### Blood: The Stuff of Life

**Lawrence Hill** (Congress 2014)  
Author of nine books, including *The Book of Negroes*

### The impact of "big data" on our health care system: What to expect?

**Bartha Knoppers** (October)  
Director of the Centre of Genomics and Policy, Faculty of Medicine, Department of Human Genetics at McGill University; Canada Research Chair in Law and Medicine

### "Servitude and Grandeur" of the University

**Lise Bissonnette** (Congress 2014)  
Montréal-based writer, journalist, editor, analyst and administrator

### Borders without boundaries: Whose stories are ours?

**Lyse Doucet** (Congress 2014)  
Veteran Canadian journalist, now BBC's Chief International Correspondent

### Bringing Québec back in

**Guy Laforest** (October)  
Professor in the Department of Political Science at Université Laval

### If Mayors Ruled the World: Is the city democracy's best hope?

**Benjamin Barber** (Congress 2014)  
Senior Research Scholar at The Graduate Center of the City University of New York, Founder of the Interdependence Movement, and Walt Whitman Professor Emeritus at Rutgers University

### Fast, cheap, and out of control: How the Internet has made journalism better than it's ever been

**David Plotz** (Congress 2014)  
American journalist, former Editor-in-Chief of *Slate*, now CEO of *Atlas Obscura*

### *Big Thinking* events throughout the year were sponsored by:

- Pierre Elliott Trudeau Foundation
- Royal Society of Canada
- Research Matters
- Partnership Group for Sciences and Engineering
- Canadian Institute for Advanced Research
- Genome Canada

**Big Thinking videos:**  
[ideas-idees.ca/events/videos](http://ideas-idees.ca/events/videos)

 #bigthinking

# CONGRESS2014

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 May 24 – 30 • Brock University • St. Catharines, Ontario



More than 8,000 attendees gathered over seven days at the beautiful Brock University campus in the heart of the Niagara region for Congress 2014.

The theme, “**Borders without Boundaries**” stemmed from the university’s proximity to the geopolitical border with the United States as well as from the need to think, work and create beyond traditional disciplinary, historical, cultural and social boundaries. It inspired an impressive array of international and interdisciplinary programming.

## Congress was yet again our flagship event

Still unrivaled in scope and impact as an academic gathering, the 83<sup>rd</sup> annual Congress of the Humanities and Social Sciences brought together faculty, researchers, policy-makers and practitioners to share findings, refine ideas, and build partnerships that will help shape the Canada of tomorrow.



## BORDERS WITHOUT BOUNDARIES

## Scope and scale

**8,000+**  
attendees

**200**  
interdisciplinary sessions

**5,000+**  
papers

**2,500**  
events

**75**  
association conferences

**11**  
book  
launches

**70**  
exhibitors at Expo tradeshow



# Generating headlines

More than **180** media hits at **85+** different outlets

Print **media coverage** from *Globe and Mail*, *National Post*, *Le Devoir*, *Toronto Star* and *Maclean's*

More than **30** radio interviews on CBC and Radio-Canada

**25** researchers profiled in the media, representing nine associations and 18 institutions

Over **50,000** unique visits to [www.congress2014.ca](http://www.congress2014.ca)

**51** stories published to the Congress blog

**8** *Big Thinking* videos published online

Over **9,000** #congressh tweets



# Going above and beyond programming

**28** host university-led "Congress Plus" events

**18** international keynote speakers

**18** *Career Corner* professional development workshops

**8** *Big Thinking* lectures

**Plus** Film, theatre, music and art events all week, including a National Film Board evening



# Community-level impact

**\$10 million**

estimated economic impact to the Niagara region

**125**

local hires

**10,200**

accommodation room nights



**350**

local volunteers

**70+**

on-campus receptions

**60** beer kegs, **120** cases of local wine and **900** catering orders served





# Policy Work

Policy, research and outreach are Federation priorities. We work on behalf of our 160 members to promote the value of research and learning in the humanities and social sciences with decision-makers and influencers.

## Federal Budget

Each year, we make federal budget recommendations to the House of Commons Finance Committee. We discuss these with ministers, members of Parliament from all parties, and senior officials to advocate for core priorities, including funding for the humanities and social sciences.

We celebrate that Budget 2014 included our recommendation to make Mitacs internships available to the not-for-profit sector as well as to industry. There was also increased funding for the granting councils and the creation of the new \$1.5 billion Canada First Research Excellence Fund. We will monitor the fund's implementation, and have called for it to support outstanding research across all fields of knowledge to find people-centred solutions to society's most pressing challenges.

## Outreach

We maintain a high profile in the media on key policy issues that are relevant to our scholarly community. We have successfully placed articles, op-eds and letters in mainstream and specialised media in English and French on issues ranging from student mobility to gender equality and the changing nature of academic professional life.

Federation Board members and staff are active in policy discussions and events with members of Parliament as well as senators, senior decision-makers, and diverse policy stakeholders. We also made contributions by presenting and participating at a number of conferences and policy events across the country.

## Open Access

The Federation increased the scope of its work and thinking on Open Access given the significant changes underway in knowledge creation and knowledge transmission in a digital world. We commissioned an environmental scan of this rapidly evolving policy terrain and launched a draft policy on *Open Access and the Awards to Scholarly Publications Program (ASPP)*, at Congress 2014. The policy underwent significant consultation with diverse stakeholders and a final version was developed and submitted to the Board, with a view to launch in 2015. The project has provided important leadership in the discussion and promotion of Open Access with regards to the publication of scholarly books in Canada, widening the issue from one that had been more narrowly focussed on Open Access and journals.

## Research Impact

In 2014, we released a major working paper that lays out a conceptual framework for capturing the diverse impacts and contributions of social sciences and humanities research to society. The paper, entitled *The Impacts of Humanities and Social Science Research*, provides details on the tools academics, decision-makers and the public can use to measure the impacts of this research—on scholarship, teaching, the economy, communities and policy. The paper is a living document and will be updated as our collective work on impact measurement grows. The project has already attracted national and international attention following its launch in the fall of 2014 at the Entretiens Jacques Cartier in Montréal and at the American Council of Learned Societies. Feedback and interest have been growing steadily thanks to presentations to a SSHRC Leaders meeting and to the Association pour la recherche au collégial.

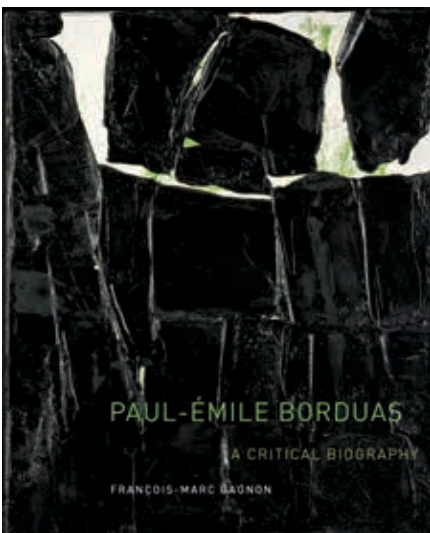
# Awards to Scholarly Publications Program

The Awards to Scholarly Publications Program (ASPP) enjoyed a successful 2014. Once again, an ASPP-funded book was recognized by the Governor General's Literary Awards: Peter Feldstein won for his English translation of *Paul-Émile Borduas: A Critical Biography* by François-Marc Gagnon, published by McGill-Queen's University Press. The painting *Composition 44* on the cover of this Annual Report, is featured in this book.

A workshop at the Salon du livre de Montréal engaged French-language publishers, authors and translators. In 2015, the Federation will host a professional development webinar on the ASPP for members of the Association nationale des éditeurs du livre.

The ASPP is the Federation's competitive funding program that supports the publication and translation of the best Canadian scholarly books in the humanities and social sciences. Each year, the Federation provides 180 Publication Grants of \$8,000 and five Translation Grants of \$12,000, contributing a total of \$1.5 million annually to the dissemination of Canadian research. Funding for the ASPP, the longest running program at the Federation, is provided by SSHRC.

Looking ahead, the Federation will contribute to the evolution of Open Access in Canada through the ASPP and its policy to support scholarly books.



ASPP-funded book and Governor General's Literary Award winner: *Paul-Émile Borduas: A Critical Biography* by François-Marc Gagnon, translated by Peter Feldstein

## ASPP by the numbers

Scholars on the Publications Committee

165

ASPP funded books on the *Hill Times* list of the 100 Best Books of 2014

23

Contribution to the dissemination of Canadian research

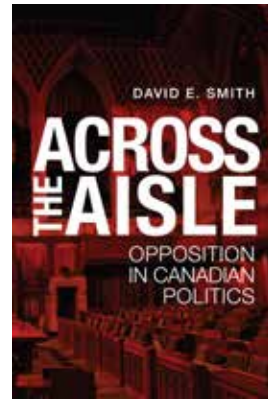
\$1.5 million

Books funded

217



An enthusiastic crowd of scholars, publishers and community members attended the 2014 Canada Prizes awards ceremony at Glendon College on May 7. The Federation partnered with York University for this event, which featured a keynote address by Michael Adams, President of Environics and a member of the 2014 jury.



“ I believe that Canadian scholars—the old giants like Innis, Frye, and McLuhan and, in our own time, people like my co-jurors and the scholars being recognized today—have helped to build a Canadian conversation that is not based on loudly shouted, strongly held opinion but rather on facts, analysis, reflection and theories grounded in empirical evidence. ”

— Michael Adams, from his keynote address



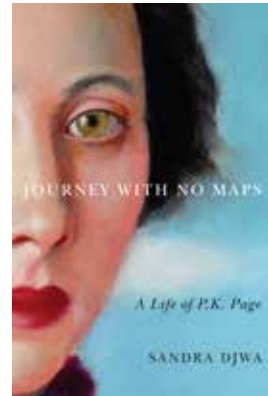
**Canada Prize in Humanities:** Sandra Djwa, *Journey With No Maps: A Life of P.K. Page* (McGill–Queen’s University Press)

**Prix du Canada en sciences humaines :** Pierre Anctil, *Jacob-Isaac Segal, 1896-1954 : Un poète yiddish de Montréal et son milieu* (Presses de l’Université Laval)

**Canada Prize in the Social Sciences:** David E. Smith, *Across the Aisle: Opposition in Canadian Politics* (University of Toronto Press)

**Prix du Canada en science sociales :** Hugues Théorêt, *Les chemises bleues : Adrien Arcand, journaliste antisémite canadien-français* (Éditions du Septentrion)

Winners



## Media Highlights 2014

4500+ social media followers 

200+

Federation blog posts

9,000+

tweets using #congressh hashtag

26,000+  
monthly *Communiqué*  
readers

### A BIG year

- 180+ Congress media stories
- 25 additional stories beyond Congress
- 39 radio and television interviews
- National and international news outlets

### Generating coverage of the BIG ISSUES

- The enduring value of a BA
- The need for interdisciplinary collaboration
- Why humanities and social sciences matter to democracy

2014 was a big year for attracting media attention, with over 200 stories in regional, national and international news outlets, including *Globe and Mail*, *National Post*, *Le Devoir*, *Ottawa Citizen*, *Toronto Star*, *Maclean’s*, *CBC /Radio-Canada*, *The Hill Times*, *Embassy*, *University Affairs*, *Convene*, and *International Innovation*.

# Summary of 2014 Financial Report

The Federation continued to focus on effective program delivery in 2014, ending the year in a strong financial position and forecasting a balanced budget for 2014.

Congress 2014 at Brock University was a great success, our revenue stream (from SSHRC and members) remained stable from 2013. The Federation's investment income grew this year, due to growth in financial markets. Investment holdings are of the highest quality, to mitigate the Federation's market risk.

Cost control efforts over the past few years have allowed the Federation to reset baseline spending, resulting in below-budget expenditure results.

The Federation is in a strong financial position to continue to support the reach, relevance and relationship goals it strives to achieve.

Audited financial statements are available online at:  
[www.ideas-idees.ca/about/about-the-federation](http://www.ideas-idees.ca/about/about-the-federation)

## 2014 Revenue:

Congress & Outreach	1,227,724
Memberships	
Universities	537,500
Societies	133,647
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	1,898,871
Grants from SSHRC	
Connections	450,000
ASPP	2,064,550
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	2,382,765
Investment Income	168,278
<b>Total revenue</b>	<b><u>4,581,699</u></b>

## 2014 Expenses:

Salaries & benefits	1,362,553
Administrative	475,194
Liaison & Congress	541,835
Meetings & activities	76,084
Amortization	22,748
ASPP books paid	1,756,000
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b><u>4,234,414</u></b>

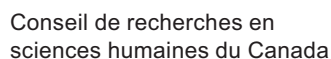
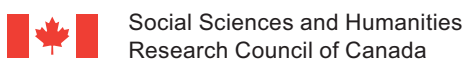
<b>Excess (deficiency)</b>	<b><u>347,285</u></b>
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## Looking ahead

Through our media work, we have generated significant coverage and have informed thousands of citizens and policy-makers about important issues. In 2015, we will continue to reach out to new audiences through the media and add new online content on issues from research impact, to Open Access, to diversity and equity.

## Thank You

We extend our sincere thanks to the many partners who have helped us in increasing our reach!





## The Federation community: 2014 membership

The Federation for the Humanities and Social Sciences promotes research, learning and an understanding of the contributions made by the humanities and the social sciences for a free and democratic society. Since 1940, with a membership now comprising 160+ universities, colleges and scholarly associations, the Federation represents a diverse community of 85,000 researchers and graduate students across Canada. The Federation organizes Canada's largest academic gathering, the Congress of the Humanities and Social Sciences, bringing together more than 8,000 participants each year.

### Scholarly Associations

- Association canadienne d'études francophones du XIX<sup>e</sup> siècle
- Association des professeur.e.s de français des universités et collèges canadiens
- Association for Canadian and Québec Literatures
- Association for Canadian Jewish Studies
- Association for Nonprofit and Social Economy Research
- Association for the Advancement of Scandinavian Studies in Canada
- Association of Canadian College and University Teachers of English
- Bibliographical Society of Canada
- Canadian Anthropology Society
- Canadian Applied Literature Association
- Canadian Asian Studies Association
- Canadian Association for Commonwealth Literature and Language Studies
- Canadian Association for Food Studies
- Canadian Association for Information Science
- Canadian Association for Irish Studies
- Canadian Association for Leisure Studies
- Canadian Association for Social Work Education
- Canadian Association for Studies in Co-operation
- Canadian Association for the Study of Adult Education
- Canadian Association for the Study of Book Culture
- Canadian Association for the Study of Discourse and Writing
- Canadian Association for the Study of International Development
- Canadian Association for Theatre Research
- Canadian Association for Translation Studies
- Canadian Association of African Studies
- Canadian Association of Applied Linguistics
- Canadian Association of Geographers
- Canadian Association of Hispanists
- Canadian Association of Learned Journals
- Canadian Association of Music Libraries, Archives and Documentation Centres
- Canadian Association of Slavists
- Canadian Association of University Teachers of German
- Canadian Cartographic Association
- Canadian Catholic Historical Association
- Canadian Communication Association
- Canadian Comparative Literature Association
- Canadian Disability Studies Association
- Canadian Economics Association
- Canadian Evangelical Theological Association
- Canadian Game Studies Association
- Canadian Historical Association
- Canadian Industrial Relations Association
- Canadian Jacques Maritain Association
- Canadian Law and Society Association
- Canadian Linguistic Association
- Canadian Philosophical Association
- Canadian Political Science Association
- Canadian Population Society
- Canadian Regional Science Association
- Canadian Society for Aesthetics
- Canadian Society for Digital Humanities
- Canadian Society for Italian Studies
- Canadian Society for Renaissance Studies
- Canadian Society for the History and Philosophy of Mathematics
- Canadian Society for the History and Philosophy of Science
- Canadian Society for the History of Medicine
- Canadian Society for the Study of Education
- Canadian Society for the Study of Higher Education
- Canadian Society for the Study of Names
- Canadian Society for the Study of Practical Ethics
- Canadian Society for the Study of Religion
- Canadian Society for the Study of Rhetoric
- Canadian Society of Biblical Studies
- Canadian Society of Church History
- Canadian Society of Medievalists
- Canadian Society of Patristic Studies
- Canadian Sociological Association
- Canadian Theological Society
- Canadian University Music Society
- Classical Association of Canada
- Environmental Studies Association of Canada
- Film Studies Association of Canada
- Finno-Ugric Studies Association of Canada
- Folklore Studies Association of Canada
- Hungarian Studies Association of Canada
- Quebec Society for the Study of Religion
- Sexuality Studies Association
- Society for Existential and Phenomenological Theory and Culture
- Society for Socialist Studies
- Universities Art Association of Canada
- Women's and Gender Studies et Recherches Féministes

### Institutions

- Acadia University
- Athabasca University
- Bishop's University
- Brandon University
- Brock University
- Cape Breton University
- Carleton University
- Concordia University
- Concordia University College of Alberta
- Dalhousie University
- Dominican University College
- École nationale d'administration publique
- First Nations University of Canada
- Institut national de la recherche scientifique
- King's University College at Western University
- Kwantlen Polytechnic University
- Lakehead University
- MacEwan University
- McGill University
- McMaster University
- Memorial University of Newfoundland
- Mount Allison University
- Mount Royal University
- Mount Saint Vincent University
- Nipissing University
- NSCAD University
- OCAD University

- Queen's University
- Redeemer University College
- Royal Military College of Canada
- Royal Roads University
- Ryerson University
- Saint Mary's University
- Saint Paul University
- Simon Fraser University
- St. Francis Xavier University
- St. Thomas More College
- St. Thomas University
- Thomas More Institute
- Thompson Rivers University
- Trent University
- Université de Moncton
- Université de Montréal
- Université de Saint-Boniface
- Université de Sherbrooke
- Université du Québec à Chicoutimi
- Université du Québec à Montréal
- Université du Québec à Rimouski
- Université du Québec à Trois-Rivières
- Université du Québec en Abitibi-Témiscamingue
- Université du Québec en Outaouais
- Université Laval
- Université Sainte-Anne
- University of Alberta
- University of British Columbia
- University of Calgary
- University of Guelph
- University of King's College
- University of Lethbridge
- University of Manitoba
- University of New Brunswick
- University of Northern British Columbia
- University of Ontario Institute of Technology
- University of Ottawa
- University of Prince Edward Island
- University of Regina
- University of Saskatchewan
- University of St. Michael's College
- University of the Fraser Valley
- University of Toronto
- University of Victoria
- University of Waterloo
- University of Windsor
- University of Winnipeg
- Vancouver Island University
- Victoria University
- Western University
- Wilfrid Laurier University
- York University

### Affiliates

- American Council of Learned Societies
- Association of Canadian Deans of Education
- Canadian Association of Research Libraries
- Canadian Institute for Military & Veteran Health Research
- Canadian Research Knowledge Network
- Frontier College