

**Canadian Geography in a Global Context
Canada in the World and the Klondike Gold Rush**

**A PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP
\$100 stipend for Certified Educators!**

**Thursday, 28 September 2006, 4-8 p.m.
BP Energy Center, Birch Room, Anchorage**

This four-hour workshop will provide educators with a thorough overview of Canadian geography – its regions, geographic landmarks, human geography and natural resources including an overview of educational resources on Canada and a guest lecture on the Klondike Gold Rush. Educators will receive \$50 for participation and an additional \$50 for integration of Canadian geography into the classroom (information for the follow-up stipend will be provided at the workshop).

4:00-4:15 – Welcome

Gina Ireland-Kelly, Benny Benson Secondary, Anchorage School District and Dorn Van Dommelen, University of Alaska

4:15-5:45 – Canadian Geography in a Global Context

Dorn Van Dommelen, Associate Professor, Geography, University of Alaska, Anchorage will provide an overview of Canadian geography including the six regions, settlement patterns, main geographic sites and primary natural resources. Canada will be compared with Alaska and the world enabling students to better understand the country.

5:45-6:15 – K-12 STUDY CANADA Resources

Elise Chalmers, Canadian Studies intern at Western Washington University's Center for Canadian-American Studies, will introduce participants to a variety of resources available from K-12 STUDY CANADA. The objective is to assist teachers in developing a curriculum that brings Canada to life in the American K-12 classroom.

6:15-6:45- Dinner

6:45-7:45 – Who Discovered Klondike Gold?

Merna Forster, Executive Director of the Great Unsolved Mysteries in Canadian History at the University of Victoria, will introduce participants to online learning resources about unsolved mysteries in Canadian history. The session will provide a glimpse of materials to be used on a website about the Klondike Gold Rush and showcase resources for some intriguing stories relating to geographical areas across Canada. Ms. Forster is a historian who worked with national parks and national historic sites across Canada in the area of public education programs.

Project Website: "<http://www.canadianmysteries.ca>, www.canadianmysteries.ca

7:45-8 – Integrating Canadian Studies into the Classroom

Dorn Van Dommelen will go over any questions from the workshop and the requirements for the additional stipend for classroom integration of Canadian geography.

Sponsored by: Anchorage School District, Social Studies Department; Canadian Studies Center, Henry M. Jackson School of International Studies, University of Washington; Center for Canadian-American Studies, Western Washington University; University of Alaska, Anchorage, College of Education; Association for Canadian Studies in the US

Registration (please note that space is limited to 50 participants): on My Learning Plan (MLP), or contact Karen Reeves, Anchorage School District, 907-742-4400 or Reeves_Karen@asdk12.org

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