

## 2012-2013 CANADIAN-AMERICAN CENTER GRADUATE AWARDS

**Eleven graduate students received academic year funding** to pursue their M.A. or Ph.D. in Canadian Studies at UMaine. These awards, including academic-year FLAS funding, subtotal \$160,500, plus \$27,000 in tuition waivers for a total of **\$187,500** in support for graduate students.

Eight students are pursuing a Ph.D. and one an M.A. in History, all with a concentration in Canadian studies; one, an Independent Ph.D. in Canadian Literature, another an M.A. in North American French.

## AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER 2012 ACCOMPLISHMENTS BY FUNDED GRADUATE STUDENTS

- **Sarah Domareki** was a guest lecturer in ENG 236 Canadian Literature. She talked about Canadian confederation and its cultural impact on the young nation.
- **Edward Martin**, a history doctoral student, was a featured presenter at The War of 1812: An International Conference, September 26-28, 2012, Saint John, New Brunswick. His presentation was titled "Outside the Acceptable means of Deception: Privateers, Fraud, and the War of 1812".
- **Erica Quin-Easter** was an invited participant in the CONNECT Seminar program in Ottawa, this past July. CONNECT selects serious Canadian Studies graduate students and new faculty for content briefings and peer networking.
- **Rebecca White** presented a paper at the Rural Women's Studies Association annual conference, July 26-28, 2012, and was elected that organization's Graduate Student Coordinator.



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## ACTIVITIES/ INITIATIVES DEMONSTRATING COMMITMENT TO INTERNATIONALIZATION

- Dr. Neil S. Forkey, Professor of History and Canadian Studies, St. Lawrence (NY) University, lectured on campus to History and Canadian Studies faculty (5), undergraduate and graduate students (20), Friday, September 28, 2012. His talk was titled "Greening Canada's Past: Some Thoughts on Canadian Environmental History."
- C.K. Kwai has been appointed Director of the University of Maine Office of International Programs. Kwai was recently the exchange program director for the University of North Carolina System and has experience in all areas of international education, including study abroad, international student and scholar services, international recruitment, admissions and retention, and cross-cultural curriculum development. His experience and expertise will greatly enhance efforts toward comprehensive internationalization at UMaine.

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## K-16 TEACHER TRAINING ACTIVITIES AND OUTCOMES

- Canadian-American Center Associate Director and Professor of French and Second Language Learning, **Raymond Pelletier**, is Program Evaluator and Curriculum Advisor of the Maine French Language Heritage Program. This new program coordinated at UMaine Augusta is part of the nationally-recognized *French Heritage Language Program*, already in place in New York and Miami.  
[www.uma.edu/mfhlp.html](http://www.uma.edu/mfhlp.html)

Dr. Pelletier provided three teacher-training programs for 20 teachers of French for this program in June and July 2012. The teachers were trained in General Methods of second language acquisition methods and teaching pedagogies, ACTFL Guidelines, and Use of Technology in Second Language Acquisition.

- Also in June, **Dr. Raymond Pelletier** conducted teacher training in second language acquisition methodologies for 18 teachers at the Bangor School of Chinese Language and Culture. Dr. Pelletier is an Executive Committee member of the Bangor School.
- **Dr. Raymond Pelletier** provided training for teachers of French and the general public at "Le Français au bord de la mer," a weekend French immersion program, September 14-16, 2012. Forty-two participants including 12 high school teachers pledged to speak French only, cooked, and performed a published Greg Chabot play with the author, as part of the Penobscot School of Languages, Rockland, ME.

## CANADIAN STUDIES ALUMNI STORIES

- Killam Fellow and French major **Kristin Kirouac** who graduated May 2012, has accepted an internship with the Canadian Government at the Canadian Consulate, Boston.
- **Meaghan Fisher** who graduated 2010 with an M.A. in North American French accepted an internship last year with the Quebec Government Quebec Delegation office in Chicago. She is now international coordinator of educational trips to Paris for the Seagull Institute, Chicago.

- **Robert Gee**, Ph.D. candidate in Canadian Studies History, received a Fulbright Fellowship and spent AY 2011-2012 at Dalhousie University, Halifax, Nova Scotia. He was researching the marine resource areas of the northwest Atlantic for a dissertation on "Tangled Trawls: International Natural Resource Management in the Northwest Atlantic Fishery."