

# RESEARCH BULLETIN

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## VIRTUAL EVENTS AND WEBINARS

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### **[NEW]** CRCEF Q&A Session

The MSVU Research Office invites you to attend a **Q&A Session on the [Canada Research Continuity Emergency Fund \(CRCEF\)](#)**. The CRCEF is part of the Government of Canada's COVID-19 Economic Response Plan.

The federal government has recently announced Stage 3 of the Canada Research Continuity Emergency Fund (CRCEF) to support faculty research that has been impacted and/or delayed by the current COVID-19 pandemic. Stage 3 of the CRCEF will support direct costs of research that have been incurred to:

- 1) maintain essential research-related commitments during the COVID-19 pandemic; and
- 2) support ramping-up to full research activities as physical distancing measures are eased and research activities resume.

At MSVU, all researchers are welcome to apply to Stage 3.

**The MSVU Research Office will hold [two Q&A sessions on the following dates/times via Microsoft Teams](#):**

- [Friday, October 9 at 10:00am-11:00am](#)
- [Friday, October 16 at 1:00pm-2:00pm](#)

Please RSVP to Jessica Long at [Jessica.Long1@msvu.ca](mailto:Jessica.Long1@msvu.ca) and indicate which session you would like to attend. If you are unable to attend either session, please forward any questions regarding the CRCEF to [Jessica.Long1@msvu.ca](mailto:Jessica.Long1@msvu.ca).

### **[NEW]** Impact Through Collaboration: How Evidence-Based Research and Evaluation Can Better Support the Non-Profit Sector

Are you interested in developing grant applications that get funded? Are you interested in learning some simple tools for grant writing that will indicate to funding agencies that your project will be successful? In this workshop, we will talk about some of the buzzwords that funders use, discuss steps needed to develop a feasible plan to evaluate your work during the course of your project, and learn about supports available to help ensure your evaluation happens in a good way.

#### **Workshop Facilitator: Dr. Elizabeth Cooper**

Dr. Elizabeth Cooper is an Assistant Professor in Kinesiology and Health Studies at the University of Regina. She currently has twelve active research projects and is involved in additional programs with colleagues from around the world, especially Indigenous people in

Canada, New Zealand, India, and Kenya. Dr. Cooper primarily works to help make sure that everyone is able to have a platform for their voices to be heard. She works with communities to create spaces of change and to find ways to get to a better vision of what the future that health and wellness can look like in communities, provinces, the nation, and the globe.

[Register now on Eventbrite](#) for this session and mark your calendars for other upcoming workshops:

**Monday, November 9, 2020 (10 a.m. to noon, CST)**

[Community-based Program Evaluation \(Panel\)](#)

**Monday, December 7, 2020 (10 a.m. to noon, CST)**

[Grant Providers: How do we assess success and failure? \(Panel\)](#)

For more information, contact Lynn Gidluck at [lynn.gidluck@uregina.ca](mailto:lynn.gidluck@uregina.ca).

### **[REMINDER]** [Research Ethics Open Office – Fall 2020](#)



**Research Ethics Open Office – Fall 2020**

The Research Ethics Office is pleased to offer open office hours on-line via Skype for Business.

Feel free to join in to discuss research ethics, ask questions about ethics and your own research, the ethics process or application, research data management, on-line platforms, and more.

To join a session, click → [Join Skype Meeting](#)

To schedule a one-on-one ethics consultation, email [ethics@msvu.ca](mailto:ethics@msvu.ca)

Wednesdays - note all times are 10:30-noon	
September 16 <sup>th</sup>	October 7 <sup>th</sup>
September 23 <sup>rd</sup>	October 14 <sup>th</sup>
September 30 <sup>th</sup>	October 21 <sup>st</sup>

The poster features a decorative border with autumn leaves and a hot air balloon. On the left, there is an illustration of a bare tree with a large pile of colorful autumn leaves at its base.

### **[NEW]** [ACENET – Fall Term Training](#)

ACENET's fall term training is continuing with a number of sessions still to come. Details can be found at the link below, but sessions include:

- Research Computing Workshop Using R
- Cloud from A to Z
- Basics in Programming Workshop for Humanities and Social Sciences
- An Introduction to Graph Convolution Neural Networks and Background Theory
- Safety First! Securing Your Compute Canada Virtual Machine
- *Plus, sessions from our regional partners...*

All training is online.

Link to details and registration:

<https://mailchi.mp/a014f15c5911/fall-training-continues-next-week-with-r-workshop-3943033>

If you would like to subscribe to our mailings with all our training info, please complete the form here:

<https://www.ace-net.ca/whats-happening/newsletters/subscribe-to-our-newsletter/>

### **[NEW]** SSHRC's Webinars for Partnership and Connection Grant

SSHRC will be holding a series of webinars for applicants and research administrators on upcoming Partnership and Connection grants' funding opportunities.

The webinars will be held via WebEx at the following dates and times:

Webinar	Date	WebEx Link
Partnership Engage Grants (English)	Wednesday, October 7, 2020 from 11am-1pm	Meeting Link: <a href="https://sshrcvideo.webex.com/sshrcvideo/onstage/g.php?MTID=e191b02fd1190d188c03cbebbf7c6acc1">https://sshrcvideo.webex.com/sshrcvideo/onstage/g.php?MTID=e191b02fd1190d188c03cbebbf7c6acc1</a> Password: SSHRC2020
Partnership Engage Grants (French)	Thursday, October 8, 2020 from 11am-1pm	Meeting Link: <a href="https://sshrcvideo.webex.com/sshrcvideo/onstage/g.php?MTID=e06a1e22f87afb6abd33209508057f5f2">https://sshrcvideo.webex.com/sshrcvideo/onstage/g.php?MTID=e06a1e22f87afb6abd33209508057f5f2</a> Password: CRSH2020
Connection Grants (English)	Wednesday, November 4, 2020, 11am-1pm	Meeting link: <a href="https://sshrcvideo.webex.com/sshrcvideo/onstage/g.php?MTID=e6967f59889f3ec50a62e24caef03191f">https://sshrcvideo.webex.com/sshrcvideo/onstage/g.php?MTID=e6967f59889f3ec50a62e24caef03191f</a> Meeting number (access code): 173 247 4689 Meeting password: CG2020
Connection Grants (French)	Thursday, November 5th, 2020, 11am-1pm	Meeting link: <a href="https://sshrcvideo.webex.com/sshrcvideo/onstage/g.php?MTID=e9737fd80096f776e8ae63dc271534575">https://sshrcvideo.webex.com/sshrcvideo/onstage/g.php?MTID=e9737fd80096f776e8ae63dc271534575</a> Meeting number (access code): 173 100 6118 Meeting password: SC2020webinaire

### **[NEW]** Impact of Social Sciences and Humanities on Society

An international conference on stimulating and assessing Impact of Social Sciences and Humanities through interdisciplinary and inclusive approaches: **14-16 October 2020 (Online Conference)**

The AESIS Network is proud to announce that its next edition on **'The Impact of Social Sciences and Humanities on Society'** will be hosted from Ottawa, Canada, and broadcasted to an online global audience. For this edition, we are aiming to foster a discussion on how one can assess and stimulate impact of Social Sciences and Humanities (SSH) through an interdisciplinary approach. In order to generate a profound impact of SSH on society, we believe collaborations with parties from business, government and not-for-profits, and engaging with the broader public are all vital aspects in this process.

In this event we aim to:

- Map and assess the impact of SSH
- Identify opportunities for collaborations with societal stakeholders
- Discuss how co-creations of knowledge with other scientific disciplines may play a role in stimulating impact
- Engage interactive discussions on skills that can enable optimization of impact for the public as a whole
- Conclude the event with targeted recommendations for enhancing societal impact within science eco-systems

The current cross-cutting challenges and interdisciplinary momentum make it a much needed and indeed inspirational context to foster a worldwide debate on how the SSH disciplines may and should have its impact on societal issues.

The AESIS Network and its partners are excited to virtually welcome you to the **‘Impact of Social Sciences and Humanities 2020’** Conference. Members of Universities Canada receive a CAD \$65- discount, by using the code UCAN/SSH20 upon registering. Please find more information and the registration form [here!](#)

**[NEW]** [CIHR Access Newsletter – September 22, 2020](#)

Read the newsletter [here](#).

## FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

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**[NEW]** [Mitacs/DBDLI Fellowship - Post-Doc: It Takes a Village – NS-010](#)

Delmore “Buddy” Daye Learning Institute (DBDLI) is a not-for-profit organization which in partnership with the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development, works collaboratively with other government departments, community organizations and universities to advance the educational experiences of people of African descent. Using an Africentric lens. The organization works through sponsorship, research, youth and community engagement, publications and educational resources to identify and address the racial achievement gaps and other educational equity issues.

DBDLI is currently involved in several research projects, mainly through collaborations with universities and other research institutions. Our Africentric research approach ensures the active involvement and participation of the African Nova Scotian Communities in all aspects of research, including data collection, analysis and the dissemination of research findings.

The institute is looking for “Post-Doctoral Research Fellows” to help manage these research projects and coordinate our engagement with our communities.

Apply here: <https://www.mitacs.ca/en/opportunity/2063/view>

**[NEW]** [Pre-announcement: Indigenous Peoples and COVID-10 Knowledge Synthesis, Evaluation and Assessment Grants Rapid Research Funding Opportunity](#)

The Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) is pleased to pre-announce the launch of the Indigenous Peoples and COVID-19 Knowledge Synthesis, Evaluation and Assessment Grants Rapid Research Funding Opportunity. With an anticipated launch in the Fall 2020, visit [here](#) for more information.

### **[NEW]** The Canadian Aboriginal Aids Network Research Proposal Development Program (RPDP)

The Canadian Aboriginal Aids Network Research Proposal Development Program (RPDP) provides assistance to communities, organizations, and students interested in carrying out a research project, but who do not have the [resources](#) (human and/or financial) to prepare a proposal. The proposal that is crafted using AHA Centre funds should be submitted by the community/group or student to another research funding organization for consideration. There is no deadline, and research teams can apply for \$5,000 each. For more information, visit their [website](#).

### **[NEW]** Movabale Cultural Property Grants

Movabale Cultural Property Grants help designated organizations acquire cultural property of outstanding significance and national importance to Canada, as outlined in the Cultural Property Export and Import Act. Designated organizations are located in Canada and demonstrate the ability to ensure the long-term preservation of cultural property. Learn more: <https://www.canada.ca/en/canadian-heritage/services/funding/movable-cultural-property.html>

### **[NEW]** Request for Proposal: Mitigating Challenges and Barriers to the Accounting Profession

Please see the attached request for proposal. CPA Canada is seeking two to three Indigenous researchers to work as part of a team to better understand the attitudes of Indigenous students to the accounting profession, why they choose or reject careers in accounting and finance, and the barriers and challenges faced by those who do pursue careers in accounting and finance. The purpose of the proposed research is to more fully understand why Indigenous Peoples do or do not decide to pursue careers in accounting and finance and based on this information to identify ways to eliminate or mitigate these barriers. The proposed research will build upon the prior studies in this area and will focus specifically on the Canadian context.

Any queries or interest about the proposal can be sent to Doretta Thompson, Director of Corporate Citizenship, CPA Canada, [DThompson@cpacanada.ca](mailto:DThompson@cpacanada.ca).

### **[NEW]** Mitacs Globalink Research Award (GRA)

Mitacs is launching a special initiative: a [thematic call for applications to the Mitacs Globalink Research Award \(GRA\)](#) program in areas of strategic importance for the Canadian and international research communities: **Artificial intelligence, Quantum technologies, Green economy and Pandemic preparedness**. The call is now open and closes **December 1**. For general questions about the program, please contact the Programs team: [international@mitacs.ca](mailto:international@mitacs.ca) Please follow the link for more information: <https://www.mitacs.ca/en/programs/globalink/globalink-thematic-call>

## **[NEW]** Climate Action and Awareness Fund

As part of the new fund, Environment and Climate Change Canada has opened a request for proposals for Community-based climate action projects that develop knowledge, tools and/or skills that lead to or engage communities in climate action. This request for proposals will provide between \$100,000 to \$6 million for eligible projects; up to \$50 million over five years is available.

To be eligible for funding under this request for proposals, lead applicants must be one of the following:

- not-for-profit non-governmental organization
- university or academic institution
- Indigenous organization

If you are interested in advancing climate action and have a project idea that meets the requirements of the request for proposals, please [apply now](#). The deadline for submitting a proposal is **11:59pm Eastern Daylight Time (EDT) on October 21, 2020**.

## **[NEW]** Knowledge Synthesis Grants Call – “Mobility and Public Transit”

The Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC), in partnership with Infrastructure Canada, has launched a Knowledge Synthesis Grants funding opportunity to assess the state of research knowledge on the topic of “[Mobility and Public Transit](#).”

Public Transit is a key piece of Canada’s core public infrastructure, one that has immediate implications for the social, environmental, and economic well-being of urban and rural communities. It represents the largest funding area under Infrastructure Canada’s Investing in Canada Plan. Through this partnership, SSHRC’s [Imagining Canada’s Future](#) initiative seeks to strengthen connections between social sciences and humanities research and society, and to help inform decision-making that contributes to the well-being and prosperity of Canadians.

The deadline for applications is **December 17, 2020**. For more information on the call for proposals, please contact: [ksg-ssc@sshrc-crsh.gc.ca](mailto:ksg-ssc@sshrc-crsh.gc.ca)

**[REMINDER]** MSVU Internal Deadlines

**Deadlines for Internal Grant Competitions (CRP.SOP.005)**

New Scholars Grant Assistance to Prepare a Large-Scale Collaborative Grant	OPEN
CN Student Internship (Part-time, Fall/Winter placement)	September 1
SSHRC Exchange and Explore	September 30 April 1
Standard Grant Book Launches Aid to Scholarly Publications and Communications	October 15
Research Excellence Award Early Career Research Award	December 1
NSERC USRAs	September 1 (Fall Term) December 1 (Winter Term) January 15 (Summer Term)
Standard Grant Book Launches Aid to Scholarly Publications and Communications Salary-based	January 31
Release Time Awards	April 5

More info on all internal grants can be found here: <https://www.msvu.ca/research-at-the-mount/external-grants/internal-grants/>

**Mitacs Temporary Expanded Mandate - Undergrads and Municipalities**

Mitacs is temporarily expanding eligibility guidelines for the upcoming fiscal year. Projects approved by March 31, 2020 can **include municipalities** as eligible partners and **undergraduate students as eligible interns** for Mitacs Accelerate projects. Mitacs Accelerate projects build research partnerships while funding students and postdocs. Your partner organization's financial contribution starts at \$7,500.

Projects with undergrads and municipalities can be multi-year and extend past the end of fiscal, but they have to be submitted by January 2021 in order to be approved.

More information can be found here: <https://www.mitacs.ca/en/programs/accelerate>.

Please look out for an invitation to an upcoming webinar from the Atlantic Canada Mitacs team regarding these new program changes.

Please contact Veronica Bacher at [veronica.bacher@msvu.ca](mailto:veronica.bacher@msvu.ca) if you are interested in applying for Mitacs funding.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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### **[NEW]** [New RDM Guidance from the Portage COVID-19 Working Group](#)

The Portage Network is very pleased to announce the publication of five new guidance documents from the Portage COVID-19 Working Group. These guidance documents were developed to help support research data management in accordance with the [RDA COVID-19 Guidelines and Recommendations](#).

- [Guide to COVID-19 Rapid Response Data Sharing and Deposit for Canadian Researchers](#)  
This guidance is for researchers who need to prepare data for deposit in accordance with the [Joint statement on sharing research data and findings relevant to the novel coronavirus \(nCoV\) outbreak](#).
- [Can I Share My Data?](#)  
This decision tree is designed to help alert researchers to situations where human participant data would need to be anonymized or de-identified before being deposited into a repository. It relies heavily on the Canadian [Tri-Council Policy Statement: Ethical Conduct for Research Involving Humans – TCPS 2 \(2018\)](#) which addresses consent and secondary use of information for research purposes.
- [De-identification Guidance](#)  
This guidance is intended to help researchers minimize disclosure risk when sharing data collected from human participants.
- [Documentation and Supporting Material Required for Deposit](#)  
A brief guide outlining key materials for depositing data in a repository.
- [Recommended Repositories for COVID-19 Research Data](#)  
This document is designed to help researchers select a repository that will provide immediate and long-term access to their COVID-19 data.

### **[NEW]** [Call for nominations for the 2021 Governor General's Innovation Awards](#)

Universities Canada invites you to submit nominations for the 2021 [Governor General's Innovation Awards](#).

The purpose of these awards is to inspire Canadians to embrace innovation and become innovative, entrepreneurial risk-takers who develop new and better ways of creating value and meaningfully impacting our quality of life. This is the sixth year of this program. Recipients from previous years can be found [here](#).

Up to six award winners are chosen each year with the aim to have at least one young innovator among the winners who is 30 years of age or younger. The Rideau Hall Foundation has indicated an interest in receiving more nominations of young innovators as well as nominations related to the COVID-19 pandemic. The awards are given to individuals, teams and/or organizations whose innovations are truly exceptional, transformative, and positive in their impact on quality of life in Canada. Member institutions may resubmit nominations made in previous years.

**The submission portal will launch on Wednesday, September 23, 2020.** To submit a nomination, please visit the portal using the following link **before the deadline of 9:00 AM EST on Tuesday, October 13, 2020:**

Learn more: <https://portal.scholarshippartners.ca/welcome/GGIA/>

### **[NEW]** Doctalks

Are you interested in sharing your research with a broad audience through documentary media? Doctalks is a not-for-profit that helps create, facilitate and mobilize knowledge through documentary media such as film. They have developed a best practices guide for researchers and other partners that are interested in exploring how to work with film producers and broadcasters. To learn more please download the guide for free in English or French from DocTalks website: <https://www.doctalks.ca/>. If you have any questions about Doctalks or the guide, please contact [info@doctalks.ca](mailto:info@doctalks.ca)

### **[NEW]** Atlantic Provinces Economic Council (APEC) Publication Notice and New Podcast Episode

Read **The Economic Cost of COVID-19: Supporting the Recovery of Indigenous Firms & Communities:** <https://mailchi.mp/25e99eb63640/apec-publication-notice-the-economic-contribution-of-nonprofits-in-nova-scotia-12497162?e=353f2ef7da>

Here is a link to the newest podcast: [https://www.buzzsprout.com/1259945/5588728-the-economic-cost-of-covid-19-interview-with-apc-s-vanessa-nevin.mp3?blob\\_id=22858588&download=true](https://www.buzzsprout.com/1259945/5588728-the-economic-cost-of-covid-19-interview-with-apc-s-vanessa-nevin.mp3?blob_id=22858588&download=true)

### **[NEW]** Digital Technology Supercluster

The **Digital Technology Supercluster** is a cross-section of industry collaborations and diverse organizations from sectors such health care, natural resources and transportation. The Digital Technology Supercluster is based out of Vancouver, British Columbia and it has over 650 Members and Associates across Canada. There are five programs offered including: Data Commons, Digital Twins, Precision Health, COVID-19 and **Capacity Building**. There are two specific projects under the Capacity Building Program that may be of interest, first is the *Athena Pathways* project which is put in place to help Canadian Women see the potential of the tech sector and how careers in artificial intelligence align with their skills sets. The second project is on *Diversifying Talent in Quantum Computing*, it involves working with Indigenous education leaders to ensure that young people are aware of the career opportunities presented by this technology.

At this time, Mount Saint Vincent University is exploring whether or not signing up as an Associate would be of interest to researchers within the university. There are many benefits to being an Associate: there is no annual cost, it is an excellent networking opportunity, you can gain access to workshops and events that are hosted by the Digital Technology Supercluster and you may be invited by a Member to participate in projects such as the Athena Pathways or Diversifying Talent in Quantum Computing, amongst others.

If you're interested in learning more about the Digital Technology Supercluster, please send Danielle Goodfellow an email at [danielle.goodfellow@smu.ca](mailto:danielle.goodfellow@smu.ca). You can also visit the Digital Technology Supercluster website for more information (see <https://www.digitalsupercluster.ca>) or watch this short video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BU0HuZLGSuU>

### **[NEW]** Dr. Gayle MacDonald reappointed to the Panel of Responsible Conduct of Research

Dr. Gayle MacDonald, former Associate Vice President Research at MSVU, has been reappointed to the Panel of Responsible Conduct of Research.

Created by Canada's three federal research agencies, [Canadian Institute of Health Research](#) (CIHR), the [Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada](#) (NSERC), and the [Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada](#) (SSHRC), the Panel on Responsible Conduct of Research (PRCR) promotes the responsible conduct of research and addresses allegations of research integrity breaches across Canada. [Learn more about PRCR.](#)

The Advisory Panel on Responsible Conduct of Research (PRCR) is composed of members from across the country who represent diverse expertise and experience. Dr. MacDonald has represented Mount Saint Vincent University on the Advisory Panel on Responsible Conduct of Research since March 2017.

### **[NEW]** The Canadian Research Institute for the Advancement of Women (CRIA-W-ICREF)

The Canadian Research Institute for the Advancement of Women (CRIA-W-ICREF) is reaching out to your university research and community-engagement office to ensure that the feminist academics at your institution are aware of CRIA-W-ICREF's work and capacity as a potential research partner. At the moment, we are particularly interested in partnerships in the following areas however are always open to considering other areas of research:

- Anti-hate and anti-oppression work, including work on systemic racism
- Projects specific to issues faced by Indigenous women
- Projects addressing women's economic inequality

Please see the attached letter for more information.

### DBDLI Researchers Network - Invitation to Join

The Delmore "Buddy" Daye Learning Institute is creating the first **African Nova Scotian Researcher Directory**. The purpose of the directory is to help bring awareness to,

and create a network of, researchers of African descent in a range of fields. The directory will be a “go to” place for researchers looking to work collaboratively. The directory will also contribute to the advancement of the mission and vision of DBDLI.

Please follow the link to join the DBDLI network: <https://dbdli.ca/research-reports/african-nova-scotian-researcher-directory/>

### Continuity of Library & Archives Services – Guides at MSVU

The Mount Library & Archives team is working to ensure our research community has access to resources and services while the campus continues with virtual operations. The following Quick Guide offers a list of, and links to, services and their availability. Use the Questions/Feedback button on the left to reach MSVU Library & Archives staff or email [library@msvu.ca](mailto:library@msvu.ca). A chat box will appear whenever Novanet LiveHelp staff are on duty. More information is available [here](#).

### Is Your Research Open?

If you're interested in building a profile in the Mount e-Commons, our research output repository, please contact Scholarly Communications Librarian Lindsey MacCallum at [lindsey.maccallum@msvu.ca](mailto:lindsey.maccallum@msvu.ca). She will work from your CV to populate the repository with articles, book chapters, grey literature, and more. All citations and full-text articles are indexed by Google Scholar, thus making your research more visible.

### Eligibility Changes to the NSERC Postdoctoral Fellowships Program

NSERC is pleased to announce a change to the eligibility criteria for the Postdoctoral Fellowships (PDF) program ([https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Media-Media/NewsDetail-DetailNouvelles\\_eng.asp?ID=1154](https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Media-Media/NewsDetail-DetailNouvelles_eng.asp?ID=1154)). As of the 2021 competition year (**application deadline October 19, 2020**), NSERC will no longer impose a once-per-lifetime application limit. Provided applicants meet all other eligibility criteria, as detailed on the [PDF Program](#) webpage, they can re-apply to the program. **The webpage for the 2021 competition will be updated in July 2020** to reflect all changes coming into force for the competition.

## MSVU FACULTY RESEARCH ACHIEVEMENTS

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### **[NEW]** MSVU Research Minutes!

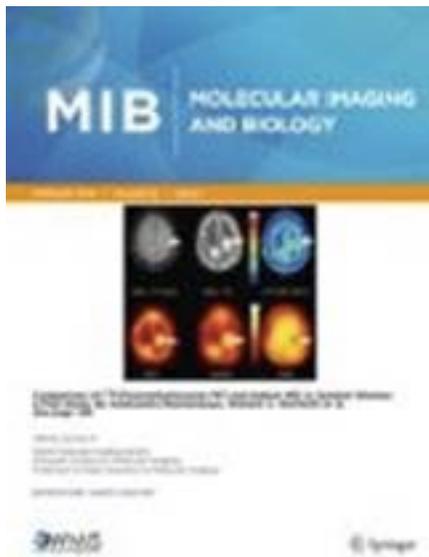
The MSVU Research Office is pleased to launch the MSVU Research Minutes series. Catch up on the latest videos:

- [Dr. J.L. \(John\) Schellenberg, Professor of Philosophy and Religious Studies](#)
- [Dr. Kyla Whitfield, Assistant Professor in the Department of Applied Human Nutrition, and Ksenia Kholina and Kathleen Chan, Applied Human Nutrition graduate students](#)
- [Jenny Davison, Masters student, discusses the Nae We Shrines Tribunal in Accra, Ghana. Jenny worked on this research project with Dr. Jonathan Roberts, Professor of History](#)
- [Dr. Martha Walls, Associate Professor in the Department of History](#)

MSVU Research Minutes are posted every Wednesday on the Research Office's [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and [Instagram](#) pages. **If you would like discuss your research on an MSVU Research Minutes video, please contact Jessica Long at [Jessica.long1@msvu.ca](mailto:Jessica.long1@msvu.ca).**

**[NEW]** Publication: [Conversations with Each Other: Love Songs to the Earth](#), Dr. Adrian Downey, Faculty of Education, has recently published an article in *Atizein: Arts and Teaching Journal* with Dr. Gonen Sagy, Independent Scholar. Read the article here: <https://opensiuc.lib.siu.edu/atj/vol5/iss1/14/>

**[NEW]** Publication: [Imaging Butyrylcholinesterase in Multiple Sclerosis](#)  
Dr. Ian Pottie, Professor of Chemistry and Physics, is a co-author on a recent publication:



### [Imaging Butyrylcholinesterase in Multiple Sclerosis - link.springer.com](#)

Molecular imaging agents targeting butyrylcholinesterase (BChE) have shown promise in other neurodegenerative disorders and may have utility in detecting changes to normal appearing white matter in multiple sclerosis (MS). BChE activity is present in white matter and localizes to activated microglia associated with MS lesions. The purpose of this study was to further characterize changes in ...  
[link.springer.com](http://link.springer.com)

## MSVU Research Achievements

Students, faculty, and research staff are encouraged to complete [this form](#) to notify the Research Office of any recent research achievements, including publications, projects, partnerships, conference presentations, media features, etc. The Research Office will assist you in promoting your hard work. Please contact [Jessica.Long1@msvu.ca](mailto:Jessica.Long1@msvu.ca) if you have any questions.

## IT&S CYBERSECURITY TIPS

### **[NEW]** [Home Wifi Security Tips](#)

Your wifi router is the front door to your home network, and hackers want in, either to steal your info or to use your router in cyberattacks. Find out what to do to secure your home network on this new [Wifi Cybersecurity Tips web page](#).

### [Home Networking Tips](#)

Working and collaborating online from home can be affected by your home networking situation. If you are experiencing lagging or dropped connections when video conferencing, see [the new Home Networking Tips webpage](#) for ways to improve your home networking experience.

### Conferencing Tools Intranet and Web Resources

IT&S has added a [Conferencing Tools section](#) to the Working from Home intranet page. It provides guidance on when to use the tele- and web-conferencing solutions provided and supported by the University, and it provides some advice on using other conferencing tools.

Also see [the new Web Conferencing Safety Tips web page](#) for some ways to protect your privacy when participating in or hosting web conferences in general.

### Videos by IT&S

IT&S recently has published several new videos on Office 365 Stream, including:

1. [VPN Installation on Windows](#)
2. [Skype for Business Training](#)
3. [Skype For Business with External Participants on Cell phones](#)
4. [SharePoint at the Mount](#)
5. [Installing SPSS on a Mac](#)
6. [Installing SPSS on Windows](#)
7. [Installing Minitab on Windows](#)

For more information on using the VPN, Skype for Business, and other tools to help you work remotely, see [the Working From Home Intranet page](#).

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