

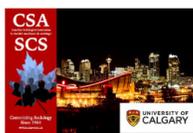
Message from the President

Dr. Terry Wotherspoon

The start of a new year brings with it many hopes and exciting events to look forward to as well as concerns and uncertainties carried over from previous years. The recent change in government at the federal level is accompanied by a renewed tone of openness to scientific pursuits, accompanied by promising actions such as the reinstatement of the mandatory long-form census, that are welcome measures for social science inquiry and evidence-based decision-making. Encouraging signals are also emerging with formal recognition of issues important to indigenous peoples, immigrants and refugees, and many other communities and social sectors with which sociologists are deeply engaged. However, for those concerned that committing sociology will no longer hold the excitement it conveyed when posed as a subversive act, we are reminded that there is no shortage of areas for critical questioning and solid sociological inquiry, analysis and insight are warranted.



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51st Annual Conference
May 30 – June 3, 2016
University of Calgary



Call for Abstracts Deadline: February 1

Our annual conference continues to draw hundreds of delegates from throughout Canada and abroad. Don't miss this opportunity to present your work in one of over 100 sessions.

Award Nomination Season

The association presents several awards each year to recognize the work of sociologists in all stages of their career.

Upcoming deadlines:

January 31, 2016

[John Porter Tradition of Excellence Book Award](#)

[Early Investigator Award](#)

February 15, 2016 - [Outstanding Contribution Award](#)

March 1, 2016 - [Angus Reid Applied Sociology Award](#)

[Learn more about these and other awards.](#)

Student Rep Program - New!

We are launching a new initiative to support student engagement. Similar to our Department Rep program, we will invite department heads to appoint a representative to facilitate communication with our association.

Student focused news items can be submitted for posting on our website and newsletter as well as our Student Concerns subcommittee managed list-serv. The program also offers an opportunity for our association to better understand regional concerns and interests when planning student focused conference sessions and workshops.

This is a voluntary position and the reps will not be compensated for their participation. However, a social event will be organized at the conference to thank reps for their efforts. The Association will also offer a letter recognizing the student to be included with their CVs.

Department News

University of Saskatchewan

Terry Wotherspoon

Peter Li (Professor Emeritus, Department of Sociology, University of Saskatchewan) has been appointed as a member of the Order of Canada.



The appointment recognizes his contributions to advance social justice in Canada based on the substantial impact that his sociological research into race, immigration and multiculturalism has had on matters of policy and practice as well as its scholarly importance. Peter has provided groundbreaking work on the Chinese in Canada and extensive contributions to the understanding of other dimensions of immigration and race relations. Peter, who is a Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada, has also served widely in many other capacities in the discipline and wider communities. Peter has also contributed actively to the CSA, including a term as President in 2004-05 and service as an Associate Editor of the *Canadian Review of Sociology (and Anthropology)*.

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