

CANADIAN STUDIES CENTER NEWS

JULY 2022

Dear Colleagues,

Welcome to summer and our current e-news. Sadly, Richard Watts has stepped down as director. We want to thank Rich for his years of service. Rich assisted the Center in building stronger ties with the Université Laval, increased our translation studies expertise as well as the Center's focus on developing foreign language proficiency particularly in Indigenous languages spoken in Canada. Rich is now enjoying a well-deserved sabbatical and working on his new book.

Happily, effective July 1, Patrick Christie assumed the role of director. Patrick is a professor with a joint appointment in the Jackson School and the School of Marine and Environmental Affairs in the College of the Environment. He recently led a Jackson School Task Force on "Transforming International Studies to Consider Environmental and Climate Justice" and teaches Society and the Oceans 103. Patrick's current focus on issues pertaining to the Salish Sea will assist the Center in developing expertise and a network of thinkers in our cross-border region.

Central to growing this expertise is local language proficiency. The Center is pleased to announce that this summer five UW students were awarded Foreign Language and Area Studies fellowships to study regional languages. A student from the Makah nation is studying Nuu-chah-nulth spoken on Vancouver Island; and four students, two of them Haida, are studying Xaad-Kíl (the Haida language), spoken in the cross-border region of Haida Gwaii (the Queen Charlotte Islands) and Alaska.

We hope you enjoy these stories and more from our Canada community of scholars below. - *Patrick, Nadine, and Marion*

CENTER NEWS



Au Revoir! Goodbye from director Rich Watts

Professor Rich Watts, Department of French and Italian Studies, signs off after five years of service to the Center and Jackson School of International Studies.

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Welcome new Center director, Patrick Christie!

Patrick Christie, a professor in the Jackson School and School Marine and Environmental Affairs, was appointed faculty director of the Canadian Studies Center effective July 1, 2022. [MORE](#)



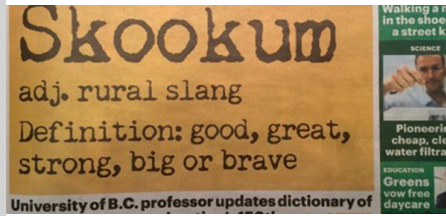
Co-Designing Circumpolar Civic Education

The first report for the NSF Navigating the New Arctic program (iSchool and Canadian Studies), authored by faculty and graduate students from across campus, is now available. [MORE](#)



Global Innovations Grant & Inuit Studies Conference, Winnipeg

In mid-June, collaborators from Canada and the U.S., presented on the Center's grant project, "Wellbeing in Arctic Canada and Beyond," in Winnipeg, Manitoba. [MORE](#)



The History of English in Cascadia

In May 2022, the Center co-sponsored a roundtable exploring English in the history of Cascadia as a language of trade, displacement, settler-colonialism, and reclamation and resistance. [MORE](#)

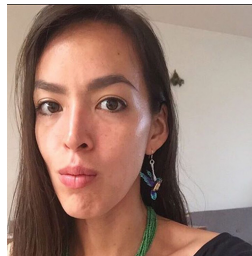
FLAS NEWS

This summer five UW graduate students (representing the Jackson School of International Studies, Information School, School of Marine and Environmental Management and Law School), have been awarded a Foreign Language and Area Studies fellowship to study Indigenous languages. The Canadian Studies Center is the first Title VI National Resource Center in the country, and remains the only NRC, to award FLAS fellowships for Indigenous language study. Congratulations to Ric, Janessa, Nicole, Reuben and Lucas!



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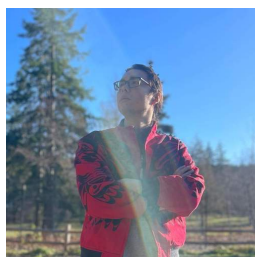
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STUDENT NEWS



Corbett Virtual Exchange Program--a successful second year

Twelve students from UW, UBC, and UVic spent four months learning about Canada-U.S. relations through workshops, discussions, and self-directed projects. [MORE](#)



FLAS Fellow interns at the Inuit organization in Canada

Robyn Long, FLAS fellow in French (2021-22), spent the last year interning at the Inuit Circumpolar Council, Canada. [MORE](#)



A Tlingit leader in the making

Stephanie Masterman, a minor in the Center's Arctic Studies, just earned her BA in American Indian Studies and is now taking on leadership roles in her tribal community. [MORE](#)

FACULTY NEWS



Charlotte Coté's just-released book and promotion

This past spring, Charlotte Coté was promoted to full professor and her new book was published, *A Drum in One Hand, a Sockeye in the Other*. [MORE](#)



Inuit language instructor wins teaching award

Alexina Kublu, who has taught Inuktitut to FLAS fellows for the past four years, was awarded an Inuit Language Award for promotion and protection of the language. [MORE](#)

STUDY CANADA K-12 NEWS



Professional development training in Québec culture

In May 2022, the Center partnered with UW in the High School to provide professional development training for French teachers on Québec topics. [MORE](#)



No-man's land between the Canada-U.S. border

In late June, STUDY CANADA K-12 and Village Books, Bellingham, sponsored Métis author Natasha Donovan who presented her graphic novel, *Borders*. [MORE](#)

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