

# DIRECTIONS

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## Welcome to Winter/Summer students

It is my pleasure to welcome you to the Winter/Summer Session and to Winters College, on behalf of the staff, the Fellows of the College, the shadowy figures of the alumni, and of course the present students who will be your peers and colleagues.

In the blur of new faces and paper and the bewilderment of location which marks the introduction to any new institution, there are three words which might serve as useful direction signals in the initial babble of your first few weeks; they only take on real significance when tested on experience, but nevertheless they are worth a brief comment: advantages; time; friends.

### ADVANTAGES

Try to remember that a University is an institution where you can get something that you cannot find anywhere else. The Scott library contains more books than you will normally find outside a major world metropolis, and it is open for longer hours than you may be used to in your hometown. It is easy to forget this, or to take it for granted.

It is also a sobering reflection that most of us as undergraduates did not realize how surrounded we were by distinguished and eminent men until we read their obituaries long after we had left our colleges. Try to get at least a glimpse of this wealth, there's a great deal of it at York and in this College.

### TIME

This is another of your advantages. To some of you it is necessary to say quite bluntly: **DO NOT WASTE IT.** Many of you, I know, have carved out for yourselves the opportunity to be here, by hard slog and contrivance. You are moving along the path to a degree, leading to . . . where? A job? Riches? Happiness? Another degree? You are certain that you will not waste your time.

Don't go blinkered along pre-set courses; leave yourselves room to explore the uncharted, to dream in industrious idleness; and try to grasp the paradox that the subjects which seem useless contain the most precious stuff of living, and those that seem useful, like all tools, wear out or become obsolete. I believe that life is nine-tenths accident, and that a University education opens the brightest of intelligences to the right opportunity, in the right place, at the right time. Careers, even jobs, for the best of you here, have not yet been imagined.

### FRIENDS

Surveying the portraits in an Art gallery, the Irish poet Yeats once said: "Think where man's glory most begins and ends/And say my glory was I had such friends." The friendships which you make here, in your classes, travelling to and fro, within Winters College; among people from different parts of the province, of the country, of the world; such friends will, I hope, last you a lifetime. With mere acquaintances, we all rely on the gesture of hand and eye, the easy short cuts of "ya know what I mean"; but with friends we really try to make ourselves clear, articulate, understood, to realize, or to make ourselves real.

Your life at University can be one of the most real worlds you will ever know: don't let anyone persuade you otherwise before you have tested all your illusions. As to Winters College, you will never know what a College is until you have realized it for yourself, until you have experienced what it has to offer you. There is a great deal of intellectual stimulation here and a wealth of challenging opportunity. Make your own contribution. I shall look forward to meeting you at the College Induction.

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| YORK UNIVERSITY                   |                 | COLLEGE EVENTS                                                                                                                                                                                        |  |
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| February College Events continued |                 | 1986                                                                                                                                                                                                  |  |
| 13                                | 12:00 noon      | McLaughlin College Student Music Concert, McLaughlin Senior Common Room.                                                                                                                              |  |
|                                   | 3-4:00 p.m.     | Calumet College Guitars, Vocals, Comedy by Brian Renev, Calumet Common Room.                                                                                                                          |  |
|                                   | 8:00 p.m.       | Atkinson College Canadian Women Writers at Glendon (4th event): Gwendolyn MacEwen, Glendon Senior Common Room.                                                                                        |  |
|                                   | 9:00 p.m.       | Norman Bethune College St. Valentine's Dance, Norman Bethune Dining Hall. (All are welcome).                                                                                                          |  |
| 19                                |                 | Winters College Nineteenth Annual Conference of the Canadian Association of Irish Studies: "Irish Drama: Legacies and Prospects" (to Feb. 22)                                                         |  |
| 20                                | 7:30 p.m.       | Atkinson College Film: "When the Mountains Tremble," Glendon Senior Common Room.                                                                                                                      |  |
| 24                                |                 | Founders College Exhibition: "A Night in the Disappearing House", graphics and sculpture by Cathy Steadman, Founders Art Gallery (to March 2).                                                        |  |
| 25                                | 12:00-1:00 p.m. | McLaughlin College Luncheon Series: "The Music of Man", video series, McLaughlin Senior Common Room.                                                                                                  |  |
|                                   | 5:00 p.m.       | Winters College Poetry Series, Winters Senior Common Room.                                                                                                                                            |  |
|                                   | 9:00 p.m.       | Norman Bethune College Jazz Concert: The Tom Forsythe Quartet, Norman's Pub.                                                                                                                          |  |
| 26                                | 12:00 noon      | Founders College Brown Bag Lecture: "The Book of Eve: Twelve Years Later," C. Beresford-Howe, Professor of English, Ryerson Polytechnical Institute, Founders Senior Common Room.                     |  |
|                                   | 3:00 p.m.       | Founders College and CERLAC Lecture: "Latin American and Caribbean Studies at York: The CERLAC Graduation Diploma", Peter Lanstreet, 207 Stong College.                                               |  |
| 27                                | 12:00 noon      | McLaughlin College Student Music Series, McLaughlin Senior Common Room.                                                                                                                               |  |
|                                   |                 | Founders College and CERLAC Conference: "The Peasantry and Rural Transformation in Latin America: The Question of Race and Ethnic Class Relations" (for more information call 667-3103) (to March 1). |  |
|                                   | 1:00 p.m.       | Stong College Poetry Series: Barry Dempster, poet, novelist, short story writer and editor, Sylvester's.                                                                                              |  |
|                                   | 7:30 p.m.       | Calumet College Film on Nicaragua: "Eye of the Mask" by Judith Doyle, Calumet Common Room.                                                                                                            |  |

FEBRUARY, 1986

## Winter/Summer SESSIONAL DATES

**Fri. Feb. 14**  
Last day for students registered in the Winter/Summer Session 1986 to enrol in a full course without the approval of the Course Director

Last day for Course Director to announce to classes the ratio of the weighting of the components of final grades, etc.

**Fri. Feb. 21**  
Last day for students registered in the Winter/Summer Session 1986 to enrol in a 1st Term half course with the approval of the Course Director

**Fri. Feb. 28**  
Absolute deadline for petitioning to register, 1st Term half courses or full courses only

**Fri. March 14**  
Last day for students registered in the Winter/Summer Session 1986 to enrol in a full course with the approval of the Course Director

Last day to withdraw from a 1st Term half course without receiving a final grade

## SUMMER STUDY IN ENGLAND

Information meeting  
Professor David Mervin  
**University of WARWICK**

Monday, February 24  
11:00 a.m.  
Room 124 Central Square

## INDUCTION RECEPTION

To Welcome  
Winter/Summer Students

Wednesday,  
February 26, 1986  
4:00 p.m.

Winters  
Senior Common Room  
Welcoming Remarks:  
President Harry Arthurs  
Master Maurice Elliott

Winters College

## STUDY & SURVIVAL SKILLS SESSIONS

Thursday, February 20, 1986  
4:00 - 5:30 p.m.

"DEADLINE?...WHAT DEADLINE?"  
Professor Nicholas Elson, Academic Advisor, Winters College

ESSAYS, EXAMS, AND TUTORIALS  
James Colby,  
Fellow, Winters College

LOCATION:

Thursday, February 27, 1986  
4:00 - 5:30 p.m.

STUDY SKILLS  
James Fitchette  
Counselling & Development Centre

UNIVERSITY STRESS

All sessions will be held in the *The Bookroom*, Room 122 Winters College. Light refreshments will be served. For further information call the Office of the Academic Advisor, 667-3948.