



Trudeau Foundation Awards over \$1.1 Million to Top Researchers

Five Recipients of \$225,000 Trudeau Fellowship Prizes Specialize in the Environment, Globalization, Language Variations, Monetary Policy and Minority Citizenship

Montreal, QC, May 7, 2007 – The Pierre Elliott Trudeau Foundation today announced the five latest recipients of the \$225,000 **Trudeau Foundation Fellows Prize**, awarded for outstanding contributions to the social sciences and humanities in Canada and around the world. The 2007 recipients are based at University of Waterloo, McMaster University, University of British Columbia and two from University of Ottawa.

This year's Trudeau Fellows have accomplished remarkable achievements in their careers and reflect the diversity and importance of the social science and humanities fields. The 2007 Fellows are:

- **William D. Coleman** — Professor Coleman is the Canada Research Chair on Global Governance and Public Policy and Founding Director of the Institute on Globalization and the Human Condition at McMaster University. As both a highly accomplished researcher and instructor, Professor Coleman is the recipient of numerous grants and teaching awards, and is also the author of five books. He specializes in globalization and public policy.
- **Eric Helleiner** — Professor Helleiner is the CIGI Chair in International Governance and Director of the MA and Ph.D. programs in Global Governance at University of Waterloo. Professor Helleiner has authored or edited five books and dozens of articles and book chapters on topics relating to international political economy, and international monetary and financial issues. His most recent book, *Towards a North American Monetary Union*, received the 2007 Donner Prize, which annually rewards excellence and innovation in Canadian public policy writing.
- **Shana Poplack** — Professor Poplack is the Canada Research Chair in Linguistics and Distinguished Professor at University of Ottawa. Dr. Poplack's research team is working out of the Sociolinguistics Laboratory she founded at the university in 1982 (and continues to direct), which contains unique data banks of varieties of speech gathered from expeditions across the country. The laboratory's collections, including Canadian French and English, African American and Canadian vernaculars, emphasize language as it is employed in everyday situations. In 2007, Professor Poplack was awarded the prestigious Killam Prize in recognition of her distinguished career and exceptional research contributions.
- **William E. Rees** — Professor Rees is a Distinguished Professor in the School of Community and Regional Planning (SCARP) at University of British Columbia.

Professor Rees who coined the term “ecological footprint” in 1990 to describe the productive area of ecosystems needed to support any specified population specializes in environmental issues. Recently, Professor Rees co-founded the “One Earth Initiative,” which, among other things, has the goal of helping Canadians scale back their collective eco-footprint by 80 percent, which he claims is needed for our society to become truly sustainable.

- **Joseph Yvon Thériault** — Professor Thériault is the founding Director of the Centre for Interdisciplinary Research on Citizenship and Minorities (CIRCEM) at University of Ottawa where he holds as well the Chair in Identity and Francophonie. Professor Thériault’s research focuses on the relationship between collective identities and citizenship, and he has established a strong reputation as a compelling thinker on national identity in a minority context.

“The 2007 Fellows reflect the Trudeau Foundation’s commitment to making Canada a leader in fostering bold new research and ideas in the social sciences and humanities,” said P.G. Forest, President of the Pierre Elliott Trudeau Foundation. “Trudeau Foundation Fellows are advancing knowledge of crucial societal issues across borders and disciplines.”

Trudeau Fellow Prizes cannot be solicited, so recipients are unaware that they are even being considered for the Prize. The Foundation seeks nominations on a continuing basis from national and international leaders in academia, government, business, the voluntary sector and the arts, and awards up to five Fellows Prizes each year. Included in the \$225,000 prize paid over three years, Trudeau Fellows receive a \$25,000 annual allowance for travel and research expenses.

(Additional biographical information and/or background on the Trudeau Fellows Prize selection criteria and process are available upon request.)

About the Trudeau Foundation

The Pierre Elliott Trudeau Foundation funds outstanding scholars who conduct research in crucial societal issues, and creates opportunities for dialogue and multidisciplinary collaboration across organizations and disciplines under four key themes: Human Rights and Social Justice, Responsible Citizenship, Canada and the World, and Humans in their Natural Environment. Since being established in 2002, the Foundation has granted over 100 major awards to top researchers and highly accomplished individuals, in Canada and abroad. For more information visit www.trudeaufoundation.ca.

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