

Midwest Association for Canadian Studies
2007 Program
Kansas City, Intercontinental Hotel (Country Club Plaza)
(Revised, February 12, 2007)

Friday, February 16

8:00-8:30

Coffee and registration
Continental Breakfast

8:30-9:30

Session 1: *Fostering Student and Faculty Interest in Canadian Studies*

Moderator: John Fisher (Northeast Missouri State University)

1. "The Connect Program: Exploring the Frontier for New Canadianists in the United States"
Christopher Kirkey (Plattsburgh)
2. "Our Home, and *Native Land*? Widening Student Perspectives on Indigenous Struggles"
Sally Heath (Wilfred Laurier University and University of Waterloo)
3. "Tracking the Frontier of Canadian Publications: Using YBP Library Services to Obtain Notification of Canadian Publications"
Jean Eaglesfield (YBP Library Services)

9:45-10:45

Session 2: *Neighbors and Common Interests*

Moderator: Bonnie Lynn-Sherow (Kansas State University)

1. "The Frontier of the Ice: The Northwest Passage in US-Canadian Relations, 1946-Present"
Elizabeth Elliot-Meisel (Creighton University)
2. "The Frontier of Science Reporting: Change of Newspaper Coverage of Global Warming in Canada and the United States"
John Fisher (Northwest Missouri State University)

11:00-12:00

Session 3: *It's the Economy Stupid: Canada and the Midwest*

1. Ann Pardalos (MO Department of Economic Development)
2. John Watson (Trade Development Division, KS Department of Commerce)
3. Stephan Bras (Kansas City International Affairs and Trade Office)
4. George Blackwood (City of Kansas City and NASCO)
5. TBA (Canadian Consulate)

12:00-1:30 PM

Lunch and Plenary Speakers

Patrick James

Professor

University of Southern California School of International Relations

"The Rawlsian Paradox and Canadian Constitutional Politics"

Honorable Ted Morton

Alberta Legislature and University of Calgary

Minister of Sustainable Resource Development

Dr. Ted Morton was elected to his first term as a Member of the Legislative Assembly of Alberta for the constituency of Foothills-Rocky View on November 22, 2004. On December 15, 2006 he was sworn in as Minister of Sustainable Resource Development and appointed a member of the Agenda and Priorities Committee.

1:45-2:45

Session 4: *The Cutting Edge of Social Science Research*

Moderator: Craig Palmer (University of Missouri)

1. “Métissage in New France: Frenchification, Mixed Marriages and Metis as Shaped by Social and Political Agents and Institutions, 1508-1886”
Devrim Karahasan (European University Institute)
2. “Boats, Trains, and Immunity: The Spread of the Spanish Influenza on the Island of Newfoundland”
Lisa Sattenspiel (University of Missouri)
Craig Palmer (University of Missouri)
Christina Cassidy (University of Missouri)
3. “Cultural Goods, Francophonie and the Global Economy”
Mark O. Rousseau (University of Nebraska—Omaha)
Jody Neathery-Castro (University of Nebraska—Omaha)
4. “Reconsidering Harold Innis: The Unpublished Works”
Michael R. Cheney (University of Illinois)

3:00-4:00

Session 5: *Canadian Studies and Distance Learning in the Midwest*

1. Colleen Duke (Canadian Consulate, Chicago)
2. Tim Rogus (Quebec Delegation, Chicago)
3. Sue Maes (Kansas State University)

4:15-5:45

Excursion to Liberty Memorial

Transportation Provided

6:00-7:00

Reception

Sponsored by Foreign Affairs Canada

Saturday, February 17

7:30-9:00

Breakfast Buffet

Sponsored by Quebec Delegation Chicago

8:00-9:00

Plenary Speaker

M. Michel Lafleur

Quebec Government Representative for the Midwest

9:00-10:00

Session 6: *The Literature of Quebec and Canada*

Moderator: Carol Weis (University of Missouri)

1. "Wandering the Frontiers in Quest of the Self: Montreal as a Mirror in Gabrielle Roy's *Bonheur d'occasion* and Michel Tremblay's *La nuit des princes charmants*"
Claire Nodot-Kaufman (University of Wisconsin)
2. "Feminist Borders in the Plays of Dominick Parenteau-Lebeuf"
David J. Eshelman (Arkansas Tech University)
3. "A Book's Borders: Nicole Brossard's *un livre*"
Amy L. Hubbell (Kansas State University)
4. "Undocumented Subjectivities: Love and Loss in Dionne Brand's *In Another Place, Not Here* and Helena Maria Viramontes "Cariboo Café"
Lauren Vedal (University of Wisconsin)

10:15-11:00

Session 7: *Public Policy Roundtable*

Moderator: Marvin Overby (University of Missouri)

1. Prescription Drugs
Chapman Rackaway (Ft. Hays State University)
2. Traffic Safety
Lilliard Richardson (University of Missouri)

11:15-12:15

Session 8: *Québécois Culture and Tradition Culture*

Moderator: David Eshelman (Arkansas Tech University)

1. "Political and Cultural Expression in Contemporary Francophone Canadian Rock/Folk Music: *Mes aieux* and *Les cowboys fringants*"
Gregg Siewart (Truman State University)
2. "Fairy Tales and Marie-Claire: *La Belle Bête*"
Carol Weis (University of Missouri)
3. "Resistance and Survival in *Maria Chapdelaine*"
Kimberly Kinney (Kansas State University)

12:30-1:15

Session 9: *Political Values and Canadian Politics*

Moderator: Chapman Rackaway (Ft. Hays State University)

1. "Religion, Religiosity, and the Moral Divide in Canadian Politics"
Adrian U. Ang (University of Missouri)
John R. Petrocik (University of Missouri)
2. "Coming in Third: Analyzing the Canadian Parliament's Free Vote Legalizing Same Sex Marriage"
L. Marvin Overby (University of Missouri)
Zeynep Taydas (Clemson University)

1:30-2:30

Lunch

Kenneth M. Holland (Kansas State University)

President of MWACS

2:30-3:30

Session 10: *Canadian Political Behavior*

Moderator: Adrian Ang (University of Missouri)

1. "Protest Voting and/or Rational Abstention? The Blank Ballots Phenomenon in Ontario Provincial Elections"
Steven Galatas (Stephen F. Austin State University)
2. "Preferential Voting in Canadian Provincial Parliamentary Elections"
James W. Endersby (University of Missouri)

3:30-4:15

Session 11: *Democratizing Food Safety: Food Safety Information and Culture in the U.S. and Canada*

Moderator: Amy Hubbell (Kansas State University)

1. "Two Cultures: Media Coverage of Food Safety in Canada and the U.S."
Douglas Powell (Kansas State University)
2. "Disclosing Restaurant Scores: A North American Perspective"
Andrew Reece (Kansas State University)
3. "I'm Going to Sue You, Hoser: Food Safety Litigation in Canada and the U.S."
Benjamin Chapman (University of Guelph)

4:30-5:00 MWACS Business Meeting

5:00-6:30

Excursion to Nelson-Atkins Museum

Transportation Provided