

# Research Window

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Fall 2011

## Calls For Proposals

Carbon Management Canada -  
Deadline: Feb 15  
SSHRC Partnership  
Development Grant - Deadline  
November 30  
SSHRC Insight Development  
Grant - Deadline February 1

## Research Ethics Board

Welcome to Sandra Smith and  
Kathy Keiver as the new REB  
Chair and Vice-Chair

Upcoming Meetings:  
December 15

Deadline: Dec 7, noon

Departments now have the  
new Research Ethics CD which  
contains all new forms and  
additional documents.

The draft policy 54 on research  
ethics is ready for approval.

## News

Nominations for the new  
Research Excellence Awards  
are due on November 30.

The RAC is working on an  
initiative to create more  
opportunities for student  
research.

UFV is beginning the search  
for 2 new Tier 2 Canada  
Research Chairs.

## Food Security & the Environment

The University of the Fraser Valley has a new federally funded researcher on campus.

Dr. Lenore Newman was recently appointed Canada Research Chair in Food Security and Environment and joins the Geography department at UFV. Newman will fill the second Canada Research Chair position at UFV. The first is held by professor Hugh Brody, a cultural anthropologist and filmmaker.

As part of her appointment, Newman will be investigating Canada's foodways, or how food defines Canadians and their culture. She will also be looking at environmental and social threats to food sustainability. The location of UFV in rural zone at the edge of a growing metropolis provides a perfect living laboratory for her research.

She says that there are three main threats to Canadian food sustainability: climate change, urban land pressures, and the disappearance of wild environments.

As for what defines a Canadian cuisine, she says that it is based on wild foods and an enthusiastic integration of immigrant culture and foods.

Newman will be crossing the country finding "foods of locality", talking to food producers and chefs, and recording her research through film and still photography, along with other methods. She will also be looking at the Fraser Valley and its connection to food production and the competing demands of agriculture, urbanization, and the wilderness needed to sustain wild foods such as B.C. salmon. Read more at [www.ufv.ca/research](http://www.ufv.ca/research)



## Events

### MicroLecture Series

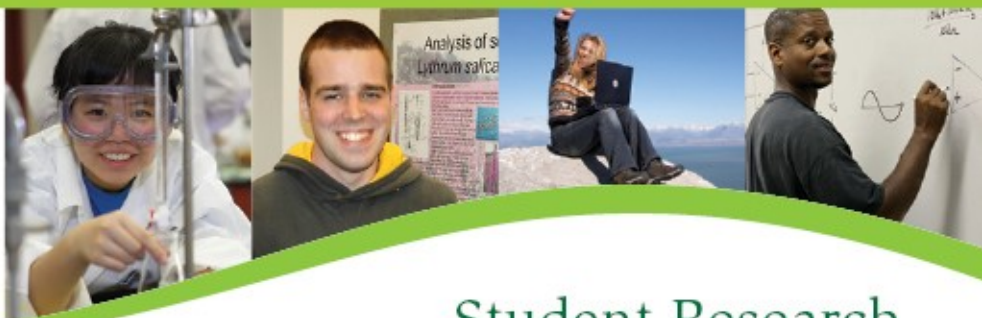
Want to find out what your colleagues are up to in their research? Make sure you drop by the MicroLecture event on the Abbotsford campus Road Runner Lounge on Wednesday November 23 at 11:30 am!

### Lecture Series

Davida Kidd will be presenting in the next University Lecture Series, to take place on February 1 at 4:00 pm in B121 on the Abbotsford campus. Davida's latest body of work features an array of images that engage in biting double entendres. Drop by to hear Davida speak on "Who Needs Art When You Have a View Like This?"

### Scholarly Sharing Initiative

Monthly gatherings will be held for faculty, students and others interested in sharing, discussing, presenting and receiving feedback on their scholarly work. The next session is on January 25, from 1:15 - 2:15 in F125. **More info:** [www.ufv.ca/Research](http://www.ufv.ca/Research)



## Student Research & Scholarship

### Youth Political Participation in the Fraser Valley: The Young and the Restless

**Supervisors:** Rita Kaur Dhamoon and David MacDonald (POSC)

**Student Researchers:** Jason Kowal and Natasha Smith

**Research:** The research entails three dimensions: first, literature reviews on youth political participation in Canada, with a specific interest in types and levels of political participation among those between 18 and 24, including a focus on females and Indigenous youth; second, a survey of youth political participation to be conducted at UFV and local schools; and third, interviews with youth to further explore how they understand and engage in political life. The goals of the research are to identify not only the types and levels of youth political participation, but to examine what fosters and inhibits participation.

### Musculoskeletal Health and Arthritis Research Opportunity

The Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) Institute of Musculoskeletal Health and Arthritis and Institute of Aging have announced an opportunity for undergraduate students to apply for funding to conduct research in the area of mobility, musculoskeletal health and arthritis.

The purpose of this funding opportunity is to provide undergraduate and health professional students with opportunities to undertake research projects with established health researchers in an environment that provides strong mentorship. In addition, the intent of the initiative is to develop human resources and expertise to facilitate the translational research objectives of CIHR (including clinical research).

More information is available at:  
<http://www.researchnet-recherchenet.ca/rnr16/vwOpprtntyDtIs.do?prog=1423&&view=currentOpps&org=CIHR&type=AND&resultCount=25&sort=program&all=1&masterList=true>

Deadline to apply - January 16, 2012

### The Problem with Inclusion Politics: Sikhs in Multicultural Canada

**Supervisor:** Rita Kaur Dhamoon

**Student Research Assistant:** Sheetal Deo

**Research:** The research involves collecting, collating, and thematically analyzing data on recent public policy issues related to Sikh communities in Canada. This includes analysis of the federal government statement of apology to Sikhs for the Komagata Maru incident of 1914; the Surrey Vaisakhi parades; the deportation of a disabled Sikh refugee, Laibar Singh; violence in, from, and against Sikh communities; and legal cases on whether to ban or allow the kirpan in public spaces. The research involves textual and discourse analysis of two types of sources of data: federal and provincial government documents, policy statements, and announcements; and community and mainstream media. The student researcher is conducting research for a book project by the Faculty supervisor.

### RESOURCES AND INFORMATION

The Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council Canada Graduate Scholarships are due on December 9 at the UFV Research Office. Please speak with Brad Whittaker if you are planning to apply. More information on the scholarship can be found at [http://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/programs-programmes/fellowships/cgs\\_foreign\\_study-besc\\_etudes\\_etranger-eng.aspx](http://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/programs-programmes/fellowships/cgs_foreign_study-besc_etudes_etranger-eng.aspx)

The Research Office is hosting an event for faculty to talk to students about their research and describe student opportunities for participation in research. This event would enhance the exposure of research to students and encourage their participation in research while attending UFV. The event will be on Thursday November 24 at 11:30 am in B121.