History Program
“Know your History—Know your World!”

Points of Interest

- **3rd & 4th year students:**
  Wondering about grad school? We’d be happy to talk to you about the possibilities. Don’t hesitate to talk to any of the Program faculty members about the History Graduate Program.

- **2nd year students:**
  Do you have what it takes to be an Honours student in History? Contact our faculty for information on our Honours Program.

- **Check out our website**
  www.unbc.ca/history

for courses, outlines, faculty bios, the History Club, News & Events, and much more!

### Changing Course

![Image of Dr. William Morrison]

Dr. William Morrison, better known as “Bill”, will be taking on a reduced teaching load beginning this summer. His teaching, experience, and humour (along with this bow-ties), will only be on campus during the January semester for the next 3 years.

Dr. Morrison is one of the founding faculty of UNBC in 1992. He has been teaching for over 38 years and recently received an Honourary Doctor of Literature from Brandon University where he taught for 20 years.

Dr. Morrison authored and co-authored 12 books on his field; Northern History.

*Don’t miss your chance to take a course from one of UNBC’s top-rated teachers.*

*His shoes will be hard to fill!*

### Coming soon:

- Alumni News & Testimonials
- Links to other History websites
- Awards & Scholarships
- Important notices on the website
- Photo Gallery
- New Courses
- Student Profiles

### Contest

**NAME OUR PROGRAM LOGO**

“History Guy”.

Prizes to be announced — pick up an entry form at the History Office 3007 or print it from our website.

**Contest open to all History Majors / Minors**

Contest closes September 30/07

### NHSS Pizza Night

The Northern History Student Society & the History Program are hosting a Pizza Night

**Tuesday, September 18, 2007**

**Time:** 4:30pm

**Room:** 6-205/211
**Film Nights & Guest Speakers**

The History program hosts at least two ‘Film Nights’ during each semester. Many of the films complement courses being taught during the semester. We also sponsor guest speakers whose research interest is related to current courses being offered, or topics of interest.

*Dr. Holler has coordinated this year’s film series offerings as follows:*

**September 27**
*Black Robe* (Canada/Australia, 1991)
*HIST 390—Aboriginal People in Canada (Dr. Binnema)*

**November 15**
*The Mission* (UK, 1986)
*HIST 280—Colonial Latin America (Dr. Holler)*

**November 29**
*The Ballad of Little Jo* (USA, 1993)
*HIST/WMST 312—Introduction to Gender (Dr. Wall)*

**Admission is Free!**

**Look for the bright blue posters.**

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**Northern History**

The society is a group of students with strong interests in History. The club holds socials for their club members and History students—last year they hosted a Pizza Night and a Bowling Night.

The NHSS also sold “History” Hoodies and Sweatshirts.

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**History Majors / Minors**

September 2005 all our History Majors and Minors received a “History” toque; September 2006, a “History” Lanyard; this year, September 2007, a “History” T-Shirt.

The T-Shirts will be handed out at the History Club Pizza Night.

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**Read about some events in history on our “Today in History” Page on our events website.**

http://www.unbc.ca/history/news_and_events.html

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**What can I do with a History Degree?**

Here is a sampling of possible career options:

- Historic Interpreter
- Museum Curator
- Lobbyist
- Foreign Service Officer
- Exhibit Design Technician
- Parks Canada Supervisor
- Probation Officer

See our website for more career options:

www.unbc.ca/history/careers.html

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Check out our notice board outside the Registrar’s office for September & January course offerings.
**Faculty News**

Dr. Jonathan Swainger, Chair  
Dr. Gordon Martel  
Dr. Ted Binnema  
Dr. Jacqueline Holler  
Dr. Aileen Espiritu  
Dr. Bill Morrison  
Dr. Sharon Wall  
Dr. Rob-Roy Douglas  
Dr. Charles Jago  
Dr. Stephanie Cousineau

~Dr. Binnema returned from sabbatical.  
~Dr. Espiritu began a two-year leave as a Senior Research Fellow at the Barents Institute in Kirkenes, Norway.

**Faculty Research / Publishing News**

After having been a valued member of both Women’s Studies and History for four years, Dr. Rhonda Semple has accepted a tenure-stream position in History at St. Francis Xavier University in Nova Scotia. While we are all pleased that her hard work and dedication has paid off, we’re saddened to lose someone who has dedicated so much time and effort to both programs.

Best Wishes to Dr. Semple and her family as they head off to Nova Scotia.

Having completed his sabbatical at the end of June, Dr. Ted Binnema has submitted a book manuscript to the university of Toronto Press entitled “Peter Fidler and the History of Science in the Hudson’s Bay Company to 1821”. Earlier last year, he co-published an article with former UNBC History Graduate student, Melanie Niemi, on the forced removal of aboriginal people from Banff National Park entitled “Let the Line Be Drawn Now”: Wilderness, Conservation, and the Exclusion of Aboriginal People from Banff National Park in Canada” which has been published in *Environmental History* 11 (2006): 724-50.

Dr. Jonathan Swainger’s edited essay collection entitled *The Supreme Court at 100: History and Authority*, will be launched by the Osgoode Society for Canadian Legal History, the University of Alberta Press, the Queen’s Bench and Court of Appeal of Alberta in early October in Edmonton. A second launch will take place in Toronto in November.

In collaboration with Ken Coates of the University of Waterloo, Dr. William Morrison recently finished the website “Who Discovered Klondike Gold,” which is part of the “Great Unsolved Mysteries in Canadian History” website. This is a major teaching tool for Canadian History, now in its fourth year. It can be accessed at http://www.canadianmysteries.ca/indexen.html

Dr. Sharon Wall has recently secured a contract with UBC Press for her study of the history of summer camps in Ontario. The book, which will be entitled "Negotiating Modernity: Nature and Nurture at Ontario Children's Camps, 1893-1955," is to appear in late 2008. Her encyclopedia entry "Going Native", to be published in the *International Encyclopaedia of the Social Sciences*, will appear in Fall 2007. And in early May 2007, Dr. Wall presented a paper entitled "What's Race Got to Do With It?: Adolescent Pregnancy in Postwar B.C." to the 2007 Conference of the Western Association of Women Historians which met at the University of San Diego.

Last December, Dr. Charles Jago published a report through the BC Progress Board entitled, *Working Together to Improve Performance: Preparing BC’s Public Education System for the Future.*

Dr. Gordon Martel has recently published a third edition of James Joll’s *The Origins of the First World War*, which has received international acclaim. According to one reviewer, “Martel has not simply updated Joll's contribution but enhanced and improved it. A triumph of scholarship and editorial talent; James Joll would have been pleased.” Dr. Martel’s next publication will be ‘A Companion to International History’, which will consist of 32 essays by leading scholars in the field from around the world, which will be published by Blackwell in June 2007.

In October 2006, Dr. Jacqueline Holler presented “Women, Sex, and Violence in Colonial Urban Spaces” at the Chimalpahin Conference on Colonial and Post-Colonial Memory and Forgetfulness in Mexico City. In February 2007, she traveled to Santa Fe, New Mexico to present "Private Ceremonial and Political Contestations in Sixteenth-Century Mexico City," part of her ongoing research on the Cortes conspiracy of 1566. In May Dr. Holler was back in Mexico City to conduct research. The fall will also be busy: Dr. Holler’s new article “Conquered Spaces, Colonial Skirmishes: Spatial Contestation in Sixteenth-Century Mexico City” appears in *Radical History Review* this fall, and she will present papers at conferences in Montreal and Mexico City.
Please join the History faculty and staff in welcoming Dr. Stephanie Cousineau to our program. Dr. Cousineau comes to us from The University of Calgary with an expertise in military history. She will be teaching the War, Terror and Society courses along with History 190. Dr. Cousineau will also be teaching two courses for International Studies.

Congratulations go out to Dr. Gordon Martel on his appointment to the position of Acting Chair CASHS. Dr. Martel will be filling this position for 2007-2008 after which time he will be engaged in research during a period of a reduced teaching workload.

I hope that everyone had a splendid spring and summer. The new academic year will bring a series of new opportunities for the History program, its members and its students. We’ll be examining the possibility of adding a few new wrinkles to the major requirements as well as indicating which non-History program courses can be used to fulfill major and minor requirements. If you have any questions or suggestions, don’t hesitate to contact me in the History Program office or at swainger@unbc.ca.