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## ***CALL FOR NOMINATIONS***

The Canadian Economics Association invites nominations by any five members of the Association of candidates for Vice-President of the Association or for Member-at-large of the Executive Council. Please send nominations by March 1 each year to the Association's Secretary-Treasurer, Robert Dimand, [rdimand@brocku.ca](mailto:rdimand@brocku.ca).

## ***CEA FELLOWS***

### **CEA FELLOW RUSSELL DAVIDSON**

The Canadian Economics Association is delighted to announce the election of Russell Davidson as a Fellow of the Association, the highest honour that the Association can bestow. Davidson, a Professor of Economics at McGill University and a professor emeritus at the Université d'Aix-Marseille II (where he was a professor from 1987 to 2006), is a Fellow of the Econometric Society. He has made major contributions to theoretical econometrics, particularly with regard to bootstrap methods and specification testing, and to the application of the concept of stochastic dominance to the study of income distribution. He has written two books, *Estimation and Inference in Econometrics* (New York: Oxford University Press, 1993) and *Econometric Theory and Method* (New York: Oxford University Press, 2004), both coauthored with James MacKinnon, who is also becoming a Fellow of the Canadian Economic Association today.

Originally from Scotland, Russell Davidson holds two doctorates: a PhD in theoretical physics from the University of Glasgow in 1966, with a thesis on "Kinetics of Plasma in a Uniform Electric Field," and a PhD in economics from the University of British Columbia in 1977, with a thesis entitled "Essays in Comparative Dynamics." He initially came to UBC as a post-doctoral fellow in physics, and has published extensively in both disciplines: 21 journal articles in theoretical physics (two of them more than two decades after receiving his economics PhD) and 74 (and counting) in economics. Most of his economics articles are in theoretical

economics, but some (written with Richard Arnott of Queen's University) were in urban economics, dealing with spatial aspects of housing quality, quantity and maintenance. Russell Davidson joined Queen's University as an assistant professor in 1977, becoming associate professor in 1982 and full professor in 1985. He moved from Queen's to McGill University in 2002 to accept a Tier 1 Canada Research Chair. James MacKinnon had joined Queen's in 1975, and from 1980 onwards Russell Davidson and James MacKinnon have published extensively and influentially together.

Russell Davidson was the Canadian Economics Association's Innis Lecturer in 2010, speaking about "Inference on Income Distribution," *Canadian Journal of Economics* 43:4 (November 2010), 1122-1148. He was President of the Association in 2014-15, giving his presidential address on "Computing, the Bootstrap and Economics," *Canadian Journal of Economics* 48:4 (November 2015), 1195-1214. These public addresses provide the most accessible introductions to his work on bootstrap methods in econometrics and the application of stochastic dominance and bootstrapping to the empirical study of income distribution.

The Canadian Economics Association is proud to honour Russell Davidson as a Fellow of the Canadian Economics Association.

## **CEA FELLOW JAMES MACKINNON**

The Canadian Economics Association is delighted to announce the election of James G. MacKinnon as a Fellow, the highest honour that the Association can bestow. James MacKinnon, the Sir Edward Peacock Professor of Econometrics at Queen's University, is a Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada and of the Econometric Society. He has made major contributions to theoretical econometrics, particularly with regard to bootstrap methods and specification testing. He has written two books, *Estimation and Inference in Econometrics* (New York: Oxford University Press, 1993) and *Econometric Theory and Method* (New York: Oxford

University Press, 2004), both coauthored with Russell Davidson, who is also becoming a Fellow of the Canadian Economics Association today.

James MacKinnon graduated from Glendon College, the bilingual college of York University, and received his PhD in economics from Princeton University in 1975. His dissertation supervisor at Princeton, with whom he published on the sandwich method for finding fixed points, was Harold Kuhn (of the Kuhn-Tucker conditions for constrained optimization). James joined Queen's University as an assistant professor in 1975 and has stayed with Queen's since then (as associate professor from 1978, full professor from 1982, Peacock Professor since 1991). In addition to what subsequently became his main work in theoretical econometrics, he published several early articles with Richard Arnott applying general equilibrium analysis to urban economics. Russell Davidson joined Queen's two years after James, initiating an exceptionally fruitful collaboration (their first journal article in 1980 was James's twentieth article). Together with Charles Beach, James MacKinnon organized and hosted the first meeting of the Canadian Econometric Study Group in 1984 (and he also organized and hosted the CESG's 1997 and 2012 meetings).

James MacKinnon was president of the Canadian Economics Association in 2001-2002, giving a presidential address on "Bootstrap Inference in Econometrics," *Canadian Journal of Economics* 35:4 (November 2002), 615-645. The remarkable increase in computing power made it possible to base statistical inference on simulated, or bootstrap, distributions based on resampling rather than on distributions suggested by asymptotic theory that are strictly valid only when the sample size is infinitely large. MacKinnon (2002, p. 617) argued that "This bootstrap approach can often, but does not always, lead to much more accurate inference than traditional approaches are capable of." His presidential address provides an accessible introduction to the work of Davidson and MacKinnon on bootstrapping.

The Canadian Economics Association is proud to honour James G. MacKinnon as a Fellow of the Canadian Economics Association.

## **CEA FELLOW JOHN WHALLEY**

The Canadian Economics Association is delighted to announce the election of John Whalley as Fellow of the Association, the highest honour that the CEA can bestow. John Whalley has made enormous contributions to computable general equilibrium and its application to international trade, public finance, global climate change, and the Chinese economy. He is a tremendously influential and prolific scholar: the section of his CV listing his most recent publications, those since 2010, includes sixty-two refereed journal articles, and he has trained generations of young economists, sending them forth from graduate school with records of significant coauthored publication. John Whalley is a Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada and of the Econometric Society, was the Canadian Economics Association's Innis Lecturer in 1984, and in 2012 won the Killam Prize, awarded to recognize an outstanding Canadian researcher.

John Whalley grew up in Lancashire, English, and received his bachelor's and master's degree at the University of Essex. He took his PhD in economics at Yale University in 1973, with a thesis applying computable general equilibrium analysis to "A Numerical Assessment of the April 1973 Tax Changes in the United Kingdom." Herbert Scarf, who developed the first fixed-point algorithm to compute general equilibrium, was on Whalley's dissertation committee, which was chaired by William Brainard. After lecturing at the London School of Economics for three years, Whalley joined the University of Western Ontario as an associate professor in 1976 (full professor in 1978), and has remained ever since at Western, where he is Co-Director of the Centre for the Study of International Economic Relations (CSIER) and Director of the China Research and Policy Group (CRPG). He is a Research Associate of the National Bureau of Economic Research (NBER) and is the Coordinator of the Global Economy Group of CESifo. He has written, coauthored, edited or co-edited forty books and has published awe-inspiring numbers of articles in the most respected

and highly-ranked economics journals: twelve in the *Journal of Public Economics*, seven in each of the *American Economic Review* and the *Journal of International Economics*, six in each of the *Economic Journal*, *Economics Letters*, the *Journal of Development Economics* and the *Review of Economics and Statistics*, five in the *Journal of Political Economy*, three in each of *Econometrica* and the *Journal of Economic Theory*. The list of his journal articles is longer than most journal articles. His career in research, and in the training of young researchers, has been one of outstanding achievement, and the Canadian Economics Association is proud to honour John Whalley as a Fellow of the Canadian Economics Association.

### ***HARRY JOHNSON PRIZE / LE PRIX HARRY JOHNSON***

The Harry Johnson Prize for the best article published in the *Canadian Journal of Economics* in 2015 was awarded to **Gregor Smith** (Queen's University) and **Nicolas-Guillaume Martineau** (Glendon College of York University) for "Identifying Fiscal Policy (In)effectiveness from the Differential Counter-Cyclicality of Government Spending in the Interwar Period" published in Volume 48 of the *Canadian Journal of Economics*.

### ***MIKE McCRACKEN AWARD FOR ECONOMIC STATISTICS / LE PRIX McCRACKEN***

The Mike McCracken Award recognizes theoretical and applied contribution to the development or use of economic statistics in Canada. Sadly Mike McCracken died since our last meetings. He was born in Tulsa, Oklahoma and received his Ph.D. from Rice. His Canadian career began at the Economic Council of Canada and then in 1972 he co-founded Informetrica, a Canadian-based economic research company. He served as president of the Canadian Association of Business Economists for a number of

years and was chair of the U.S. Conference of Business Economists in 1994. He is well known within Canada for the many ways he contributed to the development of economic statistics: in particular he was a strong supporter of Statistics Canada, the Canadian Employment Research Forum and the Canadian Econometric Study Group. In 2010, he was the first winner of this award which bears his name.

You can read more about Mike, the award and the selection committee on the CEA website.

This year the committee has chosen to honour **Russell Davidson** of McGill University and **James MacKinnon** of Queen's University. Both are widely known for their important econometric research individually, with other co-authors and with each other. But the nominators also emphasized their roles in the advancement of econometrics and economic statistics in Canada, including the professional development of others through their efforts in this Association and the Canadian Econometric Study Group and their role in teaching so many of us formally and informally, not least through their influential textbooks.

## ***ROBERT MUNDELL PRIZE / LE PRIX ROBERT MUNDELL***

The Robert Mundell Prize for the best article published in the *Canadian Journal of Economics* in 2015 by an early-career economist was awarded to **Alex Chernoff** for the paper "Between a Cap and a Higher Price: Modeling the Price of Dairy Quotas under Price Ceiling Legislation" published in Volume 48 of the *Canadian Journal of Economics*.

***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 winner of the Doug Purvis Memorial Prize for 2015 is **The Ecofiscal Commission** for their report “The Way Forward: A Practical Approach to Reducing Canada's Greenhouse Gas Emissions.”

***THE JOHN VANDERKAMP PRIZE / LE PRIX  
JOHN VANDERKAMP***

The Vanderkamp Prize is for the best article in the journal *Canadian Public Policy/Analyse de Politiques* each year. For 2015 the selection committee of Tammy Schirle, Lisa Strohschein and Mike Veall would like to acknowledge two runners-up:

“Explaining Low High School Attainment in Northern Aboriginal Communities: An Analysis of the Aboriginal Peoples' Surveys” by **Melanie O’Gorman** and **Manish Pandey** both of the University of Winnipeg

and

“Is It Time to Raise the Gas Tax? Optimal Gasoline Taxes for Ontario and Toronto” by **Joel Wood** of Thompson Rivers University.

The winning paper is:

“Milked and Feathered: The Regressive Welfare Effects of Canada's Supply Management Regime” by **Ryan Cardwell and Chad Lawley** of the University of Manitoba and **Di Xiang** of the Southwestern University of Finance and Economics, Chengdu, China.



## ***ORDER OF CANADA***

The July 1 Order of Canada honours lists includes two economists:

Ronald J. Wonnacott, University of Western Ontario, was made an Officer of the Order of Canada "For his contributions to Canadian international trade policy, particularly in regard to Canada's free-trade agreements."

Michael Walker, Fraser Institute, Vancouver, was made a Member of the Order of Canada "For his contributions to enriching economic-policy debate as an economist and as the founder of the Fraser Institute."

## ***NEW APPOINTMENTS/ NOMINATIONS RÉCENTES***

<b>University of Alberta</b>	
Andrew McGee	July 1, 2016 – Associate Professor. Previously at Simon Fraser University
Xingfei Liu	July 1, 2016 – Assistant Professor. Previously at Ryerson University
Pinar Gunes	July 1, 2016 – Assistant Professor
<b>Dalhousie University</b>	
Prosper Koto	July 1, 2016 – Instructor. Previously Instructor at the University of Manitoba
Christos Ntantamis	July 1, 2016 – Instructor. Previously Adjunct Professor at Mount Allison University
Yue (Collin) Shen	July 1, 2016 – Instructor. Previously Instructor, Saint Mary's University

<b>École des hautes études commerciales de Montréal</b>	
Matteo Cacciatore	May 2016 – Assistant professor
<b>McMaster University</b>	
Dr. Bettina Brüggemann	July 1, 2016 – Assistant Professor, formerly PhD student, Goethe University, Germany
Dr. Alisa Tazhitdinova	July 1, 2016 – Assistant Professor, formerly PhD student, University of California, Berkeley
Dr. Bradley Minaker	July 1, 2016 – Post-Doctoral Fellow (Applied Public Economics), formerly PhD student, McMaster University
Dr. Mark Tremblay	July 1, 2016 – Post-Doctoral Fellow (Economic Theory), formerly PhD student, Michigan State University
<b>Memorial University</b>	
Dr. Lynn Gambin	August 1, 2016 – Assistant Professor (tenure track), formerly Institute for Employment Research, University of Warwick
<b>Université de Montréal</b>	
René Garcia	professeur titulaire – 1 <sup>er</sup> juin 2016, EDHEC Business School, Nice
Vasia Panousi	professeure adjointe – 1 <sup>er</sup> juin 2016, Federal Reserve Board
<b>Queen’s University</b>	
Robert Clark	July 1, 2016 – Professor and inaugural Stephen J.R. Smith Chair in Economic Policy formerly Department of Applied Economics, HEC Montreal

Sener Salci	November 15, 2015 – November 15, 2016 – Postdoctoral Fellow, formerly PhD, Department of Economics, University of Birmingham, UK
Antoine Djogbenou	September 1, 2016 – August 31, 2018 – Postdoctoral Fellow in Econometrics, formerly PhD, Département de Sciences Économiques, Université de Montréal
<b>St. Francis Xavier</b>	
Brandon Malloy	July 1, 2016 – Assistant Professor. Previously Ph.D. candidate at Western University.
<b>University of Toronto</b>	
Patrick Baude	July 1, 2016 – Assistant Professor (CLTA). Formerly PhD student, University of Illinois at Chicago
Murat Celik	July 1, 2016 – Assistant Professor. Formerly PhD student, University of Pennsylvania
Peter Foltin	July 1, 2016 – Assistant Professor, Teaching Stream (CLTA). Formerly PhD student, University of Western Ontario
Jim Goldman	July 1, 2016 – Assistant Professor. Formerly PhD student, INSEAD
Kevin Lim	July 1, 2016 – Assistant Professor. Formerly PhD student, Princeton University
Zachary Mahone	July 1, 2016 – Assistant Professor, Teaching Stream. Formerly PhD student, University of Minnesota
Robert McKeown	July 1, 2016 – Assistant Professor, Teaching Stream (CLTA). Formerly PhD student, Queen’s University
John McNeil	July 1, 2016 – Assistant Professor, Teaching Stream (CLTA). Formerly PhD student, Brown University

Xu Tian	July 1, 2016 – Assistant Professor. Formerly PhD student, University of Rochester
<b>University of Waterloo</b>	
Chris Ridell	July 1, 2016 – Associate Professor. Previous Position: Associate Professor, ILR School, Cornell University
<b>University of Western Ontario</b>	
Victor Aguiar	July 1, 2016 – Assistant Professor
Nail Kashaev	July 1, 2016 – Assistant Professor
Joseph Mullins	July 1, 2016 – Assistant Professor
<b>Wilfrid Laurier University</b>	
Dr. Edda Claus	July 1, 2016 – Tenure track appointment,
Mr. Jeff Chan	January 1, 2017 – Limited Term Appointment
Dr. Ken Jackson	July 1, 2016 – Tenured
Dr. Brian McCaig	July 1, 2016 – Tenured
<b>University of Winnipeg</b>	
Zhan Li	December 1, 2015 – Assistant Professor, formerly Ph.D, Arizona State University

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

<b>University of Alberta</b>	
Jorge Zumaeta	Sept 2016 to April 2017 – Fulbright Scholar, Florida International University

<b>Dalhousie University</b>	
Yang Li	TBA, Shandong University of Finance and Economics (SDUFE)
Qi Yang	TBA, Shandong University of Finance and Economics (SDUFE)
Xiaoheng Xu	September 2016-August 2017, Shandong University of Finance and Economics (SDUFE)
Jinying Zhang	January 2016-August 2017, Shandong University of Finance and Economics (SDUFE)
<b>McMaster University</b>	
Dr. Yongmei Hu	Nov 2015 to Nov 2015, Institute of Economics of Education, Beijing Normal University
Dr. Justin Smith	July 2015 to June 2016, Wilfrid Laurier University
<b>Université de Montréal</b>	
Eric Bahel	1 <sup>er</sup> septembre 2016 au 31 août 2017, Virginia Tech.
Vicky Zinde-Walsh	1 <sup>er</sup> septembre 2016 au 31 août 2017, Université McGill
<b>Queen's University</b>	
Ross McKittrick	September 1 – December 31, 2016, University of Guelph
<b>University of Toronto</b>	
Yoram Halevy	July 1, 2016, University of British Columbia
<b>University of Victoria</b>	
Pompeo Della Posta	July 1 to Aug 3 – Visiting Professor and European Union Centre of Excellence Visiting Scholar Fellow from University of Pisa, Italy.

<b>University of Waterloo</b>	
Stephanie McWhinnie	July 20 to Dec 31, 2016 from University of Adelaide
Jacob Wong	July 20 to Dec 31, 2016 from University of Adelaide
<b>University of Western Ontario</b>	
Paul Klein	January 1, 2017 to April 30, 2017, Stockholm University

## ***DEPARTURES / DÉPARTS***

<b>Dalhousie University</b>	
Swapan Dasgupta	September 1, 2016 – retirement
<b>École des hautes études commerciales de Montréal</b>	
Helios Herrera	April 2016 – University of Warwick
Pierre-Thomas Léger	August 2016 – University of Illinois, Chicago
Marc Santugini	June 2016 – University of Virginia
<b>McMaster University</b>	
Dr. Martin Dooley	July 1, 2016 – Professor, Retired
Dr. Lonnie Magee	July 1, 2016 – Professor, Retired
Dr. William Scarth	January 1, 2016 – Professor, Retired
<b>Queen's University</b>	
Lorne Carmichael	June 30, 2016 – Retired

<b>University of Victoria</b>	
Professor Carl Mosk	June 30 2016 – Retirement
<b>University of Western Ontario</b>	
John Knight	January 21, 2016 – Deceased
<b>Wilfrid Laurier University</b>	
Dr. Migiwa Tanaka (LTA)	July 1, 2016 – Resigned

***AWARDS AND OTHER NEWS / DISTINCTIONS  
ET AUTRE NOUVELLES***

<b>University of Alberta</b>	
Lorne Priemaza	2016 Faculty of Arts Contract Instructor Teaching Award
<b>Brock University</b>	
Robert Dimand	Thomas F. Divine Award of the Association for Social Economics for 2016 (a lifetime achievement award for research).  Also recipient of Brock University's Distinguished Research and Creative Activity Award for 2016.
Ivan Medovikov	2016 Faculty of Social Sciences Award for Excellence in Teaching
<b>Carleton University</b>	
Simon Power	Faculty of Public Affairs 2015-2016 Teaching Excellence Award

Simon Power	Carleton University Students' Association 2015-2016 Teaching Excellence Award
<b>Dalhousie University</b>	
Casey Warman	Casey Warman was appointed as Faculty Research Fellow at the National Bureau of Economic Research (NBER) in 2015.
<b>École des hautes études commerciales de Montréal</b>	
Decio Coviello	Junior Canada Research Chair
Pierre-Carl Michaud	Full professor
Giacomo Candian	Assistant professor
<b>McMaster University</b>	
Dr. Marc-Andre Letendre	Canadian Association of University Teachers Dedicated Service Award, McMaster University Faculty Association
Md Mahbubur Rahman, Natalie Malak, Terrance Yip	2016 Canadian Population Society Annual Student Paper Competition for their paper entitled "Baby Bonus, Anyone? Examining Quebec's Pro-Natal Policy", June 2016
<b>Université de Montréal</b>	
Marcel Boyer	<b>Nommé officier de l'Ordre du Canada</b> L'Ordre du Canada, l'une des plus prestigieuses distinctions honorifiques civiles de notre pays, a été créé en 1967, durant l'année du centenaire du Canada, pour reconnaître des réalisations exceptionnelles, le dévouement remarquable d'une personne envers la communauté ou une contribution extraordinaire à la nation.



<b>Queen's University</b>	
Alex Armstrong	Recipient of the 2015 C.A. Curtis Prize for his thesis entitled "Essays on the Economics of Language and Language Policy".
Christopher Cotton	The winner of the 2016 QED Research Prize for his work on public economics, political economy, game theory and experimental economics.
John Hartwick	His 1977 American Economic Review paper, "Intergenerational Equity and the Investing of Rents from Exhaustible Resources" has been selected to receive the 2014 Publication of Enduring Quality Award by the Association of Environmental and Resource Economics (AERE). It was presented at the AERE Summer Conference in San Diego, CA on Thursday, June 4th, 2015.
Jeffrey Hicks	Recipient of the 2015 Scarthingmoor Prize for best MA essay "Tobacco Taxes in Canada: An Analysis of Elasticities and Salience"
Beverly Lapham	Recipient of the QED 2016 Undergraduate Teaching Award
Frank Lewis	Recipient of the QED 2015 Undergraduate Teaching Award
James MacKinnon	Became a Fellow of the Canadian Economics Association. He also became a Journal of Applied Econometrics Distinguished Author.
Morten Nielsen	Became a Fellow of the Journal of Econometrics in October 2015.

Alex Chernoff*	Wins the Robert Mundell Prize which is reported elsewhere in this Newsletter
James MacKinnon*	(with Russell Davidson) wins the Mike McCracken Award which is reported elsewhere in this Newsletter
Gregor Smith*	(with Nicolas Guillaume-Martineau) wins the Harry Johnson Prize which is reported elsewhere in the CEA Newsletter
<b>St. Francis Xavier</b>	
Jonathan Rosborough	Named <i>Undergraduate Professor of the Year</i> for 2015-16 at Western University Department of Economics, where he spent part of his sabbatical.
<b>University of Toronto</b>	
Diego Restuccia	Canadian Research Chair in Macroeconomics and Productivity, 7 years, 2015-2022
<b>University of Victoria</b>	
Paul Schure, Associate Professor	\$5,000 Technology Integrated Learning Grant
<b>University of Waterloo</b>	
Mary Ann Vaughan	<a href="https://uwaterloo.ca/economics/news/econ-prof-mary-ann-vaughan-presented-warrior-campus-service">https://uwaterloo.ca/economics/news/econ-prof-mary-ann-vaughan-presented-warrior-campus-service</a>
Larry Smith	“No Fears No Excuses” Book launch - <a href="https://uwaterloo.ca/economics/news/prof-larry-smith-no-fears-no-excuses-book-launch-may-17-2016">https://uwaterloo.ca/economics/news/prof-larry-smith-no-fears-no-excuses-book-launch-may-17-2016</a>

<b>University of Western Ontario</b>	
John Whalley	Fellow of the Canadian Economics Association, 2016
Jim Davies	CAUT Dedicated Service Award, 2016

## ***SHORT-TERM VISITORS / VISITEURS À COURT TERME***

<b>University of Alberta</b>	
Sylvie Charlot	June 2016 – INRA-Grenoble
<b>Dalhousie University</b>	
Azad Haider	April 2015 from Comsats Institute of Information Technology, Islamabad
Ryszard Stocki	September 2014 from University of Social Sciences & Humanities, Psychology Faculty in Katowice, Poland
<b>École des hautes études commerciales de Montréal</b>	
Allan Collard-Wexler	July 2016 from Duke University
Gautam Gowrisankaran	July 2016 from University of Arizona
<b>McMaster University</b>	
Dr. José-Victor Rios-Rull	March 1, 2016 from University of Pennsylvania
Dr. Flávio Cunha	April 7, 2016 from Rice University

<b>Université de Montréal</b>	
Anne Vanhems	15 au 21 août 2016 - ESC Toulouse et Toulouse School of Economics
Pierre Maréchal	15 au 21 août 2016 - Université Paul Sabatier, Toulouse
<b>Simon Fraser University</b>	
Frank Staehler	June 1-26 from University of Tubingen, Germany
Pedro Raposo	June 1-17 from Catolica-Lisbon
Federico Bugni	June 15-August 15 from Duke University
James Morley	July 1 to August 15 – UNSW Business School, Australia
<b>University of Victoria</b>	
Professor Frido Smulders	April 4 to May 20 – School of Industrial Design Engineering at Delft University of Technology, The Netherlands
<b>University of Western Ontario</b>	
Joseph Hotz	March 6 to 10, 2017 –Duke University

## ***DOCTORATES / DOCTORATS***

<b>University of Alberta</b>	
Jie Yang	October 2015 – “Three Essays on Applied Microeconomics”
Lu Wang	April 2016 – “Three Essays in Financial Intermediation”

<b>Carleton University</b>	
Beatriz Peraza Lopez	March 2016 – “Three Essays on the Study of Persistence via Impulse-Response Confidence Bands with Application to Autoregressive Moving Average (ARMA) Processes”
Heng Xu	April 2016 – “Three Essays on Private Labels, Product Quality and the Retailer's Bargaining Power”
<b>Dalhousie University</b>	
Angela Daley	June 15/16 – “Three Essays on the Well-Being of Canadian Children and Their Families”
<b>McMaster University</b>	
Taha Jamal	April 10, 2015 – “Three Essays for Health Economics”
<b>Université de Montréal</b>	
Anabelle Maher	3 décembre 2015 – “Essays in Resource Economics”
William Dieudonné Yé Gbohoui	5 mai 2016 – “Essays on the Effects of Corporate Taxation”
Mehrab Kiasi	15 juin 2016 – “Essays on Optimal Fiscal and Monetary Policies”
<b>Queen’s University</b>	
Leonard Leung	April 2016 – “Three Essays on Economic Development in the Natural Resources Sector”
Alexander Chernoff	May 2016 – “Essays on Firm Heterogeneity with Empirical Applications in Economic History and Agricultural Economics”
Margaux MacDonald	June 2016 – “International Capital Flows and Monetary Policy Spillovers”

Louis M. Perrault	June 2016 – “Essays in Dynamic Optimal Taxation: Working Experience, Unemployment Scarring and Poverty”
<b>Simon Fraser University</b>	
Ebrahim Azimi	7 March 2016 – “Essays On Applied Econometrics”
Roghayeh Dastranj Tabrizi	13 Apr 2016 – “Essays On Social and Economic Networks”
Fatemeh Mokhtarzadeh	25 Apr 2016 – “Essays On Macroeconomic Policies: Experiments and Simulations”
Daniele Signori	2 May 2016 – “Essays in Financial Markets and Time Series Econometrics”
Edouard Tsague Djeutem	19 May 2016 – “Three Essays on Exchange Rate Dynamics and Model Uncertainty”
Tenzen Yindok	2 June 2016 – “Essays on Entrepreneurship in Developing Economies”
<b>University of Toronto</b>	
Ayesha Ali	2016 – “Essays in Energy, Political Economy and Development”
Robert Graham Beattie	2016 – “Media Coverage of Climate Change”
Jeffrey Mark Chan	2016 – “Essays in International Trade”
David Cimon	2016 – “Essays in Market Microstructure”
Hélène Desgagnés	2016 – “Financial intermediaries, regulation, and macroeconomic stability”
Alfia Karimova	2016 – “Three Essays in Health Economics”
Mengxiao Liu	2016 – “Three Chapters on Firm Boundary Decisions”

Uros Petronijevic	2016 – “Incentives and Productivity in the Economics of Education”
Lisa Stockley	2016 – “Topics in Labour and Development Economics”
Lei Tang	2016 – “Improving Student Achievement”
Qiao Yang	2016 – “Bayesian Nonparametric Methods in Financial Econometrics”
Zhe Yuan	2016 – “Essays on Network Competition in the Airline Industry”
Shiny Zhang	2016 – “Three Essays in Financial Economics”
Xin Zhao	2016 – “Essays on Information Acquisition, Auction Design, and Persuasion”
<b>University of Victoria</b>	
Yunkai Huang	3 June, 2016 – “Non-Global Regression Modelling”
<b>University of Waterloo</b>	
Mykhaylo Oustrakh	April 1, 2016 – “The Effect of Technological Innovation of Economic Activity”
Behnoush Amery	April 19, 2016 – “Three Empirical Essays on Job Training, Income Support Programs, and Household Debt”
Scott Legree	June 2016 – "Three Essays in Labour Economics and Public Finance"
Xiao Yan Lin	June 2016 – “Three Essays on Financial Modelling with Price Limits”

## ***OBITUARIES***

The Canadian Economics Association announces with sadness the passing of Albert Breton, president of the CEA in 1988-89, and of A. Edward Safarian, president of the CEA in 1976-77.

### ***ALBERT BRETON (1948-2016)***

86 years, of Toronto, died peacefully at home on February 13, 2016, surrounded by his family in the last days of his life. Emeritus Professor of Economics, University of Toronto, he received his Ph.D. in Economics from Columbia University, New York City. He taught at the Université de Montréal, Carleton University, Université Catholique de Louvain, the London School of Economics, Harvard University, the Università di Perugia, the Université de Paris I (Panthéon-Sorbonne) and the Institut de Sciences Politiques de Paris. He worked as a researcher at the Institute for Social and Economic Change (Bangalore, India). He was the author of over 130 books and articles on questions of federalism, constitutionalism and economic theory and policy. He was Special Advisor to Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau for 10 years through the 1970s, while still teaching at the University of Toronto. From 1979 to 1982, he was vice-chairman of the Applebaum-Hébert Federal Cultural Policy Review Committee and, from 1982 to 1985, he was a Commissioner with the Macdonald Royal Commission on the Economic Union and Development Prospects for Canada. He served on the Board of Governors of the National Theatre School of Canada and on the Canadian Economic Policy Committee of the C.D. Howe Research Institute. He was an Officer of The Order of Canada since 1984 and a Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada since 1979. He had an LL.D. (Honoris Causa) from the University of Manitoba. He was a past President of the Canadian Economics Association. A Festschrift in his honour was published in 2000 by Cambridge University Press. He was a man of enormous character and great warmth; he was funny, kind, loving and always the life of the party. He leaves his wife, Margot; his children, Catherine (Carol Manak), Natalie, Francoise, Robert (Lindsey McMaster); his



grandchildren, Sophia, Liv and William; his brothers, Raymond (Lily), Gabriel and Roland (Diane) and sister, Claire (Etienne Gaboury), all of whom loved him immensely and will miss him terribly. The family will be having a private service. Condolences may be directed to [aftercare.org](http://aftercare.org). In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Amnesty International.

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### ***JOHN LEWIS KNIGHT (1948-2016)***

John Lewis Knight, Professor of Economics at the University of Western Ontario, passed away on January 21, 2016, in London, UK, following a nine month battle with cancer. Knight was born in Earlwood, NSW, Australia, on September 12, 1948. He earned a B. Comm. in Statistics in 1971, a M. Comm. in Econometrics in 1973, and a Ph.D. in Economics in 1980, all at The University of New South Wales. Knight began his academic career as a Lecturer at The University of New South Wales, and was a Senior Lecturer there from 1983-1986. He visited the University of Western Ontario in 1985 and was subsequently recruited to Western in 1987, where he taught econometrics and financial econometrics for 28 years. Knight maintained friendships globally with a wide circle of people, frequently visiting Birbeck College at University of London, Trinity College at Cambridge, The University of New South Wales, and Hiroshima University.

John Knight was an internationally known expert in the fields of econometrics and financial econometrics. His early research in econometrics involved the application of distribution theory to economic problems. Later, he specialized in the use of the empirical characteristic function in the estimation of financial time series data. He published 60 papers in journals and edited volumes, and held NSERC grants continuously throughout his career at Western. Many of his papers were co-authored with his long-time friend and collaborator, Stephen Satchell. Knight and

Satchell also edited four books together on various econometric aspects of financial markets, including forecasting volatility and performance measurement. In 2002, he was awarded the *Econometric Theory* Plura Scripsit Award for having published over 15 papers in *Econometric Theory*. He was a member of the editorial board of the *Journal of Asset Management* for 10 years from 2004 to 2014, and he was an Honorary Associate of the Financial Econometric Projects at Cambridge from 2002 to 2009.

At Western, Knight is remembered most for his work with graduate students. He supervised or was a committee member for over 25 students. He was a thoughtful and considerate supervisor who kept track of his students and their career successes long after they finished their degrees. He also often formed long-term working relationships with his students, having co-authored 13 papers with former students.

Recently, Knight played a lead role in the development of a new Master of Financial Economics (MFE) at Western. As its External Director in 2014-2015, he was instrumental in stewarding new donor-sponsored scholarships which provide financial support to students. He expanded the program's employer network to improve internship and full-time job prospects for MFE students.

John Knight was predeceased by his loving wife, Mary Therese (McGrane) (2008), and his parents, John Knight (1972) and Patricia Gloria (Haigh) Knight (1995). He was a loving brother to Patricia Dawn Gibb and Lynette Anne Rocca of NSW. He will be missed by his extended family, colleagues, students and friends world-wide.

by Robert Dimand

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## ***ED SAFARIAN***

It is with sadness that I inform the Rotman community that Professor Emeritus Ed Safarian passed away on January 30th, 2016. He was 94. Until the last year he had been an active member of the Rotman community pursuing research, mentoring colleagues, and contributing to the public discourse on public policy issues. He will be sorely missed here at Rotman and by his many friends and colleagues around the world.

A Professor of Business Economics at the University of Toronto since 1966, Ed served as President of the Canadian Economics Association (1977-78) and as Dean of the School of Graduate Studies, University of Toronto (1971-76). He has been a major contributor to our understanding of multinational enterprises and of public policy through his pioneering books *The Canadian Economy in the Great Depression* (1958), *Foreign Ownership of Canadian Industry* (1966), *Canadian Federalism and Economic Interpretation* (1973), *Governments and Multinationals: Policies in the Developed Countries* (1983) and *Multinational Enterprise and Public Policy: A Study of the Industrial Countries* (1993). In 2011 University of Toronto Press published an updated third edition of his *Foreign Ownership of Canadian Industry*. That Fall Ed gave a public talk at Rotman partly based on it to over 100 people.

Ed has been a Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada since 1973. In 1977 he was awarded a Queen Elizabeth II Silver Jubilee Medal. In 2005 he was named a Member of the Order of Canada for his contributions to the social sciences, which included research on multinational enterprises, international trade and investment, Canadian federalism, the Great Depression of the 1930's, and public policy.

Ed's family noted that January 30, 2016 was his 66th wedding anniversary and that it was a good day to be reunited with his wife Joan, who passed away in September 2014.

Our deepest sympathies go to the Safarian family.

by Tiff Macklem  
Dean of the Rotman School of Management  
University of Toronto

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## ***CALL FOR PAPERS***

### ***51<sup>st</sup> Annual 2017 Canadian Economics Association (CEA) Annual Conference***

The CEA invites anyone wishing to present a paper at the 2017 Conference to submit an abstract by **Friday, February 10, 2017**. Paper submissions in English or French are accepted starting December 1, 2016 through the web interface at [my.economics.ca](http://my.economics.ca). The maximum length for an abstract is 250 words. You will receive a notification once your paper is accepted or rejected. If your paper is accepted, it is expected that you will be prepared to serve as a discussant and/or program chair at other sessions within your areas of interest. Please direct all inquiries and correspondence to the CEA Executive Director, at [cea2017@economics.ca](mailto:cea2017@economics.ca).

Any member can propose a special session or sessions which may have invited papers. If you are interested in this possibility, please contact Frances Wooley (at [cea2017@economics.ca](mailto:cea2017@economics.ca)) before **January 31, 2017**. See the "Session Organizers" link on the conference web site for further information.

## ***CONFERENCES / CONFÉRENCES***

Title: Canadian Macroeconomics Study Group  
(CMSG/GCÉM) 2016

Dates: November 11-12, 2016

Location: Four Points by Sheraton Kingston

Contact person: Sharon Sullivan

Contact e-mail: [sullivas@econ.queensu.ca](mailto:sullivas@econ.queensu.ca)

Web address: <http://qed.econ.queensu.ca/pub/faculty/smithgw/CMSG2016>

Title: Canadian Econometric Study Group (CESG) Conference  
Dates: October 15-16, 2016  
Location: London, Ontario – Venue: Delta London Armouries Hotel  
Contact person: Sílvia Gonçalves  
Contact e-mail: [cesg2016@uwo.ca](mailto:cesg2016@uwo.ca)  
Web address: [http://economics.uwo.ca/cesg\\_2016/](http://economics.uwo.ca/cesg_2016/)

Title: Western Economics 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Conference & Celebration  
Dates: October 28-29, 2016  
Location: London, Ontario – Venue: Western University  
Contact person: Audra Bowlus  
Contact e-mail: [economics@uwo.ca](mailto:economics@uwo.ca)  
Web address: [http://economics.uwo.ca/50\\_anniversary/index.html](http://economics.uwo.ca/50_anniversary/index.html)

Title: 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Financial Econometrics and Risk Management Workshop and Conference  
Dates: April 8, 2017  
Location: London, Ontario – Venue: Delta London Armouries Hotel  
Contact person: Sílvia Gonçalves and Lars Stentoft  
Contact e-mail: [sgoncal9@uwo.ca](mailto:sgoncal9@uwo.ca) and [lars.stentoft@uwo.ca](mailto:lars.stentoft@uwo.ca)  
Web address: [http://economics.uwo.ca/cfirm\\_2017/](http://economics.uwo.ca/cfirm_2017/)

Title: Montreal Workshop on Productivity, Entrepreneurship and Development  
Dates: 2 et 3 septembre 2016  
Location: Hôtel de l'Institut  
3535, rue Saint-Denis, 6<sup>e</sup> étage  
Montréal (Québec) H2X 3P1  
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Web address: <http://www.cireqmontreal.com/view/16502/montreal-development-workshop-productivity-entrepreneurship-and-development>

Title: CIREQ Workshop on the Applications of Industrial Organization

Dates: 16 septembre 2016

Location: Desautels Faculty of Management  
Université McGill  
Samuel Bronfman Building  
1001, rue Sherbrooke ouest  
Montréal (Québec) H3A 1G5

Contact person: Laura Lasio et Nathan Yang

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Web address: <http://www.cireqmontreal.com/view/16502/montreal-development-workshop-productivity-entrepreneurship-and-development>

Title: 12<sup>th</sup> West Coast Search and Matching Workshop

Dates: Saturday, October 29, 2016

Location: Simon Fraser University

Contact person: Lucas Herrenbrueck

Contact e-mail: [herrenbrueck@sfu.ca](mailto:herrenbrueck@sfu.ca)

Web address: TBA

Title: History of Economics Society 2016

Dates: June 23-25, 2017

Location: University of Toronto

Contact person: Evelyn Forget

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Web address: TBA

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

**Forthcoming Papers – September 2016**

Stephen S. Poloz: Purvis Lecture: *Monetary/Fiscal Policy Mix and Financial Stability: The Medium Term Is Still the Message*

Jean-Yves Duclos and Mathieu Pellerin: *The Evolution of Hourly Compensation in Canada between 1980 and 2010*

Lynn McIntyre, Daniel J. Dutton and Cynthia Kwok and J. C. Herbert Emery: *Reduction of food insecurity in low-income Canadian seniors as a likely impact of a Guaranteed Annual Income*

Marie-Pascale Pomey, Raymond Hudon and , Nicolas Van Schendel, Elisabeth Martin and Pierre-Gerlier Forest: *Stakeholder views on privatization of the Quebec healthcare system*

Iryna Khovrenkov: *Size-Based Analysis of Charitable Foundations: New Evidence from Canadian Data*

Ross Elliott Finnie, David M. Gray and Yan Zhang: *A Longitudinal Analysis of GIS Entries and Exits*

Feng Hou and Garnett Picot: *Changing Immigrant Characteristics and Pre-Landing Canadian Earnings: Their Effect on Entry Earnings Over the 1990s and 2000s*

Donna L. Feir and Robert L. A. Hancock: *Commentary: Answering the Call: A Guide to Empirical Social Science and Reconciliation*

**Forthcoming Papers – December 2016**

Samuel F. Gamtessa: *The Relationship between Input Prices and Energy Intensity in Canadian Manufacturing Industries*

Cecilia Benoit, Michaela Smith, Mikael Jansson, Samantha Magnus and Nadia Ouellet, Chris Atchison, Lauren Casey, Rachel Phillips, B: *Lack of confidence in police creates a 'blue' ceiling for sex workers' safety*

Sarah Noguees and Diane-Gabrielle Tremblay: *Le "Right to Request Flexible Working": un instrument de politique favorable aux employés proches aidants?*

### **Accepted and Forthcoming**

Brendan Sweeney and Greig Mordue: *The Restructuring of Canada's Automotive Industry, 2005-2014*

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