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MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

Professor Kimberly Strong

This message marks the end of my term as Director of the School of the Environment. With that in mind, we have added a 2013-2018 Retrospective as a centerpiece of this year’s Annual Report. Through the effort and enthusiasm of many people, the past five years have seen many accomplishments. We launched the Environmental Science Major and Minor programs, introduced a dozen new courses, and developed a proposal for a Master of Environment and Sustainability, while new endowments enabled us to establish six scholarships and an annual symposium. The School’s research and teaching received a significant boost with the recruitment of seven new cross-appointed tenure-stream faculty and another search approved for 2018-19. Undergraduate enrolments remain strong and enrolments in our graduate Collaborative Specializations have quadrupled since the School was established.

The 2017-18 academic year has also been eventful and productive. A major activity was a review of the School’s undergraduate programs under the University’s Quality Assurance Process. This involved extensive consultations, the preparation of a detailed self-study report, and a site visit by external reviewers. The resulting review was very positive and provided recommendations “to make a very good School even better”; in the coming year the School will be working with the Faculty and University on an implementation plan to put these into action.

We undertook three faculty searches this year and are very pleased to welcome two outstanding new colleagues. Jessica F. Green joined us on July 1, 2018 as an Associate Professor in a cross-appointment with the Department of Political Science, and J. Alstan Jakubiec will be starting on January 1, 2019 as an Assistant Professor in a cross-appointment with the Daniels Faculty of Architecture, Landscape, and Design. The search for a cross-appointment with the Department of Computer Science will continue next year.

Other highlights this year include the inaugural award of the Barbara Green Scholarship in Environmental Entrepreneurship and of the Marjorie Gillespie Bolton and Mabel Gillespie Norris Memorial Scholarship, a very successful Research Day with a new format and almost 100 attendees, a new agreement with the School of Continuing Studies to transition some of our professional development courses there, a new WordPress website for the School, linking the Environment Seminar Series to ENV100H (the core course in our graduate Environmental Studies Collaborative Specialization), and multiple events, including several organized by the School’s Environmental Finance Advisory Committee. More highlights can be seen in the 2017-2018 Overview on the opposite page.

As the School has grown, we have decided to split the role of Academic Associate Director (AAD) into two positions, effective July 1, 2018. Jessica D’eon, Assistant Professor Teaching Stream in the Department of Chemistry, has become our new Undergraduate Associate Director and Clare Wiseman, Associate Professor in the School, has become our Graduate Associate Director. In addition, Karen Ing, Associate Professor Teaching Stream in the School, has provided outstanding service over the past year, first serving as Interim AAD from December through June, and then becoming the Interim Director for July and August. I thank all three for taking on these key positions. The School is in good hands!

Looking back, my term as Director has been a highly rewarding experience. It has given me the opportunity to meet many wonderful people who come from a variety of backgrounds and disciplines, but who all share a profound interest in the environment and sustainability. I thank all who have supported me and the School over the past five years, including our faculty, staff, students, sessional lecturers, alumni, donors, those with more informal connections, and the Faculty of Arts & Science; it has been a very great pleasure working with everyone.

Looking forward, the School will soon have a new leader. I wish the next Director great success in this role and in building on recent accomplishments to create an ever brighter future for the School of the Environment.
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NEW FACULTY

Jessica F. Green, Associate Professor, Department of Political Science and School of the Environment

We are delighted to announce that Jessica F. Green joined the School of the Environment on July 1, 2018 as an Associate Professor in a new cross-appointment in Global Environmental Politics and International Relations with the Department of Political Science. “With a background in both Political Science and Environmental Studies, she will be another terrific addition to the School’s faculty,” said School Director Kimberly Strong.

Dr. Green holds a PhD from Princeton University, a Master of Public Affairs from Columbia University, and a BA from Brown University. Prior to joining the University of Toronto, Dr. Green was an Associate Professor in Environmental Studies at New York University. Her research interests include climate governance, non-state actors, private authority, global governance, and transnational regulation. She is interested in the ways that global institutions, both public and private, can provide public goods, particularly in the area of environment.

In 2017, Dr. Green received the Emerging Young Scholar Award from the Science Technology and Environmental Policy Section of the American Political Science Association (APSA). Her book, Rethinking Private Authority: Agents and Entrepreneurs in Global Environmental Governance (Princeton University Press, 2014) received three awards in 2015: the Harold and Margaret Sprout Award for the best book in environmental politics from the International Studies Association, the Lynton Keith Caldwell Award from APSA, and the Levine Prize from the International Political Science Association.

J. Alstan Jakubiec, Assistant Professor, Daniels Faculty of Architecture, Landscape, and Design and School of the Environment

We are also very pleased to announce a successful conclusion to this year’s search for a cross-appointment in the area of Sustainable Built Environments with the Daniels Faculty of Architecture, Landscape, and Design. J. Alstan Jakubiec has accepted an offer and will be starting an Assistant Professor on January 1, 2019. “He is another excellent faculty appointment, one that provides an opportunity to build new links between the Daniels Faculty and the School and to develop new expertise in the area of sustainable built environments,” said School Director Kimberly Strong.

Dr. Jakubiec is currently an Assistant Professor at the Singapore University of Technology and Design, where he runs the Design for Climate and Comfort Lab (http://asd.sutd.edu.sg/dcc/). He has a PhD in Building Technology from MIT, a Master of Architecture from the University of Pennsylvania, and a BSc in Architecture from the Georgia Institute of Technology.

Dr. Jakubiec's work focuses on integrating concepts of natural daylighting, materiality, visual and thermal comfort, and ventilation into the architectural design process. As a founding board member of two companies, Solemma and Mapdwell, he works to bring the fruits of research on architectural and urban sustainability to designers and consumers. At Solemma, he is the lead developer of the widely used DIVA sustainable design software for daylighting and energy modeling. Dr. Jakubiec also teaches architectural energy systems, lighting design, and urban sustainability.
Carbon is a fundamental building block of all living organisms. Carbon is also present in the Earth’s atmosphere, primarily as carbon dioxide (CO₂) and methane (CH₄), and these gases are cycled between the Earth’s atmosphere, ocean, and terrestrial biosphere. This cycling is referred to as the “carbon cycle”. Carbon dioxide and methane are also greenhouse gases: they trap longwave radiation toward the Earth, warming our planet’s surface. Without carbon dioxide in our atmosphere, the Earth would have an average temperature of about -18°C, instead of the much more comfortable +15°C!

Human emissions, primarily through our burning of fossil fuels, but also through changes in land use, have increased atmospheric concentrations of carbon dioxide and methane since the industrial revolution. This change to the composition of our atmosphere causes average surface temperatures to rise, which has serious environmental consequences. Measurements of atmospheric carbon dioxide and methane play an important role in monitoring the changes to our atmosphere, and evaluating the impacts of emissions regulations.

Methane is much less abundant in the atmosphere than carbon dioxide, but it is a stronger greenhouse gas on a per-molecule basis, and it has fewer sources to the atmosphere. We are developing an urban greenhouse gas monitoring system in the greater Toronto area, focusing on identifying and quantifying emissions of methane to the atmosphere. There are several sources of methane in and around Toronto, including landfills, wastewater treatment plants, natural gas, agriculture, and ruminants.

Our mobile laboratory consists of a weather station and greenhouse gas analyser installed in a bicycle cargo trailer. We cycle around the city to measure known sources of methane to the atmosphere and to find previously unknown sources. Using this technique, we are beginning to piece together a picture of methane concentrations and emissions throughout the city. Our long-term goal is to identify and quantify the main emitters, help the city reduce its emissions, and provide verification of those emission reductions.

Residents of the GTA (present and past): from your knowledge of the city, can you suggest where we should measure? While methane gas is itself odorless, many processes that involve methane are not (e.g., decomposing organic matter, sewage treatment, additives to natural gas). If you have any ideas, please let us know! On our website, there’s a link labeled “Where should we look?“ that lets you click on a map or describe to us where we should visit and why. We will use the information you provide to design future cycling routes around the city.

http://www.atmosp.physics.utoronto.ca/GTA-Emissions/About/index.html
This special topics course explores religious environmentalism, its proponents and opponents, and its core values within three of the major Abrahamic faiths: Judaism, Christianity and Islam. Religious environmentalists have used teachings from the sacred texts as exemplars of sustainability. Some, however, claim that these texts teach domination, anthropocentrism and hierarchical values. Looking at a broad range of worldviews, we focus on the topics of wastefulness, consumption, and simplicity.

For instance, we look at ways in which religious communities in the past have taken measures to limit individual consumption through sumptuary laws and compare the moral arguments used historically to those used today by contemporary social movements such as the voluntary simplicity movement. To complement these readings we look at contemporary texts such as Pope Francis’ encyclical Laudato Si – On Care for Our Common Home, and other faith-based environmental statements calling for environmental action.

What are the values emphasized in such teachings? How similar are they to general environmentalism? In what ways are they unique? And perhaps most importantly, how do they manifest themselves in the behaviour of adherents? Where does religious environmentalism fit to modern efforts to preserve the natural world? (e.g. limiting climate change).

There is an unmet hunger for investigating how the ideas and theories discussed in the classroom are translated into practice. To meet this demand in my course, students are given a window into the complexities and heterogeneity of Toronto’s environmentally engaged religious communities, through fieldtrips and modern readings.

This past year, the class went on field trips to visit the Mary Ward Centre, The Jesuit Forum for Social Faith and Justice, The Narayever Congregation, Shoresh, and the Noor Cultural Centre. Seeing the sacred spaces with their own eyes, hearing religious leaders speak about the environmental initiatives undertaken in their communities, and being at the stomping grounds of faith-based environmental organizations are eye-opening learning experiences.

The Sustainable Built Environment Performance Assessment (SBEPA) Network

by John Robinson

Achieving the kinds of sustainability and carbon reduction goals adopted by many jurisdictions around the world will require a great increase in the number of sustainable buildings that actually perform as designed. The Sustainable Built Environment Performance Assessment (SBEPA) research network is a trans-disciplinary research group at the University of Toronto intended to improve our ability to assess the performance of the built environment.

SBEPA intends to focus on performance in terms of both environmental and human wellbeing in the built environment, and to look for opportunities to create ‘net positive’ outcomes in both areas, an approach we call regenerative sustainability.

The Network draws Faculty from five Schools and Faculties including Architecture, Engineering, Computer Science, Environment, and Public Health, as well as from the Facilities and Services team at the University. The University campus will be used as a ‘living lab’ for creating and applying a framework that evaluates this broader concept of sustainability in the built environment of U of T and beyond. The Network has recently hired a Postdoctoral Fellow Researcher and is planning to publish a position paper outlining our approach to built environment performance assessment.

SBEPA has adopted the following simple conceptual framework to show the linkages between more quantitative assessment of the performance of environmental systems and the more qualitative assessment of human well-being. The diagram depicts three performance gaps, which will form the basis of SBEPA research.
The current Canadian climate change policy dialogue is focussed upon actions of the Trudeau government – the threat to impose carbon pricing in the two unwilling provinces, Saskatchewan and Ontario, and the purchase of the Trans Mountain pipeline to overcome British Columbia resistance. However, a far more important problem goes largely unnoticed. This is the fact that provinces are pursuing conflicting climate change policy goals. Governments in Ontario (prior to the election of Doug Ford), Quebec, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia have been implementing climate policies intended to reduce their greenhouse gas emissions. Alberta and Saskatchewan, on the other hand, have been implementing policies intended to increase their emissions.

The following Government of Canada data on megatonnes (one million tonnes) of emissions shows the result.

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Source: Table 3-7 GHG Emissions by Provinces/Territories, Selected Years; page 047, Government of Canada (2017), Canada’s 7th National Communication and Third Biennial Report

The country is going down two different climate-change paths and the current plan is that we continue to do so for the next decade while we work to achieve the Paris reduction target.

Existing Alberta and federal government policies under the current national policy, the Pan-Canadian Framework, are intended to see Alberta emissions increase by a further 9% over the 2005 level by 2030 – while emissions in the country as a whole decrease by 30%. How can that be done? It is only possible if other provinces are willing to make the cuts Alberta refuses to make. Since that is extremely unlikely, it is almost certain we will miss the 2030 target, just as we have missed every previous target.

Although he is likely to win the Saskatchewan and Ontario court challenges, this problem cannot be solved by Prime Minister Trudeau’s backstop carbon price. A federal carbon tax in those provinces (and Alberta if Jason Kenney wins in 2019) will not meet the Paris goal, but will increase provincial resentments and widen the gap between emissions-reducing and emissions-increasing provinces. Instead, we need national policy which truly is co-ordinated, in which all provinces are moving in the same direction. As a first step in that direction, Canadians must recognize the real threat to our national climate-change policy.

### A. Prediction Gap: predicted versus actual resource use (e.g. modelled and measured energy, water consumption).

### B. Expectations Gap: expected versus actual lived experience (e.g. pre- and post-occupancy evaluations).

### C. Outcomes Gap: measured versus perceived environmental conditions (e.g. thermal comfort measurements and survey results).

Combining assessment of these three gaps in specific built environments, with feedback to and from four key audiences—designers, developers, operators and policy-makers—we plan to begin to identify the design opportunities that provide net-positive places and spaces on both environmental and human scales.
Indigenous and Peasant Livelihoods in the Peruvian Amazon
By Christian Abizaid

For more than 15 years now, I have been conducting research on indigenous and peasant livelihoods in the Peruvian Amazon. My research combines ethnographic methods with community and household surveys, and social network analysis, to explore questions around rural livelihoods at multiple scales. Specifically, I am interested in understanding how geographical, microeconomic, relational, and structural factors shape rural settlement, resource use, and vulnerability to environmental hazards in a region that remains poorly understood and is of great concern due to climate change. Currently, my research is being supported by the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC).

A research leave during the 2017-2018 academic year enabled me to spend more time in the field and to gain significant new experiences that are enriching my understanding of rural livelihoods in the Peruvian Amazon, a fascinating part of the world. Specifically, I had the opportunity to re-visit riverine communities where I have been conducting research intermittently since 2002, documenting river dynamics and livelihood responses to environmental and socioeconomic change for almost two decades now. During the summer of 2017, I was joined in the field by Jennifer Langill, an MA student working under my supervision (with Ryan Isakson), to conduct thesis work in a riverine community near Pucallpa, Peru on local people’s experiences with flooding. Ms. Langill’s study provides a more nuanced understanding of the significant challenges, but also benefits, associated with floods, and how local flood experience is shaped by gender, age, livelihood orientation, and historical and locational factors.

As part of my sabbatical this year, I was finally able to spend about two weeks in Ucayali during the peak of the flood season (February-March 2018), which gave me a much better sense of what it is like to live there during a flood. For years, I had known that in order to better understand the intricate connection between floods, people and their livelihoods in the Peruvian Amazon, one needs to actually be present during the flood.

Finally, in June 2018, I returned to Peru with two of my collaborators from the PARLAP project. We undertook a ~1000km boat trip down the Ucayali and Amazonas rivers, between Pucallpa and Iquitos, visiting more than 25 communities along the way, where we made observations and talked with local residents. This recent trip has helped me to gain a regional perspective on the links between river dynamics and livelihoods, and a broader understanding of livelihood heterogeneity in the Peruvian Amazon that will shape my research in the years to come.

Identification of Toxic ‘Unknowns’ in the Environment
by Hui Peng

We are exposed daily to hundreds of thousands of chemicals produced by industry or the natural environment. While some of these chemicals could be toxic, and may eventually lead to various adverse health impacts, the majority (>99%) of the chemicals in the environment cannot be ‘recognized’ by current technologies, and remain ‘unknown’. To more completely understand the potential health risks of environmental chemical exposure, we should identify these ‘unknown’ chemicals and characterize their toxicities.

However, this could be challenged by many conceptual and technique questions: How to identify thousands of unknown chemicals in the environment, especially if their authentic standards are not available? What are the emission sources of these chemicals? How to characterize toxicities of these chemicals? Which of the thousands of chemicals are the most critical ones for regulation to reduce the health risks?

The latest projects supported by Canada Foundation for Innovation (CFI) and Ontario Research Fund (ORF) explores these questions. A state-of-the-art High-Resolution Mass Spectrometry will be obtained through this project. The new facility will allow the Peng group to develop analytical chemistry methods, in combination with computation, to identify thousands of chemicals in the environment. In parallel, the equipment will be also used to develop novel chemical proteomics methods to characterize the toxicities and toxic mechanisms of numerous chemicals identified in the environment. The project is just beginning, but the hope is to combine chemistry and biology tools to answer these long-standing questions in environmental science.
Atmospheric water vapour plays a crucial role in the chemistry, dynamics, and radiative balance of the Earth’s atmosphere. Climate change-induced shifts to the global hydrological cycle affect atmospheric transport processes, creating and intensifying droughts and flooding. Understanding the global water cycle has critical value, but our understanding of water vapour’s abundances, variability, and transport are incomplete and atmospheric models are not able to accurately represent the water cycle. Observations are key to addressing this deficiency. Observations of the Arctic region are particularly sparse and important for understanding how the planet’s atmosphere is changing.

Motivated by this need, we have been measuring atmospheric water vapour near Eureka, Nunavut (80°N, 86°W) and comparing measurements made by a suite of ground-based, balloon-borne, and satellite instruments; this work is the subject of two recent papers by PhD student Dan Weaver. Our primary instrument is an infrared spectrometer that measures the absorption of sunlight by water vapour, from which we can retrieve its concentrations. The accompanying photo shows our instrument, installed at the Polar Environment Atmospheric Research Laboratory (PEARL). The water vapour retrievals have been performed in collaboration with colleagues at the Karlsruhe Institute of Technology as part of the MUlti-platform remote Sensing of Isotopologues for investigating the Cycle of Atmospheric water (MUSICA) project.

Eureka is a challenging site for water vapour measurements, as it is extremely cold and dry with a large seasonal cycle in water vapour. This can be seen in the plot of water vapour profiles measured by radiosondes launched daily from the Eureka Weather Station by Environment and Climate Change Canada. This figure shows profiles recorded between August 2006 and December 2015, along with overall and seasonal mean profiles. The definition of seasons is atypical, with a short spring (April-May, AM) and long autumn (September-December, SOND). The water vapour mixing ratio profiles vary by an order of magnitude over the year, with a maximum at the surface during summer months, and a minimum in winter.

We have used measurements from these radiosondes and our spectrometer for a detailed intercomparison of water vapour total columns measured by sun photometers, a microwave radiometer, and an infrared emission spectrometer at PEARL, and of water vapour vertical profiles measured by seven satellite instruments. No single instrument is capable of capturing complete information about atmospheric water vapour at all times and there are limits to all measurement techniques. These studies provide a useful assessment of the accuracy and consistency of current water vapour measurements in the Arctic.

Out of the Social Vacuum: Evaluating Social Motivators for Cycling Uptake

By Emma Heffernan

Models of transportation mode choice focus on individual demographics, household characteristics, and route considerations to explain why individuals make particular travel mode share choices. New analysis from the Toronto Cycling Think and Do Tank complements these models by positing that social factors can also impact the travel mode choice of an individual. It theorizes that interactions with social groups can have aggregated effects on individual decision-making, particularly when the individual receives some utility by conforming to their group members’ behaviour expectations.

We also theorize that exposure to new social groups can change the individual’s preferences as they are informed or exposed to preferable or beneficial features of a particular behaviour. We tested these theories using data from four cycling mentorship program interventions to identify if social variables were consistently correlated with changes in cycling behaviours.

We found two compelling correlations. First, we found that individuals that stated that their family believed that cycling is dangerous at the beginning of the intervention were more likely to increase their recreational cycling at the end of the intervention. These individuals, potentially, began to bike more frequently as they gained the skill and confidence necessary to overcome the fear that cycling is dangerous. Second, we found a positive relationship between the development of new social connections during the intervention and an increase in recreational cycling. Though demographics have been linked at multiple junctures to particular travel mode choices, the link between social connections and increased recreational cycling is not impacted by having children, being older, or having lived in Canada for a shorter period of time. Regardless of demographics, those that made more social connections recreationally cycled with greater frequency at the end of the intervention.

Overall, the results illustrate that cycling adoption is not only motivated by transportation related needs, or financial considerations, but also by social factors. The focus of cycling adoption programs should consider social motivators or barriers for participants, in order to ensure maximum attraction and effectiveness. Taking social factors into account can increase the success of behaviour change programs to encourage active transportation both for recreational and utilitarian purposes.
The School of the Environment’s annual Research Day, held on April 18, 2018 during Earth Week, showcased research conducted by faculty and graduate students of the School of the Environment. Hosted by Professor Kimberly Strong, Director of the School of the Environment, the 2018 program included 10 short research talks, followed by a presentation of graduate student awards and a reception.

RESEARCH DAY PRESENTATIONS

MASOUD AKHSHIK, PhD Candidate, Faculty of Forestry and School of the Environment
Artificial Intelligence for Environmental Predictions

VIDYA ANDERSON, PhD Candidate, Department of Physical & Environmental Sciences at UTSC and School of the Environment
Evaluating the Capacity of Green Infrastructure to Address the Impacts of Climate Change in Ontario by Reducing GHG Emissions and Reducing Air Pollutants—Field Research Results

BRENDAN BYRNE, PhD Candidate, Department of Physics and School of the Environment
Investigating the Carbon Cycle with Atmospheric CO₂ Observations

SULEYMAN DEMI, PhD Candidate, Department of Social Justice Education at OISE and School of the Environment
Indigenous Food Systems and Climate Change: Experiences of Smallholder Farmers in Ghana

ELLEN GUTE, PhD Candidate, Department of Physical & Environmental Sciences at UTSC and School of the Environment
Pollen Fragments Forfeit their Ice Nucleating Ability when Exposed to Atmospheric Oxidizing Chemicals such as the Hydroxyl Radical

ERIK LUTSCH, PhD Candidate, Department of Physics and School of the Environment
Detecting Wildfire Pollution in the Arctic Using a Network of Ground-Based FTIR Spectrometers, Satellite Observations, and Model Results

DOUGLAS MACDONALD, Senior Lecturer Emeritus, School of the Environment
Carbon Province, Hydro Province: The Challenge of Canadian Energy and Climate Federalism

LAURA TOZER, PhD Candidate, Department of Geography & Planning and School of the Environment
Urban Decarbonization: Practices and Politics of Carbon Neutrality

DANIEL WEAVER, PhD Candidate, Department of Physics and School of the Environment
Measuring Atmospheric Water Vapour in the Canadian High Arctic

JIELAN XU, PhD Candidate, Department of Geography & Planning and School of the Environment
Exploring the Relationships Between the Built Environment, Activity Participation, and Healthy Aging
I stepped into the role of the Academic Associate Director on an interim basis from December 2017 to June 2018, as Prof. Sarah Finkelstein, who held the position previously, went on leave. Being interim, I was particularly thankful and appreciative of our experienced administrative staff, as well as the patience and wisdom of our Director, who all helped in guiding me through the duties of this position.

Their guidance was especially valued since the academic component of the School continues to grow and flourish along its multidisciplinary and transdisciplinary path. Our collaborative graduate specializations are attracting almost 200 students spanning more than 20 disciplines, and there are over 750 students enrolled in our undergraduate programs with approximately 3000 students enrolled in courses from a number of different faculties including Arts and Science, Engineering, Architecture, Music, and Kinesiology.

Evidence of continuing growth at the School for the 2017-2018 academic year comes with the launch of five new undergraduate courses approved by the Faculty of Arts and Science that were previously special topics courses, as well as one new special topics course. These courses are:

- ENV 262H The Science of Energy in the Environment, a new breadth course taught by Prof. Stephen Morris, Dept. of Physics
- ENV 361H Social Media and Environmentalism, taught by Prof. Steve Easterbrook, Dept. of Computer Science
- ENV 362H Energy and Environment - Transitions in History, taught by Prof. Ben Akrigg, Dept. of Classics
- ENV 462H Energy and Environment - Economics, Politics and Sustainability, taught by Prof. Adonis Yatchew, Dept. of Economics
- ENV 461H The U of T Campus as a Living Lab of Sustainability, taught by Prof. John Robinson, Munk School of Global Affairs and the School of the Environment
- ENV 382H - Special Topics in Environment - Waste Not, Want Not. Stories of Wastefulness in Religion and Society, taught by Prof. Tanhum Yoreh of the School of the Environment

The 2017-2018 academic year also saw the School's undergraduate academic programs undergo a cyclical self-study under the University of Toronto’s Quality Assurance Process (UTQAP). This gave us the opportunity to reflect on our achievements over the past five years as well as an assessment of our needs and challenges moving forward. The process is still unfolding as we digest the supportive report conducted by two external expert reviewers, with the aim of preparing a response which will then guide the future of the School.

As I step down from this position, I envision even more exciting opportunities for my successor(s) as the School works towards launching our first stand-alone Masters program as early as fall 2019. Stay tuned for updates in our next annual report.
2017 - 2018 UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH AND EXPERIENTIAL COURSES

ENV 421H Environmental Research - Instructor: Tanhum Yoreh, School of the Environment

In this course, senior undergraduate students work together over the fall and winter terms in small groups to conduct research related to a broad environmental research theme for the class. During the 2017-2018 school year, one group of students focused on the research question: in what ways do Catholic communities understand and practice religious values that have an impact on the environment, and what are the differences between communities within the Catholic denomination? The students interviewed mainly chaplain leaders and priests from Catholic communities and organizations in the GTA. They then qualitatively analyzed each participant’s responses and looked for similarities and differences between each organization in their attitudes towards the environment.

We developed our skills in how to conduct a literature review, develop a methodology, conduct interviews and deliver oral presentations. It also taught us to learn how to work together as a group and individually, work efficiently to meet deadlines, and also gave us the opportunity to work closely with Professor Yoreh in his area of expertise. Our research project was beneficial because it helped us better understand Catholicism as a whole and it allowed us to explore an understudied area of environmentalism. All in all, ENV421H was an amazing experience that helped us to grow and learn in many ways.
- Nicole Capicotto, Danielle Foppiano, Minjian Zhu

ENV 440H Professional Experience Course - Instructor: David Sider, Sessional Lecturer

This course provides an opportunity for students to gain practical work experience in the environmental field through placements with organizations and agencies engaged in a wide range of issues from local to global scales. Student placements include activities such as research, policy development, project administration, proposal writing, networking, community organizing, and public awareness. In 2017-18, 49 students did summer/fall placements at non-profit/charitable groups (e.g., EcoSpark, High Park Nature Centre, Foodshare, Jane Goodall Institute), government agencies (e.g., City of Toronto Environment & Energy Division, Environment Canada), private sector companies (e.g., Better Current, Triovest Realty Advisors), and U of T organizations (Sustainability Office, Bike Chain).

The academic component of the course was useful in helping me to think through what I was learning in my placement in a more analytical way. I especially enjoyed the process of writing the final paper because it allowed me to draw more general insights on factors influencing the effectiveness of ENGOS. I’m looking forward to applying my learning from the course to my work as an employee at GreenPAC this summer, and in my future career.
- Amanda Harvey-Sanchez

ENV 461H: The U of T Campus as a Living Lab of Sustainability – Instructor: John Robinson, School of the Environment

This course explores and applies the living lab concept, in the context of operational sustainability at the University of Toronto. Beginning by looking at the literature on university sustainability and the living lab concept, the bulk of the course involves undertaking an applied research project on some aspect of campus sustainability, working in close partnership with operational staff at the University of Toronto. Students develop the skills needed to work across disciplines and fields of study, and with non-academic partners. This course puts students to work on operational sustainability projects identified by the staff working in or with the Sustainability Office at the University of Toronto. A crucial aspect of this course is the ability of students to work collaboratively together in a group environment, and to work effectively with a university staff person acting as a “client” for their work.

After completing the project for ENV461H in the fall of 2017 I wanted to continue working on the course as an Independent Study, supervised by John Robinson. My project is intended to make procurement at U of T more sustainable, both from a purely environmental side but also to advance the idea of social responsibility and making sure that university projects benefit the broader city community as well whenever possible. I presented my work during the Procurement Pre-Conference Session at the CAUBO (Canadian Association of University Business Officers) 2018 Conference in Vancouver.
- Rachel Sutton
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**CORE PROGRAMS**

The School of the Environment offers two core interdisciplinary undergraduate programs:

- Environmental Science (BSc Major and Minor)
- Environmental Studies (BA Major and Minor)

**COLLABORATIVE PROGRAMS**

These collaborative programs combine the School's interdisciplinary core with a set of discipline-specific courses:

- **Specialist Programs**
  - Environmental Chemistry (BSc, with the Department of Chemistry)
  - Environmental Geosciences (BSc, with the Department of Earth Sciences)
  - Environment and Health (BSc, with the Human Biology Program)
  - Environment and Toxicology (BSc, with the Department of Pharmacology and Toxicology)

- **Major Programs**
  - Environmental Ethics (BA, with the Department of Philosophy)
  - Environment and Health (BSc, with the Human Biology Program)

- **Minor Programs**
  - Environment and Behaviour (BSc, with the Department of Psychology)
  - Environmental Ethics (BA, with the Department of Philosophy)
  - Environment and Energy (BSc, with the Department of Geography)

**DIRECTED MINORS**

The following directed minor programs are offered by other departments and are for students interested in acquiring a limited body of knowledge in a specific discipline:

- Environmental Anthropology (BA)
- Geographic Information Systems (BA)
- Environmental Chemistry (BSc)
- Physical and Environmental Geography (BSc)
- Environmental Economics (BA)
- Environmental Geography (BA)
- Environmental Biology (BSc)
- Geographic Information Systems (BA)

* indicates programs administered by the School.
SUMMER ABROAD

ENV 395Y Special Topics Field Course: Ecology and Conservation in the Amazon, Galápagos, and Andes. May 19 - June 19, 2018
Instructors: Monika Havelka and Barbara Murck, Senior Lecturers, Geography, UTM.

This was the 13th year of the summer program in Ecuador and it was a wonderful opportunity for students interested in life sciences, environmental studies, conservation biology, geology and geography to experience one of the most ecologically diverse countries in the world and to explore the pressures and challenges on these unique environments.

The program was hosted by the Universidad San Francisco de Quito (USFQ) and uses two of its research centres, the Galápagos Academic Institute for the Arts and Sciences, (GAIAS) and the Tiputini Biodiversity Station (TBS; located in the Amazon Rainforest), as well as its Quito campus.

Students lived, studied and conducted biological fieldwork in the Amazon Rainforest on the north bank of the Tiputini River. The site borders the Yasuni Biosphere Reserve, a region famous for having one of the highest species diversities on Earth. The students also spent time in Quito, the Andes Highlands and the Galapagos Islands.

ENV 396H Special Topics: Australian Wildlife and Conservation. June 24 - July 18, 2018

This was the fifth year of the University of Toronto’s Summer Program in Australia. The program provides a unique opportunity to consider human impacts on the natural environment, and measures to address these impacts, focusing particularly on protected conservation areas.

From its rainforests, coastlines and coral reefs to its arid interior, Australia offers a diverse range of natural and cultural landscapes and ecosystems to explore. Evolving from origins in ancient Gondwana and millions of years of geographic isolation, Australia boasts geographical and natural features found nowhere else in the world.

The program was taught by faculty from the University of New South Wales, parks staff, and local guides, and included visits to Byron Bay, Sydney and Cairns.

International Courses For Undergraduate Students

The School of the Environment, working with the University’s Centre for International Experience (CIE), identifies partner universities with programs and courses of relevance and interest to students enrolled in environmental programs, or interested in taking environmental elective courses. The goal is to provide students with a more global perspective and is in keeping with President Gertler’s strategic goal of strengthening the University of Toronto’s international partnerships and profile. The School’s effort to establish and highlight international opportunities is ongoing.

Students interested in any of the term-abroad opportunities must apply through the CIE [http://cie.utoronto.ca/Going/Apply.htm].

Selection of Partner Universities with Environment-Related Programs and/or Courses

National University of Singapore
Chinese University of Hong Kong
City University of Hong Kong
Lund University, Sweden
University of Copenhagen, Denmark
University of Oslo, Norway
Utrecht University, Netherlands
Co-curricular activities encourage growth and learning for students beyond the classroom. Through a variety of partnerships, School of Environment students have the opportunity to actively participate in university life; find connection, community, and friendship; encounter new ways of thinking and being in the world; and experience leadership, independence, and success.

**SOCIAL INNOVATION & SOCIAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP**

The Agency is a hub that facilitates introductions and wayfinding for students, faculty, teaching staff, alumni and partners focused on social innovation at UofT. They simplify pathways and amplify collective resources that contribute to positive social change, positioning UofT as a leader in the field of social innovation. They host and partner on a variety of events at UofT and outside in the community that benefit students and bring together fellow students, alumni, staff, faculty and practitioners. Founder and U of T alumnus Cindy Ross Pederson visited three ENV classes (ENV222H, ENV337H, ENV1001H) in Spring 2018 to talk about social innovation and invite students to join in The Agency’s events.

**MAR 19, 2018 - CAREERS FOR SOCIAL CHANGE**

Students participated in an interactive living library to learn about people who are creating social change locally and globally.

**April 6, 2018 - ROAD TRIP TO MaRS Discovery District**

A small group of students went to MaRS for a tour of the facilities, a briefing on its history, and an introduction to a sampling of organizations that are based in this community.

**Backpack to Briefcase (b2B): Mentorship Dinners**

The School of Environment undergraduate and graduate students met with alumni who were invited back to share their education and career experiences; and to offer encouragement and advice at a Backpack to Briefcase (b2B) mentorship dinner on February 15, 2018 at the Faculty Club. The alumni guests at this dinner were Michael Lawler (HBA 2011), Emily Van Halem (HBA 2008), Sarry Zheng (HBSC 2009). The event provided an opportunity for students to understand their education in a broader context – opening discussions with alumni, faculty members, staff and peers about life after graduation.

**Career Day**

The School of the Environment co-presented the 2018 Environmental Career Day on March 9 at Hart House Great Hall, with 250 undergraduate and graduate students in attendance. This annual event was a collaborative effort with the School’s Environmental Students’ Union (ENSU), Graduate Environmental Students’ Association (GESA), Forestry Club (undergraduates), Forestry Graduate Students Association, and the Toronto Undergraduate Geography Society (TUGS).
The Environmental Students’ Union (ENSU) is a student-run organization representing the undergraduate students enrolled in programs at the School of the Environment. ENSU's mission is to build a community for environmental students, staff, and faculty, so that they feel welcome and at home in their program.

This year, its goals were to increase student involvement, build student community and identity, and heighten environmental awareness on campus. The student union largely operates by hosting events for School of Environment students, which are planned and run by the elected executive board. These events are social, professional, or academic, and always seek to be as sustainable as possible. Additionally, we run a mentorship program to help lower year students become acquainted with U of T, the School of the Environment, and university life.

The members of the 2017-2018 ENSU Executive are:
Rachel Sutton, Co-President
James Povilonis, Co-President
Jared Connoy, Treasurer
Ruby Tang, Secretary
Iqra Sheikh, Mentorship Coordinator
Monika Filiks, Commuter Representative
Laura Curran, Sustainability Officer
Allegra Bethlenfalvy, Sustainability Officer
Princess Edogiawerie, Social Media Coordinator
Zihan Cai, Upper Year Representative
Greg Seljak, Upper Year Representative
Farida Rady, Newsletter Editor
Kody McKann, Social Media Coordinator
Harpreet Chohan, Webmaster
Charlotte Craig, Lower Year Representative

2017-2018 events organized by ENSU:
• Month of Local Greenspace tours (September)
• ENSU Pub night (November)
• General Meeting (November)
• Documentary Screening: An Inconvenient Sequel (November)
• Academic seminar on Urban Sustainability (November)
• School of the Environment Spirit Wear (December)
• Pub Night (February)
• BYO Social (March)
• Documentary Screening: Okja (March)
• GMO vs. non-GMO Pancake giveaway and discussion (March)

A commitment to diversity and sustainability led to ENSU receiving the Sanjeev Dewett Course Union of the Year award from the Arts and Science Student Union (ASSU), as well as a Green Ribbon Award for their “outstanding contribution to campus sustainability.

Sanjeev (Sanj) Dewett Course Union of the Year Award is presented annually to the most active Course Union in ASSU and is named after a two-term President of ASSU.

The Green Ribbon Awards recognize outstanding achievements in campus sustainability and are awarded by the University’s Sustainability Office.
UNDERGRADUATE AWARDS

Congratulations to the following undergraduate students who received School of the Environment scholarships awarded in 2017-2018.

FRANCES L. ALLEN SCHOLARSHIP
Awarded to a second or third-year student in a specialist or major BA program in the School of the Environment. The recipient was Jennifer Del Riccio, Environmental Science and Psychology Majors; Environmental Studies Minor.

CHACHRA FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP IN ENVIRONMENT AND SCIENCE
Awarded to one or two students in a School of the Environment BSc specialist or major program, on the basis of financial need and academic merit. The recipient was Wen Yin (Cindy) Wei, Environmental Science Major; Environmental Studies and Environmental Biology Minors.

DR. STANLEY ALLAN CORD SCHOLARSHIP IN ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES
Awarded to a School of the Environment student in their third or fourth year, on the basis of Academic Merit. The recipient was Nathan Postma, Environmental Studies and Anthropology (Society, Culture & Language) Majors; Environmental Anthropology Minor.

JANE GOODALL SCHOLARSHIP
Awarded to one or more outstanding students enrolled in a School of the Environment program. Preference is given to students studying environment and development. The recipient was Charlotte Hobson, Environmental Studies and Environmental Geography Majors; Environmental Biology Minor.

BARBARA GREEN SCHOLARSHIP IN ENVIRONMENTAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP
Awarded on the basis of merit to a full-time Canadian undergraduate student who is beginning year two in the School of the Environment, with consideration given to academic ability, a clear interest in the environment paired with an entrepreneurial interest and spirit, involvement in sports, culture and extracurricular activities, community engagement and contributions, and an interest in future environmental stewardship. The inaugural recipient is Jared Connoy, Environmental Studies and Economics Majors.

PETER JOHN HARE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP IN ENVIRONMENT
Awarded to students in a School of the Environment specialist or major program. Preference is given to students taking courses in environmental science, as well as students who demonstrate a commitment to environmental issues. The recipients are Laura Curran, Environmental Science Major; Psychology Specialist; Environment & Behaviour Minor; Dana Pugh, Environmental Studies and Forestry Conservation Majors; and Cameron So, Environmental Science Major; Environmental Studies Minor; Ecology & Evolutionary Biology Specialist.

ROBERT HUNTER SCHOLARSHIP
Awarded to outstanding School of the Environment students in memory of Robert Hunter, journalist and co-founder of Greenpeace. Preference is given to students who are focusing their environmental studies on climate (extra-curricular involvement with climate issues will also be considered). The recipients are Jaden Phillips, Environmental Science Major; Psychology Specialist; Environment & Behaviour Minor; Emily Shaw, Environmental Studies and Political Science Majors; and Economics Minor and Amanda Harvey-Sanchez, Environmental Studies and Anthropology (Society, Culture & Language) Majors; Equity Studies Minor.

JANE JOY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP: EXCELLENCE IN ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY
Created with a donation by the University of Toronto Women's Association, this is awarded to a student specializing or majoring in Environmental Science at the School of the Environment, who has demonstrated involvement in sustainability issues. The recipient was Cynthia Nwabuokei, Environmental Science and Environment & Health Majors; Environmental Studies Minor.
UNDERGRADUATE AWARDS

DOUGLAS PIMLOTT AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS
These awards are in honour of Douglas Pimlott, the first Director of the former Environmental Studies Program at Innis College. They are awarded to School of the Environment students with excellent levels of academic achievement combined with a demonstrated commitment to social involvement in environmental issues.

DOUGLAS PIMLOTT ENTRANCE SCHOLARSHIP
Larissa Werbowski, Environmental Science and Psychology Majors; Environmental Studies Minor.

DOUGLAS PIMLOTT OSOTF AWARD RECIPIENT
Sabrina Delos Reyes, Environmental Studies and Urban Studies Majors; Environmental Geography Minor.

DOUGLAS PIMLOTT GRADUATING SCHOLARSHIP
Xia (Alice) Zhu, Environmental Chemistry Specialist.
Li Miao, Environmental Science and Physical & Environmental Geography Majors; Environment & Energy Minor.
Adriana Shu-Yin, Environmental Science and Environment & Health Majors; Environmental Geography Minor.

KATHRYN S. ROLPH SCHOLARSHIP
Awarded to an outstanding second or third year student in a program offered by the School of the Environment who has achieved a high mark in a course on environmental issues offered by or on behalf of the School. The recipient was Julia Robsen, Environmental Studies and Equity Studies Majors; Environmental Biology Minor.

SCHOOL OF THE ENVIRONMENT UNDERGRADUATE AWARD
This is awarded to a student in the School of the Environment and is based on financial need and academic achievement. The recipient was Sabrina Delos Reyes, Environmental Studies and Urban Studies Majors; Environmental Geography Minor.

SIDNEY AND LUCILLE SILVER SCHOLARSHIP
Awarded to a third-year student in a School of the Environment or Geography specialist or double major program. The recipient was Su Hyun Park, Environmental Science and Environment & Health Majors; French as a Second Language Minor.

RODNEY WHITE ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES SCHOLARSHIP
This award was established in memory of Professor Rodney White, Director of the former Institute for Environmental Studies and co-founder of the Centre for Environment, which became the School of the Environment. The Rodney White Environmental Studies Scholarship is awarded to a third-year undergraduate student on the basis of academic merit, with preference given to a student studying topics related to environment and international development. This year’s recipient is Kathryn Condon, Environmental Studies and Ethics, Society & Law Majors; Environmental Ethics Minor.

SKIP WILLIS UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP
This award was established in memory of Errick (Skip) Willis, Principal of the Willis Climate Group and a founding member of the Professional Development Program’s Environmental Finance program. The award is given to an undergraduate student at the School who has demonstrated interest in adaption and mitigation of climate change in Canada, market-based instruments, and carbon offset projects. This year’s recipient is Jiayi Chen, Environmental Science Major; Environmental Studies and Urban Studies Minors.
GRADUATE

COLLABORATIVE SPECIALIZATIONS

The School of the Environment offers two Collaborative Specializations at the Master’s and Doctoral level: Environmental Studies (ES), and Environment and Health (EH). Students who are admitted to a ‘home’ unit apply to a Collaborative Specialization and pursue course work and research in environmental areas. Through these specializations, students have the opportunity to pursue interdisciplinary graduate work in the field of the environment and to interact with students and faculty spanning three campuses.

25 Environmental Studies Degree Programs

9 Environment and Health Degree Programs

167 Enrolled Students

54 New Students

35 Graduate Alumni

124 Graduate Faculty

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FULL MEMBERS

Grant Allen, Chemical Eng. & Applied Chem.
Robert Andrews, Civil Engineering
George Arhonditsis, Physical & Environ. Sci., UTSC
Spencer Barrett, Ecology & Evolutionary Biology
Steven Bernstein, Political Science
Alana Boland, Geography
Jing Chen, Geography
Donald C. Cole, Public Health
Simon Coleman, Religion
Tenley Conway, Geography, UTM
Paul Corey, Public Health
Sharon Cowling, Earth Sciences
Hilary Cunningham, Anthropology
Amrita Daniere, Geography, UTM
George Dei, Leadership, Higher and Adult Education, OISE
Miriam Diamond, Earth Sciences
Maria Dittrich, Earth Sciences
Birsen Donmez, Mechanical and Industrial Eng.
Steve Easterbrook, Computer Science
Mark Engstrom, Ecology & Evolutionary Biology/ROM
Greg Evans, Chemical Eng. & Applied Chem.
Sarah Finkelstein, Earth Sciences
Robert Fulthorpe, Physical & Environ. Sci., UTSC
William Gough, Physical & Environ. Sci., UTSC
Mart Gross, Ecology & Evolutionary Biology
L. Danny Harvey, Geography
Yuhong He, Geography, UTM
Matthew Hoffman, Political Science, UTSC
D. Linn Holness, Public Health
Ken Howard, Physical & Environ. Sci., UTSC
Marney Isaac, Physical & Environ. Sci., UTSC
Donald Jackson, Ecology & Evolutionary Biology
Dylan Jones, Physics
Shashi Kant, Forestry
Bryan Karney, Civil Engineering
Thembele Kepe, Geography UTSC

J. Gary Knowles, Leadership, Higher and Adult Education, OISE
Martin Krkosek, Ecology & Evolutionary Biology
Paul Kushnir, Physics
Scott Mabury, Chemistry
Virginia Maclaren, Geography
Heather MacLean, Civil Engineering
Jay Malcolm, Forestry
David Martell, Forestry
Patricia McCarney, Political Science
Andrew Miall, Earth Sciences
Eric Miller, Civil Engineering
Carl Mitchell, Physical & Environ. Sci., UTSC
G.W. Kent Moore, Physics, UTM
Andrea Most, English
Jennifer Murphy, Chemistry
Michelle Murphy, History
Andrea Olive, Political Science UTM
W. Richard Peltier, Physics
Blake Poland, Public Health
W. Scott Prudham, Geography/Environment
John Robinson, Munk School of Global Affairs/Environment
Helen Rodd, Ecology & Evolutionary Biology
Rowan Sage, Ecology & Evolutionary Biology
Mohini Sain, Forestry
Andrea Sass-Kortsak, Public Health
Shiho Satsuka, Anthropology
Lawrence Sawchuk, Social Sciences, UTSC
Stephen Scharper, Anthropology, UTM/Environment
Barbara Sherwood Lollar, Earth Sciences
André Simpson, Physical & Environ. Sci., UTSC
Myrna Simpson, Physical & Environ. Sci., UTSC
Grace Skogstad, Social Sciences, UTSC
C. Tattersall Smith, Geography
Sandy Smith, Forestry
Kimberly Strong, Physics/Environment
Edward Swenson, Anthropology
Susan Tarlo, Medicine
Judith Teichman, Political Science
Ross Upshur, Medical Science
Wilmem Van der Werf, Civil Engineering
Sarah Wakefield, Geography
Kaley Walker, Physics
Denis Walsh, Philosophy
Frank Wania, Physical & Environ. Sci., UTSC
Peter Wells, Pharmacy

Clare Wiseman, Environment
Debra Wunch, Physics/Environment

ADJUNCT MEMBERS

Jane Ambachtsheer, Environment
Brad Bass, Environment

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

Christian Abizaid, Geography/Environment
Christoph Becker, Information
Kerry Bowman, Bioethics
Laura Brown, Geography, UTM
Susannah Bunce, Geography UTSC
Andrew Green, Law
Jacob Hirsh, Management, UTM
Igor Lehnherr, Geography, UTM
Douglas Macdonald, Environment
Barbara Murck, Geography, UTM
Kate Neville, Political Science/Environment
Dennis O’Hara, St. Michael’s College
Matthew Ratto, Information
Njål Rollinson, Ecology & Evolutionary Biology/Environment
Marcelo Vieta, Adult Education and Community Development, LHAEOISE
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Ian Burton, Physical & Environ. Sci., UTSC
Catherine Chalin Clark, Public Health
Brian Greenwood, Physical & Environment. Sci., UTSC
Andy Kenney, Forestry
Robert K. Logan, Physics
William Michelson, Sociology
Scott Munro, Geography
Henry Regier, Environment
Richard Sandbrook, Political Science
Beth Savan, Environment
Frances Silverman, Dalla Lana School of Public Health
Ingrid Stefanovic, Dalla Lana School of Social Work
Richard Stren, Political Science
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SCHOOL OF THE ENVIRONMENT 2013 - 2018 MILESTONES

Curriculum
- New Faculty Cross-Appointments established.
- Graduate Faculty expanded.
- Distinguished Visiting Fellowship created.

Faculty
- 8 NEW FACULTY CROSS-APPOINTMENTS established.
- GRADUATE FACULTY expanded.
- DISTINGUISHED VISITING FELLOWSHIP created.

Scholarships
- Many SEMINARS AND EVENTS offered, covering a wide range of topics.
- STEP Forward Career Workshops.
- Environmental Students’ Union (ENSU) Peer Mentorship Program initiated.
- Graduate Environmental Students’ Association (GESA) re-established.

Events and Initiatives
MENTAL SCIENCE MAJOR & MINOR FIRST COHORT added in 2016.

for a MASTER OF ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY developed.

PUS AS A LIVING LAB introduced.

ONAL EXPERIENCE COURSE - every year.

RAISED $1.8M in Partnership with the Advancement Office at the Faculty of Arts & Science.

ESTABLISHED three new undergraduate scholarships, three new graduate fellowships, and the annual MINDEN SYMPOSIUM ON THE ENVIRONMENT.

6 NEW ENVIRONMENT SCIENCE COURSES

5 BIG NEW IDEAS COURSES

9 NEW FACULTY

124 GRADUATE FACULTY

16 ENDOWED UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS

$30,000 AWARDED each year to UNDERGRADS

8 ENDOWED GRADUATE FELLOWSHIPS

$50,000 AWARDED each year to GRADUATE STUDENTS

60 ENVIRONMENT SEMINARS

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The Graduate Environmental Students’ Association (GESA) represents graduate students enrolled in the School of the Environment Graduate Collaborative Specializations. They organize social and academic events to bring light to relevant environmental issues in an informal setting with an aim to foster collaborative dialogue on a range of topics, and to liaise with other environmental groups on campus.

GESA had a very productive year in 2017-2018, holding a variety of events to help environmental students to connect outside of the classroom, including a student-faculty lunch, a mentoring night with our undergraduate counterparts in the Environmental Students’ Union, a table at the Environmental Career Day, a workshop on making “seedbombs” to fill the city’s vacant lots with wildflowers, and several pub nights!

On the academic side of things, they partnered with Planet in Focus Film Festival to hold a screening of “BLUE”, a film documenting ocean conservation efforts, hosted talks on topics including Canada’s official environmental petitions process, and the concept of “sustainable happiness”.

We look forward to another great year for graduate students at the School of the Environment. For more information on GESA please visit our website (gesa.sa.utoronto.ca) or Facebook page (facebook.com/GESAatUofT). We are also available by email: gesa@utoronto.ca.

The members of the 2017-2018 GESA Executive are:
Janina Kowalski, Co-President
Charlie White, Co-President
Lynessa Darko, Vice President
Courtney Hopper, Vice President
Edward Kim, Treasurer
Jennifer Langill, GSU Representative
Samantha Stead, Member-at-large
Brianna Botchwey, Member-at-large
GRADUATE AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

The School of the Environment announced the winners of its Graduate Student Awards for the 2017-18 academic year at Research Day on April 18, 2018 and at the Eric Krause Memorial Lecture, held on April 10, 2018. This year we were delighted to introduce a new graduate scholarship: the Marjorie Gillespie Bolton and Mabel Gillespie Norris Memorial Scholarship.

Many of our graduate students are already excelling in research in science, social policy, global development, and law. Their projects encompass ecology and conservation; environmental and social issues confronting First Nation communities; implementing sustainable initiatives into corporate frameworks; and research campaigns that span the globe from Israel, South Africa, and Cambodia, to the Arctic. Below are the students who clearly stood out this past year.

JOHN R. BROWN AWARD
This prize is in memory of the late John R. Brown, Professor of Environmental Health and Medicine. It was awarded to Leandra Rhodes Dicker, in the second-year of the Master of Applied Science in the Department of Chemical Engineering and Applied Chemistry and the Collaborative Specialization in Environmental Studies. Her research focuses on bioretention cells, or rain gardens, as a method to remove an emerging contaminant associated with a corrosion inhibitor commonly found in vehicle fluids and antifreeze liquids, from urban stormwater runoff.

Leandra Rhodes Dicker. Photo: Dan Weaver

GEORGE BURWASH LANGFORD PRIZE
This is awarded to a School of the Environment graduate student who best combines excellence in research and contribution to the work of the School. This year’s recipients are:

Jennifer Langill, a second-year MA student in the in the Department of Geography & Planning and the Environmental Studies Collaborative Specialization. Her research seeks to understand the implication of global environmental change on some of the most vulnerable and affected people in the Peruvian Amazon.

Jennifer Langill. Photo: Dan Weaver

MARJORIE GILLESPIE BOLTON AND MABEL GILLESPIE NORRIS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
This is a new graduate scholarship established by Kevin (Vin) Bolton through the generosity of the Estate of Marjorie Bolton. It is awarded annually to a graduate student at the University of Toronto with demonstrated financial need with an academic focus in the area of sustainability, environmental justice, biodiversity, and/or conservation. Preference will be given to a student enrolled in the School of the Environment's graduate programs. The first scholarship was awarded in spring 2018.

The inaugural recipient, Samantha Stead, is completing her Masters in the Department of Anthropology and the Environmental Studies Collaborative Specialization, with plans to begin her PhD next year. Her research interests focus on primate social behavior in response to ecological changes. Her field area is the Albertine Graben region of central Uganda where oil extraction activities have led to declines in environmental and social wellbeing. Samantha’s research offers practical conservation science to assist land use planning and species protection in a contested region and biodiversity hotspot.

(L-R) Samantha Stead and Vin Bolton. Photo: Dan Weaver
GRADUATE AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

GEORGE BURWASH LANGFORD PRIZE (Continued)
Janina Kowalski, a second-year PhD student in the Department of Geography & Planning and the Environmental Studies Collaborative Specialization where she is conducting a comparative study on urban food forests (aka community orchards) in Canada. Her research contributes to a growing interest in urban ecology, agriculture, and community place making.

ERIC DAVID BAKER KRAUSE GRADUATE FELLOWSHIP

This fellowship is in memory of the late Eric Krause, a U of T Master’s graduate of Geography and Environmental Studies. This year’s recipient is Anna Kay Russell. She is currently completing her Master of Public Policy at the School of Public Policy & Governance in tandem with the School of Environment’s Environmental Studies Collaborative Specialization. In 2016, she worked at the Ministry of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation and more recently she has worked with Dr. Kate Neville of the School of the Environment and the Political Science Department as a research assistant co-developing a grant proposal for an environmental politics focused-project.

ARTHUR AND SONIA LABATT GRADUATE FELLOWSHIPS

These fellowships were established through a generous donation from Arthur and Sonia Labatt and are given to students enrolled in one of the graduate programs of the School of the Environment or in the JD/Certificate Program offered by the Faculty of Law and the School of the Environment. Preference is given to students who are exploring practical solutions to environmental issues. This year, six scholars received this award.

Dolon Chakravartty is a PhD candidate in the Department of Public Health Sciences and the School’s Collaborative Specialization in Environment and Health. The focus of her research is on the unequal burden of environmental exposures in lead, mercury, and cadmium and potential health adverse outcomes among newcomer and racialized women.
ARTHUR AND SONIA LABATT GRADUATE FELLOWSHIPS (Continued)

Cristian Ches is a PhD candidate in the Department of Geography and the School's Collaborative Specialization in Environmental Studies. His research focuses on urban climate governance and sustainability: a quest for tools and ways to measure and compare performance.

Andrew Hakes is in the Master of Global Affairs program at the Munk School of Global Affairs, and concurrently in the Collaborative Specialization in Environmental Studies. His research paper submission was focused on examining the future of China’s State-Owned Enterprises in the Investment and Development of Renewable Energy Technologies.

Fernando Mercado-Malabet is in the first year of a PhD in the Department of Anthropology, and the Collaborative Specialization in Environmental Studies. His research is situated in Madagascar, working with lemur species to provide better understanding of factors that threaten species with extinction.

Brian Pentz is in the third year of a PhD program in the Department of Physical and Environmental Sciences at Scarborough, and in the School’s Collaborative Specialization in Environmental Studies. His research is focused on issues of fisheries management and the challenge of sustainability as climate change influences the marine environment.

Laila Stratz is a Master of Education candidate in the Adult Education and Community Development program at OISE, as well as in the Environmental Studies Collaborative Specialization. Her submitted paper presented a preliminary think tank model with a goal to generate momentum for a social movement of sustainability. The proposal identified that we need to gather people together to think in revolutionary ways to generate revolutionary new approaches.

ALEXANDER B. LEMAN MEMORIAL AWARD

This award was established by the Leman family, friends and colleagues of Alexander B. Leman, an architect and urban planner who founded his own architectural firm (as well as Leman Group Inc., an urban development and planning consulting company). It is awarded to a graduate student enrolled in a collaborative specialization at the School of the Environment and the Department of Geography’s Program in Planning, and is based on academic merit and financial need. This year’s recipient, Lindsay Lucato, is working on her Masters in the Department of Geography & Planning and the Environmental Studies Collaborative Specialization. Lindsay’s MA research looks to provide a better context and greater understanding for Canadian companies to incorporate and implement sustainable initiatives into their corporate frameworks.

BEATRICE AND ARTHUR MINDEN GRADUATE RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP

This award was established by the four Minden siblings George, Robert, Jo-Ann and Cynthia in memory of their parents Beatrice and Arthur Minden. This fellowship is awarded annually to one or more PhD students enrolled in the School of the Environment’s Graduate Specializations to provide them with support during the research stage of their dissertations, including enabling their involvement in conferences, summer schools, field work and collaborative visits to research groups across Canada and around the world. The four exceptional students who received the Minden Graduate Research Fellowship demonstrate the outstanding breadth of environmental research happening at U of T and at the School of the Environment.
GRADUATE AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

BEATRICE AND ARTHUR MINDEN GRADUATE RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP (Continued)

Esmerelda Bukuroshi is a third year PhD student in the Department of Chemical Engineering and Applied Chemistry, and the Environmental Studies Collaborative Specialization. Her research is in the area of emerging solar energy technologies, specifically new environmentally friendly materials for organic solar cells. The Minden Fellowship will allow Esmeralda to participate in a student exchange collaboration with the Technion Laboratory in Israel, which will provide her experience in developing materials for organic solar cells and will guide the design of future materials for solar cell applications.

Esmerelda Bukuroshi and Jo-Ann Minden. Photo: Dan Weaver

Courtneay Hopper is in the second year of her PhD in Biological Anthropology/Archaeology and the Environmental Studies Collaborative Specialization. Courtneay's research analyzes archaeological signatures to help identify when food production and the associated social/ideological changes arrived in South Africa. The Minden Fellowship will be used to help fund Courtneay's field work in South Africa and associated laboratory analyses work at the University of Cape Town's isotope laboratory.

Courtneay Hopper and Jo-Ann Minden. Photo: Dan Weaver

Leah-Marie Marajh just completed the first year of her PhD in the Department of Geography and the Environmental Studies Collaborative Specialization. Her research is situated in the Angkor region in northwestern Cambodia, which is experiencing growth both geographically and demographically. She seeks to understand how the cultural heritage of Angkor produces both vulnerable and resilient places in this region. The Minden Fellowship will assist in field work expenses including archival research and mapping of changes over time, questionnaires, semi-structured interviews and focus groups.

Leah-Marie Marajh and Jo-Ann Minden. Photo: Dan Weaver

Tim Rodgers is a second year PhD student in the Department of Chemical Engineering and Applied Chemistry and the Environmental Studies Collaborative Specialization. His research is focused on investigating the presence of compounds associated with flame retardants and plasticizers (organophosphate esters) in the Arctic as evidence of long-range transport. The Minden Fellowship will be used to help support a sampling campaign aboard the Canadian Coast Guard Ship Amundsen.

ALAN H. WEATHERLEY GRADUATE FELLOWSHIP IN ENVIRONMENTAL LEADERSHIP

The Alan H. Weatherley Graduate Fellowship in Environmental Leadership is awarded annually to one PhD student enrolled in a School of the Environment graduate specialization who demonstrates exceptional academic and/or practical leadership related to environmental issues. This year, the award was presented to Meaghan Weatherdon who is currently in the fifth year of her doctoral studies in the Department for the Study of Religion and the Collaborative Specialization in Environmental Studies. Her dissertation examines a grass roots social movement in which Cree and Inuit youth walked 1600 km from Great Whale River, Quebec to Parliament Hill in Ottawa, during the winter of 2013 in order to raise awareness about a variety of environmental and social issues confronting First Nation communities.

L-R Meaghan Weatherdon and Robena Weatherley. Photo: Dan Weaver
MEMORIAL LECTURES

On April 5, 2018 the School of the Environment welcomed Dalton McGuinty, the 24th Premier of Ontario, as this year’s Robert Hunter Memorial Lecture keynote speaker. Mr. McGuinty was Premier from 2003 to 2013 and during that time, he made the environment one of his priorities, resulting in his being named “Canada's greenest Premier ever” by Stewart Elgie, founder of the Sierra Legal Defence Fund.

Having known Robert (Bob) Hunter for many years, it was fitting for Mr. McGuinty to celebrate and remember Bob Hunter, well-known environmentalist, journalist, co-founder of Greenpeace, and one of the ten eco-heroes of the 20th century, according to Time magazine.

Speaking passionately about Bob Hunter’s legacy, Mr. McGuinty emphasized the importance of continuing the work that Bob Hunter started and the importance of hope during challenging times. In attendance were the family and friends of Bob Hunter, including the newest member of the family, 6-week-old Robert Rocket Hunter.

Lloyd Rang, Director of Communications at the Ontario Ministry of Economic Development and Growth, introduced Mr. McGuinty. Mr. Rang was Mr. McGuinty’s long-time speechwriter and also knew Bob Hunter many years ago.

This event was also an opportunity to recognize the accomplishments of this year’s three recipients of the Robert Hunter Undergraduate Scholarship. Professor Kimberly Strong, Director of the School of the Environment introduced this year’s recipients Amanda Harvey Sanchez, Jaden Phillips and Emily Shaw.
MEMORIAL LECTURES

Eric Krause Memorial Lecture - True Grit: How ‘Green’ Are Green Roofs

Prof. Liat Margolis, Associate Professor, Director of the Master of Landscape Architecture Program, and Associate Dean Research, Daniels Faculty of Architecture, Landscape, and Design, University of Toronto delivered this year’s Eric Krause Memorial Lecture on April 10, 2018. Prof. Margolis introduced the University of Toronto’s Green Roof Innovation Testing Laboratory (GRIT Lab) and discussed the potential of data-driven landscape research for teaching and engagement with industry and policy makers.

Prof. Margolis emphasized that while environmental performance has become a fundamental principle for the design of urban landscapes, research shows that in some cases a gap exists between intended and actual performance. New methods for empirical and multi-disciplinary research are emerging in both academic and professional practice to bridge this so called ‘performance gap’. These involve sensor technologies, continuous monitoring and feedback processes throughout the design phase and lifetime of a project.

Prof. Margolis is the Founding Director of the Green Roof Innovation Testing Laboratory (GRIT Lab), an interdisciplinary research initiative dedicated to evaluating the environmental performance of green roof and green wall technologies. This research has been contributing to the development of metrics for urban water management and green building standards at the City of Toronto and has been recognized internationally. The GRIT Lab represents a new mode of design practice which draws government and industry, the professions, and the academy together to undertake experimental research focused on discovering sustainable ways of building cities.

Douglas Pimlott Memorial Lecture – Cities and the Future of the Environmental Movement: Lessons from Toronto City Hall

This year’s Douglas Pimlott Memorial Lecture, which took place on March 21, 2018, focused on the changing nature of Canada’s Environmental Movement. The keynote address was delivered by Franz Hartmann, Executive Director of the Toronto Environmental Alliance (TEA).

Dr. Hartmann discussed the shift in priorities happening within the environment movement and how, in the past, conservation groups dominated the movement with a focus on preserving so-called natural spaces, while today an increasing number of groups are focused on what is happening in cities. Reflecting on almost 30 years of environmental activism, he outlined some of the tensions and opportunities he sees with this shift. In addition to identifying key lessons learned from his experiences in urban environmental activism in Toronto, Dr. Hartmann reflected on the future, with a focus on Toronto’s new climate action plan – TransformTO – and what all environmentalists can do to help create a more livable city and planet.

Dr. Hartmann became TEA’s Executive Director in 2007 and has been advocating for a green Toronto since 1990 when he first volunteered at TEA. In 1998, after 8 years of studying and participating in urban environmental politics in Toronto, he received his PhD in Environmental Politics from York University. In 1998, he also became the Environmental Advisor to Councillor Jack Layton. Since then, Dr. Hartmann has been involved in advocating green energy, and solutions for smog, waste management and a green economy at the municipal and federal levels - highlights include helping write the City of Toronto’s first ever Environmental Plan and helping develop a Kyoto Implementation Strategy for Canada. He has also taught courses in the Environmental Studies program at Innis College.

Following the lecture, WWF-Canada President Emeritus Monte Hummel spoke about Douglas Pimlott and introduced the Douglas Pimlott Award and Scholarship recipients.

Douglas Pimlott was the first Director of the former Environmental Studies Program and Innis College.

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ENVIRONMENTAL FINANCE COMMITTEE EVENTS

The School’s Environmental Finance Advisory Committee (EFAC) consists of members of the business and university community. It provides a forum for the exchange of innovative ideas in environmental finance between the University and the commercial sector. It organizes educational workshops and programs on topics within the field of environmental finance to promote dialogue among business, industry, government, academia and the private sector.

October 20, 2017 – “Blockchain: Building the Environmental Link”

Iliana Oris Valiente (CPA, CA, Founder, ColliderX) introduced the event with “Blockchain 101 – What is it? Why should we care?”. Jessica Butts (Director, Delphi Group) then described the “Latest on Global & Canadian Carbon Markets” and Tom Baumann (Co-Founder ClimateCHECK, Collaborase, Xpansiv, GHG Management Institute; Chair ISO Climate Change Standards Committee; Faculty, Blockchain Research Institute) spoke about “Blockchain and Climate Actions-Carbon Markets”. This event was jointly hosted by the School of the Environment’s Environmental Finance Advisory Committee and Chartered Professional Accountants Canada (CPA Canada). It was held at the CPA Canada office in Toronto.


Richard Nesbitt, pictured left, (President and CEO of the Global Risk Institute) gave the keynote address and then participated in a panel discussion moderated by Laura Zizzo (Founder and CEO of Zizzo Strategy). He was joined by panelists Chris Snyder (Senior Director, Environmental Risk Management, CIBC), Gord Beal (CPA Canada Vice-President, Research, Guidance and Support), and Sandra Odendahl (President and CEO of CMC Research Institutes). The event also included presentations of the Rodney White Environmental Studies Scholarship and the Skip Willis Undergraduate Scholarship (page 22), and was followed by a networking reception. This event was hosted by Kimberly Strong (Director of the School of the Environment) and held in the Debates Room at Hart House.

March 22, 2018 – “Financing Cleantech, A Conversation Between Capital Seekers and Providers”

Panelists: David Brennan (CFO, ecobee), Peter McArthur (Senior Account Manager Lead, RBC’s Clean Tech practice in the GTA), Nic Morgan (VP Business Development and Co-founder, Morgan Solar), and Michelle McBane (Senior Investment Director at the MaRS Investment Accelerator Fund), with moderator Kathryn Wortsman (Fund Manager for the MaRS Catalyst Fund). This event was hosted at Torys LLP.
ENVIRONMENTAL FINANCE COMMITTEE EVENTS

June 19, 2018 – “Carbon Markets and Climate Finance: Alternative-Financing Paths to a Low-Carbon Future; The University of Toronto’s Path Forward”

This event served as the University of Toronto’s inaugural University Climate Change Coalition (UC3) climate change forum. It examined financing options and market mechanisms currently and prospectively available to fund greenhouse gas emission reduction commitments of organizations such as U of T. The event was hosted by Kimberly Strong (Director, School of the Environment), with welcoming remarks provided by Meric Gertler (President, University of Toronto).

The morning session began with Tiff Macklem (Dean, Rotman School of Management), who spoke about the Canadian government’s recently-formed Expert Panel on Sustainable Finance, which he chairs.

Katie Sullivan (Managing Director, IETA) and Xiaolu Zhao (China Climate Initiative Program Manager, Environmental Defense Fund) gave a “Carbon Market Overview” and Patricia Koval (EFAC member) addressed Challenges and Opportunities within the regulatory carbon market with a focus on Ontario and linked markets.

Gray Taylor (General Counsel and Principal, The Climate Solutions Group Limited) moderated a panel on “Climate Finance: Practical Levers to Deploy Capital to reduce GHG Emissions” with panelists Paul Martin (CPA, Director of Business Operations, Western University) and Bill Murphy (National Leader, Climate Change & Sustainability Services, KPMG).

Jim Baxter (Director, Environment & Energy Division, City of Toronto) described how Toronto is implementing and financing GHG emission reduction programs.

The lunchtime speaker was Matt St. Clair (Director of Sustainability, University of California, Office of the President), who spoke on “The UC3 Challenge – What is it and how UC and others are responding, including the UC 2025 carbon neutral commitment”.

The afternoon began with an overview by Paul Leitch (Director of Sustainability, U of T) of U of T’s commitment to achieve a 37% reduction in greenhouse gas emissions from 1990 levels by 2030. This was followed by a panel on “Creative Finance: An Overview of the Financing Instruments available for use by organizations”, with moderator Jennifer Reynolds (Manager, Strategic Alliances, Toronto Financial Services Alliance) and panelists Rob Keen (Executive Director, Forests Ontario), Tim Stoate (Vice-President, Impact Investing, The Atmospheric Fund), Shaaj Vijay (Vice-President, Debt Capital Markets, RBC Capital Markets), and Gray Taylor.

A “Town Hall” Discussion on recommendations to achieve U of T’s goals was then moderated by John Robinson (Professor, Munk School of Global Affairs and the School of the Environment; Presidential Advisor on the Environment, Climate Change and Sustainability, U of T). The final speaker was Scott Mabury (Vice President, University Operations, U of T), who provided a “Response to Discussions and Recommended Paths Forward”.

The organizing committee for this event included Patricia Koval, Paul Leitch, Donna Nielsen, John Robinson, Kimberly Strong, Gray Taylor, and Rob Wilson.
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The two Certificates: Geographic Information Systems (GIS) for Environmental Management and Advanced Study in GIS for Environmental Management were developed in collaboration with industry experts and will continue to be taught by current professional practitioners and instructors from the School of the Environment’s Distance Learning Program.

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