Canadian Studies Center Report
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Dear Friends & Colleagues,
Welcome to Fall Quarter at the University of Washington where Arctic Studies is exploding! This quarter UW’s Future of Ice initiative and the Center are hosting two international Fulbright Arctic scholars – UW’s Canada Fulbright Chair in Arctic Studies, Heather Nicol, and a Fulbright Arctic Initiative Scholar, Maria Tysiachniouk. We also welcome Scott Montgomery to our Arctic studies faculty. This fall quarter Scott is teaching a core course for the minor – ARCTIC 200 – to 50 students representing a wide-array of majors. Finally, we welcome two new students, Jake Creps and Marine Lebrec, into the Arctic Studies minor. We hope you enjoy this news and more below! – Nadine & Vince

Center News

Welcome 2015-16 Canada Fulbright Chair in Arctic Studies!
Heather Nicol is a Professor in the Department of Geography at Trent University in Peterborough, Ontario where her teaching and research focuses on geopolitics in the North American Arctic region. Nicol is a member of University of the Arctic’s thematic network, Geopolitics and Security. Read more …

Fulbright Arctic Initiative Scholar Visits UW this Fall
This fall Maria Tysiachniouk, one of 25 scholars selected by the State Department to build institutional bridges for Arctic universities during the U.S. Chairmanship of the Arctic Council, is in residence at the Jackson School of International Studies. Read more …

Inuit and Foreign Policy
Nadine Fabbi’s research paper, “Inuit Foreign Policy and International Relations in the Arctic,” was just-published as a chapter in the Handbook of the Politics of the Arctic edited by L. C. Jensen and G. Hønneland. Read More …

Center Interview on KUOW’s The Record
Nadine was interviewed about President Obama’s visit to Alaska and the importance of the Arctic for Canada and the United States today. Listen here …
Faculty & Researcher News

Scott Montgomery & ARCTIC 200!
The Center welcomes Scott Montgomery, Jackson School of International Studies, to the Arctic Studies faculty. His first course, ARCTIC 200, filled to capacity with an enrollment of 50 undergraduate students. Read More ...

Canada-U.S. Columbia River Treaty Faculty Field Course
In June the Pacific Northwest Canadian Studies Consortium and the Canadian Studies Center sponsored a field course for faculty and graduate students from Alaska, Hawaii, and Washington state to the Columbia River. The group studied elements of the Columbia River Treaty renegotiation including indigenous perspectives on both sides of the border, the history of the river over the past 10,000 years, the effects of damming the river and much more. Read more …

UW Faculty Present at the Native American & Indigenous Studies Association
Charlotte Coté (left), American Indian Studies, and Katie Bunn-Marcuse, Burke Museum, presented their research at the Native American and Indigenous Studies Association in June in Washington, D.C. Katie's presentation addressed the archival materials produced in 1930 with the Kwagulth of Fort Rupert (Tsaxis), British Columbia and Franz Boas. Charlotte's presentation was on the relationship of indigenous peoples to traditional foods particularly in the Pacific Northwest cross-border region.

Foreign Language & Area Studies (FLAS) News

FLAS Fellow Studies French & Québec-Specific Language Laws in Québec
Beth St. Claire is a second year Law student at the UW and 2015-16 FLAS Fellow. She spent this past summer in Québec where she honed her French skills and learned a considerable amount about her future practice. Read more …

Graduate News

UW Urban Planning Students on Short-Course to Québec & Ottawa
In June graduate students from Urban Planning and Design, visited Québec City, Montréal and Ottawa to study the similarities and differences between U.S. and Canadian cities as well as investigate current urban issues confronting communities in French speaking Québec and Ottawa. Read more …

Undergrad News

Welcome New Minors in Arctic Studies!
I am an International Studies major in the environmental track. I believe that the Arctic is an important emerging region that has a lot to offer in terms of environmental conservation and cultural communication. I hope to gain insight on this region to not only compliment my environmental studies interest, but also attain the knowledge required to support a region that needs people involved. – Jake E. Creps
I am finishing up my junior year majoring in oceanography and minoring in marine biology. I have experience researching deep sea hydrothermal vent sites and am extremely interested in how organisms survive in such extreme habitats similar to the Arctic. I would love to eventually do research in the Arctic to better understand this valuable part of the world. – Marine Lebrec

UW Killam & Corbett Fellows Attend UBC & Ottawa Orientation
Two UW undergraduate students – Katelyn Guard, Mathematics, and Trevor McAllister-Day, Linguistics – are spending the year at the University of British Columbia as Killam and Corbett Fellows. The Killam Fellowship also took them to Ottawa in September for a weekend orientation to Canada. Read more …

Alumni News

Monica Chahary
Monica Chahary, alum of the 2011 Arctic Task Force to Ottawa, is now in her second year of the MBA program at McGill University in Montréal. Her program completed in the MBA Games in Hamilton, Ontario this past spring. Monica is in the back row, second from the right.

Christopher Herbert
Christopher Herbert, Ph.D., History and Canadian Studies alumni presented at the annual K-12 STUDY CANADA Workshop for educators. He is now a history professor at Columbia Basin College.

Outreach & Resources

Across the Salish Sea – Canada-U.S. Connections in the Pacific Northwest
The annual STUDY CANADA Summer Institute for K-12 Educators was offered in the Pacific Northwest this year. According to one educator, “STUDY CANADA is the premiere and really only source for learning about our international relationship with Canada. A wonderfully designed program that turns into a whirlwind adventure!” Read more …

Artists, Climate Change & the Arctic
Artists – including sculptors, musicians, painters, filmmakers, and dancers – play an important role in communicating the impacts of climate change to the Arctic and other world regions. The Center now has a new web resource site dedicated to a number of these artists including UW’s Gregory Johnson, Oceanography. Site here …
Photo: One of the 19 images from Gregory Johnson’s *Climate Change Science 2013: Haiku* project

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