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CANADIAN STUDIES: NEW DEVELOPMENTS AND ACTIVITIES

The Center would like to announce the renewal of its three year U.S. Department of Education Title VI grant. Determined through a national competition and awarded for excellence and leadership in Canadian Studies, the Canadian Studies Center at the University of Washington and the Center for Canadian Studies at Western Washington University ranked second in the country. The award provides a source of funding helpful in the maintenance of high level activities associated with this National Resource Center.

Throughout the winter quarter the Center sponsored and participated in many activities. One activity was the Second Saturday workshop, "Struggle for Native Rights in Canada". Among the presenters were Chief Elijah Harper, MLA, Manitoba; Dr. Barbara Lane, consulting anthropologist, Victoria; Dr. Owen Anderson, former federal official responsible for Native and Northern Affairs in British Columbia, Saskatchewan and Ontario; Ms. Lorna Williams, Native Indian Education Consultant, Vancouver School Board, Vancouver, B.C. and Mr. Ray McKeown, Plains Indian Artist, Vancouver, B.C. An audience of 76 people were in attendance.

In addition to the workshop, the Center invited five guest lecturers: Dr. Angela Djao, Canadian Sociologist, Seattle; Mr. Vaughn Palmer, Legislative Reporter, Vancouver Sun; Dr. Jim McCormick, Musicologist, Sacramento; Professor Richard Lemm, Chairperson, English, University of Prince Edward Island and Ms. Lesley-Anne Bourne, Administrative Assistant to Senate Committee on Enhancement of Teaching and the Teaching Centre, University of Prince Edward Island.

During the quarter, the Center sponsored a Contemporary Canadian film festival. Among the films shown were The Outside Chance of Maximillian Glick, The Bay Boy and I've Heard the Mermaids Singing.

Douglas Jackson, Director, lectured at Shoreline Community College in a joint course on Canadian History and Literature and attended The Seventh Annual Political Studies Students' Conference at the University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, titled, "In Defence of Canada." At the invitation of the Honourable David J. Carter, Speaker, Professor Jackson was present for the "Speech from the Throne", opening the 1991 Alberta Legislative session.

Michael Bittner, Program Coordinator, represented the Center at the conference, "First Nation's Issues: Towards a Dialogue," sponsored by Simon Fraser University, gave presentations at Shorecrest High School and attended the University of Manitoba conference, "In Defence of Canada."
FLAG OF ALBERTA

Adopted June 1, 1968, it features the shield of arms on a field of blue. The shield consists of St. George’s Cross on a white background; underneath the sky, the snow-capped mountains, green hills, prairie and a wheat field.

SPRING COURSES 1991


ARCHY 468: Issues in Cultural Resource Management. Reviews federal, state and provincial cultural resource management policies and the effects of these policies on the conduct of projects that may impact cultural resources on public lands. Taught by James Nason, F 11:30-12:20, 1 credit.

ENGL 377: Contemporary American Indian Literature. Taught by Catherine Cummings, TBA, 5 credits.

URBDP 370: Reading the City. Identifies the visible evidence of a city in a way that facilitates understanding. Taught by Anne Vernez-Moudon, TBA, 5 credits.

CONGRATULATIONS

In the winter 1991 Arts and Sciences Perspectives Canadian Studies faculty member, Sharon Hargus, Assistant Professor of Linguistics, discussed her research into Native languages. She teaches a Canadian content course, titled, "Linguistics of the Northwest Coast Indians."

NEW MATERIALS AVAILABLE FROM THE CANADIAN STUDIES CENTER

Last Train Across Canada, vhs, 2 hours, 1991. A nostalgic last ride on the mythical Canadian train, spanning the nation, binding the country’s people together. Thereafter, government budget cuts ended service.

chapter booklet devoted to helping the American student and teacher understand Canada and identify means to teach about Canada. Written by scholars and educators, this booklet contains articles on history, geography, literature, computers and the French Canadians. A unique feature, Canada opens with the perceptions of a Michigan high school student.

The NESA Activities Handbook for Native and Multicultural Classrooms. Don Sawyer and Howard Green, 1990. This handbook is a compendium of classroom-tested activities for use in multicultural and Native Indian classrooms. Over 25 simulations, values clarification games, communication and group process activities are described for K-12 audiences.

Arrangements to borrow the materials may be made by telephoning the Center at (206) 543-6269.

A TEACHERS' WORKSHOP, SUMMER 1991

The summer workshop/seminar, titled, "The Canadian Heartland: Ontario and Québec", will be held June 19-21 and 24-25.

Topics to be addressed include comparative Canadian and U.S. values, the political mood of the inhabitants of Canada and Québec, comparative economies of Ontario and Québec, multicultural and social policy, music of Canada, architecture and planning of Toronto and Montréal.

Guest lecturers will include Canadian Senator Phillippe Deane Gigantes; Mr. Paul André Comeau, Président Commission d' accès à l'information, Montréal/Québec; Professor David Elton, Canada West Foundation; Mr. Randall White, Canadian author; Professor Jean-Pierre LeGoff, Montréal; Professor Dean Louder, Laval University; Mr. Lorne Cappe, Toronto Planning Commission; Mr. Sylvan Ducas, Montréal Planning Commission; Dr. Angela Djao, Canadian Sociologist, Seattle; and Professor Jim McCormick, Musicologist, Sacramento.

Daily sessions will be held from 8:45 a.m.-3:45 p.m.

Fees are $72.00 and include two credits and $28.00 for materials and related costs. Flyers will be mailed out in late April 1991. For more information contact Mr. Michael Bittner at (206) 543-6269.

RECENT PUBLICATIONS


