S T U D E N T S Laurentian University's Department of Psychology

A Department with Diversity

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ocation: Sudbury, Ontario, Canada situated between five lakes on 750 acres of land commanding significant scenery and wildlife. Sudbury has a big city attitude and yet has a country atmosphere surrounded with forests and wildlife. Sudbury is known to be one of the sunniest cities in Canada and is situated approximately 400 kilometers North of Toronto.

A bit about a young and vibrant university:

Laurentian University, a bilingual university, located in Sudbury, was created in 1960 in order to meet the growing demand for university education in Northern Ontario. Primarily an undergraduate institution, Laurentian offers a number of graduate degrees. Recently a concurrent teacher's education degree program has been established. Laurentian University and Lakehead University in Thunder Bay, are establishing The Northern Ontario Medical School (NOMS). The goal is to satisfy a growing demand for more health care in the urban and rural areas of Northern Ontario.The Northern Ontario Medical School is the first new medical school in Canada in 30 years.

A bit about us:

The Psychology Department at Laurentian University has the largest number of undergraduate students, including over 1000 in first year courses and a significant number of degree students.

The department offers undergraduate degrees in the arts and science streams, and students are well prepared for the work force, teacher's college, medical school, health sciences, and to continue their studies at a graduate level. In addition to the above offerings, the Department of Psychology participates in three unique programs two at the undergraduate and one at the graduate level. One program is Sport Psychology, the first such undergraduate program in Canada. The second is a state of the art Behavioural Neuroscience program. The third is the Master's in Human Development program which offers students choices in pursuing their studies on a full-time or part-time basis. It is a bilingual interdisciplinary program in which the three disciplines of Human Kinetics, Psychology, and Sociology are joined to provide students with an integrated view of human development. Students in the program gain interdisciplinary knowledge and learn to solve

problems in an interdisciplinary



environment. At the same time, students are able to pursue specific areas within the disciplines through unidisciplinary electives.

Research is an important part of the undergraduate and graduate programs. The areas of faculties' specialties, within the department, covers a wide range of research. These include psychometrics, clinical practice, forensic/offenders, clinical neuropsychology, industrial psychology, cognition and memory, education, child psychology and the psychology of aging, emotions and word analysis, psychopharmacology, epilepsy, head injuries, learning disabilities, parapsychology, study of consciousness, abnormal psychology, depression and the list goes on.

Faculty members are very supportive, available for students, and open to new and innovative research ideas. They encourage students to pursue their research interests and dreams. The smaller class sizes offer each student the opportunity to know their professor as well as for each professor to know their students by first name. Faculty are able to provide students with quality education and one to one training. The Centre for Research and faculty in Human Development receive funding from granting agencies and work closely with hospitals, Cancer Clinic, School Boards, Child and Family Services, Health Services, and associations such as Head Injuries, and Alzheimers. Human Development can boast of several professors who are internationally renowned scientists that have been featured in documentaries and magazines.

For more information about the psychology programs and faculty publications/interests visit our website at . Since the department is growing in terms of programs and faculty, a new website is currently under construction. Laurentian University website and the Behavioural Neuroscience website http://laurentian.ca/neurosci/

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In the summer students can benefit from the relaxing atmosphere of the campus and enjoy the scenery and wildlife. Students can oversee the beautiful Lake Ramsey and for those avid golfers, you are a walk away from the Golf Course as shown in the photo.

Conference Summary: What's In It for You?

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f you have not done so already, now is the time to sign up for CPA's 65th annual conference, to be held in St. John's, Newfoundland, from June 10-12.

Student members who register before April 12th can do so for the fantastic early registration rate of only \$40.25 (\$35.00 fee plus HST). Student members who are participating in a preconvention workshop will be offered this rate until May 10th.

After April 12th, the conference fee for student members increases to \$132.25 (\$115.00 plus HST) and the regular fee for student non-members is \$212.75 (\$185.00 plus HST). There is no early registration discounted fee for student non-members. However, the reduced fee for student non-members who will be attending a pre-convention workshop is \$184.00 (\$160.00 plus HST). This rate is available until May 10th. As always, there will be a **STUDENT SOCIAL EVENT** which is currently being organized by one of our executives and some students from Memorial University. We want to ensure that you experience the worldrenowned hospitality of Newfoundland and have an authentic night (and morning) on the town! Check your registration package, available on-site, or more information.

During the programme time, we have the following lined up for conference attendees. Except where noted, all of the events are sponsored by the Student Section.

Thursday, June 10th 1:00 – 3:00

Students in Psychology Poster Session (Salon A) 1:00 – 2:00 Conversation Session on "Navigating Clinical Conundrums: Transfer of Classroom Knowledge to Clinical Practice" (Governor Gower, 36 Theatre)

2:00 – 4:00 Workshop on "Building Student Members' Teaching and Learning Networks", sponsored by the Teaching of Psychology Section (Governor Gower, 36 Theatre)

3:00 – 5:00 Workshop on "Ethics" (Executive Boardroom, 16 Boardroom)

Friday, June 11th 11:00 – 1:00

Workshop on "Effective Strategies for the Teaching Assistant" (Governor Gower, 36 Theatre)

1:00 - 2:00

Section Business Meeting, including elections for positions on the executive (Governor Gower, 36 Theatre):

3:00 – 5:00 Workshop on "Writing an Effective Curriculum Vitae" (St. Mary's Bay, 32 Theatre)

Saturday, June 12th

9:00 – 10:00 Conversation Session on "The Juggling Act" (Bonavista Bay, 36 Theatre)

9:00 – 11:00 Workshop on "Program Evaluation – From Theory to Practice" (Governor Cochrane, 36 Theatre)

11:00 – 12:00 Conversation Session on "Section Student Representatives: Developing a New Executive Position (Governor Duckworth, 36 Theatre) 12:00 – 1:00 Conversation Session on "Graduation and Beyond: Facing and Mastering Transitional Grey Zones"

(Governor Duckworth, 36 Theatre) 1:00 – 2:00

Conversation Session on "Why Be a Credentialed Health Service Provider in Psychology?" (Governor Duckworth, 36 Theatre)

2:00 – 3:00 Conversation Session on/sur "Fluctuations de l'humeur, genre et consommation d'alcool: une étude en vie" (Governor Duckworth, 36 Theatre)

3:00 – 3:30 Theory Review: "Conditions de pratique physique et apprentissage d'habiletés mortice" (Salon D)