

## Selection Criteria

- Scholarly merit of the proposed activity.
- Potential for publication or, where appropriate, some other tangible result which serves as an indicator of scholarly or professional achievement in the applicant's discipline.
- The extent to which the scholarly activity involves collaborative work within and/or outside the University College.
- The potential of the proposal to attract external funding or lead to further research.

## Selection Procedures

Applications from each division will be reviewed by the Divisional Sub-committee members, nominated by the Departments. The sub committees review the eligibility of applicants and rank the eligible proposals according to the criteria indicated in the application form. The final decision regarding the funding will be made by SAC members based on the recommendations and ranking of the divisional sub-committee members.

## New Scholar

We define a New Scholar as someone who has not yet established a substantial record of research achievement, but is in the process of doing so. Thus, we will place more emphasis on examination of the proposal and less on record of achievement and external review.

## Application Procedures

### Eligibility

All full time faculty are eligible to apply.

### Size of Awards

Normally, requests for funding should be limited to between \$500 and \$2500. Larger grants may be awarded depending on availability of funds, and the number of faculty collaborating on the project.

### Period of Support

The SAC prefers limiting the grant period to one year, but two year projects may be considered in exceptional circumstances. A grant holder must submit a final report at the end of the project's proposed duration period and present a public lecture on the results of the research project. Every successful applicant is expected to furnish evidence of having achieved the main research goal within two years of being granted the award. This evidence will be taken into consideration in all subsequent applications.

### Ethics Review Committee

Grants from SAC may not be used for research involving animals or human subjects unless the proposed research has been approved by the animal and human ethics review committees respectively. The project should be submitted for ethical review before November 30th.

### Health and Safety

Scholarly activity that involves biohazards, radioactive materials, hazardous compounds or potentially may have an impact on the environment must be reviewed by the appropriate UCC committee or personnel to ensure all safety and regulatory requirements are met. The research project should be submitted for review before November 30th.

### Deadline

Complete applications must reach the committee by November 1st. The results will be announced in late March. Late applications will not be accepted.

### Application Form

For a copy of the application form, contact the office of the Vice-President, Instruction.

# SCHOLARLY ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

1994-1995



THE  
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COLLEGE  
OF THE  
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*Committed to the promotion of  
scholarly activities of UCC Faculty*



## Introduction

The University College of the Cariboo has formed a Scholarly Activities Committee (SAC) to assist you in your research endeavors. Members consist of elected faculty representatives from each of the divisions within the university college and representatives from the UCC administration. The chairperson of the Scholarly Activities Committee is appointed by the Education Council to whom SAC reports. SAC receives financial support from the University College Board, which has made a strong commitment to support scholarly activity at UCC; together, both work towards establishing a healthy environment for scholarship at our institution. We believe this to be an important component in the growth of a university college in the interior of British Columbia, mutually benefiting students, faculty, and community alike.

The committee recognizes that scholarship at our comprehensive, teaching centred institute can take many forms. Indeed, it is the diversity of disciplines at UCC which forms our unique character and allows us to develop our own distinctive styles of scholarship. Your participation in scholarly activities will help develop that research ethos at our institute.

## History of SAC

In 1989 Cariboo College entered into agreement with the University of British Columbia, the University of Victoria, and Simon Fraser University enabling it to offer third and fourth year academic courses. The offering of these courses stimulated an increased awareness amongst the faculty and administration that faculty have a need to pursue scholarly activities in order to successfully teach these courses.

At the same time, it soon became evident that UCC needed to address the larger issue of the role of research and scholarly activity at a comprehensive institution. In 1990 it was decided that a scholarly activities committee should be formed, and it was given funds to administer for the benefit of research activities. During the past three years SAC has distributed over \$100,000 in support of scholars. These funds have been utilized by our faculty in their own research projects and many of these efforts have already produced tangible results in terms of publications, conference papers and exhibitions. We believe that these efforts of our faculty have begun to set the tone and tenor of scholarship at UCC.

## Objectives

1. To stimulate the scholarly activity interests of faculty.
2. To develop the scholarly activity and research ethos of the University College of the Cariboo.
3. To assist the university college in developing a substantial research profile comparable with that of similar 4-year undergraduate universities.
4. To encourage faculty to engage in collaborative scholarly activity within and among divisions.
5. To generate scholarly activity interests in new areas without an established background of scholarly activity and/or scholarly activity funding.
6. To assist the development of recognized areas of strength and excellence.
7. To give faculty experience in bidding for funds which have a finite resource and are subjected to a peer group review.

## What We Do

Meeting on a regular basis throughout the year, the Scholarly Activities Committee works on a number of projects. Among them are the following:

**Goals, Direction:** since we are a relatively new group faced with encouraging and stimulating something as important to UCC as scholarly activity, we have considerable work to do in developing a clear set of goals and methods of operation. Your input is appreciated.

**Research Grants:** a major task each year is the awarding of the UCC research grants. All applications are adjudicated through an evaluation process involving peer review and, at the discretion of the review committee, correspondence with references.

**Workshops:** we plan to offer, on a regular basis, workshops for scholars, both new scholars and experienced, to provide assistance in many facets of research, from writing sound applications to finding venues for publication.

## Examples Of SAC Awards

R. Yu	A study on Regular Double Path Cover Conjecture
L. Reddy & L. Matthews	Study of Pulmonary Functions and their Relationship with Anthropometric Measurements in Men and Women of three ethnic Groups in Kamloops, British Columbia
T. Dickinson	A study of the Ecology and Evolution of Social Behaviour in Pygmy Nut-hatches
B. Guidici, R. Cobb & J. Spuller	Study of Electrically Produced Surface Waves on a Fluid.
H.A. Hubert	Anti-Utilitarian Attitudes in English Studies.

## Research Services

UCC now employs a full-time Research Coordinator. This is a person who is highly qualified and experienced in the field of research and who is also knowledgeable in the area of research funding. This person, a member of the Scholarly Activities Committee, reporting to the vice-president instruction, will be organizing workshops to assist in scholarly activity and is available for private consultation. The research coordinator is Paul Webb, who can be reached at local 5532.

## Members of the Committee (1993-1994)

For more information and input contact:

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