

Joint PhD in Educational Studies Newsletter Fall Edition 2006



Message from Dr. John O'Meara,

Dr. Fiona Blaikie is taking a six-month sabbatical for the period July to December 2006, and will be returning in January 2007. During this period I am Acting Director, and Dr. Connie Russell has kindly agreed to be the Lakehead University representative on the Program Committee.

July 2006 of course featured the Core I and II summer courses at Lakehead University, as well as the Joint PhD Conference. As always, a stellar group of students and faculty members made the summer a memorable success for all involved.

Welcome to new members of the Joint PhD Program Committee: Dr. Jonathan Bayley, University of Windsor; Dr. Alan Pitman, University of Western Ontario; and Dr. Connie Russell, Lakehead University (July-December 2006).

Congratulations to Program Committee member Dr. Jonathan Bayley, who was recently appointed Associate Dean of Graduate Studies, Research and Continuing Education at the University of Windsor.

The Program Committee is busy finalizing the list of instructors for the 2007-2008 academic year, and we will be making an announcement shortly.

Dr. Blaikie and myself will be guest editing a volume of the *Brock Education: A Journal of General Inquiry* dedicated to papers given at the PhD Conference at Lakehead University during the summer Core sessions. Information about submissions has been distributed to all of you who gave a paper at the conference, and we are looking forward to receiving your papers. The Call for Papers can also be found in this issue of the Newsletter.

The *International Study Association on Teachers and Teaching (ISATT)* Conference will be held at Brock University during the first week of July 2007. ISATT will have a number of excellent guest speakers, including Dr. Kieran Egan of Simon Fraser University. We are planning to offer the PhD Conference in conjunction with ISATT. We are working with the ISATT organizers to work out the details, but are looking forward to an agreement that will enable PhD Core I and II faculty and students to attend ISATT sessions for a nominal charge.



Connie Russell, Ethel Gardner, Don Kerr, Fiona Blaikie, Lan Zhong and Yvette Daniel at the Summer Conference, Lakehead University, July 2006

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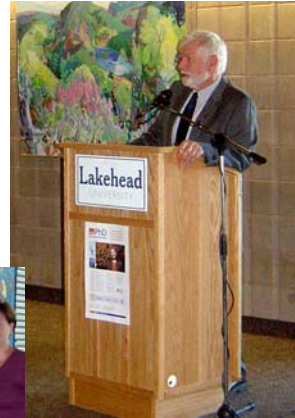
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2006 Summer Conference

Faculty and students of the Joint PhD in Educational Studies program enjoyed participating and connecting at the 2006 Summer Conference, "Globalization, Equality and Education".



Guest speakers were Drs. Rishma Dunlop and Donal O'Donohue (pictured bottom right). Opening remarks were announced by Dr. Fred Gilbert, President of Lakehead University (pictured upper right) who welcomed this cohort of Core 1 and Core 2 students to Lakehead University.



Recent Graduates

❖ **Mary Breunig** (Lakehead University, 2003)

On October 19, 2006 Mary successfully defended the oral examination of her dissertation "*Critical Pedagogy as Praxis*" Supervisor: Dr. Connie Russell.

Dr. Mary Breunig has accepted a position in the Department of Recreation and Leisure Studies at Brock University. Mary with her husband, Dr Tim O'Connell will be starting a new outdoor leadership stream to complement Brock University's existing community recreation and therapeutic recreation programs.

❖ **Nancy Fenton** (Brock University, 2002)

On August 16, 2006 Nancy successfully defended the oral examination of her dissertation "*From the Ground Up: Understanding how Teachers and Administrators Make Sense of Tension*". Supervisor: Dr. Coral Mitchell.

❖ **Ken McClelland** (Brock University, 2001)

On May 23, 2006 Ken successfully defended the oral examination of his dissertation "*Opening Truth to Imagination: The Pragmatism of John Dewey and Richard Rorty*". Supervisor: Dr. John Novak.

❖ **Steve Sider** (University of Western Ontario, 2001)

On June 19, 2006 Steve successfully defended the oral examination of his dissertation "*Experiences with Language Retention: Case Studies of Mennonites from Mexico*". Supervisor: Dr. Suzanne Majhanovich.

❖ **Salah Zogheib** (University of Windsor, 2003)

On June 1, 2006 Salah successfully defended the oral examination of his dissertation "*Explaining Computer Use Among Preservice Teachers: Towards the development of a richer conceptual model incorporating experience, demographic, motivation, personality, and learning style clusters of variables*". Supervisor: Dr. Larry Morton.

Current Student News

Correction from Spring 2006 Newsletter:

Dr Scott Kissau is a graduate from the University of Windsor not Brock University.

Catherine Bates (Brock University, 2005)

Bates, C. (In Press). Army, Navy, Airforce, and Research? The Vocation of Scholarship as an Applied Discipline in the Canadian Forces. *Journal of Teaching and Learning*.

Bates, C. (June, 2006). *Educational Leadership and the Training Development Occupation*. Presented at the Annual Training Development Branch Conference, Halifax, NS.

Bates, C. (July 2006). *Educational Equity Through Educational Policy: Where the rubber hits the road*. Presented at the Globalization, Equality and Education Conference, Lakehead University, Thunder Bay, ON.

Paul Berger (Lakehead University, 2004)

Paul has been awarded the High Output and Publication Excellence (HOPE) award from the Faculty of Graduate Studies at Lakehead University. This award is granted on the basis of excellence in peer-reviewed publications.

Kate Cassidy (Brock University, 2006)

Cassidy, K. (Nov., 2006). *Tuckman Revisited...Proposing a new Model of Group Development for Practitioners*. Presented at the Symposium on Experimental Education Research, St. Paul, MN.

Pamela Cook (University of Windsor, 2004)

Cook, P. (In Press). The Project Approach: An Appreciation for the Constructivist Theory. *Forum of Public Policy*. To be published in the online version, <http://www.forumonpublicpolicy.com/papers.htm>. Fall 2006 edition.

Frances Chandler (Brock University, 2004)

Chandler, F. (July 2006). *An Analysis of Ontario Educational Policy 1990-2005 – Employing a Feminist-Foundationalist Framework*. Presented at the Globalization, Equality and Education Conference, Lakehead University, Thunder Bay, ON.

Leisa Desmoulins (Lakehead University, 2002)

Leisa has been awarded an Ontario Graduate Scholarship (OGS).

Desmoulins, L. (July 2006). *E/raced: Aboriginal youth identities and schooling*. Presented at the Globalization, Equality and Education Conference, Lakehead University, Thunder Bay, ON.

Jason (Brent) Ellis (University of Windsor, 2005)

On October 17, 2006 Jason successfully completed his portfolio and his dissertation proposal. *"Special education teachers' perceptions of barriers to assistive technology integration in Ohio"*. Jason's supervisor is Dr. Jonathan G. Bayley.

Ellis, J. B., & Earley, M. A. (In Press). Reciprocity and constructions of informed consent: Researching with Indigenous populations. *International Journal of Qualitative Methods*.

Abreu-Ellis, C. & Ellis, J. B. (In Press). The challenge of accommodation in higher education: A survey of adaptive technology use in Ontario universities. *Journal of Teaching and Learning*.

Ellis, J. B. & Abreu-Ellis, C. (In Press). Documenting life narratives as digital video: Anchoring instruction to student documentaries to reduce stigma on campus. *International Journal of Technology, Knowledge, and Society*. 2.

Roger Fisher (Brock University, 2005)

Roger has been appointed Acting Member of the Fanshawe College Research Ethics Board. Roger has also been awarded a Teaching Release grant through the Fanshawe College Research Initiatives Fund to conduct a national web-based survey of faculty participation rates in applied research at community colleges across the country. As well, Roger has just been awarded a grant from the Canadian Council on Learning to conduct a national study of the "faculty participation gap" in applied research at community colleges.

Fisher, R. (In press). The Scholarship of College Teaching: Research Opportunities in the New Millennium. *Journal of Teaching and Learning*, (4)1.

Fisher, R. (July 2006). *Implementing research cultures at community colleges: new opportunities, new challenges*. Presented at the Globalization, Equality and Education Conference, Lakehead University, Thunder Bay, ON.

Fisher, R. (May, 2006). *Research Opportunities at Community Colleges*. College Association for Language & Literacy, Stratford, ON.

John Guiney Yallop (University of Western Ontario, 2003)

On September 28, 2006, John successfully defended his dissertation proposal *"OUT of place: A poetic journey through the emotional landscape of a gay person's identities within/without communities"*. Supervisor: Dr Cornelia Hoogland.

In June 2006, John attended the AGM of the League of Canadian Poets in Ottawa where he read some of his poetry and was elected as Chair of the Outreach Committee. John resigned from his elementary school teaching position in May, however while he is full-filling his residency requirements at Western he teaching Language Arts in the Elementary Classroom in the Pre-service Program.

Guiney Yallop, J. (May 2006). *Queering a path to, in, and through a teaching career: A poetic autoethnographic exploration of beginnings and endings and the emotional spaces that connect them*. Presented at CSSE, York University, Toronto, ON.

Guiney Yallop, J. (August 2006). *OUT of place Poetically exploring queer understandings of identities in communities*. Presented at the Society for the Study of Symbolic Interaction, Montreal, QC.

Scott Kissau, Dr. (University of Windsor, 2003 – PhD Graduate 2005)

Scott is part of a team which has received a SSHRC grant.

George (Joe) Lamoureux (Brock University, 2005)

Joe has taught two Master of Education courses for Nipissing University in Education Law. As well he was elected for a two year term as President for the Ontario Secondary School Teachers' Federation District 17, Simcoe.

Laurie Leslie (Lakehead University, 2005)

Courtland, M.C., Leslie, L., Karpiuk, P., & Petrone, J. (June 2006). Exploring issues in humane and environmental education through drama. *English Quarterly*, 38(2).

Courtland, M.C., Leslie, L.E. (May 2006). *Perceptions of literacy instructors and teacher candidates of literacy teaching and learning in a teacher education program*. Presented at the Annual Conference of the Canadian Society for the Study of Education, Toronto, ON.

Courtland, M.C., Leslie, L.E. (May, 2006). *Literacy teaching and learning: From teacher candidate to literacy teacher (A Radio Play)*. Presented at the Language and Literacy Researchers Pre-conference, CSSE, Toronto, ON.

JOINT COLLABORATION:

Leslie, L.E., Ellis, J., Pashagumskum, S., Ramrattan Smith, S. (May 2006). Social / cultural / political contexts of education: Reflections from an online joint PhD. Program. Papers presented individually at CSSE, York University, Toronto, ON.

Trudy Litster (University of Western Ontario, 2002)

Trudy has been engaged in participatory action research with a team of elder co-researchers, aged 70 to 85, learning about the experience of growing old and living in old age. They have committed to sharing what they've learned in order to promote positive social change ie: an elder-dancer project in which the six elders and six trained dancers in their 20s will together interpret the elders' key findings as a danced performance. This work is being filmed by a dance videographer for future viewing.

Kimberly Maich (Brock University, 2002)

Maich, K. & Stoner, K., (June 2006). *The Autism Spectrum Disorder School Support Program: A unique interagency model of indirect service provision to educators of students with ASD*. Presented at Working Together for Ontario's Children and Families, Toronto, ON.

Carolyn Maingot (Brock University, 2006)

Maingot, C. (July 2006). *Ontario School Boards Collaborate to Promote International Education*. Presented at the Globalization, Equality and Education Conference, Lakehead University, Thunder Bay, ON.

Jelena Magliaro (University of Windsor, 2006)

Martinovic, D. & Magliaro, J. (July 2006). *The Technological Perspective and the Role of Educators*. Presented at the Globalization, Equality and Education Conference, Lakehead University, Thunder Bay, ON.

Magliaro, J. (May 2006). *Computer Self-Efficacy Beliefs of Preservice Teachers: A concurrent nested mixed-model approach*. Presented at the Canadian Society for the Study of Education (CSSE), York University, Toronto, ON.

Magliaro, J. (May 2006). *Teachers' Technology Integration: Supports and Barriers*. Presented at Canadian Society for the Study of Education (CSSE), York University, Toronto, ON.

Magliaro, J. (May 2006). *Teachers' Technology Integration: Supports and Barriers*. Presented at the Feminist Research Group Conference on Inter-Actions: Celebrating Feminist Theory and Practice, University of Windsor, Windsor, ON.

Martinovic, D. & Magliaro, J. (March 2006). *Visions of Near Future: Smart Networks*. Presented at the Second Annual Graduate Students' Poster Conference, University of Windsor, Windsor, ON.

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Martinovic, D. & Magliaro, J. (March 2006). *Visions of Near Future: Smart Network*. Presented at Michigan Academy Annual Conference, Oakland University, Michigan.

Deanna Pecaski McLennan (University of Windsor, 2004)

Pecaski McLennan, D. The Sharing of Power in a Kindergarten Classroom: Creating a Community of Co-Learners will appear in *Early Childhood Education*, Volume 37:1.

Sonya Pancucci (Brock University, 2002)

On September 8, 2006 Sonya successfully defended her portfolio. Sonya's supervisor is Dr. Coral Mitchell.

Sonja has a book review essay for the book *Harbors of hope: The planning for school and student success process* by Hulley and Dier published in *Brock Education Journal*, Fall (2006).

Sarah Pashagumskum (Lakehead University, 2005)

Sarah has been awarded a Northern Resident Scholarship from the Association of Canadian Universities for Northern Studies (ACUNS).

Sherry Ramrattan Smith (Brock University, 2005)

Ramrattan Smith, S. (July 2006). *Are my/your actions based on love or fear? Considerations for educators concerned about equality and social justice*. Presented at the Globalization, Equality and Education Conference, Lakehead University, Thunder Bay, ON.

Edward Sykes, Dr. (Brock University, 2001 – PhD graduate 2005)

Sykes, E. R. (2007 In Press). Qualitative Evaluation of the Java Intelligent Tutoring System. *Journal of Systemics, Cybernetics, and Informatics*. (Selected as one of the top 10% of papers from the International Conference on Education and Information Systems, Technologies and Applications, Orlando, Florida, 2004.)

Sykes, E. R. (2007 In Press). Developmental Process Model for the Java Intelligent Tutoring System. *Journal of Interactive Learning Research*. Vol. 18, Issue 3.

Sykes, E. R. (July 2006). *Case Study: Human Computer Interaction Design Analysis of an Intelligent Tutoring System*. Presented at the International Conference on Education and Technology (IASTED), Calgary, AB.

Linda Weber (University of Western Ontario, 2004)

Weber, L. (July 2006). *Internationalization at Canadian Universities*. Presented at the Globalization, Equality and Education Conference, Lakehead University, Thunder Bay, ON.

Lan Zhong (University of Windsor, 2005)

Zhong, L. (July 2006). *Communication Apprehension/Anxiety Among Chinese Visiting Scholars in A North American University*. Presented at the Globalization, Equality and Education Conference, Lakehead University, Thunder Bay, ON.

