

Canadian literature abroad through readings, lecture tours, residencies, book launches, literary festivals and international book fairs.

Under a program administered by the Canada Council for the Department, leading foreign artists in all of the arts disciplines and representing 18 countries came to Canada to give workshops and master classes in Canadian institutions.

The arts promotion program also delegated funds to the Canadian cultural centres in London, Paris and Rome and to posts in New York, Washington, Bonn, Brussels and Tokyo, each of which initiated their own local cultural projects independently.

## **Canadian studies abroad**

The Department's Academic Relations Program supported Canadian Studies by academics at more than 800 universities in 23 countries through grant programs for individual scholars, Canadian Studies Centres, program development grant assistance and the Library Support Program.

During the year under review, the number of Canadian Studies associations outside Canada grew with the addition of the Indian Association for Canadian Studies. Total membership of the 13 current associations is over 3 000, reflecting a continuing growth of interest abroad in university-level teaching, research and publication about Canada. The Executive Council meeting of the International Council for Canadian Studies was held in conjunction with the annual conference of the French Association

for Canadian Studies at the University of Bordeaux in May 1986.

In keeping with foreign policy priorities, emphasis continued on academic relations activities in countries of the Pacific Rim. The third annual \$50 000 Canada-Japan Research Award was granted to the Faculty of Law at Kobe University for a research project involving the study of legal problems encountered by Japanese firms when doing business in Canada. Publications about Canada in the Japanese language will result from this research. An academic exchange program with the People's Republic of China provides for 12 Chinese students to study in Canada, and for an equal number of Canadians to live and study in China.

## **Government of Canada Awards**

Government of Canada Awards (scholarships) were made available to foreign nationals of 21 countries at the graduate and post-graduate levels during the year. Similar awards are offered to Canadians by other countries in this reciprocal program.

## **Historical affairs**

Several volumes of *Documents on Canadian External Relations* were in preparation during the year, as was the two-volume history of the Department, covering the period from its origin in 1909 up to 1968. Assistance was given to researchers working on the history of Canadian external relations. Departmental historians continued to make the results of their research available through the presentation of papers to academic audiences.