The Saskatchewan Knights of Columbus Charitable Foundation helped make Campion more accessible.
Our current academic year started with energy and vitality at Campion College. For the first time we initiated a new student-orientation program, Headstart, a week before our classes commenced. The attendance among our first year students in Headstart was both encouraging and fun as they started to integrate into the culture and ethos of a Jesuit College. A number of our faculty and staff offered meaningful workshops on themes that relate the Jesuit Mission to different College activities and academic disciplines. Headstart was followed by another event, the Away Day, for the staff and faculty of Campion; it was the first one since 2019, and this year’s theme was “Moving from safe place to a brave place.” We focused on reconnecting with one another as we started again to work from the College building. Our resilience during the remote past two years of service is now met with the joy of seeing one another as we continue in the Mission of our College.

Our students remain the focus of all we do at the College. The underlying message of the Jesuit Universal Apostolic Preferences globally emphasizes on accompanying others in their daily struggles. This is why at the College, we continue to help our students in generous scholarships (distributed on the day of the Holy Spirit Mass at the beginning of term) and for this year we are able to help three refugees to study among us. Likewise, having the Impact Lab at our building for the first time is another positive step in the right direction for in-house research and student engagement. Campion community, as an educational Jesuit institution, knows how to support and form young minds for the world.

Looking forward this year is hope-filled exercise. The return to campus is a reality that I embrace with gratitude and optimism. My optimism is coupled with thoughts of our Father General of the Society of Jesus, Arturo Sosa, SJ, who recently delivered a charismatic speech at Boston College on the future of Jesuit education. He called Jesuit Colleges and Universities to be instrumental in forming a world of intergenerational dialogue, life-meaning and proper stewardship. The University of Regina’s new tagline, “Go far, together,” along with the Jesuit ideal of forming men and women for others, our federated relation with our host university has a new spin of energy and partnership which fit nicely with the call for the Universal Apostolic Preferences. “Together” seems the right word for the impact that Jesuit education could accomplish in collaboration with other non-Jesuit institutions in forming a more amiable and just world.
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Bachelor of Science  
Geography

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Bachelor of Science  
Psychology

Leanne Chung  
Bachelor of Science  
Computer Science  
Co-operative Education

Neve Elizabeth Devins  
Bachelor of Science  
Biology

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Certificate in Health Studies

Tess Héléne Dueck  
Bachelor of Fine Arts  
Film Production

Stephanie Paige Flaman  
Bachelor of Science  
Biology  
[Ecology & Environmental Biology]  
Great Distinction

Henry Vladimir Godnitz  
Bachelor of Science  
Geography (Geology)

Asia Leigh Huynh Whitebear  
Diploma in General Science  
Chemistry

Rylee Arthur Lascelle  
Bachelor of Arts  
Media, Art, and Performance  
[Creative Technologies]

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Bachelor of Science Honours  
Geology  
Honours in First Major

Joshua Kabwe Mwewa  
Bachelor of Arts in Police Studies

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Certificate in Law and Society

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Liberal Arts Diploma  
Psychology

Makayla Nowell Sicat  
Bachelor of Arts  
Psychology (Sociology)  
Co-operative Education

Anna Alexandra Slobodzian  
Bachelor of Health Studies

Sophia Jade Stevens  
Certificate in Justice Studies

Liam Michael Zwarych  
Bachelor of Arts Honours  
Economics  
Honours in First Major
UPCOMING EVENTS
2022

WED. NOV. 23

Green Justice:
Human rights & energy transition

Fr. Jacques Nzumbu, SJ is a Jesuit priest from the Democratic Republic of the Congo and a specialist in conflict minerals, supply chain due diligence and corporate social responsibility of mining companies. His expertise includes renewable energy, energy storage and transition technologies and their impact on human rights in the Global South.

THU. NOV. 24

Perspectives on Earth Care and Interconnection

For the launch of the new Campion College Environmental Impact Scholarship, Dr. Sarah Abbott will lead us in a discussion and reflection on interrelations between humans, nonhumans, and the Earth. This talk is open to everyone from seasoned earth-conscious people to those beginning their journey of sustainability and climate change. Let’s join together to question our relationship with the planet and human-caused environmental degradation.

SUN. DEC. 11

Musica Sacra:
Light in the Darkness

After three years, Campion's signature Advent event is back with Light in the Darkness. Join us for a Sunday afternoon celebration of the season with music, readings and more to fill yourself with joy for the holidays.
For many years, the Knights of Columbus and Campion College have had a close relationship, which included the establishment of a Campion council back in 2014. There are also multiple bursaries and scholarships for our students which the Knights have generously contributed to throughout the years.

On October 15, we gathered in the beautiful glass entryway, which was completed in 2016. At first, it was simply a new entrance, meant to help modernize our building. However, thanks to the help of the Saskatchewan Knights of Columbus Charitable Foundation, it became even more.

The opportunity for Campion to connect to the new underground parkade below the Kisik residences tower had one barrier: accessibility. Given the space limitations, the only possibility was to install a lift which came at a significant cost. Then the Knights stepped in.

When James Gustafson (Executive Director) and Pierre O’Reilly (former Director of Development) visited the individual councils to ask for the Knights’ help, their giving spirit shone. As each new council agreed to a pledge of $50,000, our College became humbled by the Knights generosity.

To symbolize this spirit of unity and community, we proudly unveiled a commemorative plaque to show our appreciation for their significant contribution through the Knights of Columbus Charitable Foundation.

While the words don’t seem to be adequate, please know that we mean them most sincerely. Thank you to the Knights of Columbus and all those who have supported them. This could not have been accomplished without you.
WALKING TOGETHER:
An Opportunity for Renewal

Last July, I was fortunate to be part of a delegation of a dozen Indigenous and Jesuits who journeyed to Maskwacis First Nation near Edmonton, the first stop on Pope Francis’ “penitential pilgrimage” to Canada. The gathering was one of the most emotionally charged events I have ever experienced, especially as we were with several thousand residential school survivors.

The contrast with his meeting in Rome with Indigenous representatives a few months earlier really struck me. Instead of a formal audience in a marble-lined hall at the Vatican, Pope Francis was now on Indigenous land. Looking frail but determined, he was wheeled to the community’s pow wow grounds, stopping on the way to pray at the cemetery. A hush came over the crowd as he entered the space. He had come a long way to deliver important words.

“I am here because the first step of my penitential pilgrimage among you is that of again asking forgiveness,”, the Pope said slowly and deliberately, “of telling you once more that I am deeply sorry.” His words were met at first with silence, then applause. Two survivors next to me cheered, then burst into tears. The elder of the two said she thought she would never live to see this moment.

The meaning of this powerful event continues to unfold for me. Forgiveness is a deeply personal journey and can never be forced. Some survivors are ready to forgive, while others are not – and still others say they will never forgive. We know the apology is not the end but only the beginning, requiring concrete actions to promote healing and reconciliation.
The theme of the Pope’s visit was “Walking Together”. But what does it mean to walk together with Indigenous people? For me, it means a commitment to the day-to-day work of building right relationships based on equality and mutual respect. It means facing the painful truths of our past, filled with broken promises, injustice and racism – all of which continue today. As treaty people, we need to learn the history and reflect on its meaning if we are to be people of reconciliation. As my friend, the late Noel Starblanket, former Knowledge Keeper at the University of Regina, used to say, it is not about guilt but knowledge. Once we learn the truth, we cannot unlearn it but the question becomes what we do with this knowledge.

What helped me on this difficult journey was to know I was not alone. Every day during our time in Edmonton, our small band of pilgrims had a sharing circle, where Indigenous led us in a smudge (purification ritual) and pipe ceremony.

By walking together, listening more than speaking, collaborating more than leading, we have a unique opportunity for our church and our country. In Toronto where I now live, I am encouraged by the number of Catholics and others who are educating themselves about Canada’s past, setting up listening circles and using helpful resources such as the Jesuit Forum’s guide, *Listening to Indigenous Voices*. On the journey of reconciliation, Indigenous people are calling all Canadians to a greater openness, respect and humility, something Pope Francis has been trying to instill within the Church.

The call to reconciliation is a great opportunity for renewal in the Church and in Canada. Let us not miss it but embrace it with hope.
The Mass of the Holy Spirit is the annual awards ceremony connecting donors and the recipients of their awards.

For the first time since fall 2019, we were able to celebrate in person where connections were made which will have a lasting impact on the donors and students alike.

Thank you to all those who have helped make our awards possible.
HOLY SPIRIT AWARDS

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Aluk Geu received the Reverend Del Kines/Reverend Len Sullivan Memorial and Reverend Joseph Frey Bursary from Jim Frey

Natalia Pitei received the Campion Knights Bursary from Ben Breit

Nicole Zhang received the Archbishop O’Neill Memorial Scholarship from Dr. Dawn Flood

Dhruval Shah received the KofC Regina Council #1247 Bursary from Brad Breit

Nina Koster received the Emond Scholarship in Religious Studies from Richard Emond

Ashley King received the Reverend John C. Molloy Memorial Scholarship from Margaret Molloy
It’s an honour to be the recipient of the Campion International Study Bursary. I would like to thank Campion for this amazing honour and for the support they have shown me throughout my time at the University of Regina.

As a student who is away from home and wants to fulfill new experiences relating to my degree the extra reassurance of having a scholarship helps me out tremendously.

While studying International Studies at the University of Regina, I was chosen to participate in the Simon Fraser University NATO Field School which allowed me to travel to Europe (Latvia, Estonia, Belgium, Germany, and Italy) to learn everything I need to know about NATO and Canada’s involvement in NATO.

I was given the opportunity to attend the Riga StratCom Dialogue 2022 conference and meetings, where I learned how NATO used StratCom with regards to maintaining collective security and defense. I also attended a reception at the Canadian Embassy with the Ambassador to Latvia, Estonia, and Lithuania, Mr. Brian Szwarc, where he spoke about his journey to become a Canadian diplomat which is a career path I am highly interested in.

In Italy, I attend the NATO Defence College, where I participated in simulations normally conducted by high-ranking military personnel and diplomats. This gave me insight into how NATO military personnel and diplomats prepare for potential crises.

The SFU NATO Field School allowed me to accumulate extensive knowledge regarding NATO which, in turn, has allowed me to share my knowledge and experience with my peers as we discuss the ongoing crisis in Ukraine.

The ability to gain real life experience by studying aboard provides a profound learning experience which can be shared with others who are interested in the same field. I hope my experience and this bursary shows students that it’s possible to study aboard without having too much of a financial burden to carry, as having the future career experience is invaluable.

This has definitely been a highlight of my degree and I really think it will help me when I start on my path to future diplomat.

Sophia and the former Canadian ambassador to Latvia, Estonia, & Lithuania, Mr. Kevin Rex
THE ITALIAN JOB

As an aspiring conservator, Kaeli Wood took a chance on Italy to help inspire and solidify her dreams for the future.

As a fourth-year art history major with an interest in painting and conservation, one day I hope to be an art conservator who specializes in textiles and paintings. My focus for my degree has been on realism and impressions in the eighteenth to twentieth centuries so I often spent my time online reading about my passion and looking at how to break into the field of conservationism.

To help gain some experience and hopefully help me when applying to post-graduate studies, I spent my summer traveling across Italy to study the art and architecture of twelfth to sixteenth century artists. My study abroad was about traditional painting techniques and conservational science in paintings, while visiting many major cities including Siena, Florence, Rome, Naples, and Venice. My favourite stops were the twisty roads in the old center of Siena, the passionate history of Venetian art and architecture, and the ruins of Pompeii.

I was inspired by the old architecture, hilly landscapes, and how different each of the cities was from one another. The cities were bustling at night when the heat of the day was gone. During my time in Venice, I was able to visit the Biennale Arte 2022, The Milk of Dreams. Getting to see all the contemporary art from across the world opened my eyes to a new contemporary part of the art world that I had only ever heard about in my classes back in Regina.

During the program, I learned about how to conserve paintings and how to make paintings with traditional materials. The traditional painting techniques I tried were sgraffito, fresco, oil, tempera, and gilding. This was a new experience because my method of choice was water-soluble oils in a realistic style, but I discovered a new interest in woodworking/stretchers, and the use of gilding. Despite gilding being difficult to execute and tons of missing spots where the gold leaf wouldn’t adhere, the effect of the shining gold look was beautiful.

I also learned about the practical side of art like how wooden panel paintings, wall paintings, frescos, and canvas paintings age over time and the distinctive features of each type of painting. This experience has inspired me to continue my path to becoming a conservator that will care for collections of artworks that are in desperate need of conservation so we can save these works of beauty that are currently being lost to aging and unsuitable storage conditions.
Typically when one thinks of a gap year, it doesn’t begin awakening from a coma in the ICU to a destroyed body. A bus and a motorcycle definitely don’t mix.

After an egregiously arduous ascent out of hell fuelled by an absence of pain relief and an unyielding tenacity for life, I learned that nothing worth doing is easy, like walking. A quick and life-changing decision to lose a leg was followed by months of recovery as my metal fastened bones fused back together, 213 staples and 79 sutures were removed, and a brief traumatic brain injury inspection just to begin compensating for lost time.

Countless hours in the gym, fleeting bouts of PTSD, excruciating meanders around the block, and I was on my feet foot again. If not for my support system of wife Alexandra, family, and friends, I would simply have rot in my hospital bed. Luckily in my first year of university, I accidentally had the wisdom to drop out of electronic systems engineering and transfer to Campion computer science where I made a long and lasting friend in the Assistant Registrar, Ian Kutarna.

It didn’t take losing a leg to get Ian’s help, but as a friend and advisor, he was invaluable to get me to dive back into my education. Through Ian, I became aware of Campion activities and scholarships. I never thought I would be eligible for, let alone win a scholarship for a student who faced serious illness, disability, or other major life challenge.

When I got the call that I was actually receiving an award, I was in a little shock. Then I found out about this truly unique and special award which was dedicated to an amazing young man, in celebration of a beautiful life only enriched by adversity.

Initially when being awarded the Stuart Lefebvre Memorial Bursary, it was the midst of the pandemic. It was difficult to phrase my death, battle, and rebirth adequately, however reapplying and being bestowed the continuing scholarship, I was afforded the chance to become more than a piece of paper. Meeting Gail and Allen Lefebvre was an incredible opportunity for an award of such delicate nature. Being able to share stories, learn about Stuart, and transcend an emaciated paragraph of what irrevocably changed my life was a lasting and amazing part of my recovery. The Lefebvres are beautiful people and sharing lunch and words was more valuable than the scholarship. I will treasure this always.
Let’s Get Physics-al

Physics Honours student Dhruval Shah is working to “accelerate” his future.

I attended the 58th annual Canadian Undergraduate Physics Conference (CUPC 2022) hosted by the University of Guelph in October where I had the opportunity to listen to research talks from some of the prominent scientists in Canada and interesting panel discussions on science communications, climate change, and how EDI empowers the frontiers of science. As part of the conference, I also had the chance to network with physics students from across Canada, and I visited the graduate school fair at the conference, which provided me with a deeper perspective on what my future academic career will look like after my BSc.

I have been doing research in nuclear physics for the past two summers with Dr. Grinyer and this past summer, my research project was to take a lead role in the development of a new charged particle detector. It included tuning the geometry of the detector array, 3D printing prototype parts, and installing the data acquisition system for testing the detectors. This array will be used for future experiments at TRIUMF, Canada’s particle accelerator centre in Vancouver, which I also visited to participate in nuclear physics experiments.

At the CUPC conference, I gave a presentation about my research work and it was very well-received by the audience and the judges - I won the Best Oral Presentation for Nuclear and Particle Physics at the conference!

My experience at the conference and TRIUMF was enlightening and my interest in pursuing an advanced degree in physics is flourishing. Winning an award at a national level is such an honour and will prove to be highly rewarding for my future scientific career.
**DEBT**

$22 Billion total student debt in Canada

51% of students worry about paying next year’s tuition

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**110 AWARDS**

HANDED OUT IN FALL 2022

- 50 CONTINUING AWARDS
- 60 ENTRANCE AWARDS

**$29,000**

Gradsuees owe an average of

**$29,140**

total tuition ONLY for a four-year degree at Campion

**$3,643**

average tuition per semester at Campion (2022-23)

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**91%**

of first-year students chose University because they feel they’re more likely to get a job with a degree

**98%**

of current students are “satisfied” or “very satisfied” with their Campion experience

**95%**

of current students would recommend Campion

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**714 STUDENTS FALL 2022**

- 314 Science
- 343 Arts
- 68 Pre-prof
- 57 MAP

*S* - pre-professional students are also counted in the faculties they are currently studying in

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**TOP 3 REASONS STUDENTS CHOSE CAMPION:**

1. Scholarships
2. Services available
3. Small college community

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**ENTRANCE AWARDS**

- 60

**CONTINUING AWARDS**

- 50

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**SOURCES:**

- 2022 Campion College Student Survey
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- Dennis Ziegler
On August 18, the Undergraduate Research Day was held to allow undergraduate students to highlight their research and make a poster or develop a presentation about their work.

Three students who work under Dr. Christian Riegel (English) and Dr. Katherine Robinson (Psychology) participated in the day:

• Alexandra Apesland (IMPACT Lab) who received a FGSR Undergraduate Summer Research Award to work in the IMPACT lab on eye tracking art creation, and disability projects.

• Tait Larsen (IMPACT Lab), received a FGSR Undergraduate Summer Research Award, to also work in the IMPACT lab on eye tracking art creation, and disability projects.

• Shae Sackman (Mathematical Cognition Lab) received a Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada Undergraduate Student Research Award to worked on Qualtrics surveys, mathematical cognition studies, and eye tracking data.

Their hard work over the summer was well worth it and we’re sure they’re future alumni to watch.

Honestly, the best thing was the fact that so many different people had so many different ideas about where my research could go. My research was about letting people create music without the use of limbs, and I always thought that what people would be interested in was allowing people to create music, but the most common thing people asked me was if there could be a live orchestra played without the use of limbs, which I had never thought of. Overall it was an amazing experience just to get to talk to other people in the field and learn so much.

- Tait Larsen
I am a second-year student at Campion working on a degree in Psychology. I am also a student athlete on the Cougars women's hockey team and I'm from Turtleford Saskatchewan, a small town of about 500 people. I have always loved playing hockey and being part of a team so I was really excited to start the next chapter of my life playing hockey for the U of R.

The idea of university was intimidating, especially coming from such a small town. Growing up in Turtleford, I have always had a close support system through my teachers, family, and friends. My community knows me personally and has cheered me on through all my life endeavors. I feared that moving into the city for university would make me feel lost in the crowd and that I wouldn't know where to go to get help.

One of the main reasons I wanted to go to the U of R was because I heard it had a “small-town feel”. It was recommended to go through one of the federated colleges and registering through Campion College was a great decision. I was relieved by all the support I had. I've had such a great experience working with their academic advisors who guide me through registration and ensure my class schedule and hockey schedule don’t collide.

Another advantage has been having smaller class sizes which makes it easier to ask questions and build relationships with my classmates and professors. Being in a smaller class keeps me engaged and enhances my education experience and my ability to learn.

Furthermore, all the staff at the U of R are extremely understanding of the life of a student athlete and are dedicated to making sure we have the support we need to be successful. As an athlete I tend to miss classes due to travel and it can be stressful at times balancing my studies and my sport. Having this support system at Campion and U of R has taken some weight off my shoulders knowing that I have people I can count on. Campion has definitely become my home away from home.
Helping first-year students get a HEADSTART

Puzzles, profs, and prizes... this new first-year program has it all!

If you had been around campus August 23 and 24, you could have seen approximately fifty first-year Campion students on what may have seemed like random adventures. For two days, Campion staff, faculty, and upper-year students provided a new program called Headstart for first years to help set them up for success coming into that crucial introductory year of university. It included brief lectures on specialized disciplines at Campion followed by fun team challenges, which introduced them to our College, and many of the amazing people who make it such a thriving and inviting community.

One morning, they were touring the campus with Campion Dean, Dr. Tom Phenix, talking about memory mind palaces. That afternoon, they took over the Campion Library, researching and asking questions to Classics faculty member, Dr. Dwayne Meisner and Librarian, Elaina Lawn.

Why was there police tape up and a lot of suspicious-looking red blotches in the Campion Student Commons the next day? Well, they were testing their investigation skills with Psychology faculty member, Dr. Susan Yamamoto to piece together a murder mystery. Then finally, after a lecture from Catholic Studies faculty member Dr. Scott Lewis, SJ on studying faith through an academic lense, they were putting their “mind palace” memory tricks to the test in an epic Campion Amazing Race around the campus.

Teams Alpha to Kilo where assigned on day one so students could meet new people and work together to have a shot at prizes like bursaries, Campion clothing, and gift cards. Day one, there was a lot of uncertainty and we wondered what the turnout would be for day two. Turns out, we shouldn’t have worried because all the students returned and we even managed to get a couple extra!

On the last day, we drew the name of one lucky attendee who received a $1,000 Campion bursary but according to the post-event survey, 100% of the students would recommend it to next year’s incoming students which is a great Headstart.
Sonnets of a Besotted Bookworm

Sonnet I, “My Fair Book”

A fairer book I nevermore will find
Amongst enticing tomes that lounge a-shelf;
Yet, villains do appear ofttimes inclined
To overlook my dearest read itself.
Some critics say you lack defining depth
And other lauded, laughable, veneers
Still, every cliff-hung chapter gives me breath
As all your shallow drama quells my tears.
Each page presents predictive archetypes
Each line another comforting cliché;
I’ll fend off for your honour all these gripes
To praise your facile fiction to the day—
And if, by chance, I note your num’rous flaws,
Denial’s bliss upholds my staunch applause.

Sonnet II, “To A Bookshelf”

Her slender, shapely frame and fair facade;
Her striking poise that stands so full of grace
That all who see her tremble and applaud
—my bookshelf, that most lovely structured place.
O, laden as she is with countless books,
She bears them up with such resplendent strength;
For her, so squared and sultry in her looks,
Like Muses Nine my odes shall play at length.
Fictitious calls she whispers in mine ear
And beckons to a printed, false escape;
With no defense against her sweet career
I meld into her literary shape.
Yet, ever still, my love in question falls
From spurnèd books and their unheeded calls.
Courtney is a MAP student who intends to switch into the Bachelor of Fine Arts program. She is an adult student that returned to university to study art after attending several years ago but being unable to settle on a major.

Courtney is from Regina and works mostly in digital drawing and painting, though she’s experimented with oils, acrylics, watercolours, pencils, pastels, and inks, and taken a liking to sometimes doing mixed-media work in watercolour and ink. She especially likes to fit ink into pieces because she loves the style of comics with their expressive drawings and bold black accents.

Her work doesn’t have a strong focus yet but it usually consists of practicing figure drawing and painting. Recently, she’s been trying to figure out how to construct compositions that clearly capture an emotion or concept and have a feel of strong iconography. The raven is an example of this, where she tried to capture the bold cultural vibes of the big city.
Dr. Marta Bashovski (Political Science) attended the Prairie Political Science Association conference, “The Epistemology of Dissent and the Politics of Classification” in Banff, Alberta Sept. 16 to 18, 2022 where she co-organized and participated in a panel, “Mapping the Limits and Possibilities of Dissent from the Margins”. At the Association for Political Theory Annual Conference in Houston, TX, October 27 to 29, 2022, she presented a paper at the “Utopic Visions” panel and discussing four others at the “Political Pedagogies” panel.

Dr. Allison Fizzard (History) was interviewed for the Victorian Samplings podcast about her recently-published research on an elaborate altar at a Saskatchewan church made by a professional Victorian wood-carver, Valentine Eliot. The podcast is part of the Crafting Communities project. Dr. Fizzard’s interview is on Episode 4 of Season 3; the podcast is available now through Spotify and Apple podcasts and the Crafting Communities website (www.craftingcommunities.net/victorian-samplings)

Dr. Michelle Folk (Religious Studies) moderated two conference panels: Moving From Here to There and the Spaces In-Between: Representation, Transformation, and Liminality in Film and Music and Reflections on Teaching During the Pandemic and How We Move Forward in the Classroom at the annual meeting of the Canadian Society for the Study of Religion in the spring of 2022.

She also presented a paper titled “Why Mementoes Aren’t Just Memories: Ephemera as a Site of Colonialist Narratives on India,” which was part of a panel titled (Social) Media, Music, and Memory at the inaugural meeting of the Canadian South Asian Studies Association (CSASA) in the spring of 2022.

Dr. Samantha Lawler (Astronomy) was awarded 50 nights of observing over two years on the Canada-France-Hawaii Telescope as co-Principal Investigator, co-leading an international team of 25 astronomers to discover some of the smallest and most distant Kuiper Belt objects. She gave an invited review talk “Planetary system construction and remodelling” for the Canadian Astronomical Society annual meeting in May 2022.

Dr. Lawler also gave an invited talk and sat on a panel (both remote) about satellite pollution for the general public hosted by the Smithsonian Museum in September, 2022 and remote/hybrid public lectures for the U of R Lifelong Learning Centre (in May), Palomar Observatory (Caltech) (in May), and the Royal Astronomical Society - Mississauga, Calgary, and Edmonton chapters (in May) plus colloquium lectures (remote) for the University of Colorado, Boulder Dept. of Astrophysical and Planetary Sciences (in October), and the University of Washington, Pullman, Department of Physics (in October).

She also gave media interviews with CBC Saskatchewan, Gormley Live, CTV Regina, Global News Saskatoon, Scientific American, Spacepod podcast, Interesting Engineering, Apollo Academic Surveys, SkyNews Magazine, and book author Robin George Andrews on the topic of satellite pollution.

Dr. Scott Lewis (Catholic Studies) gave a five-part series of lectures via Zoom for the Centre for Biblical Formation in Jerusalem. The topic was: ‘The Interpretation of the Bible in the Early Church’. It included a study of the Jewish methods of exegesis employed in the New Testament, as well as the changing approach to the Scriptures during the period of the theological controversies of the fourth and fifth centuries.

Dr. Anna Mudde (Philosophy) gave an invited talk about rethinking the details of intellectual work to the Phoenix Colloquium of Mount Allison University called “‘Neglected Things:’ Philosophy, Craft, and Rethinking Intellectual Work.” She also presented her work on crip technological knowledge and conference accessibility as part of a panel on Feminist Relational Theory at the Canadian Society for Women in Philosophy Annual Conference at Oakland University, Michigan, October 28 to 30, 2022.

Dr. Jan Purnis (English) presented “The Early Modern Gut Microbiome” at the Pacific Northwest Renaissance Society conference, Banff, Sept. 17, 2022 and “Edible Images: Ingestion and Early Modern Imagination,” Canadian Society for Renaissance Studies/Société Canadienne D’Études de la Renaissance conference at the Congress of Humanities and Social Sciences, May 14, 2022 (virtual conference)

Dr. Christian Riegel (English) presented an invited lecture, “Dirty Air: Literary Tropes of the Canadian Nation,” at the University of Vienna, Austria, as part of the Air: Perspectives from the Environmental and Medical Humanities lecture series in March 2022. He was also named to the editorial board of the Environment, Health, and Well-being book series of the Michigan State University Press.

Dr. Christian Riegel and Dr. Katherine Robinson presented the paper, “Diversity and Accessibility in Digital Art and Music Creation,” at the Digital Research in the Humanities and Arts Conference at Kingston University in London, UK in September 2022.

In partnership with the Institute for Critical Studies in Improvisation at the University of Guelph Riegel and Robinson were co-applicants on a successful Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada Partnership Grant to support a project titled “Improvising Futures.” The project received approximately $7.5 million worth of funding. Through the IMPACT Lab their role will be to continue to develop eye tracking art and music creation tools that can be used by people with disabilities.

Dr. Katherine Robinson (Psychology) and her students Bethany J. Sander, Gladys Orobosa, and Sydney L. Gust presented a paper at the virtual meeting of the Mathematical Cognition and Learning Society entitled “Children’s Understanding of Arithmetic and Early Algebraic Knowledge” which was part of a symposium on “Cognitive Processes and Individual Differences in Arithmetic Development” in March 2022.

Dr. Susan Yamamoto (Psychology) attended the International Academy of Law and Mental Health Conference July 2 to 9, 2022 in Lyon, France where she presented a paper entitled, “Moral Foundations and the Insanity Defence.” She also attended the Law and Society conference July 9 to 17, 2022 in Lisbon, Portugal and presented her paper entitled, “Lessons Learned: Conducting Jury Deliberations on Zoom.”
Jose Argerami BA’21 became the Donor services coordinator with the Archdiocese of Regina.

Marnie Badham BA’95 joined the board of Res Artis - Worldwide Network of Arts Residencies and hosted a symposium at RMIT University entitled, “Artistic Courage: reimagining work, ambition and the equity in the arts” with the National Association of the visual arts.

Tina Beaudry-Mellor BA’96 became a Partner Cybersecurity & Strategic Risk with Deloitte.

David Belof BA’97 took on a new role as Managing Partner, Saskatchewan at Deloitte.

Joana Cook BA Hons’11 wrote the book *The Rule is for none but Allah* which is published with Oxford University Press and will officially launch in early 2023.

David de Vlieger BA’93, Senior Litigation counsel at Repsol Oil and Gas Canada INC, is currently a director with the Canadian Olympic Committee, Vice Chair of the Canadian Sport Institute – Calgary, and Secretary Treasurer of the Union Americana de Natacion, the continental body overseeing aquatic sports in the Americas.

Shannon Kotylak BA’98 was named a full-time faculty member and Program Head for the Bachelor of Applied Management program at Saskatchewan Polytechnic.

Iain MacDonald HS’74, BA’77 published the book *I Piped, That She Might Dance*, a historical novel based on the life of Angus MacKay the first Piper to the Sovereign, appointed by Queen Victoria.

Michelle Maurer BA’04 became the Executive Director, Lands and Mineral Tenure, Government of Saskatchewan.

Katelyn Major BA Hons’15 became the Recruitment Coordinator for Saskatoon at the University of Regina.

Fr. Frank Obrigewitsch, SJ HS’61 celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of his ordination.

Hugh O’Reilly HS’77, BA’81 has been appointed to the Board of the Rick Hansen Foundation.

Colin Savage BA’95 joined Economic Development Regina as Director of Growth and Investment.


Ryan Tessier BA’11 became the new manager Analytics at SaskEnergy.

Laurissa Kainz BA’15 is a Communications Consultant at the Government of Saskatchewan.

Dina Tremblay BSc Hons ’22 became a junior agronomist at South Country Equipment.


June Zimmer BA’04 joined BMO Private Wealth Canada as the Regional President.
Tell us what’s going on in your life! We want to celebrate you and your accomplishments. Send us your updates to campion.alumni@uregina.ca.
We heard you love this section, so we went back to our archives for more great memories of Campion from the past! If you have some photos or stories you would like to share, please reach out to campion.alumni@uregina.ca.
2023 Nash Lecture:
Father Robert Allore, SJ

A Jesuit priest and a geneticist? This is the intersection of science and faith that is the hallmark of Father Robert Allore, SJ. His work in genetics has taken him to Mount Sinai Hospital, the Montreal General Hospital and more. Currently, he is the pastor at St. Mark’s in Vancouver, chaplain at the University of British Columbia, and an Adjunct Professor.

2023 Alumni of Distinction Awards Banquet

Please join us in a celebration of our alumni who have truly gone forth and set the world on fire.

Do you know an alumnus who should be considered as a 2023 Alumnus of Distinction? The awards were created to promote the tradition of excellence of Campion College, and to honour alumni and former students who have not only distinguished themselves in their profession and in their community, but also demonstrate the core values of their Jesuit education in their professional and personal lives.

Graduates of Campion College High School and graduates or former students of Campion College at the University of Regina are eligible for nomination. Awards cannot be bestowed posthumously.

Easily nominate them on our website at campioncollege.ca/alumni/ or use the QR code: