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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 of the Nominating Committee, Ana Ferrer aferrer@uwaterloo.ca.

NEW APPOINTMENTS/ NOMINATIONS RÉCENTES

University of Calgary	
Alex Jakobson	Assistant Professor, July 1, 2017. Previously graduate student at Yale University
Jean-William Laliberte	Assistant Professor, January 1, 2018. Previously graduate student at the University of Toronto
Dimitri Migrow	Assistant Professor, July 1, 2017. Previously assistant professor at Warwick University
Wilfrid Laurier University	
Joe Lesica	Assistant Professor, LTA (August 1, 2017 – July 31, 2018)
Esmond Lun	Assistant Professor, LTA (August 1, 2017 – July 31, 2018)

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

Carleton University	
Kangbing Liu	September 1, 2017 to August 31, 2018 – from the University of Shanghai
University of Victoria	
Zheng Fenghua	September 1, 2017 to August 31, 2018 – from Wuhan University, PRC
Jill Horwitz	June 2017 to August 2018 – from the University of California, Los Angeles School of Law

DEPARTURES / DÉPARTS

Wilfrid Laurier University	
Joniada Milla	July 1, 2017 – Accepted tenure track position at Saint Mary’s University

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

Carleton University	
Dana Galizia	Carleton Economist Department Research Achievement Award 2017
Simon Power	2016-2017 Carleton University Students' Association Teaching Excellence Award
University of Ottawa	
Mario Seccareccia	The Forum 2017 Best Paper 2017 Mario Seccareccia and Eugenia Correa's paper, "Supra-National Money and the Euro Crisis: Lessons from Karl Polanyi", was selected as The <i>Forum for Social Economics</i> 2017's Best paper. The paper appeared in Forum for Social Economics XLVI (3), August 2017, 252-274.
University of Toronto	
Ismael Mouriffie	Polanyi Prize

University of Victoria	
Rob Gillezeau	Dr. Rob Gillezeau has been seconded to work as the Senior Ministerial Assistant to Carole James, British Columbia's Minister of Finance.
Rob Gillezeau and Dona Feir	Drs. Feir and Gillezeau were presented with the Fred Bateman Award for best paper at the 2017 Economics and Business History Society Conference.
Wilfrid Laurier University	
Tammy Schirle	Promoted to Full Professor, July 1, 2017
Bradley Ruffle	Promoted to Full Professor, July 1, 2017

SHORT-TERM VISITORS / VISITEURS À COURT TERME

University of Calgary	
Jean-William Laliberté	October 2017 – from University of Toronto
University of Victoria	
Ian King	September 2017 – from the University of Queensland

DOCTORATES / DOCTORATS

Carleton University	
Samira Hasanzadeh	August 2017 – “Three Essays in Macroeconomics with a Focus on Economic Growth, Monetary Policy and Knowledge Dissemination”
Sarah Mohan	August 2017 – “Risk and Certification to Agricultural Standards”
University of Calgary	
Jahangir Alam	2017 – “Three Essays in Economic Growth and Development”
Gustavo Caballero	2017 – “Three Essays in Luck, Effort, and Economic Opportunity”
Naima Farah	2017 – “Three Essays on Management of Natural Resources”
Sisi Fu	2017 – “Three Essays on Oil Industry and Public Policy”
Yutaro Sakai	2017 – “Three Essays in Environmental and Renewable Resource Economics”
Miguel Olivo-Villabrille	2017 – “Essays on Demographics Economics”
Libo Xu	2017 – “Three Essays in Microeconomics and Monetary Economics”
Oscar Zapata	2017 – “Essays on the Economics of Adaptation to Climate Change”
Arezou Zaresani	2017 – “Three Essays in Labor, Public, and Health Economics”

University of Manitoba	
Mehdi Arzandeh	October 2017 – “Three Essays on Agricultural Research and Development Mergers and Futures Markets”
Musah Khalid	October 2017 – “Three Essays on the Informal Sector”
Islam Kham	October 2017 – “Three Essays on Microcredit and Payday Lending”

OBITUARIES

ANNE GREEN, (1935 – 2017)

Ann Green died unexpectedly in her home on Saturday, September 9, 2017. Ann was the beloved wife of the late Alan Green. She raised a family of three sons: Douglas (the late Marguerite) of Ottawa, David (Susan) of Vancouver and Andrew (Linda) of Toronto. She deeply loved and was loved by her grandchildren Isaac and the late Sarah, Nicholas and Katie, Sam and Abby. She had a tremendous capacity to form and nurture relationships and her great resiliency supported us all in difficult times. The family will receive friends and family at James Reid Funeral Home, 1900 Counter Boulevard, Kingston between 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. on Thursday, September 14, 2017. Funeral Service at St. George's Cathedral (corner of King and Johnson Streets), Kingston, at 1 p.m. on Friday, September 15, 2017. A reception will follow at The University Club at Queen's (168 Stuart Street, Kingston). As an expression of sympathy, contributions may be made to the Sanctuary Refugee Health Centre (www.sanctuaryrefugee.ca/donate.html) or UHKF (Complex Care at Providence Care), in Ann's memory.

Ann and her late husband Alan were great supporters and founding members of the Canadian economic history study group, and Ann

worked tirelessly as the always charming hostess of countless dinners and receptions at her home in Kingston. Ann was an economic historian and scholar in her own right, formally collaborating with Alan and her son David, but also informally helping to shape the research and intellectual discourse that flowed from the CNEH and the groups that proceeded it. Ann was a subtle and skilled moderator, managing the debates and discussions that sprang up around her dining room table and in the seminar rooms at Queen's.

I feel confident speaking for the community of economic historians in Canada when I say that Ann will be sorely missed. Our condolences go out to Ann's three sons, David, Andrew and Douglas, their families, and Ann's enormous extended family of friends, neighbours, and colleagues.

Reprinted from *The Globe and Mail* September 13, 2017

***THE HONOURABLE ALLAN J. MACEACHEN, P.C.,
O.C., (1921 – 2017)***

Allan J. MacEachen was born in Inverness, Nova Scotia on July 6, 1921. The son of Angus and Annie (Gillies) MacEachen, a proud member of the Clan Eachainn, which originated in Scotland in 1420, and an ardent supporter and champion of the Gaelic and Celtic heritage of Cape Breton and everywhere in North America. He was the last surviving member of his immediate family. He was predeceased by his parents; brothers, John, William Gerald and Johnnie; and sisters, Mary Tena and Flora Jane.

Following graduation from St. Francis Xavier University in 1944 with a B.A., he would go on to attain an M.A. at the University of Toronto and proceeded to the Massachusetts Institute of Technology where he began doctoral studies. MacEachen would serve as Professor of Economics and later Head of the Department of Economics and Social Sciences at St. Francis Xavier University.

During his time on the faculty he became a leading proponent of the University's Extension Department programs of adult education and cooperatives.

The son of a coal miner, he had first-hand exposure to the vulnerability of working families in early 20th century Canada. His advocacy of social and economic reforms led him into political action and he was nominated by the Inverness-Richmond Liberal Association as their candidate for the House of Commons in the 1953 Dominion general election. Re-elected eight times, he served as the M.P., for Inverness-Richmond, 1953-58, 1962-68 and then for Cape Breton Highlands-Canso from 1968-84. Summoned to the Senate in 1984, he would serve in the upper chamber until reaching the statutory retirement age in 1996 having become one of Canada's most respected politicians and statesmen.

Sworn into the Queen's Privy Council for Canada on April 22, 1963, MacEachen would serve as a Minister of the Crown in the Cabinets of Lester B. Pearson, Pierre E. Trudeau and John N. Turner, holding the most senior portfolios of economic, social and foreign policy.

He ran for the leadership of the Liberal Party of Canada in 1968 and would serve as Interim Party Leader in 1979 prior to the return of Pierre Elliott Trudeau to politics.

His most satisfying and proudest achievements were the Medical Care Act, 1966, which would become Medicare, the Guaranteed Income Supplement for seniors and the Canada Labour Code, all which are now part of the Canadian social fabric and brought from concept to reality through skilled and patient leadership.

The recipient of a number of honorary degrees, MacEachen was appointed to be an Officer of the Order of Canada in 2008.

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DAN USHER (1934 – 2017)

Emeritus Professor, Queens University.

Loving husband, father, grandfather, uncle and brother, and retired Professor of Economics at Queens University, died peacefully at Kingston General Hospital on December 27 at the age of 83. Samphan, Ann and David were with him in his final hours. We and our families – Sabrina, Coco and Ocie, Bjørn, Luna, Sasha, Sindre and Sebastian – will host a service followed by a reception at James Reid Funeral Home, Kingston (1900 John Counter Blvd.) on Wednesday, January 3, 2018 at 4pm. We welcome all friends and family to join us in celebrating Dan's life. Food and refreshments will be served. It is not necessary to dress in black. In memory of Dan, donations can be made to Partners in Mission Food Bank in Kingston or to Médecins Sans Frontières.

Professor Usher graduated from McGill University in 1955 and received a PhD from the University of Chicago in 1960. He then worked in Bangkok for a year at the United Nations Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East, was a research fellow at the University of Manchester for two years and at Nuffield College, Oxford, for three years, before joining Queen's University in 1967.

Reprinted from www.jamesreidfuneralhome.com

Selected Publications of Dan Usher:

Articles

- "Public Provision of Indivisible Goods in Short Supply," *Public Finance Review*, 2003, pages 385-415.
- "Personal Goods, Efficiency and the Law," *European Journal of Political Economy*, 17, 2001, pages 673-703.
- "The Colour of the Judge's Eyes: Efficiency as a Criterion for the Legislature and for the Courts," *Public Choice*, 107 2001, pages 333-357.

"The Coase Theorem Is Tautological, Incoherent or Wrong,"
Economics Letters, 61(1), October 1998, pages 3-11.

"Education as a Deterrent to Crime," *Canadian Journal of Economics*, 30(2), May 1997, pages 367-84.

"Rawls, Rules and Objectives: A Critique of the Two Principles of Justice," *Constitutional Political Economy*, 7(2), 1996, pages 103-26.

Books:

Rich and Poor Countries: A Study in Problems of Comparisons of Real Income, Eaton Paper #9, Institute of Economic Affairs, London, 1966.

The Price Mechanism and the Meaning of National Income Statistics, Clarendon Press, Oxford, 1969, reprinted Greenwood Press, 1979.

The Economic Prerequisite to Democracy, Blackwell and Mott, 1981. (translated into Japanese, German and Bengali).

The Welfare Economics of Markets, Voting and Predation, Manchester University Press, 1993.

National Accounting and Economic Theory Vol. I, Collected Papers of Dan Usher, (Economists of the Twentieth Century Series) Edgar Elgar, 1994.

Welfare Economics and Public Finance Vol. II, Collected Papers of Dan Usher, (Economists of the Twentieth Century Series) Edgar Elgar, 1994.

The Uneasy Case for Equalization Payments, Fraser Institute, 1996.

Political Economy, Blackwell, 2003.

The Economics of Voting: Studies of Self-interest, Bargaining, Duty and Rights, Routledge, 2016.

MESSAGE FROM THE FAMILY OF MIKE MCCRACKEN

Dear CEA and CPP Members,

Our family is pleased to announce we have partially endowed the Mike McCracken Award for Economic Statistics. Established in 2010, the Award recognizes theoretical and applied contributions to the development or use of economic statistics in Canada.

Those of you who knew Mike personally know he was a modest man, and rarely wanted the spotlight pointed in his direction. We were thrilled and slightly surprised when he agreed to an award in his name. One of the many life lessons he taught us was to “pay it forward” and help those around us succeed. We decided this gift would be a fitting way to celebrate his life, his generosity, and his memory.

We thank the members of the CEA/ CPP Boards for their generous and wonderful commitment to match our gift to increase the value of the Award. The CEA is now the official Award sponsor, which will be presented every two years beginning in 2019, with a value of \$2000.

We add special thanks to Mike Veall, Alice Nakamura and Bob Dimand for their support, dedication and patience as we worked out the details.

We are grateful for all that Mike’s friends and colleagues have done to remember and honour him since September 2015. We treasure the stories and memories you have shared and are glad you were a part of his life.

With appreciation,
Mary Margaret McCracken, George and Karen McCracken, and
Catherine (Cricket) McCracken

CALL FOR PAPERS

52nd Annual Canadian Economics Association (CEA) Annual Conference, Friday June 1 — Sunday June 3, 2018

The CEA invites anyone wishing to present a paper at the 2015 Conference to submit an abstract by **Friday, February 16, 2018**. Paper submissions in English or French are accepted starting December 1, 2017 through the web interface at 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 assistant of the conference organizer, Paula Emery, at cea.conference@gmail.com.

Any member can propose a special session or sessions which may have invited papers. If you are interested in this possibility, please contact Vivian Tran or Frances Woolley (cea.execdir@gmail.com) before January 31, 2018. See the "Session Organizers" link on the conference web site for further information.

CRESSE FELLOWSHIPS

Fellowships Available For Untenured Faculty, Doctoral Students and Post-Docs to Attend Leading Competition Policy Summer School in Crete, Greece, June-July 2018

The Rotman Institute for International Business, in the Rotman School of Management at the University of Toronto and the Phelps Centre for the Study of Government and Business in the Sauder School of Business at the University of British Columbia ("the Centres") are pleased to continue their partnership with the European Summer School and Conference in Competition and Regulation (CRESSE: www.cresse.info). The goal is to encourage and facilitate greater participation by young Canadian economists in this world-class conference and summer school. In its thirteenth

year in 2018, CRESSE will feature presentations and teaching by some of the leading competition policy experts in the world.

More about this year's summer school and conference can be found at: www.cresse.info/default.aspx?articleID=3398. The summer school is ideal for those interested in competition economics but who, while trained in microeconomic theory and industrial organization, may have had limited opportunity for focused study in the field.

The Centres will jointly fund up to eight fellowships for economists to attend the full 2018 summer school (all nine modules) and conference which will run from June 23 to July 6, 2018 (with the conference taking place June 29 to July 1, 2018). Both will be held on the island of Crete in Greece. These fellowships will cover all registration and tuition fees and will include up to C\$3,000 additional funding to cover air and hotel costs.

Those eligible for consideration for these fellowships will include economists who are: (i) Canadian Ph.D. students and post-doctoral scholars, and other doctoral and post-doctoral scholars studying or working in Canadian universities; (ii) untenured Canadian faculty members and other untenured faculty working at Canadian universities; and (iii) employees of the Competition Bureau of Canada.

To apply for a fellowship, or for further information, contact:

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Applicants should provide a letter or email expressing their desire to apply for a fellowship as well as the following: (i) for untenured faculty, post-doctoral fellows and employees of the Canadian

Competition Bureau – a CV only; and (ii) for doctoral students (who may not necessarily be at the thesis stage) – a CV, list of graduate economics courses (taken and in process), and names and contact information of two references (but not letters).

Applications are welcome now and will be received until all fellowships have been awarded. Interested applicants are encouraged to apply – or at least to express interest – as soon as possible. To facilitate travel planning, some fellowships may be awarded as early as December 2017 and we expect all fellowships to be awarded by April 1, 2018.

NEW PROGRAMS

Une nouvelle majeure en science économique enrichira en automne 2018 l'offre de programmes du département des sciences sociales à l'Université du Québec en Outaouais.

Ce programme s'ajoute au certificat et à la mineure en économie et société, qui sont déjà offerts au département. La description du programme est disponible ici :

<http://etudier.uqo.ca/programmes/6005>.

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

Forthcoming Papers – March 2018

Rupa Banerjee, Jeffrey G. Reitz and Philip Oreopoulos: *Do Large Employers Treat Racial Minorities More Fairly? An Analysis of Canadian Field Experiment Data*

J.C. Herbert Emery and Xiaoli Zheng: *Would Better Access to Preventive Care Reduce Acute Care Utilization? Evidence from a Large Scale Not-for-profit Intervention in Alberta*

Rodney Haddow: *Are Canadian Provincial Tax Systems Becoming More Regressive? Is so, in What Respects and Why?*

Leah Levac and Sara Worts: *Invisible Young Women and Public Policy in Ontario*

Philippe Cyrenne and Marian Shanahan: *Towards a Regulatory Framework for the Legalization of Cannabis: How do we get to there from here?*

Philippe Barla: Comment on: *"Costs and Benefits of Quebec's Drive Electric Program"*

Forthcoming Papers – June 2018

Can Erutku and Vincent Hildebrand: *Carbon Tax at the Pump in British Columbia and Quebec*

Accepted and Forthcoming

Johannus A. Janmaat and Nargiz Rahimova: *Managing Drought Risk in the Okanagan: A Role for Dry Year Option Contracts?*

Robert Andersen and Meir Yaish: *Preferences for the distribution of incomes in modern societies: The enduring influence of economic context*

Gregory H. Bauer, Gurnain Kaur Pasricha, Rodrigo M Sekkel and Yaz Terajima: *The Global Financial Cycle, Monetary Policies and Macprudential Regulations in Small, Open Economies*

David M. Gray and Ross Finnie: *How Do Older Laid-Off Workers Get By: Re-Employment, Early Retirement, or Social Insurance Benefits?*

The information in this *Newsletter* is based on questionnaires completed by chairs of Economics departments in Canadian universities and on unsolicited submissions. The latter may be sent to: Professor Robert Dimand, Newsletter Editor, Department of Economics, Brock University, 1812 Isaac Brock Way, St. Catharines, Ontario, L2S 3A1 or e-mail rdimand@brocku.ca.