

Studies in Canadian literature

By JOYCE OUELLETTE

Studies in Canadian Literature (SCL) is a bi-annual journal which publishes research, criticisms, interviews, notes and comments of Canadian literature. SCL is produced by faculty members from the English Department and a few consultants in the field of Canadian literature.

The journal receives from fif-

ty to seventy five submissions of original scholarships in the field of Canadian literature. The contributors include Canadians and foreign scholars interested in the "explosion" of research about this subject. "Canadian literature has parallels with Commonwealth literature and therefore interests most of the researchers involved in these countries," explains Dr. Wendy Keltner, managing editor of

SCL. The parallels include similar themes of identity as a nation, and freedom from Britain is present in the literature of these countries.

SCL has helped the university gain further recognition as an international center for Canadian literature. It has also attracted graduate students to continue research of Canadian literature.

The project is funded by

grants from the university, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada and the provincial government. However, Dr. Keltner admits that support for research in the arts is very hard to find and the present budget barely covers the operating costs. "It has been an uphill struggle from the beginning but we are lucky that SCL has survived this long. Many journals of this kind are short

lived," explained the managing editor.

The faculty members involved enjoy putting the journal together in their spare time, and consider it "their own baby."

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Overcrowding in History

By CHERYL NORRAD

An unanticipated increase in the number of students enrolled in the Faculty of History has created problems within the Department.

Due to this unforeseen increase, there are not enough professors or staff to enable the Department to provide the additional courses to take up the general overflow.

Chairman of the History Department, Steven Patterson, is happy with the increase but does admit it has created problems. Patterson noted there have been unforeseen increases in the number of students specifically in the introductory courses and in the honours program.

The Department anticipated 65 students in history 1000 and ended up admitting 100. This represents a 30 to 40% increase to what was previously expected.

The Director of the Honours Program, Professor Gilbert Allardyce stated enrollment in that program increased by 1/3 this year. The courses offered to the honours students were based on last year's enrollment. The Department prefers to keep the classes small in order to be suitable for discussion. To ensure this, with the large number of students, more courses were added.

Professor Patterson cited three reasons why there is a shortage of professors within the

faculty to teach the extra courses: 1) Several of the professors within the Department are on sabbatical and there are no funds to replace them. 2) Two of its members have taken up administrative posts and only teach part time. Again there are no funds for replacement. 3) The History Department helps in the teaching of Arts 1000 because there is not enough

money to supply the needs of more professors to teach that course.

it did not interfere but did express dissatisfaction with classroom changes. It seems that

There is not enough money

to supply the needs ...

Students who were asked by the Brunswickan if the problem was affecting their classwork felt

in an effort to accommodate the large number of students in the classes, some classroom locations

have been changed several times. In an interview with a fourth year student taking History 4075, it was stated the class was moved three times. This, she felt was very inconvenient.

Despite the increased enrollment, the Department seems optimistic that the problem can be handled confidently without students having to suffer.

NBSAW holding forum

By TRACIE CHEEVERS

"Soup in Every Kitchen - Hope for the Future" is the title of the forum being held next week by the New Brunswick Association of Social Workers (NBSAW).

*Soup in the kitchen -
Hope for the future*

The forum will involve a panel of members of the NBSAW, and a representative from each of the political parties and is aimed at discussing issues such as poverty, family violence and the mentally and physically disabled. Those in attendance will be: Neville Cheeseman (Moderator), Shirley Dysart (Representing the Liberal party), Les Hull

(Representing the PC party) and Shauna MacKenzie (Representing the NDP party).

The two-hour forum will begin by each of the panel members addressing and questioning each party member about items of concern. The party members will then be open to hear the views and questions from the public.

The forum will be held at the Edmund Casey Hall on Wednesday, Sept. 30 at 7:30 p.m. All are invited to attend.

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