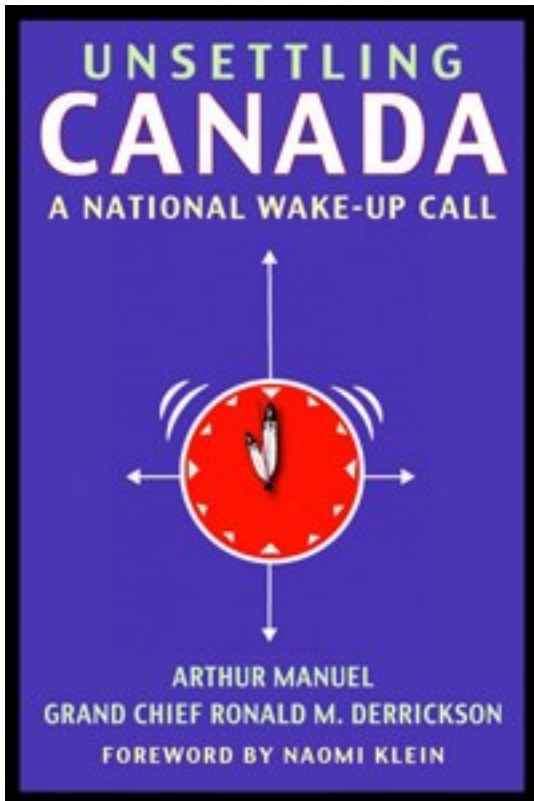


Deanna England, Jarita Greyeyes, President Annette Trimbee, and Chris Campbell
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Unsettling Canada: The UW Readings



UW students, faculty, and staff are invited to participate in a week of public readings of Arthur Manuel's award-winning book, [Unsettling Canada: A National Wake-Up Call](#), as part of [a campaign](#) to bring attention to the decolonization struggle nationwide in light of the Canada 150 celebration. The campaign to celebrate Canada's "150th birthday" is questioned and challenged by many Indigenous people, who feel that, in the words [of Inuk filmmaker Alethea Arnaquq-Baril](#), "Asking me to celebrate Canada as being 150 years old is asking me to deny 14,000 years of Indigenous history on this continent."

All members of the campus community – Indigenous and non-Indigenous, faculty and students – are invited to volunteer to contribute a 10-minute public reading (20 spots available in total). Readings will take place 12:15 - 1:15 pm at the following locations:

- Monday June 26th – Library, 5th floor
- Tuesday June 27th – Aboriginal Student Services Centre Lounge, 2L02 (2nd floor Lockhart)
- Wednesday June 28th – The UWSA Hive, 1st floor Lockhart
- Thursday June 29th – Masters in Development Practice (MDP) in Indigenous Development - Room 4C83

The ASSC will be on hand to offer smudging at the beginning of each event. Please contact librarian Michael Dudley at m.dudley@uwinnipeg.ca to sign up!

What's happening in Graduate Studies...

[Bioscience Student David Datzkiw on Research and Being a QE Scholar](#)

[UN trip helps UWinnipeg student give voice to Indigenous issues](#)

[Meet Dr. Jaime Cidro and learn more about her research and work with the MDP program](#)

If you know about great work happening in your program, let us know about it at gradstudies@uwinnipeg.ca. We would love to feature you on the Grad Studies website and newsletter.

Grant Opportunity!

The Defence Engagement Program (DEP) at the Department of National Defence is now accepting applications for the Targeted Engagement Grant for Fiscal Year 2017-2018. The DEP grants provide non-recurring financial support, up to a maximum of \$25,000, to projects that can include conferences, roundtables, workshops, publications, and other scholarly activities. The DEP promotes a multidisciplinary approach to security and defence issues and thus encourages applicants from various background to propose projects.

The Defence Team's Engagement Priorities are intended to provide guidance to applicants. The Priorities reflect issues of primary interest to the Department and the Canadian Armed Forces (CAF). Grant applications should demonstrate consistency with at least one of the Priorities and directly relate to Canada and/or Canadian defence and security interests. Please note, due to the popularity of the DEP, the process has become progressively more competitive. As there is limited funding, grants will be awarded on a top-down basis.

We are accepting applications for Targeted Engagement Grant for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 until 23 June 2017. This is ideal for those applicants who are planning their projects for Fall 2017 or Winter 2018

The Defence Team Engagement Priorities are attached.

For more information, including instructions on how to apply, please consult the DEP website at the following link:

English: <http://www.forces.gc.ca/en/training-paid-education/engagement-program.page>

We encourage all interested organizations and individuals planning projects for the Fall 2017 and Winter 2018 timeframes to apply. If you have any questions or concerns, please send an email to DEP-PCD@forces.gc.ca.

Sarah Whiteford receives the Graduate Student of Highest Distinction Award from Dr. Mavis Reimer, Dean of Graduate Studies Photo Credit: UWinnipeg



Affordable Rental Innovation Fund

To promote the Affordable Rental Innovation Fund, which has been designed to encourage new funding models and innovative building techniques in Canada's affordable rental sector, CMHC will be hosting an ideas challenge for post-secondary students in September 2017.

By participating in the challenge, students will have the chance to make a real difference in the lives of Canadians. Innovative ideas have the potential to revolutionize the affordable rental housing sector in Canada. The Student Challenge for Affordable Rental Housing offers an opportunity for students to play an active role in generating "outside the box" ideas and provides students with hands-on experience in the work necessary to create affordable housing.

The winning submissions will receive an award of \$10,000. Additionally, the work completed by the students when they participate in the challenge could form the basis of an application for funding under the Affordable Rental Innovation Fund to transform the innovative concept into a rental housing project.

[Click here for more information.](#)

Important Dates:

June 30 —
University Closed in lieu of Canada Day

July 3 —
DEADLINE to submit an application to the Donald V. Snider Memorial Fellowship

August 15 — DEADLINE to apply for October Graduation

August 15 — DEADLINE to submit an application to the Senator Thomas Crerar Scholarship



Pride Parade, Photo Credit: UWinnipeg

CALL TO CONVERSATION

TWO SPIRIT | QUEER PEOPLE OF COLOUR | LGBT | ALLIES

OCTOBER 20–22, 2017

CALL FOR PRESENTATIONS

This is a call to conversation. We are gathering scholars, community members, activists, artists, students, youth, and traditional knowledge holders to dialogue on the work being done in two-spirit (2S) and queer people of colour (QPOC) communities. We call on our communities and institutions to act in a spirit of reconciliation.

We are gathering for three days in October to discuss:

- Where our communities intersect
- What individual, institutional, and community efforts are needed to reconcile our relationships
- Relationship-building and coalition work occurring across our communities
- How we can celebrate our gifts and achievements
- How we can more deeply understand and enact the politics and practices of love in community

Winnipeg is located on Treaty 1 land and in the heartland of the Métis Nation. Winnipeg was the location of the 1990 “Third Annual Inter-tribal Native American, First Nations, Gay and Lesbian American Conference” where the term “two-spirit” was affirmed. Given the current political landscape, both nationally and in the US (for example, the Canadian federal government’s identification of 2S issues as a priority area and their announcement that they will make an apology to the queer community for state oppression by the end of 2017; Black Lives Matter’s challenge to the whitewashing of LGBT Pride marches; the regressive social policy reforms underway in the US), we are at an important historical moment that presents both dangers and opportunities for our communities. This conference therefore calls for critical dialogue between 2S and QPOC communities and with LGBT and cisgender heterosexual allies about how best to move forward.

Dialogue led by 2S/QPOC will seek to address damage of the past, and how to achieve stronger, more loving coalitionary community relations in future, through a set of sessions on five themes:

- Origins, History, and Resurgence of 2S and QPOC
- Reconciliation and Families (e.g., families of origin, children in care, chosen families)
- Reconciliation and Education (e.g., Indigenizing the K-12 and post-secondary curriculum, challenging racism in museums, queer erasure)
- Reconciliation and Institutions (e.g., religion, immigration, criminal justice, child welfare, health care)
- Reconciliation and Art (e.g., art as community, art as activism)

The conference will end with participants framing calls for action, including coalition building across various 2S, QPOC, and ally communities; research recommendations; and actions to help chart a course forward for communities and institutions.

We invite 100-word proposals for 20-minute papers and artist talks, and poster presentations on the above themes. Papers, artist talks, and poster presentations on other 2S, QPOC, and ally topics, and one-hour panel proposals are also welcome. All submissions should be accompanied by a 50-word autobiography. Presenters will be invited to submit their revised papers for inclusion in an edited collection following the conference.

Submissions are requested by July 31, 2017

Inquiries and submissions may be directed to Conference Co-chairs Dr. Chantal Fiola and Dr. Sharanpal Ruprai (c2c@uwinnipeg.ca)

For more information, visit:

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Topics in Religion/Themes in Theology

Animals

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Animal Studies is the interdisciplinary and intersectional study of animals, often with a view to the ethics of human relations with other species. This course examines whether religions have resources to help develop better human relations with other species. It is a seminar style course organized around attendance at two conferences September 16th and October 13-14th. Among the many speakers at the conferences are Carol Adams on animal rights, Susan McHugh on animal studies, Celia Deanne-Drummond on Christian multispecies ethics, and Gabe Desrosiers on Anishinaabe lifeways.

CLASSES

Sep 06
Sep 20
Oct 18
Nov 29

6:00-9:00

“VegFest” (Sep 16) **CONFERENCES**
“Polar Bears, Ponies and Pets: Human-Animal Ethics in Religious Discourses” (Oct 13-14)

Contact Dr. Arthur Walker-Jones for further information or to request permission to register (a.walker-jones@uwinnipeg.ca).

Department of Religion & Culture



Congratulations to all the June 2017 Graduates!

Bioscience Student Brett Vahkal and MDP Students Vanessa Tait and Barbara Gardener

Photo Credit: Deanna England

Study Abroad Opportunity

Would you like to spend an academic term in Queensland, Australia?

The Centre for Interfaith & Cultural Dialogue (ICD), at Griffith University, Brisbane, Australia, in partnership with the Faculty of Graduate Studies of The University of Winnipeg, is providing opportunities for internships, research and scholarship in politics, development practice, economics, religion & culture, theology, and business.

These opportunities will be available from the Spring-Summer term of 2017 through to the Spring-Summer term in 2018 and will be developed with students according to their program.

Students interested in taking part in the partnership should also apply for a [Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Scholarship](#). The Canadian Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Scholarships (QES) is managed through a unique partnership of Universities Canada, the Rideau Hall Foundation (RHF), Community Foundations of Canada (CFC) and Canadian Universities. This program is made possible with the financial support from the Government of Canada, provincial governments and the private sector. The deadlines for applications are February 15th (Spring); June 1st (Fall); October 15th (Winter).

For more information on these opportunities, please contact Dr. James Christie, j.christie@uwinnipeg.ca or Sandy Peterson, s.peterson@winnipeg.ca.



PEACE & CONFLICT STUDIES
STUDENT ASSOCIATION

International Peace and Conflict Studies Graduate Student Conference
October 27-28, 2017 - Winnipeg, Canada

Call for Proposals - Submission Deadline July 30, 2017

The Conference Organizing Committee now welcomes applications for the 2nd Peace and Conflict Studies (PACS) International Graduate Student Conference in Winnipeg, Canada. This year's conference will be held under the overarching theme "Peace Without Borders", which seeks to highlight the trans-national and trans-disciplinary character of Peace and Conflict Studies. Various forms of presentations are acceptable (including artistic and creative presentations). The Committee invites all students from PACS as well as from other disciplines to submit a 150-200 word long abstract on a subject related to the following categories:

- Social Movements
- Peace Education, the Arts, and Storytelling Approaches
- Critical Emancipatory Peacebuilding
- Religion and Spirituality
- Culture and Identity
- Gender and Sexuality
- Children and Youth
- Migration and Border Policies
- The Role of the Environment
- Sports and Peacebuilding
- Arts and Peacebuilding
- Disabilities and Peacebuilding
- Indigenous Peacebuilding
- The Media and Information Technology

The conference seeks to promote innovative, creative, and cutting-edge graduate student research and praxis in PACS and related disciplines, further grounding this work within our PACS community. Central to this idea is fostering meaningful connections between the academic and practitioner communities, and the integration of various disciplinary perspectives. The Conference will take place from October 27-28, 2017 at the Arthur V. Mauro Centre for Peace and Justice, St. Paul's College at the University of Manitoba, and the University of Winnipeg, Winnipeg. Complete applications will include an abstract of 150-200 words as well as the name, contact information, and the applicant's institutional/organizational affiliation. Please email your abstract to the PACS Student Association (pacssaexecutive@gmail.com) **by July 30, 2017**.



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- That you can submit pictures of your pets to be featured in the Grad Studies newsletter? Dogs vs. Cats! Who wins?
- that you can find scholarship opportunities at <http://www.uwinnipeg.ca/graduate-studies/scholarships-and-awards/internal-awards.html>?
- That UoW hosted the Beyond Sciences Initiative 2 International Remote Conference in January? [Click here to see what you missed!](#)
- that you can find out about Grad Studies events and workshops at <http://www.uwinnipeg.ca/graduate-studies/events/index.html>?
- that you can follow Grad Studies on Instagram [@uwpgradstudies](#)?