Carleton U’s Fraser Taylor to receive the Carl Mannerfelt Gold Medal: Carleton University’s Fraser Taylor, Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada (FRSC) and Distinguished Research Professor in the Department of Geography and Environmental Studies, is the first Canadian cartographer to receive the Carl Mannerfelt Gold Medal. “I am deeply honoured to be the recipient of the Mannerfelt medal,” said Taylor. “This is the highest possible recognition of international achievement in the field of cartography and I am delighted that my lifelong contribution to maps and mapping is considered to be so important. The award is a great incentive for the ongoing work of the Geomatics and Cartographic Research Centre at Carleton.” The International Cartographic Association (ICA), by unanimous decision, selected Taylor to receive ICA’s highest award, which honours cartographers of outstanding merit who have made significant contributions of an original nature to the field of cartography. It is awarded only on rare occasions in order to emphasize its distinction. Carleton Newsroom


U Ottawa Department of Geography highlights jobs held by geography and environmental studies graduates: What can I do with my studies in Geography? Career Opportunities
U Waterloo geographer and Environment Dean André Roy named Professor Emeritus at Université de Montréal: Many academic institutions automatically elevate faculty to professor emeritus status upon their retirement. At the Université de Montréal (UdeM) the process is more selective. Through an internal nomination process, a handful of former UdeM faculty are identified, vetted and eventually chosen as permanent faculty members of the 135-year-old institution. This year our Dean André Roy was honoured as a professor emeritus at UdeM in from a field narrowed down to fewer than ten former faculty. “I am really pleased with this,” says Dean Roy humbly. “It is a great thing.” Dean Roy served as a professor in the Département de Géographie of the Université de Montréal from 1982 to 2011. His administrative experience included serving as Head of his department for seven years and as Associate Dean of Research at the Faculty of Arts and Sciences. Dean Roy also held the Canada Research Chair in Fluvial Dynamics from 2003-11. While he can't be absolutely certain why he was chosen above other worthy candidates, Dean Roy guesses it has something to do with his rounded approach to education. “What I have tried to do in my career is get the right balance between teaching, research and service,” says Dean Roy. “You try your best all the time. I have had quite a few teaching awards. I've been productive in research and I have done many years of service. It is a total package. In my case, it was the whole slate of what a professor needs to do.” In his time as an academic Dean, Roy has published more than 150 peer-reviewed articles in a wide range of journals including Nature, and has supervised more than 50 graduate students. The excellence of his teaching has also been recognized through awards from the Université de Montréal (1996) and from the Canadian Association of Geographers (1999). Dean Roy has been active in the scientific community as president of the Canadian Association of Geographers (2002-2004) and as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Canadian Foundation for Climate and Atmospheric Research. U Waterloo Environment

New Book


The World of Niagara Wine is a transdisciplinary exploration of the Niagara wine industry. In the first section, contributors explore the history and regulation of wine production as well as its contemporary economic significance. The second section focuses on the entrepreneurship behind and the promotion and marketing of Niagara wines. The third introduces readers to the science of grape growing, wine tasting, and wine production, and the final section examines the social and cultural ramifications of Niagara’s increasing reliance on grapes and wine as an economic motor for the region. The original research in this book celebrates and critiques the local wine industry and situates it in a complex web of Old World traditions and New World reliance on technology, science, and taste as well as global processes and local sociocultural reactions. Michael Ripmeester, Phillip Gordon Mackintosh, and Christopher Fullerton are faculty members in the Department of Geography at Brock University.
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Jie Zhao, Wenlei Wang and Qiuming Cheng. 2013. Application of geographically weighted regression to identify spatially non-stationary relationships between Fe mineralization and its controlling factors in eastern Tianshan, China. Ore Geology Reviews. doi.org/10.1016/j.oregeorev.2013.08.005

Other “Geographical” News

Vast US aquifer is being tapped out: Nearly 70% of the groundwater stored in parts of the United States’ High Plains Aquifer — a vast underground reservoir that stretches through eight states, from South Dakota to Texas, and supplies 30% of the nation’s irrigated groundwater — could be used up within 50 years, unless current water use is reduced. DNews
Destroying the joint and dying of shame? New research explores feminist revitalisation in social media and beyond: A new paper examines the revitalisation of interest in feminist thought in Australia and around the world, in part through Julia Gillard's misogyny speech and the 'Destroy the Joint' Facebook campaign, inspired by Alan Jones. Through these examples and more, the paper explores the possibility of studying the ‘geography’ of feminist thought on the internet. Jessica McLean and Sophia Maalsen have identified that since mid-2012, a feminist revitalisation in Australia has emerged, targeting gender inequality in myriad spaces – both political and public. PhysOrg

Laurier unveils new Teaching Fellowship Program to recognize teaching excellence: A new Laurier Teaching Fellowship Program will provide faculty members and librarians with opportunities to pursue teaching and learning initiatives, and high impact practices that foster integrated and engaged learning and student success. It will also give fellows the chance to be part of a network of teachers with whom to collaborate and promote teaching excellence. WLU News

Who's out there on the roads? The 4 types of cyclists: People who prefer to get behind the wheel of a car for every trip often wonder what motivates someone to cycle everywhere. Now, researchers at McGill University have come up with some answers. Their new study divides cyclists into four types: dedicated cyclists, path-using cyclists, fairweather utilitarians, and leisure cyclists. Forbes

Controlling Weather with Lasers: It’s been discovered that lasers can influence the water condensation in the air, which is a little lever that could perhaps be made into a bigger lever that could make it possible to squeeze more rain out of clouds in dry regions. Maybe. DNews

Canada’s strong R&D in universities contrasts with weak investment in business: An expert panel report says that there is a “disconnect” exists between Canada’s strong publicly funded research and development activities at postsecondary institutions and the country’s comparatively weak investment in industrial R&D. University Affairs

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Some not so “Geographical” News

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