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DOUG PURVIS MEMORIAL PRIZE / LE PRIX COMMÉMORATIF DOUG PURVIS

Call for Nominations

Nominations are requested for the 18th award of an annual prize to honour the memory of the late Douglas D. Purvis. An award of \$10,000 is to be presented for a work of excellence relating to Canadian economic policy and published in 2010. The award is open to all forms of written media in which material relevant to Canadian economic policy appears, including a series of articles in newspapers or magazines, books, single articles in scholarly journals, government studies including monographs done for royal commissions, other official documents, and think-tank reports. To be eligible, the material must be in the public domain and primarily, but not necessarily exclusively, related to some issue in Canadian economic policy.

Nominations should be in by March 15, 2011. Electronic submission (in pdf format) should be sent to Anne Motte at office@economics.ca. Along with the text to be considered, your email should include the name and address of the nominator and full details of the nominee, including affiliation. In case submissions need to be mailed (e.g., a book), include five copies of the nominated piece, the same information as for electronic submissions, and send to: The Purvis Prize, c/o Steve Ambler, Département des sciences économiques, Université du Québec à Montréal, C.P. 8888, Succ. Centre-ville, Montreal, QC, H3C 3P8. For more information on the prize, visit: <http://economics.ca/en/purvisprize.php>.

NEW APPOINTMENTS/ NOMINATIONS RÉCENTES

University of British Columbia	
Wei Li	2010-09-01
Carleton University	
Paul Jenkins Senior Distinguished Fellow	September 2, 2010 - Senior Distinguished Fellow, Faculty of Public Affairs - formerly Senior Deputy Governor and Chief Operating Officer of the Bank of Canada
David Longworth Adjunct Research Professor	Effective May 2010 - retired Deputy Governor, Bank of Canada
Dalhousie University	
Mutlu Yuksel Assistant Professor	2010-07-01
Catherine Boulatoff Instructor/Lecturer	2010-09-01
McMaster University	
Arthur Sweetman Full Professor	2010-08-01

University of Ottawa	
Claude Parthenay Replacement Professor	2010-07-01
Saint Mary's University	
Bidyut Talukdar Instructor/Lecturer	2010-09-01
Simon Fraser University	
Andrew McGee Assistant Professor	2010-09-01
University of Western Ontario	
Timothy G. Conley Associate Professor	2010-07-01
Charles Z. Zheng Associate Professor	2010-07-01
Jacob M. Short Instructor/Lecturer	2010-07-01
Maria Ponomareva Instructor/Lecturer	2010-07-01
David A. Rivers Assistant Professor	2010-07-01

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

University of Alberta	
Habasi Nuerlenbick	Xinjiang University of China - Sept 2010 to Feb 2011
Qingchang Zhang	Nankai University - Sept 2010 to Feb 2011
Carleton University	
Dr. Sohrab Abizadeh	University of Winnipeg
HEC Montréal – Institut d'économie appliquée	
Kevin Moran	Du 1er août au 31 décembre 2010 - Université Laval
University of Ottawa	
Ronan Congar Adjunct Professor	January 2011 to December 2013 - Université de Rouen
Université du Québec à Montréal (UQAM), Département des sciences économiques	
Nicolas Lemay-Hébert	Juin 2010, Chaire Raoul Dandurand, UQAM
Queen's University	
Dr. Shiko Maruyama	February 14 to June 14, 2011 - Australian School of Business, University of New South Wales

Simon Fraser University	
Dr. Atsuchi Miyake	September 2010 to September 2011 - Kobe Gakuin University, Japan
University of Western Ontario	
Susumu Cato	2010-07-01
Ayman Reda	2010-07-01

DEPARTURES / DÉPARTS

University of Alberta	
Robin Lindsey	July 2010 - University of British Columbia, Sauder School of Business
McGill University	
Mary MacKinnon	Deceased
University of Montreal	
François Vaillancourt	Retraite au 1er janvier 2011
Queen's University	
Maxwell Pak	July 31, 2010
Jun Zhang, Ph.D. candidate has graduated	July 31, 2010 - Shanghai University
Simon Fraser University	
Franck Adoho	August 31, 2010
Philip Curry	September 30, 2010 - University of Waterloo
Don DeVoretz	August 31, 2010 - retirement
Ramo Gencay	August 31, 2010
Trent University	
Tatiana Mihailovschi-Muntean	July 31, 2010
University of Western Ontario	
Paul Klein	July 31, 2010

AWARDS AND OTHER NEWS / DISTINCTIONS ET AUTRE NOUVELLES

University of Alberta	
<p>Bev Dahlby</p> <p><i>Appointed to the Panel to Review Federal Support for Research and Development</i></p>	<p>The federal government has established a six-member expert panel of distinguished Canadians to lead a comprehensive review of all federal support to R&D. The Panel will be overseen by the <i>Minister of State (Science and Technology)</i> and support by a dedicated secretariat. The Panel will provide formal recommendations, to be released publicly, within one year of inception.</p>
Brock University	
<p>Robert Dimand</p>	<p>Nominated as the History of Economics Society's president-elect for 2011-2012 and president for 2012-2013. He has also been elected to the Board of Trustees of the Association for Social Economics for the 2011-2015 term.</p>
<p>Tomson Ogwang (Economics Department) and Danny Cho (Faculty of Business)</p>	<p>Recipients of the Springer Award (2008-2009) for the best paper published in <i>Empirical Economics</i>, for "Economic Determinants of the Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages in Canada: A Panel Data Analysis", <i>Empirical Economics</i>, Volume 37, Number 3, December 2009.</p>
Dalhousie University	
<p>Peixin Liu and Kuan Xu and Yonggan Zhao</p>	<p>Recipients of the 2010 Northern Finance Association Best Paper Award for "Market Regimes, Sectoral Investment and Time-Varying Risk Premiums". This award is sponsored by the <i>International Journal of Managerial Finance</i>. The 2010 Northern Finance Association conference is the major Canadian conference for Finance with well over 100 papers presented.</p>
HEC Montréal – Institut d'économie appliquée	
<p>Hafedh Bouakez</p>	<p>Prix de recherche (Chenelière Éducation/Gaëtan Morin)</p>
<p>Jacques Raynauld</p>	<p>Le prix Jean-Guertin (Grand Prix de pédagogie)</p>
McMaster University	
<p>Paul DeCicca</p>	<p>Canada Research Chair (Tier II) in Public Economics</p>

University of Montreal	
Gerard Gaudet	Professeur émérité
Silvia Gonçalves	2010 CWEN Young Researcher Award
University of Ottawa	
David Gray	Faculty of Social Sciences' Excellence in Teaching Award; and one of nine finalists for TVOntario's <i>Best Lecturer Competition</i> in 2010
Irène Paré	Faculty of Social Sciences' Award for Service Excellence
Université du Québec à Montréal (UQAM)	
Kristian Behrens	Nominated as editor of the <i>Journal of Economic Geography</i>
Pierre Fortin	Professor emeritus
Robert Leonard	Nominated as Vice-President, History of Economics Society
Queen's University	
Michael Haymes	Co-recipient of the 2010 Scarthingmoor Prize for the best MA essay entitled "Google Search Engine Traffic in Economic Prediction: A Case Study Using U.S. Consumer Bankruptcies"
Joshua Murphy	Co-recipient of the 2010 Scarthingmoor Prize for the best MA essay entitled "Self-Enforcing International Environmental Agreements with Endogenous Uncertainty"

SHORT-TERM VISITORS / VISITEURS À COURT TERME

University of Ottawa	
Claus Breuer	March to April 2010 - University of Duisburg-Essen, Germany
Carmen Camacho	July to August 2010 - Université catholique de Louvain
Ronan Congar	September 2010 - Université de Rouen
Orsola Costantini	October 2010 to April 2011 - Doctoral Student, University of Pavia, Italy
Zhu Liping	September 2010 to August 2011 - Doctoral Student, Shanxi University of Finance and Economics
Entela Myftari	July 2010 to June 2011 - Doctoral Student, Université de Fribourg, Switzerland

Quentin Wodon	July 2010 to June 2011 - World Bank, Washington, DC
Frances Wooley	July 2010 to June 2011 - Carleton University
Queen's University	
Timothy Guinnane	March 7-11, 2011 - Yale University
Michael Jansson	May 9-13, 2011 - University of California at Berkeley
Jonathan Levin	June 13-17, 2011 - Stanford University

DOCTORATES / DOCTORATS

McMaster University	
Keqiang Hou September 2010	“Essays on Empirical Dynamic Stochastic General Equilibrium Models”
Bidyut Talukdar October 2010	“Learning by Doing and Optimal Fiscal and Monetary Policy”
University of Montreal	
Firmin Doko Tchatoka Février 2010	“Exogeneity, weak identification and instrument selection in econometrics”
Rachidi Kotchoni Mai 2010	“Efficient estimation using the characteristic function: theory and applications with high frequency data”
Nelnan Koumtingue October 2010	“Essays in Open Economy Macroeconomics with Borrowing Frictions”
Paul Samuel Njiki Njiki Mars 2010	“Essais sur la conception de mécanismes et les enchères”
Pavel Sevcik Juillet 2010	“Essais en économie avec frictions financières”
University of Ottawa	
Sophie Bernard May 2010	“Three Essays on Environmental Economics: Remanufacturing, Movements of Waste, and
Simon Fraser University	
Haitao (Tony) Xiang September 1, 2010	“Three Essays on Monetary Economics”
Ivan Tchinkov September 17, 2010	“The Effect of the Euro on Trade, Income and Prices”
Wilfrid Laurier University	
Ken Jackson Summer 2010	“Culture and Government: An Analysis of the Interaction Between Formal and Informal Institutions”

MISCELLANEOUS / DIVERS

Obituaries

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Mary MacKinnon 1959-2010

The untimely passing of Dr. Mary MacKinnon left a great void in the hearts of her friends and colleagues. She accomplished much as a conscientious, compassionate and deeply concerned human being, member of society, scholar and academic.

Mary was born July 4, 1959; she was a brilliant student and did her undergraduate degree at Queen's University. She won a Commonwealth Scholarship and elected to go to Oxford where she obtained her D.Phil. from Nuffield College. She then taught at Queen's and then came to McGill University in 1989.

Mary's research focused on the impact of economics transformation and macroeconomic factors and policies on the labor market and the workforce. She worked on the impact of the Poor Laws in Britain. She painstakingly collected and assembled data from historical employment records of workers on the Canadian Pacific Railway and investigated issues of migration and immigration, assimilation and accumulation of human capital. Her latest project (left unfinished) had her examining the records of British Columbia school teachers. To quote from the *Economic History News*: "her conclusions broadened our understanding of the interactions that occur between employers and employees whenever decisions are made in the presence of discontinuous economic and social changes. She made her scholarly mark in many ways, and especially in her search for neglected micro data."

Mary was always very public minded and significantly contributed to the advancement of the Economics profession by working in the Executive Councils and committees of the Canadian Economics Association, Société Canadienne de science économique, the Economic History Association and the Canadian Network for Economic History. Mary served as the Associate Dean of Arts at McGill and worked tirelessly to preserve what was good and to implement improvements in the Faculty of Arts. She had a vision of McGill University opening in a more attractive way to the city on the Dr. Penfield Street side, and battled and cajoled to bring to life her beloved courtyard that now bears a plaque acknowledging her invaluable contribution.

Mary cared deeply for the welfare and advancement of the students and junior faculty and was always ready to help. She encouraged students to do research and present their work and gave much of her time to reading, commenting and discussing this work with the students. In the last weeks of her life, she was still at it ~ reading a student's thesis and advising him.

When Mary finished her stint as an Associate Dean she started her sabbatical to renew her research and to travel to the places she loved so much, especially Australia

and Britain. Her time in Australia was disrupted by her illness. She had to return to Montreal, underwent surgery and learned in January 2010 that she had leiomyosarcoma and then that it had metastasized.

The illness forced Mary to think about issues that she did not confront before. Among other things, she applied herself to listening to lectures on chemistry; she reveled in the fascinating story of the emergence of chemotherapy that apparently originated with observations on the soldiers exposed to mustard gas in WWI. Here Mary was again in her element, her beloved History.

Shortly before Mary was admitted to the hospital she signed the online petition and wrote to Minister Clement expressing her opposition to the abolishment of the mandatory long form of the census. Up to her last few days that she spent in the hospital, Mary was as active as her illness and treatment permitted and vowed to be the “The healthiest cancer patient”; she went to plays in the Montreal Fringe Festival, went on short car trips, entertained friends and kept up with the news of the world and academic life. In her last days she was happy to be surrounded by her family and friends and to stay in touch with far away friends by phone.

Victoria Zinde-Walsh
McGill University

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Alan G. Green
1932-2010

Dr. Alan Green was born and raised in Hamilton, Ontario. He did his undergraduate work in economics at Queen’s University, graduating in 1957 as the medalist in Economics. He then did his PhD degree at Harvard University. He joined the Economics Department at Queen’s in 1963 and remained there throughout his professional life. He retired in 1997 as emeritus professor, but stayed active in teaching and research. During his academic career he also spent research sabbaticals at Harvard University, Yale University, the University of York (UK), and the Australian National University.

Alan’s research was driven by the need to understand the development of the Canadian economy. He was amongst the economic historians who worked both pre- and post-cliometrics, and became an early adopted of cliometrics, celebrating the expansion of the tools available to address the important questions in economic history. In the mold of traditional economic history, he was part of the team led by Mac Urqhart that constructed the basic historical national income accounts for Canada since the nineteenth century. He was a major figure in the economic history of Canadian immigration and international migration, typically combining explicit use of economic theory and econometric methods with new data to generate new information and insights. His publications on this subject spanned the nineteenth and twentieth centuries. His work on the Great Depression in Canada and his quantitative

estimates of regional inequalities in early post-Confederation Canada remain standard references. He was a major presence in Canadian economic policy issues. His contributions consisted of both scholarly research and service on advisory boards for the Ontario and Canadian federal governments.

Research for Alan was often a family affair. Many of his earlier works were co-authored with his wife, Ann Green, an economist in her own right who survives him. Later Alan frequently worked either with his son, David (an economist at the University of British Columbia) or with both David and Ann. Alan was also mentor, friend and co-author with Mary MacKinnon who passed away in August of 2010.

Alan Green devoted much of his time and energy to the development of the Economics Department at Queen's, and to the service of economic history in Canada. He was a founding member of the Canadian Network for Economic History and its guiding force for many years. His cheerful and absolute belief in the importance of Canadian economic history – and importance of doing it well – gave critical support to younger colleagues.

Alan Green leaves behind him a better Queen's Economics Department, a richer Canadian economics history profession, and many demonstrations of the importance of economic analysis to the formation of economic policy. He enriched other scholars by showing them the importance of high standards and by communicating that the entire enterprise is fun.

In addition to his wife, Ann, and son, David, Alan is survived by two other sons – Douglas, a psychiatrist in Ottawa, and Andrew, with the Faculty of Law at the University of Toronto, and five grandchildren.

Timothy Guinnane (Yale University)

Ian Keay (Queen's University)

Frank Lewis (Queen's University)

Angela Redish (University of British Columbia)

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Don Dawson

July 9, 2010

Dr. Don Dawson passed away peacefully on July 9, 2010, after a brave ten-month battle with acute myelogenous leukemia. He was 70 years old. Following his education at the University of Western Ontario and the University of Chicago, Don's association with the McMaster Economics Department covered 41 years. Don's insights in industrial organization were so widely appreciated that, over a number of years, essentially all graduate students who took Don's course were guaranteed a rewarding career at Consumer and Corporate Affairs. Other indicators of Don's ability to blend formal analysis with applied policy were his appointments to such positions as a Director at Consumer and Corporate Affairs, and Research Director of the Ontario Economic Council. On the teaching front, it is impossible to exaggerate Don's student appeal.

His course on the Economics of Professional Sport was always filled with enthusiastic students. It is no wonder that *Maclean's* magazine ranked Don among professors to pursue at McMaster. Don had a lasting effect on the broader community as well, through his mentoring role with McMaster's football players, his involvement at the student radio station, and his dedicated work with charitable organizations (especially those focused on the mentally retarded and the Special Olympics). Many in Hamilton will miss Don; his enthusiasm and sense of humor will remain an inspiration.

William Scarth
Chair, Department of Economics
McMaster University

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Peter Kennedy
1943-2010

It is with great sadness that the Department of Economics of Simon Fraser University announces Dr. Peter Kennedy's sudden and unexpected passing on August 30, 2010.

Born in Toronto and raised in nearby Port Credit, Peter obtained his BA from Queen's University in 1965 and his PhD from the University of Wisconsin-Madison in 1968. Peter first accepted a term position at Cornell University, and then arrived at Simon Fraser University in the Fall of 1968 to begin his academic career; he was 25 years old. Peter retired from SFU in 2008.

Peter's 40 year tenure at SFU has been filled with many highlights. His publications have been included in a number of journals, including *Econometrica*. However, his defining career milestone has been the publication of his book *A Guide to Econometrics*, which in his own words "has become a classic as a comprehensive guide to some incredibly technical stuff". This book helped to give him an international name with both students and institutions and has played a prominent role in many of his academic endeavors, including the many visiting professorships he has embarked on over the years.

Although an accomplished academic, it is his passion for teaching that will be remembered as his legacy. In 1987 he was the recipient of the 3M National Teaching Fellowship for teaching excellence at the university level, one of only a handful of SFU professors to receive this national award. He was also one of the inaugural recipients of the SFU Excellence in Teaching Award in 1983. Peter's commitment to excellent in teaching and research also led him to supervise many MA and PhD students.

Peter has also been editor or associate editor of several journals. Close to his heart has been his 20 year association with the *Journal of Economic Education*. He also played a key role in the evolution of the Department of Economics at SFU, serving as

undergraduate program chair, associate chair, and as the chair of the Department from 1978 to 1979.

In retirement, Peter and his wife, Nancy, hoped to spend more time traveling around the world. However this was not to be despite Peter's very healthy and active lifestyle.

Nicolas Schmitt
Chair, Department of Economics
Simon Fraser University

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ANNOUNCING THE PETER KENNEDY MEMORIAL FELLOWSHIP

The Kyiv School of Economics (KSE) has established the Peter Kennedy Memorial Fellowship. These fellowships will be used to fund meritorious and deserving students at the Kyiv School of Economics.

Peter Kennedy passed away suddenly in August of 2010. He served on the school's International Advisory Board since 2003. Peter was dedicated to the Kyiv School of Economics and tirelessly supported its development into the internationally recognized institution it is today. Peter and his wife, Nancy, were preparing to attend the annual board meeting at the time of his untimely death.

The Kyiv School of Economics could think of no better way to honor Peter Kennedy than a fellowship program for students. He especially enjoyed the interaction with the high-quality young students from Ukraine and neighboring countries who were willing to take on the challenging curriculum and went on to successful academic, private and government careers.

Peter Kennedy was Professor Emeritus at Simon Fraser University. He made fundamental contributions to his field of econometrics, publishing in the top journals. His *Guide to Econometrics* has been used by generations of economists and is now in its sixth edition. Peter also had broad interests in economics and economic education. He will be missed by friends, family, colleagues and by all those who worked with him at the Kyiv School of Economics.

Those wishing to make donations to the Peter Kennedy Memorial Fellowship should:

- 1) Send check or money order in US dollars payable to EERC, Inc. to 5902 Mount Eagle Dr., Suite 314, Alexandria, VA 22303 USA; or
- 2) Through Paypal – go to <http://www.kse.org.ua/support.htm> and follow the instructions. This will send your donation to a KSE/EERC Paypal account. After making a Paypal donation, please send an email to Svitlana Bocharova (bocharova@kse.org.ua) noting the amount and purpose of the donation.

Please note that the KSE co-founder, EERC, Inc., is a tax-exempt charity under Section 501(c)(3) of the U.S. tax code.

CONFERENCES / CONFÉRENCES

Call for Papers

2011 CNEH Conference

Thursday, June 2, 2011

Ottawa, Ontario

Themes: Education, Migration and Human Capital

Keynote Speaker: George Boyer, Cornell University

On behalf of the friends and colleagues of Drs. Mary MacKinnon and Alan Green, the Canadian Network for Economics History (CNEH) would like to dedicate its 2011 Conference to their memory.

We invite paper proposals for this conference which will be held June 2nd in Ottawa, Ontario. Papers will be considered on all topics, especially those relating to the themes of Education, Migration and Human Capital". Please e-mail your one to two page abstract to Ian Keay (ikeay@econ.queensu.ca).

The deadline for proposals is January 14, 2011. The program will be set and authors notified by late-January. Funds may become available to partially reimburse the costs of graduate students and junior scholars. Information on the venue, registration and program will be posted at <http://www.economichistory.ca> as it becomes available. Additional information about the CEA Annual Meetings, which will be held June 2-5 in Ottawa, may be accessed at <http://economics.ca/2011/en>.

During the 2011 CNEH Conference we will discuss an appropriate, permanent memorial that recognizes the contributions made by Mary and Alan to our discipline.

Institution: **Canadian Network for Economics History (CNEH)**
Title: **2011 Annual Conference**
Theme: Education, Migration and Human Capital
Dates: June 2-5, 2011
Location: Ottawa (details to follow on the below-noted)
Web address: <http://www.economichistory.ca>

Institution: **Canadian Economics Association**
Title: **45th Annual Conference**
Dates: June 2-5, 2011
Location: University of Ottawa
Contact person: Rose Anne Devlin
Contact e-mail: radevlin@uottawa.ca
Web address: <http://economics.ca/2011/en/>

Institution: **University of Alberta**
Title: **China and India/Global Power Shift/Opportunities for Canada and Alberta**
Dates: May 9 & 10, 2011
Location: Coast Edmonton Plaza – Edmonton, Alberta
Contact persons: D. Choi
Contact e-mail: Deborah.choi@ualberta.ca
Web address: <http://www.uofaweb.ualberta.ca/ipe/>

FORTHCOMING PAPERS IN CANADIAN JOURNAL OF ECONOMICS (CJE)/ARTICLES À PARAÎTRE DANS LA REVUE CANADIENNE D'ÉCONOMIQUE

- Per G. Fredriksson, Xenia Matschke and Jenny Minier: *Trade Policy in Majoritarian Systems: the Case of the U.S.*
- Munisamy Gopinath and Hisamitsu Saito: *Heterogeneous Firms, Trade Liberalization and Agglomeration*
- M. Shahe Emran and Forhad Shilpi: *The Extent of the Market and Stages of Agricultural Specialization*
- Robert Rowthorn: *A Bioeconomic View of the Transition to Agriculture: A Comment*
- Zhihong Chen, Ashar Iqbal and Huiwen Lai: *Forecasting the Probability of US Recessions: A Probit and Dynamic Factor Modeling Approach*
- Parantap Basu and Christoph Thoenissen: *International Business Cycles and the Relative Price of Investment Goods*
- Eva Koeberl and Sarah M. Lein: *The NIRCU and the Phillips Curve – An Approach Based on Micro Data*
- Sang-Moon Hahm and Katarina Mayer: *Equilibrium Unemployment as a Discipline Device When Finding Employment is Costly*
- Mathias Herzing: *Does Hidden Information Make Trade Liberalization More Fragile?*
- Bianjun Xia: *A Simple Explanation of Some Key Time Preference Anomalies*
- Peter Egger, David Greenaway and Tobias Seidel: *Rigid Labour Markets with Trade and Capital Mobility: Theory and Evidence*
- G rard Gaudet and Didier Tatoutchoup: *The Impact of Recycling on the Long-Run Stock of Trees*
- Hongfei Sun and Stella Huangfu: *Private Money and Bank Runs*
- Holger Breinlich and Alessandra Tucci: *Foreign Market Conditions and Export Performance: Evidence from Italian Firm-Level Data*

George Deltas, Thanasis Stengos and Eleftherios Zacharias: *Product Line Pricing in a Vertically Differentiated Oligopoly*

Ross D. Hickey and David S. Jacks: *Nominal Rigidities and Retail Price Dispersion in Canada over the Twentieth Century*

FORTHCOMING PAPERS IN CANADIAN PUBLIC POLICY (CPP) / ARTICLES À PARAÎTRE DANS ANALYSE DE POLITIQUES

Sami Bibi and Jean-Yves Duclos: *L'effet des taxes et des transferts sur la pauvreté au Québec et au Canada*

Susan MacDanial and Paul Bernard: *Introduction: Life Course as a Policy Lens: Challenges and Opportunities*

Martin Cooke and Jennifer McWhirter: *Public Policy and Aboriginal Peoples in Canada: Taking a Lifelong Perspective*

Stéphanie Gaudet: *La participation sociale des Canadiens. Une analyse selon l'approche des parcours de vie*

Bonnie-Jeanne Macdonald, Kevin D. Moore, Robert L. Brown and He Chen: *The Canadian National Retirement Risk Index: Employing Statistics Canada's LifePaths to Measure the Financial Security of Future Canadian Seniors*

PUBLICATIONS

Bank of Canada Electronic Publications and Web Tools for Economists

The Bank of Canada believes that these materials, which relate to the economy and the functions and policies of the Bank of Canada, would serve as useful teaching aids to many Canadian Economics Association members. They are available on our website and can be downloaded free of charge.

Following is a sampling of the publications and web tools we currently offer:

- ***Where's the Economy Going?*** – A two-page quarterly commentary summarizing the Bank of Canada's latest *Monetary Policy Report* – <http://www.bankofcanada.ca/en/index.html>

- **Backgrounders** – Brief articles on aspects of the Bank of Canada’s business – <http://www.bankofcanada.ca/en/backgrounders/index.html>
- **Charting Change** – A chart package prepared for the Bank of Canada’s 75th Anniversary in March 2010 that tracks economic and related social developments in Canada since the Bank’s founding in 1935 – <http://www.bankofcanada.ca/en/about/75years.html>
- **About the Bank of Canada** – A primer providing basic information on the Bank of Canada. Also available in hard copy – <http://www.bankofcanada.ca/en/about/about.html>
- **Inflation Calculator** – An online tool calculating changes in the cost of the consumer basket, using Consumer Price Index data from 1914 to the present – http://www.bankofcanada.ca/en/rates/inflation_calc.html
- **Investment Calculator** – An online tool showing the effects of inflation on investments and savings – <http://www.bankofcanada.ca/en/rates/investment.html>
- **Credit Conditions** website – Graphs and statistics indicating changes in credit conditions, the money supply, financial system liquidity, and other credit-market indicators – <http://credit.bank-banque-canada.ca/about>
- **Rates and Statistics** webpage – <http://www.bankofcanada.ca/en/rates/index.html>

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