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CEA FELLOWS / FELLOWS DE L'ACE

Charles Blackorby obtained his PhD from Johns Hopkins University in 1967. During the early years of his academic career, he held positions at the University of California at Santa Barbara, the London School of Economics and Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, where he established close work relationships many of which have lasted for decades and continue to this day. He settled in Vancouver where he was Professor of Economics at the University of British Columbia for 28 years, before making his final professional move to the University of Warwick. He returned to Vancouver after his retirement and is now Professor Emeritus at the University of British Columbia and at the University of Warwick. He has been an Associate Member of GREQAM since 1989 and a CIREQ Associate Research Fellow since 2001.

Charles has received numerous awards and distinctions, including the Killam Prize and the University of British Columbia Jacob Bielewicz Award. He served as President of the Canadian Economics Association and he was selected to deliver the Innis Lecture at the 1990 Canadian Economics Association meetings and the Arrow Lecture at the Meeting of the Society for Social Choice and Welfare in 2004. He is one of the few distinguished Canadian economists who are Fellows of the Econometric Society, an honor he received in 1988.

One of his primary long-term research interests has been the use of separability and duality in economic modelling, particularly in the context of consumer and producer theory. Starting right after his graduation, he produced numerous fundamental contributions to the field in the form of articles published in academic journals such as *Econometrica*, the *Review of Economic Studies*, the *Journal of Economic Theory* and the *Journal of Econometrics*. The monograph *Duality, Separability, and Functional Structure: Theory and Economic Applications* (written in collaboration with Daniel Primont and R. Robert Russell and published by North-Holland in 1978) continues to be *the* authoritative opus on the subject and is a must-read for anyone who contemplates working in this area of research.

The issue of duality and aggregation is but one of Charles's numerous and varied areas of expertise. Another thread that can be followed through the entirety of his academic career is his passionate interest in normative economics. He has been playing a crucial role in advancing our knowledge of the intricacies of social choice theory and welfare economics, issues of inequality and poverty, the theoretical foundations and practical

implementation of interpersonal comparisons of well-being and population ethics; this list of areas of accomplishment at the highest level is not meant to be exhaustive. Because of the close link of these ethical aspects of economics to matters that are of importance to philosophers, Charles Blackorby has also managed to establish himself as a major contributor to subfields of that discipline. This is evidenced by his publications in philosophy journals and his numerous interactions with philosophers on topics in applied ethics.

In full awareness that this is, to a large extent, a subjective matter, I feel compelled to explicitly mention three of his many articles on normative economics that have had a profound influence on my own work. The first of these, “Measures of Relative Equality and Their Meaning in Terms of Social Welfare,” appeared in the *Journal of Economic Theory* in 1978 (coauthored with David Donaldson). The approach to inequality measurement outlined in this contribution opened up new paths of investigation that were, by and large, neglected until the time the paper appeared. The second is another piece jointly written with David Donaldson that marks the starting point of much subsequent work on population ethics. In “Social Criteria for Evaluating Population Change” (*Journal of Public Economics*, 1984), a new utilitarian class of variable-population social-evaluation criteria was proposed the members of which avoid the flaws inherent in average utilitarianism and in total utilitarianism. This is another path-breaking contribution that continues to be studied and applied in numerous contexts. Finally, there is the paper “Social Choice with Interpersonal Utility Comparisons: A Diagrammatic Introduction” (with David Donaldson and John A. Weymark), published in 1984 in the *International Economic Review*. This is a beautiful and accessible exposition of a multitude of results in social choice theory, and it well deserves to be required reading for any course that concerns itself with normative issues.

Charles never lost his interest in population ethics and has continued to produce high-level research in this area throughout several decades. Most of his work on the topic is collected in *Population Issues in Social Choice Theory, Welfare Economics, and Ethics*, written in collaboration with Walter Bossert and David Donaldson and published by Cambridge University Press in 2005.

It is clear that full justice cannot be done to Charles Blackorby’s many and wide-ranging accomplishments in a mere few paragraphs. Other fields that have benefited from his profound contributions include general and partial equilibrium theory, public economics, dynamic choice, intergenerational equity, cost-benefit analysis, risk-benefit analysis, rational choice and

international economics. As to the last of these areas, there is one contribution that I specifically want to single out. In “Necessary and Sufficient Conditions for Factor Price Equalization” (with William Schworm and Anthony Venables, *Review of Economic Studies*, 1993), a long-standing issue in the international-trade literature was finally resolved. While most previous publications on the topic confined themselves to the formulation of sufficient conditions for factor price equalization, Blackorby, Schworm and Venables provided a clear-cut answer to the question how far the search for progressively weaker sufficient conditions can go: once a set of sufficient conditions is reached that is also necessary, this question is given a precise answer.

I conclude with a few remarks on some of Charles’s contributions to our profession that may not become immediately apparent from reading his curriculum vitae. In addition to all his outstanding research accomplishments, he has been giving his unconditional support and encouragement to countless junior members of our community. I consider myself extremely fortunate that I have had the pleasure and the privilege of benefiting from his immense generosity and, most importantly, from his invaluable friendship over the last three decades. I sincerely hope that I will continue to be in this enviable position for many more years to come.

Walter Bossert

Robin Boadway has had a long and impressive career in economic research, public policy, and the teaching and mentoring of upcoming scholars in the discipline. He grew up in Saskatchewan and attended the Royal Military College of Canada and Oxford (as a Rhodes Scholar), and did his PhD at Queen’s where he taught continuously from 1973 to 2013 and held the Sir Edward Peacock and David Chadwick Smith Chairs in economics. He received numerous awards and honours including being named a Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada (1986), Officer of the Order of Canada (2008), and winner of the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal (2012).

Boadway has authored 30 books, monographs and edited volumes, including several leading textbooks. The latter include *Public Sector Economics* (with D.E. Wildasin), *Welfare Economics* (with N. Bruce), and *Principles of Micro-Economics and Macro-Economics and the Canadian Economy* (with J.E. Stiglitz). Many of his monographs are also standard references in the field, including *Canadian Tax Policy* (with H. M. Kitchen), *Intergovernmental Fiscal Relations in Canada* (with P.A.R. Hobson), *Fiscal*

Federalism: Principles and Practices (with Anwar Shah), and *From Optimal Tax Theory to Tax Policy*.

Boadway's research papers number over 250 and have had major effects on core theory, applied theory and fundamental policy analysis in the field of public economics. Among his most influential studies in the core theory of taxes, transfers and public expenditures are: "The Welfare Foundation of Cost-Benefit Analysis" (EJ, 1974), "Cost-Benefit Rules in General Equilibrium" (REStud, 1975), "Integrating Equity and Efficiency in Applied Welfare Economics" (QJE, 1978), "Long-Run Tax Incidence: A Comparative Dynamic Approach (REStud, 1979), "On the Method of Taxation and the Provision of Local Public Goods" (AER, 1982), "The Role and Design of the Corporate Income Tax" (Scand.JEc, 1984, with N. Bruce and J.M. Mintz), "Problems with Integrating Corporate and Personal Taxes in an Open Economy" (JPubE, 1992, with N. Bruce), "Agency and the Design of Welfare Systems" (JPubE, 1999, with N. Marceau and M. Sato), "Optimal Tax Design and Enforcement with an Informal Sector" (AEJ: Ec Policy, 2009, with M. Sato), and "Optimal Income Taxation and the Labour Market: An Overview" (CESifo Ec Stud, 2013, with J.F. Tremblay).

Boadway has made extensive contributions to the applied theory of public economies, including studies such as: "Taxes and Savings in Canada" (ECC, 1988, with C.M. Beach and N. Bruce), "The Efficiency Basis for Regional Employment Policy" (CJE, 1981, with F.R. Flatters), "Taxation, Inflation and the Effective Marginal Tax Rate on Capital in Canada" (CJE, 1984, with N. Bruce and J.M. Mintz), "Taxation and Savings: A Survey" (Fiscal Stud, 1994, with D. Wildasin), "Efficiency and the Optimal Direction of Federal-State Transfers" (Int T & Pub Fin, 1996, with M. Keen), "The Theory and Practice of Equalization" (CESifo Ec Stud, 2004), "Principles of Cost-Benefit Analysis" (Pub Pol Rev, 2006), and "The Principles and Practice of Federalism: Lessons for the EU?" (Sw Ec Pol Rev, 2006).

Boadway wrote numerous policy analysis reports for Canadian organizations and world agencies and excelled at insightful survey pieces. Among such studies are major reports on: "Taxes on Capital Income in Canada: Analysis and Policy" (1987, with N. Bruce and J.M. Mintz), "Federal-Provincial Transfers in Canada" (1986), "Economic Dimensions of Constitutional Change: A Survey of the Issues" (1991, with D. Purvis and J-F Wen), "Perspectives on the Role of Investment Incentives in Developing Countries" (1995, with A. Shah), "The Economics of Equalization: An Overview" (1998), "Redistribution" (2000, with M. Keen), "Taxation of Wealth and Wealth Transfers" (2010, with E. Chamberlin and C. Emmerson), "Efficiency, Equity, and the Allocation of Resource Rents" (1982, with F.R.

Flatters), “The Government Provision of ‘Private Goods’ in a Second-Best Economy” (1994, with N. Bruce), “Indirect Taxes and Investment Incentives in Malaysia” (1995, with D. Chua and F. Flatters), “The Design of Employment Insurance in a Federation” (2012, with J.-D. Garon), and “Evaluating Public Pensions” (1998, with K. Cuff).

Robin Boadway has also made remarkable contributions to academic citizenship. He has delivered about 60 invited public lectures or graduate lecture series. He has twice served as Head of the Queen’s Economic Department, been editor for three different academic journals (including the CJE), and has sat on twelve editorial boards (including the AER and the AEJ: Ec Policy). He served as President of the Canadian Economics Association (1996-97) and the International Institute of Public Finance (2009-12). And he has supervised more than ten percent of all PhDs produced by the Queen’s Economics Department. The CEA recognizes Robin Boadway with its highest honour as a Fellow of the Canadian Economics Association.

Charles Beach

Margaret E. Slade (PhD, The George Washington University) is now professor emeritus at the Vancouver School of Economics at The University of British Columbia. She is also an Associate member of GREQAM, a research group based in Marseilles, and a Research Fellow in the Economics Network for Competition and Regulation (ENCORE), based in Amsterdam.

Prof. Slade began her career not as an economist, but as a mathematician, working, among other places, for Shell Development, and then for the US Geological Survey, where she was employed while completing her PhD. These experiences shaped her interests in methods as well as in the substantive issues of exhaustible resources markets and the importance of spatial factors, all of which found their way in her research throughout her career. After completing her PhD, she joined the Federal Trade Commission before serving on the faculty at UBC for more than 20 years. In 2002, she went to the University of Warwick and then returned to UBC in 2008. In recognition of her contributions to economics research and policy, she received an Honorary Doctorate from the Helsinki School of Economics in 2001. She also served as President of the European Association for Research in Industrial Economics (EARIE) from 2001 to 2003, and held the inaugural Leverhulme Professorship in Industrial Economics at the University of Warwick during her time there. She has consulted for firms and government agencies in Canada, Europe, and the United States, and has served on the

editorial board of several leading journals in industrial organization, including the *Journal of Industrial Economics* and the *International Journal of Industrial Organization*. She still serves on the board of the *Canadian Journal of Economics*, the *Energy Journal*, *Managerial and Decision Economics*, and *Spatial Economic Analysis*.

Simply put, Prof. Slade has been a pioneer and innovator throughout her career. At a time when the field of Industrial Organization was almost exclusively theoretical, she was developing methods and proposing new ways to approach the field empirically, including collecting her own data, for example by traveling along a stretch of road in Vancouver repeatedly to record gasoline prices along the way. This led her to write a series of papers on price wars and strategic behavior, and develop some of the very first tests of the many theoretical contributions on this topic at the time. This practice of collecting one's own micro data is all too familiar to the empirical IO economist of today, but was unheard of at the time. Similarly, while imposing structure from theory has become routine in IO today, she made the structure and implications of the theoretical models much more explicit in her empirical specifications at a time when few thought deeply about the connection between theory and empirics in IO. Her 1992 *Review of Economic Studies* paper on Vancouver's Gasoline Price Wars, her empirical study of Multitask Agency and Organizational Form published in the *IER* in 1996 – to this day one of the few empirical analysis of this phenomenon – and her 1998 *Journal of Law, Economics, and Organization* paper on Strategic Motives for Vertical Separation, are all great examples of this capacity she had of linking empirics to theory. In terms of industries, she focused not only on manufacturing, as the profession normally did and largely still does, but on markets like those for petroleum and metals, even though energy and exhaustible resource economics were not the popular topics that they are today. She was also among the very first to engage in empirical research on organizational issues faced by firms, an area of research still in need of much further work, and still inspired by her early – as well as her more recent – contributions in this domain. And she was contemplating the importance of spatial methods long before the idea that geography could provide a great source of identification, and of variation in data about firms, had been recognized in the profession. In all these dimensions, her research foretold developments to come, and contributed to the transformation of the fields of industrial, natural resource, and organizational economics.

For these and her many other achievements, the CEA is delighted to award the Association's highest honour, that of Fellow of the Canadian Economics Association, to Margaret E. Slade.

Francine Lafontaine

JOHN RAE PRIZE / LE PRIX JOHN RAE

The Rae Prize, named for Scottish Canadian economist John Rae (1796-1872), is awarded every two years to the Canadian economist judged to have the strongest research record over the previous five years. The winners for 2014 are **Arthur Robson**, Canada Research Chair in Economic Theory and Evolution at Simon Fraser University, and **Francesco Trebbi**, Professor of Economics at the University of British Columbia.

HARRY JOHNSON PRIZE / LE PRIX HARRY JOHNSON

The Harry Johnson Prize for the best article published in the *Canadian Journal of Economics* in 2013 was awarded to **Kris Inwood** and **Ian Keay** for "Trade Policy and Industrial Development: Iron and Steel in a Small Open Economy 1870-1913," which appeared in the November 2013 issue of the *Canadian Journal of Economics*. Inwood is Professor of Economics and History at the University of Guelph and Keay is Associate Professor of Economics at Queen's University.

In this paper the authors use historical information on westbound transatlantic freight rates, intra-continental transport costs, and furnace specific data to argue that the tariff protection associated with the 1879 National Policy and the 1887 Tupper tariffs gave rise to investment in new, technologically advanced blast furnaces in Canada.

Mona Haddad, Jamus Jerome Lim, Cosimo Pancaro, and Christian Saborowski were recognized as short-listed for the Harry Johnson Prize for "Trade Openness Reduces Growth Volatility when Countries are Well Diversified," which appeared in the May 2013 issue of the *Canadian Journal of Economics*.

ROBERT MUNDELL PRIZE / LE PRIX ROBERT MUNDELL

The Robert Mundell Prize for the best article published in the *Canadian Journal of Economics* in 2013 by an early-career economist was awarded to **Mirabelle Muûls** and **Dimitra Petropoulou** for “A Swing State Theory of Trade Protection in the Electoral College,” which appeared in the May 2013 issue of the *Canadian Journal of Economics*. Muûls is Junior Research Fellow at Imperial College (London) and Petropoulou is Lecturer in Economics at the University of Sussex.

In this paper, the authors examine the circumstances under which incumbent politicians have an incentive to build a reputation for protectionism and use data from the U.S. Electoral College to verify the theoretical predictions of their model.

Pierre Brochu was recognized as short-listed for the Robert Mundell Prize for “The Source of the New Canadian Job Stability Patterns,” which appeared in the May 2013 issue of the *Canadian Journal of Economics*. Brochu is Associate Professor at the University of Ottawa.

DOUG PURVIS MEMORIAL PRIZE / LE PRIX DOUG PURVIS

The Doug Purvis Prize is awarded annually to the authors of a highly significant, written contribution to Canadian economic policy. The winners of the Doug Purvis Memorial Prize for 2013 are **Kathleen M. Day** and **Stanley L. Winer** for their book *Interregional Migration and Public Policy in Canada*, Carleton Library Series 223, McGill-Queen's University Press, 2012.

THE JOHN VANDERKAMP PRIZE / LE PRIX JOHN VANDERKAMP

Michael Kottelenberg and **Steven Lehrer** (Queen's University) were awarded the John Vanderkamp Prize for the best paper published in the *Canadian Public Policy /Analyse de Politiques* in 2013 for their paper entitled “New Evidence on the Impacts of Access to and Attending Universal Child-Care in Canada” in the June issue (39:2).

JOHN KENNETH GALBRAITH PRIZE / LE PRIX JOHN KENNETH GALBRAITH

Introduction to the Galbraith Lecture by Lars Osberg on “Canadian Inequality Then and Now: Can Increasing Inequality be a Steady State?” at the Canadian Economic Association meetings, Vancouver, Saturday, May 31 2014

Brian K. MacLean, Professor of Economics and Chair, Department of Economics, Laurentian University

I was delighted when asked to introduce Dr. Lars Osberg for this 2014 Galbraith Lecture. I have known Lars since the late 1970s when I took his undergraduate labour economics course at Dalhousie not long after he arrived there. Among other things, the course covered income distribution and poverty measurement, topics that not long after found expression in Lars’ first book *Economic Inequality in Canada* (Butterworth, 1981), a book Lars will surely mention in his lecture to us today.

When I returned to Dalhousie at the end of the 1980s Lars supervised my Killam Postdoctoral fellowship, which led to our joint research and policy engagement on the issues of Canadian unemployment in the early 1990s and the macroeconomic policies behind it, leading to our jointly edited volume *The Unemployment Crisis* (McGill-Queen’s, 1996) and, among other things, a five-part series of *Ottawa Citizen* (September 1993) newspaper columns, written with Mike McCracken of Informetrica and Pierre Fortin of UQAM, that questioned macroeconomic policy under then Prime Minister Mulroney, but particularly monetary policy under then Bank of Canada Governor John Crow. More recently, since the early 2000s Lars and I have been the Canadian co-authors with Mel Cross of Dalhousie of four editions of *Principles of Macroeconomics* and *Principles of Microeconomics* textbooks (McGraw-Hill Ryerson, 4th ed., 2012) that have been adapted by a number of professors here today.

The Galbraith Prize and Lecture are named in honour of John Kenneth Galbraith, and are awarded every two years, based on a demonstrated academic contribution combining economic analysis with a commitment to social justice. The nominations are judged by a five-person selection committee that this year consisted of John Loxley, Mike McCracken, Linda McQuaig, Lara Payne and Mel Watkins. Lars was nominated by Jim

Stanford, a former PEF chair, UNIFOR economist and *Globe and Mail* columnist.

In his nomination letter Jim began by mentioning Lars' scholarship on income distribution; on the measurement of wealth and well-being; critiques of monetary and macroeconomic policy; and the functioning of labour markets, contributions recognized, among other ways by Lars' election as President of the Canadian Economics Association in 1999. Jim's nomination letter concluded by noting, and I quote: "Early in the formation of PEF, which Lars has supported continually, he urged us to make sure that our CEA panels and other events be inclusive and open to debate from all comers. This non-sectarian commitment to a fair contest of ideas, has served both Lars, and the community of progressive economists he has done so much personally to foster, very well indeed."

By way of conclusion, earlier this year Mike McCracken, PEF Chair David Pringle, and I were corresponding about a possible conference next year on capital/labour shares. The book *Capital in the Twenty-First Century* (Harvard, 2014) by the newly -famous Thomas Piketty came up. Lars noted that a review worth reading is one in *Dissent* (Spring 2014) by James K. Galbraith, the son of John Kenneth Galbraith, and Lars commented, and I quote: "Piketty is certainly getting the rock star treatment – and now we know how Chuck Berry must have felt when Elvis hit it so big!" I think Lars was likening Jamie Galbraith to Chuck Berry but Lars had been researching income distribution for longer than Jamie. So it is my pleasure to present to you the true Chuck Berry of income distribution research, Dr. Lars Osberg.

NEW APPOINTMENTS/ NOMINATIONS RÉCENTES

University of Alberta	
Dana Anderson	July 1, 2014 – Assistant Professor – PhD Candidate, University of Maryland, College Park
David Brown	July 1, 2014 – Assistant Professor – PhD Candidate, University of Florida
Dr. Mesbah Sharaf	July 1, 2014 – Faculty Lecturer – Assistant Professor, Concordia University
Dr. Constance Smith	July 1, 2014 – Chair – Professor, University of Alberta

Brock University	
Xue Bai	July 1, 2014 – Assistant Professor – PhD Candidate, Pennsylvania State University
Concordia University	
Dr. Christian Belzil	August 1, 2014 – Professor – R Research Professor at Ecole Polytechnique, Palaiseau, France and Associate Professor at ENSAE, Paris, France
Université Laval	
Sabine Kröger	Professeure titulaire au 1er juin 2014
University of Lethbridge	
Dr Md. Kamar Ali	July 1, 2014 – Assistant Professor – Extension of probationary appointment
Mr. Jeffrey Davidson	July 1, 2014 – Promoted to Instructor III from Instructor II
Mr. Michael Lanyi	July 1, 2014 – Promoted to Instructor III from Instructor II
Dr. Richard Mueller	Associate Professor – Department Chair effective July 1, 2014
University of New Brunswick, Fredericton	
Elif Dalkir	July 1, 2014 – Associate Professor
Paul Peters	July 1, 2014 – CRC Chair (joint with Sociology)
McMaster University	
Laura Grigolon	July 1, 2013 – Assistant Professor – PhD University of Leuven, Belgium, 2012
Olivia Mesta	July 1, 2013 – Assistant Professor (Contractual) – Formerly Assistant Professor (Contractual), Wilfrid Laurier University
Pau Pujolàs Fons	July 1, 2013 – Assistant Professor – PhD Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, Spain, 2013
Dr. David Feeny	July 1, 2014 – Professor (Part-time, Contractual), July 1, 2014 – Formerly Senior Investigator, Center for Health Research, Kaiser Permanente Northwest, in Portland, Oregon

Robert Jefferson	July 1, 2014 – Assistant Professor (Contractual) – Formerly Assistant Professor (Contractual), Wilfrid Laurier University
Université de Montréal	
Deniz Dizdar	1 ^{er} Juin 2014 – Professeur adjoint – University of Bonn
Sean Horan	1 ^{er} Juin 2014 – Professeur adjoint – Université du Québec à Montréal
Immo Schott	1 ^{er} Juin 2014 – Professeur adjoint – University of California, Berkeley
Sebastian Stumpner	1 ^{er} Juin 2014 – Professeur adjoint – European University Institute
Queen’s University	
Taylor Jaworski	July 1, 2014 – Assistant Professor – PhD, Department of Economics, University of Arizona
Christopher Cotton	July 1, 2014 – Associate Professor – School of Business Administration, University of Miami (PhD from the Department of Economics, Cornell University)
Saint Mary’s University	
Mr. Vincent Chandler	July 1, 2014 – Assistant Professor
Simon Fraser University	
Irene Botosaru	September 1, 2014 – Assistant Professor – Assistant Professor, Yale University
Lucas Herrenbrueck	September 1, 2014 – Assistant Professor – PhD candidate, University of California
Eliav Danziger	September 1, 2014 – Assistant Professor – PhD candidate, Princeton University
John Knowles	August 1, 2014 – Associate Professor – Professor, University of Southampton
University of Toronto	
Arthur Blouin	July 1, 2014 – Assistant Professor – PhD student University of Warwick

Jonathan Hall	July 1, 2014 – Assistant Professor – Dan Searle Postdoctoral Fellow, Northwestern University
Serdar Ozkan	July 1, 2014 – Assistant Professor – Federal Reserve Board
University of Waterloo	
Dr. Ryan George	September 1, 2014 – Definite Term Lecturer – Sessional Instructor, University of Waterloo
Dr. Susan E. Horton	July 1, 2014 – Professor, Joint appointment with the Department of Economics, Faculty of Arts, and the School of Public Health and Health Systems, Faculty of Applied Health Sciences – Associate Provost, Graduate Studies ending on June 30, 2014.
Dr. Olivia Mesta	July 1, 2014 – Definite Term Lecturer – Assistant Professor, Limited Term Appointment, McMaster University
Dr. Kathleen Rodenburg	June 1, 2014 – Definite Term Lecturer – Instructor Assistant Wilfrid Laurier University and University of Guelph
Wilfrid Laurier University	
Dr. Migiwa Tanaka	July 1, 2014 – Assistant Professor – Previously Assistant Professor of Economics at the University of Toronto
Dr. Edda Claus	July 1, 2014 – Assistant Professor – Previously Research Fellow at The University of Melbourne

VISITING APPOINTMENTS / PROFESSEUR(E)S INVITÉ(E)S

University of Alberta	
Dr. Abdul Aleem	July 2014 – June 2015
Carleton University	
Javier Torres Gómez	July 2014 – Universidad del Pacífico

Meltem İnce Yenilmez	July 2014 – Yaşar Üniversitesi
Wladimir L. Zanoni	July 2014 – Chapin Hall at the University of Chicago
Université Laval	
Bill Watson	janvier-avril 2014 – McGill University
University of Lethbridge	
Dr. Hongjie Wang	January to August 2014 – from Huazhong Agricultural University
McMaster University	
Sergio Galletta	September 2014 to February 2016 – from Istituto di Economia Politica (IdEP), Facoltà di scienze economiche, Università della Svizzera Italiana
Yongmei Hu	November 2014 to November 2015 – from Faculty of Education, Beijing Normal University
Simon Fraser University	
Young Jun Chun	March 2014 – February 2015 – from Hanyang University
Vera Brencic	December 14, 2013 – August 31, 2014 – from University of Alberta
Jakub Rojcek	September 1, 2014 – August 31, 2015 – from University of Zurich
University of Western Ontario	
Julio J. Elias	January 1 2015 to April 30 2015 – Universidad del CEMA – Visiting Professor
Andy Glover	January 1 2015 to April 30 2015 – University of Texas at Austin – Visiting Associate Professor
Carl Sanders	July 1 2014 to December 31, 2014 – Washington University in St. Louis – Visiting Assistant Professor
Paul Sullivan	September 1 2014 to April 30 2015 – US Bureau of Labor Statistics – Visiting Professor,

Tatsuma Wada	July 1 2014 to December 31, 2014 – Wayne State University – Visiting Associate Professor
Chun Ding Li	July 03 2014 to July 02 2016 – Chinese Academy of Social Sciences – ORF Post-Doctoral Associate
Gang Li	October 1 2014 to September 30 2015 – Chinese Academy of Social Sciences – ORF Visiting Scholar
Zuanshi Liu	August 1 2014 to February 28, 2015 – Fudan University – ORF Post-Doctoral Fellow
Zhijun Sun	January 1 2015 to December 31 2015 – Beijing Normal School – ORF Visiting Scholar
Danqing, Yao	September 1 2014 to February 28 2015 – Shanghai Academy of Social Science – ORF Post-Doctoral Fellow

DEPARTURES / DÉPARTS

University of Alberta	
Henry van Egteren,	September 30, 2013 – Retirement – Commissioner, Alberta Utilities Commission
David Ryan	June 30, 2014 – Retirement
Brad Humphreys,	June 30, 2014 – Resigned – Professor, West Virginia University
Jane Ruseski	June 30, 2014 – Resigned – Associate Professor, West Virginia University
Brock University	
Mohammad H. I. Dore	June 30, 2014 – Retirement
Concordia University	
Syed Ahsan	July 2014 – Retirement
David Fuller	August 2014 – Resigned – University of Wisconsin Oshkosh

Nikolay Gospodinov	December 2013 – Resigned – Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta
Artem Prokhorov	July 2013 – Resigned – University of Sydney
William A. Sims	January 2014 – Retirement
Jaleel Ahmad	January 17, 2014 – Deceased
HEC Montréal	
Jeoren Rombouts	31 mai 2012 – Associate Professor, Information Systems, Decision Sciences and Statistics, ESSEC Business School
University of Lethbridge	
Dr. Danny LeRoy	June 30, 2014 – Associate Professor. Term as Department Chair ends
McMaster University	
Peter McCabe	July 1, 2013 – Retirement
Philip Leonard	Post-Doctoral Fellow (2012-2014) – Accepted position at Ministry of Finance, Toronto
Wei Yang	Post-Doctoral Fellow (2012-2014) – Accepted position at University of North Dakota
Olivia Mesta	July 1, 2014 – Accepted position at University of Waterloo (contractual position)
Université de Montréal	
Marc Henry	1 ^{er} juin 2014 – demission – Pennsylvania State University
Vikram Manjunath	1 ^{er} juin 2014 – demission – Boston College
Université du Québec à Montréal (UQAM)	
Claude Fluet	May 31, 2014 – Retirement
Pierre Lefebvre	August 31, 2014 – Retirement
Sean Horan	May 31, 2014 – to take up a position the Université de Montréal

Saint Mary's University	
Dr. Javid Taheri	August 31, 2014 – Retirement
Simon Fraser University	
Geoffrey Dunbar	Resigned – Bank of Canada
Trent University	
Lucia Vojtassak	June 30, 2011
University of Waterloo	
Dr. Eva Lau	July 1, 2014 – Retirement
University of Western Ontario	
Russ Boyer	June 30, 2014 – Retirement
Ron Wintrobe	June 30, 2014 – Retirement

AWARDS AND OTHER NEWS / DISTINCTIONS ET AUTRE NOUVELLES

University of Alberta	
Junaid bin Jahangir	2014 Faculty of Arts Contract Instructor Teaching Award
Junaid bin Jahangir	2014 William Hardy Alexander Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching

Carleton University	
Abeer Reza	Abeer Reza Ph.D, received a Senate Medal at the Convocation Ceremony on November 9, 2013. This medal is awarded to graduating students at Carleton University for outstanding academic achievement at the doctoral level. Abeer's thesis titled "Three Essays on Real-Financial Linkages in Dynamic Stochastic General Equilibrium Models" was shaped by the global financial crisis of 2008. According to his thesis advisor, Professor Hashmat Khan, Abeer's work provides answers to questions such as: What are the effects of government spending on house prices? How do commercial loan flows, bank equity, and interest rate spreads interact and affect the economy? How do financial market frictions affect an economy's investment and consumption over the business cycle? Abeer's thesis not only makes distinct and significant contributions to the academic literature but also provides important insights for policymakers. In July 2013, Abeer joined the Bank of Canada as a Senior Analyst in the International Economic Analysis Department
Huntley Schaller	Institute for New Economic Thinking: \$83,360 for a project entitled "The Marginal Value of Cash and the Great Depression"
Dalhousie University	
Andrea Giusto	Economics Award for Excellence in Teaching for the 2013-14
Yulia Kotlyarova	Economics Award for Excellence in Teaching for the 2013-14

Lars Osberg	Professor Lars Osberg has been awarded the 2014 John Kenneth Galbraith Prize from the Progressive Economics Forum (PEF). He will deliver the Galbraith Lecture at the Canadian Economics Association 2014 Meetings. In 2006, PEF established a new Prize in Economics in honour of John Kenneth Galbraith, the great Canadian economist. The first John Kenneth Galbraith Prize in Economics was awarded in 2008.
HEC Montréal	
Robert Clark	Prix de la recherche Prix Chenelière Éducation/Gaëtan Morin
Nicolas Vincent	Prix d'excellence en pédagogie pour professeur adjoint
Université Laval	
André-Marie Taptue, doctorant au Département d'économique	André-Marie Taptue, récipiendaire d'une bourse de fin d'étude au doctorat 2014 du Fonds Georges-Henri-Lévesque. Le montant de la bourse est de 6 000 \$.
McMaster University	
Bill Scarth	Best Teacher Award in the Arts & Science Program, McMaster Students Union, 2013
Richard Forbes	Department of Economics Teaching Assistants Award, 2014
Queen's University	
Michael Abbott	Recipient of the QED 2013 Undergraduate Teaching Award.
Charles Beach	Elected as Vice-President of the Canadian Economics Association for 2014-15.

<p>Robin Boadway Thomas Courchene Queen’s University</p>	<p>In recognition of their contribution to fiscal federalism research, Robin Boadway and Tom Courchene were presented an award at the University of Calgary's School of Public Policy Equalization Grants Conference, January 28-29, 2014. The conference was attended by scholars and experts on the Canadian Equalization system.</p>
<p>Stephen Kar-Fai Gee Simon Richards</p>	<p>Co-awarded recipients of the 2013 Scarthingmoor Prize for their MA essays entitled: “All the Time in the World: An Examination of Time Preferences Using Monetary Delay Discount Rates.” “Financial Stability Under Heterogeneous Expectations.”</p>
<p>Hongfei (Amy) Sun</p>	<p>Awarded the Bank of Canada 2014 Governor’s Award for her research into real-world issues with monetary policy, asset distributions and wealth inequality</p>
<p>Beverly Lapham</p>	<p>Named as a member of the Institute for Research on Public Policy’s (IRPP) Advisory Committee on International Trade.</p>
<p>Thor Koeppl</p>	<p>Appointed as a Resident Fellow of the C.D. Howe Institute.</p>
<p>Frank Milne</p>	<p>Received the degree of Doctor of the University (honoris causa) from La Trobe University on May 2, 2013.</p>
<p>Morten Nielsen</p>	<p>Appointed to the David Chadwick Smith Chair in Economics in July 2013.</p>
<p>Marie-Louise Vierø</p>	<p>Won the 2014 QED Research Prize for her work on decision theory and microeconomics.</p>

Université du Québec à Montréal (UQAM)

Kristian Behrens

Kristian Behrens ranked 3rd among German-speaking economists

Since 2006, the prestigious German business daily *Handelsblatt* publishes its own ranking of all researchers in Economics under 40 years of age who are either German citizens or who work in universities in the German-speaking world (Germany, Austria, Switzerland). In the 2013 ranking, our colleague Kristian Behrens is in third place.

Steve Ambler

Steve Ambler appointed David Dodge Chair

Steve Ambler has been appointed as the holder of the David Dodge Chair in Monetary Policy at the C.D. Howe Institute. His role will be to help develop the Institutes research program on Canadian monetary policy and monetary policy in general. For more information see : <http://www.cdhowe.org/c-d-howe-institute-appoints-prof-steve-ambler-as-david-dodge-chair-in-monetary-policy/24436>

Pierre-Carl Michaud,
Raquel Fonseca and
Marie-Louise Leroux

A grant of \$150,000 by the FQRSC

Pierre-Carl Michaud, Raquel Fonseca and Marie-Louise Leroux from Département des sciences économiques ESG UQAM have been awarded (along with Jean-Yves Duclos, Bernard Fortin, Guy Lacroix, Simon Langlois and Denis Latulippe of Laval University) a grant of \$150,000 by the "Action concertée" program of the FRQSC. The grant is to study issues related to population aging, more specifically the future evolution of poverty among Quebec's seniors. The Régie des rentes du Québec and the Ministère de l'Emploi et de la Solidarité sociale are joint participants in the project.

<p>Raquel Fonseca, Alain Delacroix et Pavel Sevcik</p>	<p>Raquel Fonseca, Alain Delacroix and Pavel Sevcik receive a grant of \$218,426</p> <p>Raquel Fonseca, Alain Delacroix and Pavel Sevcik, Department of Economics, ESG-UQAM, in collaboration with Markus Poschke McGill University, have been awarded a \$218,426 grant under the Insight Grant of the SSHRC on Entrepreneurship in Canada: economic cycles and the role of institutions.</p>
<p>Pierre-Carl Michaud, UQAM and Jean-Yves Duclos, Université Laval</p>	<p>La Chaire de recherche Industrielle Alliance sur les enjeux économiques des changements démographiques a été créée en mai 2014. Jean-Yves Duclos et Pierre-Carl Michaud, respectivement professeurs au sein du Département d'économie de l'Université Laval et du Département des sciences économiques de l'ESG UQAM, agiront à titre de cotitulaires de cette chaire conjointe entre les deux universités. Leur mandat initial est d'une durée de cinq ans. On peut trouver davantage d'information sur la Chaire au www.cedia.ca. The Industrial Alliance Research Chair on the Economics of Demographic Change has been created in May, 2014. Jean-Yves Duclos and Pierre-Carl Michaud, professors at the Economics departments of Université Laval and ESG UQAM, respectively, will be the co-holders of this joint Laval-UQAM chair, with an initial 5-year mandate. More information about the Chair is available at www.cedia.ca.</p>
<p>St. Francis Xavier University</p>	
<p>Jonathan Rosborough</p>	<p>Recipient of the 2014 St Francis Xavier University Outstanding Teaching Award</p>

University of Toronto	
Gustavo Bobonis	Canada Research Chair in the Political Economy of Development (Tier II) April 2014-March 2019
Jennifer Murdock	Faculty of Arts and Science Outstanding Teaching Award
University of Waterloo	
Professor Anindya Sen	Distinguished Teacher Award - https://uwaterloo.ca/economics/news/professor-sen-wins-distinguished-teacher-award
University of Western Ontario	
Russ Boyer	Professor Emeritus July 1 2014
Andrés Carvajal	Professor of the Year (Graduate) 2013-2014
Tim Conley	William G. Davis Chair in International Trade 2014-2019
Lars Stentoft	Crc Tier II – Financial Econometrics 2014-2019
Ananth Ramanayanan	Professor of the Year (Undergraduate) 2013-2014
Ron Wintrobe	Professor Emeritus July 1 2014

OTHER NEWS

Kari Polanyi Levitt, McGill University (emerita), has been made a member of the **Order of Canada** "For her contributions to the establishment of international development studies as an interdisciplinary academic field, and for research on political economy in the Caribbean," July 1, 2014. She also gave the Luxemburg Lecture at the John F. Kennedy Institute for North American Studies, Free University of Berlin, May 2014.

Malcolm Rutherford, University of Victoria, was made Distinguished Fellow of the History of Economics Society at its annual meeting in Montreal, at UQAM, June 22, 2014.

Anthony Waterman, St. John's College and University of Manitoba, was made Honorary Member of the European Society for the History of Economic Thought at its annual meeting in Lausanne, June 2014.

SHORT-TERM VISITORS / VISITEURS À COURT TERME

Carleton University	
Alexandru Minea	May 2014 – University of Auvergne
HEC Montréal	
Thomas Zwick	May 1, to June 30, 2014 – from University of Würzburg
Philippe Barla	September 1 st to December 31 st , 2013 – from Université Laval
Gautam Gauwrisankaram	June 23 to August 2, 2014 – from University of Arizona
Kathy Barnes	June 23 to August 2, 2014 – from University of Arizona
Allan Collard-Wexler	July 1 to August 8, 2014 – from Duke University
Université Laval	
Flaviana Palmisano	11 novembre 2013 au 25 janvier 2014 – Université de Bari (Italie)
Touhami Abdelkhalek	21 au 26 novembre 2013 – INSEA
Vathana Roth	20 janvier au 7 février 2014 – Cambodia Development Resource Institute

Boureima Sawadogo	22 janvier au 16 février 2014 – Université de Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso
Sangare Sadaatou	22 janvier au 16 février 2014 – Cellule d’analyse et de prospective en développement (CAPED)
Anthony Orji	3 au 25 février 2014 –University of Nigeria
Bekele Shiferaw	18 au 21 février 2014 – PEP, Nairobi, Kenya
Radosveta Ivanova-Stenzel	10 au 29 mars 2014 – Université "Technische Universität Berlin"
Marion Davin	14 avril au 13 juin 2014 – Université Aix Marseille
Université du Québec à Montréal (UQAM)	
Steven Kivinen	January 15, 2014 – from Queen’s University
Nicolas Petrosky-Nadeau	February 21, 2014 – from Carnegie Mellon University
Matthew Webb	March 5, 2014 – University of Calgary
J.E. de Bettignies	March 14, 2014 – Queen’s University
Anne Dûchene	April 4, 2014 – Drexel University
Mathieu Parenti	April 16, 2014 – Paris School of Economics
Louis-Philippe Morin	April 25, 2014 – Université d’Ottawa
Simon Fraser University	
Christoph Kuzmics	May 1, 2014 – from Bielefeld University, Germany
Nicholas Lawson	October 20, 2014 – from Aix-Marseille School of Econ.
University of Toronto	
Andrey Stoyanov	July 1, 2014 – from York University

University of Western Ontario	
Chunbing Xing	August 1 2014 to September 10 2014 – Beijing Normal University
Alex Whalley	June 1 2014 to August 31 2014 – University of California – Merced

DOCTORATES / DOCTORATS

University of Alberta	
Xun Xu Spring 2013	“Three Essays on Monetary and Financial Economics”
Vyacheslav Mikhed Fall 2013	“Essays on Personal Bankruptcy and Mortgage Foreclosure”
Robert Mckay White Spring 2014	“Essays on the 2007-2008 Financial Crisis and the Global Financial Shortage”
Carleton University	
Radu-Mihail Anghel November 2013	“Technological Improvements, the Real Exchange Rate and the Skill-Premium: A Unifying Approach”
Wen Ci November 2013	“An Economic Analysis of Children’s Behavior and Academic Experience in Canadian Schools”
Gang Li November 2013	“Essays on Horizontal Merger Analysis”
Abeer Reza November 2013	“Three Essays on Real-Financial Linkage in Dynamic Stochastic General Equilibrium Models”
Maoqiong Lin June 2014	“Three Essays on Immigrant Families in Canada”
Concordia University	
Hirbod Assa December 2013	“Hedging and Pricing in Incomplete Markets: Theory and Applications”
Nan Zhou April 2014	“Three Essays in Immigrant Post-Human Capital Investment and Heterogeneity”

Université Laval	
Bouba Housseini Mars 2014	“Essays on Demographic Changes, Health and Economic Development.”
McMaster University	
Chao Wang June 2013	“Three Essays in Health Economics”
Iryna Kryvoruchko August 2013	“Three Essays in Public Economics: Flat Taxes, Foundation Operations and Giving”
Université de Montréal	
Louis-Philippe Béland Mai 2014	“Essays in Labor and Public Economics”
Université du Québec à Montréal (UQAM)	
Salaheddine El Omari January 2014	“Trois essais sur la persistance inflationniste et la dynamique cyclique : le rôle central des rigidités nominales et de la structure de production en boucle”
Jérémy Chaudourne January 2014	“Trois essais en économétrie”
Queen’s University	
Babak Mahmoudi December 2013	“Essays in Monetary Policy and Banking”
Rui Gao January 2014	“Three Essays on Volatility Measurement and Modeling with Price Limits: A Bayesian Approach”
Simon Fraser University	
Hagen Schwerin June 2014	“Technology-specific capacity and the environment”
Giuseppe Danese April 2014	“Three Experiments on Institutions”
Christoph Eder May 2014	“Three Essays on the Economic Effects Of Violent Conflicts and Culture”

University of Toronto	
Andre Boik 2014	“Essays on Uniform Price and Vertical Contracts in Two-Sided Markets”
Ding, Ding 2014	“Essays on Market Conditions and Corporate Investment Decisions”
Paul Karapanagiotidis 2014	“Essays in Financial and Macro Econometrics”
Li Li 2014	“Three Essays in Sovereign Default, Self-control and Policy Implications”
Grigorios Spanos 2014	“Essays in International Trade”
Hidenori Takahashi 2014	“Design in Auction”
Hui Xiong 2014	“Human Capital and Occupational Mobility”
University of Waterloo	
Shilei Niu June 2014	“Economics of Ramping Rate Restrictions at Hydro Power Plants: Balancing Profitability and Environmental Concerns”
University of Western Ontario	
Hugh Cassidy December 2013	“Essays on Worker Promotion and Wage Growth.”
Zhibo Jia February 2014	“Essays on Portfolio Optimization, Simulation and Option Pricing.”
David Fieldhouse March 2014	“Essays on Innovation and Consumer Credit.”

OBITUARIES

MIKE DENNY

I can never look at a conference bag without thinking of Mike Denny.

For ten years, Mike was Secretary-Treasurer of the Canadian Economics Association. Of all the decisions he made during that time, none were so important as those that led to the elimination of conference bags.

When Mike took over the running of the Association, the CEA held its annual meetings in conjunction with the Congress of Humanities and Social Sciences. The meetings with Congress were generally unsatisfactory. They were held in smaller centres, so fewer people attended. It was hard for the CEA to get the rooms and support it needed. The conference receptions provided inadequate quantities of food and drink. But for Mike the clincher was always "people are paying this big fee to the Congress, and what do they get? A useless conference bag."

Some were sceptical, but Mike was determined to prove that the CEA could hold a successful meeting on its own. He organized the first meetings himself. There was food at the reception - lots of it. Registration fees went down. But, because all fees flowed directly to the Association, revenues went up. Best of all, the dreaded bags were gone. The conference was an overwhelming success.

It soon became obvious that the Denny recipe worked: hold the conference in a major centre, provide quality boozing and schmoozing opportunities, and people will come. They will happily pay registration fees, which can then be used to bring in keynote speakers, and build an even bigger and better conference next year. In fact, the Denny recipe worked so well, and the Association now has so much money, that it can afford to waste some on conference bags.

Often when I go to international conferences, I'll run into another Canadian, and someone will say "you Canadians, you all know each other." That doesn't just happen. It's a product of having a healthy and dynamic professional association. That, in turn, depends upon the individual efforts of a handful of volunteers. Yes, Mike published in all the best journals - *AER*, *REStat*, *Econometrica*. But his greatest gift to the profession was his vision for a strong and financially viable Canadian Economics Association, and his

willingness to sacrifice his time and effort to make that vision a reality. That, and lots of drink tickets.

As Deirdre McCloskey once observed, economists have a way of describing people they approve of, "He's smart. And he's a nice guy, too." That's how Mike's friends will remember him. Sitting outside the main conference building at the CEA meetings, chatting to anyone he knew - which seemed to be everybody. The pride he took in Judi's peonies. Stories of playing on the MIT hockey team. His belief in simplicity - and his willingness to fight for it.

Mike Denny passed away on December 27th, 2013 - the first Secretary Treasurer of the Canadian Economics Association to have an asterisk placed beside his name. The family hopes to have a memorial in Mike and Judi's garden next spring.

Frances Wooley
Worthwhile Canadian Initiative

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JOHN MUNRO (1938-2013)

It is with deep regret that the Centre for Medieval Studies learned of the death 23 December 2013 of John H. A. Munro, Professor Emeritus of Economics and Medieval Studies. To quote Munro's close friend and colleague Herman van der Wee of the University of Leuven, we mourn the loss of 'an unrivalled master, a devoted teacher, and a faithful friend.'

John Munro was among the world's leading authorities on late medieval and early modern monetary, financial, and industrial history, with over 150 publications to his credit during a distinguished career that spanned fifty years.

John Munro was born in Vancouver and took a combined honours BA in Economics and History in 1960 at the University of British Columbia before proceeding to Yale, where he completed a PhD in medieval economic history under the supervision of Roberto Lopez in 1964. After an initial appointment in History and Economics at UBC, he was invited in 1968 to join the Department of Political Economy (from 1982, the Department of Economics) at the University of Toronto, where he was tenured in 1970 and promoted Full Professor in 1973. From the moment of his appointment in Toronto, Munro took a leading role at the Centre for Medieval Studies, supervising or

co-supervising over twenty doctoral dissertations, serving as Associate Director from 1976 to 1979, and influencing several generations of students through his legendary graduate seminar on ‘The Dynamics of the European Economy, 1300-1750.’

John Munro was the recipient of many research grants and academic honours. Among the latter, he was proudest of his election in 1999 to the *Comitato Scientifico* of the *Istituto Internazionale di Storia Economica ‘Francesco Datini’* in Prato and his appointment four years later to the institute’s executive committee; of the recognition of his pioneering research on the economy of the late medieval Low Countries by election as a Foreign Member of the Royal Flemish Academy of Belgium for Science and the Arts in 2000; and of his election in 2011 to a Life-Time Fellowship of the Medieval Academy of America.

In March 2004, several of John Munro’s former doctoral students organized an international workshop at the Centre for Medieval Studies to mark his retirement, the proceedings of which were published as a *Festschrift* under the title *Money, Markets, and Trade in Late Medieval Europe: Essays in Honour of John H. A. Munro*, L. Armstrong, I. Elbl, and M. Elbl, eds. (Leiden, 2007).

John Munro’s research interests focused mainly on the Low Countries and England, though his publications extend to topics as diverse as the usury prohibition, medieval demographics, and international merchant law. His major publications are: *Wool, Cloth and Gold: The Struggle for Bullion in Anglo-Burgundian Trade, ca. 1340-1478* (Brussels and Toronto, 1973); *Textiles of the Low Countries in European Economic History*, ed. Erik Aerts and John Munro, *Studies in Social and Economic History*, Vol. 19 (Leuven, 1990); *Bullion Flows and Monetary Policies in England and the Low Countries, 1350 – 1500* (London, 1992); *Textiles, Towns, and Trade: Essays in the Economic History of Late-Medieval England and the Low Countries* (London, 1994); and (as editor and contributor) *Money in the Pre-Industrial World: Bullion, Debasements and Coin Substitutes*, *Financial History Series no. 20* (London, 2012).

Lawrin Armstrong
Centre for Medieval Studies, University of Toronto
From the website of the Centre for Medieval Studies

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ROBIN F. NEILL (August 9, 1931-June 29, 2014)

The Canadian economic historian and historian of Canadian economic thought Robin Neill, Professor Emeritus of Economics at Carleton University and Adjunct Professor at the University of Prince Edward Island, passed away of congestive heart failure at his summer cottage at Rocky Point, PEI, on Sunday, June 29 at the age of 82. He continued teaching at UPEI until mid-February, and was active in research until the very afternoon of his passing. Less than three weeks before, on June 10, Robin was announced as one of the inaugural members of the Research Advisory Board of the Northern Policy Institute in his home town of Thunder Bay, Ontario (which was still Port Arthur when he was born).

Robin Neill graduated from the University of Toronto with a BA (1953) and MA (1960), both in Political Economy, and took his PhD in Economics at Duke University in 1967, writing his dissertation with Joseph Spengler. This thesis became the basis for articles about Harold Innis in the *Journal of Economic History* and the *Journal of Economic Issues*, and then for Robin's first book, *A New Theory of Value: The Canadian Economics of H. A. Innis* (Toronto: University of Toronto Press, 1972). Expressing great respect for Innis's achievements, Robin argued that the emphasis of Innis's staples thesis on the east-west axis of Canadian economic development needed to be supplemented by more attention to the diversity of Canada's regions and their north-south economic linkages with US regions. From 1972 to 1974, he wrote an "Annual Survey of Research in the Economic and Social History of Canada" for what was then the Economic History Committee of the Canadian Economics Association (a precursor of the Canadian Network for Economic History). Robin taught at the University of Saskatchewan and its St. Thomas More College from 1960 to 1969 (promoted to Associate Professor 1968), and was Associate Professor at UPEI from 1970 to 1972. In 1971 Robin was the founding president of the Atlantic Canada Economic Association (ACEA), which later made him a lifetime member. He remained an active participant in the ACEA annual meetings while at Carleton University, which he joined as Associate Professor in 1972 (promoted to Full Professor 1990, retired 1996, and from 2003 Professor Emeritus). He became an Adjunct Professor at UPEI, teaching four or five courses a year from 1996-97 until this year. From 2001 he chaired the Research Advisory Board of the Atlantic Institute for Market Studies.

Robin wrote *A History of Canadian Economic Thought* (London and New York: Routledge, 1991) and numerous refereed scholarly articles, including

half a dozen articles in the *Journal of Canadian Studies* and (with Gilles Paquet) a *Canadian Journal of Economics* article on Canadian economic thought before 1967 (*CJE* 26:1, 1993, pp. 3-13), part of a symposium marking the 25th anniversary of the founding of *CJE*. His later writings on the history of Canadian economic thought included thirteen entries on Canadian economists in *A Biographical Dictionary of American Economists* (Ross Emmett, ed., Bristol: Thoemmes, 2006) and co-authorship of the article “Canada, economics in,” in *The New Palgrave: A Dictionary of Economics* (2nd ed., 2008). Robin was an advisor to the federal Department of Fisheries and Oceans in 1984 and to the Fisheries Council of Canada in 1985. In 1974-75, he wrote a report to the Social Science Research Council of Canada about the economics of publishing in Canada. The report drew attention to the near-monopoly situation of Canadian academic publishing, and was never published.

Robin Neill is survived by his wife of forty-two years, Sharon (née Flynn), and their daughter Natalie.

Robert Dimand

NEW PROGRAMS / PROGRAMMES NOUVEAUX

Queen's University

The department is launching the Risk Policy and Regulation Diploma (RPRD) in September 2014. For details, see <http://risk.econ.queensu.ca/>.

CONFERENCES / CONFÉRENCES

Title: North American Productivity Workshop VIII
Date: June 4 to June 7, 2014
Location: Ottawa, Canada
Contact person: Marcel Voia
Web address: <http://www.napw2014.com/>

Title: The Future of Payments
Date: September 5 to 6, 2014
Location: Queen's University
Contact person: Sharon Sullivan
Contact e-mail: sullivas@econ.queensu.ca
Web address: <http://www.econ.queensu.ca/FutureofPayments/>

Title: CNEH 2014, Markets and Crises
Speaker: Michael Bordo, Rutgers University
Mary MacKinnon Memorial Lecture: Leah Platt
Boustan, UCLA
Date: October 24 – 26, 2014
Location: Trent University, Peterborough Ontario
Contact person: Byron Lew
Contact e-mail: blew@trentu.ca
Web address: www.economichistory.ca

Title: W.A. MacKintosh Lecture Event Speaker: Martin
Hellwig, Director, Max Planck Institute, Bonn, and
Professor of Economics, University of Bonn
"Governments, Banks and Monetary Policy in a Time of
Crisis".
Date: October, 2014
Location: Queen's University
Contact person: Elvira Posthumus
Contact e-mail: pachecoe@econ.queensu.ca
Web address: <http://www.econ.queensu.ca/events>

Title: Karl Polanyi Institute of Political Economy
Date: November 6 to 8, 2014
Location: Concordia University, Montreal
Contact person: Marguerite Mendell
Contact e-mail: polanyi.institute@concordia.ca
Web address: [http://www.concordia.ca/research/polanyi/news-
events/events.html](http://www.concordia.ca/research/polanyi/news-events/events.html)

Title: 28th Annual Meeting of the Canadian Macroeconomics
Study Group. Hosted by McMaster University,
Department of Economics
Date: Friday, November 7 and Saturday, November 8, 2014
Location: Hamilton Sheraton Hotel, 116 King Street West,
Hamilton, ON
Contact person: Alok Johri, Pau Pujolas, Cesar Sosa Padilla
Contact e-mail: 2014cmmsg@gmail.com
Web address: <https://sites.google.com/site/mcmastercmmsg2014/home>

***FORTHCOMING PAPERS IN CANADIAN JOURNAL
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DANS LA REVUE CANADIENNE D'ÉCONOMIQUE***

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- Elena Paltseva: *Protection for Sale: The Case of Oligopolistic Competition and Interdependent Sectors*
- Norman Gemmell, Richard Kneller and Ismael Sanz: *The growth effects of tax rates in the OECD*
- Jiahua Che, Larry Qiu and Wen Zhou: *Entry, Reputation, and Intellectual Property Rights Enforcement*
- Arup Bose, Debashis Pal and David E. M. Sappington: *The Impact of Public Ownership in the Lending Sector*
- Rupayan Gupta: *Changing Threat Perceptions and the Efficient Provisioning of International Security*
- Raquel Ortega-Argilés, Mariacristina Piva and Marco Vivarelli: *The Transatlantic Productivity Gap: Is R&D the Main Culprit*
- Subhayu Bandyopadhyay, Sugata Marjit and Lei Yang: *International Oligopoly, Barriers to Outsourcing, and Domestic Employment*
- Chris Bidner: *A Spillover-Based Theory of Credentialism*
- Ian Irvine and William Sims: *The Simple Analytics of Tobacco Taxation with Illegal Supply*
- Xianwen Shi and Aloysius Siow: *Information Externalities and Intermediaries in Frictional Search Markets*
- Joseph Santos: *Back to the futures: An assessment of market performance on the early Winnipeg Grain Exchange*
- Evangelos Dioikitopoulos: *Aging, Growth and the Allocation of Public Expenditures on Health and Education*
- Thomas Lemieux: *Presidential Address: Occupations, Fields of Study, and Returns to Education*

Morten Nielsen: *Innis Lecture: A Fractionally Cointegrated VAR Analysis of Economic Voting and Canadian Political Support*

Accepted and Forthcoming Papers

Kate Rybczynski: *Gender Differences in Portfolio Risk across Birth Cohort and Marital Status*

Michael Alexeev and Yao-Yu Chih: *Social Network Structure and Status Competition*

Satya P. Das and Anuradha Saha: *Growth of Business Services: A Supply-Side Hypothesis*

Taehyun Ahn: *The Employment Dynamics of Less-Educated Men in the United States: The Role of Self-Employment*

Magnus Wiberg: *The Comparative Political Economy of the Location of Industry*

Richard Chisik: *Job Market Signalling, Stereotype Threat, and Counter-Stereotypical Behaviour*

Mati Dubrovinsky and Ralph A. Winter: *Organizational Form and the Quality of Output*

Ronald B. Davies and Rodolphe Desbordes: *Greenfield FDI and Skill Upgrading: A Polarised Issue*

Hartmut Egger, Frode Meland and Hans-Jörg Schmerer: *Differences in the Degree of Unionization as a Source of Comparative Advantage in Open Economies*

James B. Ang and Jakob B. Madsen: *Export Performance of the Asian Miracle Economies: The Role of Innovation and Product Variety*

Gianluca Orefice: *International Migration and Trade Agreements: the new role of PTAs*

Philipp Meinen: *Sunk Costs of Exporting and the Role of Experience in International Trade*

Philip J Grossman, Mana Komai and James E. Jensen: *Leadership and Gender in Groups: An Experiment*

Shushanik Hakobyan: *Accounting for Underutilization of Trade Preference Programs: The U.S. Generalized System of Preferences*

- Haifang Huang and Eric Stephens: *From Housing Bust to Credit Crunch: Evidence from Small Business Loans*
- Alireza Naghavi, Julia Spies and Farid Toubal: *Intellectual Property Rights, Product Complexity, and the Organization of Multinational Firms*
- Joseph Mai and Andrey Stoyanov: *The Effect of the Canada-US Free Trade Agreement on Canadian Multilateral Trade Liberalization*
- Katrin Peters and Monika Schnitzer: *Trade liberalization and credit constraints: Why opening up may fail to promote convergence*
- James Harrigan and Ariell Reshef: *Skill biased heterogeneous firms, trade liberalization, and the skill premium*
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- Georges Dionne, Méliissa La Haye and Anne-Sophie Bergerès: *Does Asymmetric Information Affect the Premium in Mergers and Acquisitions?*
- Livio Di Matteo and Angela Redish: *The Evolution of Financial Intermediation: Evidence From 19th Century Ontario Microdata*
- Axel Dreher and Andreas Fuchs: *Rogue Aid? An Empirical Analysis of China's Aid Allocation*
- Nicolas-Guillaume Martineau and Gregor W. Smith: *Identifying Fiscal Policy (In)effectiveness from the Differential Counter-Cyclicity of Government Spending in the Interwar Period*
- Ricardo A Lopez, Julian Emami Namini and Giovanni Facchini: *A Model of Firm Heterogeneity in Factor Intensities and International Trade*
- Ruth Gilgenbach: *Can a Decline in Search Cost Increase Prices?*
- Antoine Gervais: *Product Quality and Firm Heterogeneity in International Trade*
- Tammy Schirle: *The Effect of Universal Child Benefits on Labour Supply*
- Ye (George) Jia: *The Impact of Personal Bankruptcy Law on Entrepreneurship*

- Matthias Flueckiger and Markus Ludwig: *Chinese Export Competition, Declining Exports and Adjustments at the Industry and Regional Level in Europe*
- Nathan Berg and Todd Gabel: *New reform strategies and welfare participation in Canada*
- Huanlang He and Zhihao Yu: *The Evolving Patterns of Global Production of Multi-Product Firms*
- Johannes Van Biesebroeck, Emily Yu and Shenjie Chen: *The Impact of Trade Promotion Services on Canadian Exporter Performance*
- Mohsen Javdani: *Glass Ceilings or Glass Doors? The Role of Firms in Male-Female Wage Disparities*
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