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TESTING OUR METTLE

The great Jamaican poet Claude McKay noted that “Nations, like plants and human beings, grow. And if the development is thwarted they are dwarfed and overshadowed”. Universities are much like nations in that regard – they must constantly redefine and reposition themselves if they are not only to grow but thrive even in difficult circumstances.

Over the past year, the Mona Campus has had to make significant and strategic shifts both in its thinking and its operations. The focus has been on improving human resource efficiencies - in both academic and administrative areas in continuation of the effort to make the Campus more self reliant while more responsive to the needs of the wider society.

Several initiatives are currently underway to improve conditions for our students. Mona is expanding its fee paying programmes including Medicine and Law. A new facility to accommodate the expansion in Law opens in January 2010. Construction continues on the building to house the Department of Basic Medical Sciences which should be ready for occupancy in 2011. Both efforts are central to the campus' ability to be self sustaining in the long run.

Additionally, the campus is about to commence the construction of new student housing. Currently, Mona is only able to house 2,300 students out of a population of 15,000. We have had to turn away international students due to lack of housing and Mona is able to



AERIAL VIEW OF THE NEW FACULTY OF LAW BUILDING
CREDIT: PETER JERVIS & ASSOCIATES

offer accommodation to less than 25% of the students who apply each year.

Another initiative is to admit our students early and to introduce per credit billing which will allow them to take the number of courses they are able to afford. Further, Mona will be constructing a facility devoted to the creation of jobs for students to support their capacity to earn as they study and provide necessary working experience.


Other programmes continue to reduce major items of cost such as energy, insurance, security, and maintenance. We are also expanding our efforts to procure research grants as well as to work with our alumni.

While we address these issues, the Campus has been tested in other ways. Mona lost another two distinguished members of staff: Professor Barry Chevannes, who only last February chaired the committee planning the memorial service for outstanding Caribbean cultural icon Professor Rex Nettleford, died on Friday, November 5, after a short illness. John Maxwell, on whom the honorary degree of Doctor of Letters was conferred in 2009, lost his battle with cancer on Friday December 10, 2010. We pay tribute to them both in this issue, remembering always their commitment

to excellence and unwavering championship of the cause of others less fortunate in the society.

Even as we mourn their loss, however, there is also much of which to be proud. Two of our graduates, Drs. David Walcott and Luke Foster were named Rhodes Scholars for Jamaica and the Caribbean respectively, thereby continuing Mona's long tradition of excellence. At another level, our debaters continue to excel. Social Sciences student Krystal Tomlinson emerged the winner of the Public Speaking Competition at the World Universities Debating Championships held from December 27, 2010 to January 4, 2011 in Botswana. Public Speaking is an individual competition at "Worlds" and is generally a gruelling exercise consisting of several rounds with competitors from approximately 200 premier higher educational institutions across the world. After three days of intense encounter, Krystal, along with team mate Ricardo Brooks, advanced to the final, securing two of the nine coveted spots – the only pair from the region to achieve this to date! She then defeated competitors from renowned institutions such as Harvard, Cambridge, Cornell and Oxford to emerge champion. We congratulate her and take immense pride in her achievement.

At the same time, several staff members, including Professors Everard Barton, Terrence Forrester, Wayne McLaughlin and Miss Camille Daley were recognised nationally for extraordinary service to the community.

For these reasons, although the past few months have tested our mettle, I am convinced that this has merely tempered us like fine steel, and remain confident that Mona will emerge stronger and better equipped to face the challenges that lie ahead. 



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UWI Press Celebrates Eighteenth Anniversary

The University of the West Indies Press hosted its Eighteenth Anniversary and Author Awards Ceremony to highlight its achievements and to acknowledge the key drivers of its successes, its authors. The event was held during the UWI, St Augustine, Fiftieth Anniversary Celebration. Despite the recent economic challenges, the Press has had significant sales growth in the Eastern Caribbean and won several national, regional and international book awards. Awards in eighteen categories were given. The **Chancellor's Personal Award** went to *The Dictionary of Caribbean English Usage* edited by Richard Allsopp. The **Vice Chancellor's Personal Award** was given to *Higher Education in the Caribbean: Past Present and Future Directions* edited by Glenford Howe. The **Bestselling Scholarly Monograph** was *Eric Williams: The Myth and the Man* by Selwyn Ryan while the **Best Selling Textbook** was *Competitiveness*


in Small Developing Countries: Insights from the Caribbean by Alvin Wint.

Caribbean Wars Untold: A Salute to the British West Indies by Humphrey Metzgen and John Graham won the award for **Bestselling General Interest Book**, the **Bestselling Reference Book** was *Jamaica Food: History, Biology, Culture* by B.W. Higman and the **Bestselling Environmental Studies Book** award was given to *Global Change and Caribbean Vulnerability Environment, Economy and Society at Risk* by Duncan McGregor, David Dodman and David Barker. Learie B. Luke received an award for the **Bestselling Revised Dissertation** for his publication *Identity and Secession in the Caribbean: Tobago versus Trinidad, 1889-1980*. The **Inaugural Fiction Award** went to *Cascade: A Novel* by Barbara Lalla. Two awards were made in the category **Outstanding Publishing Proposal**. The

Natural Hazards Atlas of Jamaica by Parris Lyew-Ayee and Rafi Ahmad won in the area of Environmental Studies, while *Jamaican Public Health, 1850-1962* by Margaret Jones received the award in the area of **Medical Studies**.

The Ministry of Education, Trinidad and Tobago, was commended for its **Outstanding Commitment to Scholarly Publishing/Organization** and the award for **Outstanding Academic Promotion of Scholarly Publishing** went to Dr. John Campbell.

Mr. Robert Harris received the award for **Outstanding Designer**.

Four Long-Service Awards were presented to UWI Press Staff. The recipients were Nadine Buckland, Shivaun Hearne, Donna Muirhead, Karen Smith and Linda Speth. 



The Members of the board of directors of the University of the West Indies Press attending the UWI Press 18th Anniversary Author Awards Ceremony in Trinidad. L-R; Professor Sir Hilary Beckles, Chair; Mrs. Luz Longworth, Director, Open Campus Country Site; Mr. Errol Simms, St. Augustine Representative; Mrs. Beverly Smith-Hinkson, Private Sector, Barbados; Mr. Archibald Campbell, Director of Finance and University Bursar, and Professor Andrew Downes, Cave Hill Representative. (Missing from picture are Mrs. Valerie Facey, Private Sector, Jamaica, and Dr. Bhoendradatt Tewarie, PVC, Planning & Development, St. Augustine).



Award for Outstanding Publishing Proposal/ Environmental Studies for the Natural Hazards Atlas of Jamaica being presented to (L-R) Parris Lyew Ayee, Director of the University of the West Indies, Mona GeoInformatics Institute by Shivaun Hearne, Managing Editor of the UWI Press. (Missing from picture is the co-winner Rafi Ahmad).

Emmy Award winner, US Entertainment Industry mogul, Suzanne de Passe; former President of Verizon, Patrick Gaston, and NY9 News co-anchor, Brenda Blackmon, are among honourees celebrated at the 14th annual Legacy Awards Gala of the American Foundation for The University of the West Indies (AFUWI), at the Pierre Hotel, New York on Wednesday, January 26, 2011.

The gala, held annually in New York, raises funds to support scholarship programmes at The UWI and is its premier fund raising event in the U.S.A.

Ms. De Passe, co-chair of de Passe Jones Entertainment, formerly of Motown, is credited with discovering Michael Jackson and the Jackson Five, Lionel Ritchie & The Commodores and numerous other multi-million dollar selling artistes. She is the first female to receive the AFUWI Bob Marley Award, made annually in recognition of individuals whose contribution to the advancement of arts and culture transcends boundaries of race, colour, creed and geographies, uniting people throughout the world in a spirit that embodies the essence of the music and lyrics of the Hon. Robert Nesta Marley, O.M.

Patrick Gaston, now serving as a senior advisor to the Clinton Bush Haiti Fund, received the AFUWI Special Award in recognition of his outstanding professional accomplishments, as well as his years of dedicated service and commitment to the mission of the AFUWI.

Brenda Blackmon, four-time Emmy Award winner and celebrated broadcaster, recognized in 2010 as "one of the century's most influential", was one of three recipients of the Vice Chancellor's Achievement Award.

Also honoured in this category were acclaimed Jamaican-born artist and author, Michael Escoffrey who has exhibited in over 160 solo exhibitions and over 200 group shows worldwide and has had his work published in over 70 books in nine languages.

The third Vice Chancellor's Achievement Awardee was Jeanine Liburd, Executive Vice President, Corporate Communications & Public Affairs for BET Networks who has had a distinguished career in communications including previous senior positions at Viacom, where she oversaw all media relations initiatives and corporate messages for the

company's business units, including MTV Networks, BET Networks, and Paramount Pictures.

AFUWI presented four "Caribbean Luminary Awards". Among the recipients were Barbados-born Kaye Foster-Cheek, senior vice president, Global Human Resources for Onyx Pharmaceuticals. Jamaica-born Dr. Michelle Johnson, Associates Chief of Cardiology, Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center, New York and mentor to scores of Caribbean medical students and Trinidadian the late Carlos Lezama "Mr. Carnival", who presided over the West Indian American Day Carnival Association for 34 years and whose shared vision of carnival is now immortalized in the annual Brooklyn Labour Day Carnival.

Jamaica-born Ambassador Carlton Masters, President & CEO of Goodworks International LLC was the fourth "Caribbean Luminary" honoured by AFUWI. At Goodworks he negotiates and coordinates all client engagements and provides strategic counsel to governments throughout Africa and the Caribbean. He also plays a lead role in partnering Fortune 500 companies with Caribbean and African nations. **M**



DR. MICHELLE JOHNSON, CHIEF OF CARDIOLOGY AT MEMORIAL SLOAN KETTERING CANCER CENTER, NEW YORK, AFUWI 2011 CARIBBEAN LUMINARY AWARDEE, WITH HER AWARD.

FORMER MAYOR OF NEW YORK, DAVID DINKINS (LEFT) GREETES ARCHIBALD CAMPBELL, UNIVERSITY OF THE WEST INDIES BURSAR/CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER AT THE AMERICAN FOUNDATION FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF THE WEST INDIES (AFUWI) 14TH ANNUAL LEGACY AWARDS GALA AT NEW YORK'S THE PIERRE HOTEL, ON JANUARY 26, 2011.



AMERICAN FOUNDATION FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF THE WEST INDIES (AFUWI) 2011 BOB MARLEY AWARDEE, SUZANNE DEPASSE (CENTRE) AND VICE CHANCELLOR'S AWARD RECIPIENT, US BROADCASTER, BRENDA BLACKMON (RIGHT) WITH JANET ROLLE, CHAIR OF THE AFUWI 2011 GALA COMMITTEE, FOLLOWING THE EVENT AT THE PIERRE HOTEL, NEW YORK ON JANUARY 26, 2011.



(L-R) KARL RODNEY, CEO/PUBLISHER, CARIB NEWS, USA; MICHAEL FLANIGAN, CHAIR, AMERICAN FOUNDATION FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF THE WEST INDIES (AFUWI); AFUWI 2011 SPECIAL AWARDEE, PATRICK GASTON, FORMER PRESIDENT, VERIZON FOUNDATION AND PRO VICE CHANCELLOR, UWI ST. AUGUSTINE, PROF. BHOENDRADATT TEWARIE, AT THE 14TH ANNUAL AFUWI LEGACY AWARDS GALA, JANUARY 26, 2011, AT THE PIERRE HOTEL, NEW YORK.



OPEN CAMPUS APPOINTS NEW HEAD FOR ST KITTS & NEVIS



MRS. SUSAN SARAH OWEN

The Open Campus of the University of the West Indies (UWI) has appointed Mrs. Susan Sarah Owen as the new Head of the St. Kitts & Nevis UWI Open Campus site effective Monday November 1, 2010.


Commenting on the appointment, Mrs. Luz Longworth, Director of the Open Campus Country Sites (OCCS), said, "Although she is no stranger to UWI having worked at the Cave Hill Campus, we are delighted to welcome Susan (or Sarah as

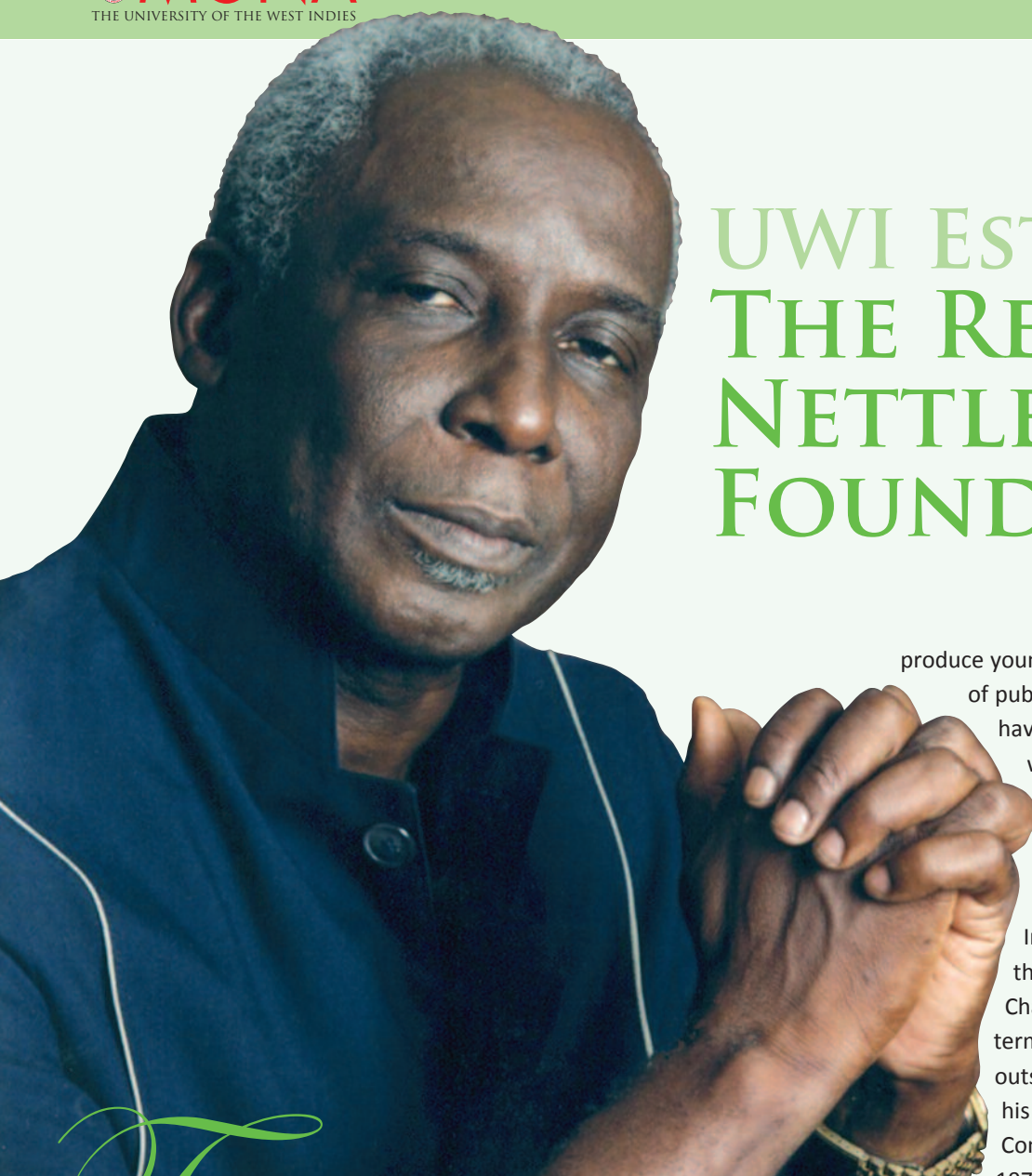
she is more commonly known), to our team across the region. She will focus on expanding and promoting the work and services of the UWI and the Open Campus in St. Kitts & Nevis. Her energy as well as her knowledge and experience in the higher education sector, particularly in the area of cultural studies will be a great asset."

Mrs. Owen was formerly an Instructor in the Faculty of Humanities at the Cave Hill Campus in Barbados since 2007. She was responsible for structuring and delivering seminars in writing for special purposes and language argument. As a technical writing expert, she marked the English Language Proficiency Test for Barbados and the Eastern Caribbean and moderated the marking of English courses for tertiary level institutions in the Eastern Caribbean. .

She has also presented and participated in workshops for teachers in the Foundation Language Programme, as well as acted as first marker for courses offered in the Foundation Language Programme. Prior to that, Mrs. Owen also tutored an introductory course in critical literary analysis at the former School of Continuing Studies at The Pine in Barbados.

Mrs. Owen says: "It is a great honour for me to represent both my country and my University as the Head of Open Campus, St. Kitts and Nevis. I come into this position driven to achieve the vision of the UWI to "be an innovative, internationally competitive, contemporary University deeply rooted in the Caribbean" and to be guided by the principles of the Open Campus which seeks to ensure that the esteemed education, research and services offered by the UWI are available to all Caribbean citizens in all contributing territories.

I intend to determine the educational needs of the adult learners in St. Kitts and Nevis and will strive towards meeting those needs. I am unwavering in my belief that with the support of the UWI and the public and private sectors, the Open Campus, St. Kitts and Nevis can continue to develop our human resources so that our culture, our services and our industry will continue to be exemplary. As I work towards achieving our goals I am forever cognizant that, in the words of Mahatma Gandhi, "the future depends on what we do in the present". 




UWI ESTABLISHES THE REX NETTLEFORD FOUNDATION

produce young leaders who grasp the importance of public service based on integrity, who have a desire to protect the weak, and who will use their energies and talents for the betterment of humankind.

Sir Shridath Ramphal, Chancellor Emeritus of The University of the West Indies, has been named Chairman of the Foundation. Sir Shridath, who was Chancellor during Professor Nettleford's term of office as Vice-Chancellor, is an outstanding Caribbean citizen who, among his many public service roles, served as Commonwealth Secretary-General from 1975 to 1990. His advocacy during his

tenure as head of the Commonwealth Secretariat to end apartheid in South Africa is well known. Sir Shridath has also made significant contributions to Caribbean development.

Other board members include Ms. Pat Bishop, Multi-cultural Scholar, Mr. Jeffrey Cobham, Chairman, National Dance Theatre Company, Vice Chancellor, Professor E. Nigel Harris, Sir Alister McIntyre, Vice Chancellor Emeritus of UWI, The Right Honourable P.J. Patterson, former Prime Minister of Jamaica, Dr. Karl Rodney, Founder and C.E.O of Carib News, Mr. Cezley Sampson, Executor of the Nettleford estate and Pro Vice Chancellor Professor Gordon Shirley, Principal of the UWI, Mona Campus. 

The UWI has established the Rex Nettleford Foundation in memory of Professor The Hon Rex Nettleford, well-known Caribbean scholar, trade union educator, social and cultural historian and political analyst. He was also the co-founder, artistic director and principal choreographer of the internationally acclaimed National Dance Theatre Company of Jamaica and was widely regarded throughout the Caribbean and the Diaspora as a leading authority on development and cultural dynamics.

The Rex Nettleford Foundation will support scholars and programmes that promote the strengthening of West Indian society in the areas of social and cultural development through research, community service and intellectual excellence, to

UWI/Guardian Life Teaching Award



A DELIGHTED DR ALDRIE HENRY-LEE ACCEPTS HER PREMIUM TEACHING AWARD FROM GUARDIAN LIFE'S ERIC HOSING.



ERIC HOSING EXCHANGES PLEASANTRIES WITH (L-R) DR LIVINGSTON WHITE, CAMPUS REGISTRAR, DR CAMILLE BELL HUTCHINSON, DR ALDRIE HENRY LEE, GUEST SPEAKER, DR. VANESSA SHEARED, DEAN OF THE COLLEGE OF EDUCATION, CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY AND DAMION CRAWFORD.

The UWI, Mona, in collaboration with Guardian Life Limited, has named Dr Aldrie Henry-Lee as recipient of the 2010 UWI/Guardian Life Premium Teaching Award.

The award recognises, on an annual basis, an outstanding lecturer who has accomplished the standards raised by the university and seeks to develop structures and processes which create an environment where teaching excellence is valued and fostered.

Dr Henry-Lee is a senior research fellow at the Sir Arthur Lewis Institute of Social and Economic studies and an associate dean of the faculty of social sciences at UWI, Mona. A sociologist by profession, she has been involved in teaching and research in the areas of health, deviance, social protection and poverty in the Caribbean.

Dr Henry-Lee has examined poverty in Jamaica, St Lucia, Grenada and Belize, focussing on the issues of measurement of poverty and evaluation of social protection programmes. In spite of her fascination with research, Dr Henry Lee's first love is teaching and she has taught at the undergraduate and graduate levels at UWI, linking her research work with her teaching.

Other nominees were Damion Crawford, Department of Management Studies and Dr Livingston White of the Caribbean Institute of Media & Communication (CARIMAC). They were both awarded for their hard work and contribution to UWI.

These awards are alternated every other year with the Premium Open Lecture Series on learning and teaching in higher education.

Professional Grooming for the Undergraduate – One-stop career planning at PCS

A wealth of training and job opportunities is available to students at The UWI, Mona campus through the Placement and Career Services (PCS) office. The PCS is a unit of the Office of Student Services & Development and actively interacts with students and employers to seek and forge career and training links. Students are exposed to a range of innovative mechanisms tailored to prepare them for the competitive local, regional and international job market. The aim is to guide students on their career development journey from enrollment at The UWI through to graduation.



MERRIT HENRY
STUDENT SERVICES & DEVELOPMENT MANAGER

Initially, the PCS office focused primarily on job placement by building partnerships with employers. Most of the activity centered around dispatching enrolled students to part-time and summer jobs on or off campus while graduates were groomed to apply for permanent positions on campus and at some of the country's most prominent organisations. In addition to job recruitment the Office emphasised the importance of developing the appropriate attitudes and values necessary to succeed in the work world.

The office has since evolved into a modern outfit which utilizes the advantages of technology to engage students and employers. In addition to incorporating communication tools such as social networking site Facebook into its suite of outreach services, the PCS plans and executes events such as the Annual Career Exposition and World of Work Seminar to better inform enrolled and prospective students about career development opportunities. Now in its 20th year, the Expo features an outreach component, embracing students from feeder institutions across the country who flock the Fair each year to acquaint themselves with the Mona campus and interact with human resources and marketing representatives from a diverse mix of organisations. The Fair provides the PCS with an avenue to disseminate broad band information about the educational

programmes offered by the University and how these programmes fit into the career ambitions of high school and community college students planning to enroll at the institution. At the very popular two-day event, potential employers drawn from all sectors and industries mount exciting booths open to students in search of information on their chosen careers or still considering available options.

JOB SHADOWING

Students also benefit from mock interviews, development seminars and career counselling provided by staff as well as peer counselors. A recently introduced job shadowing programme gives

students firsthand experience of real-life work situations. Another recent innovation is an entrepreneurship programme which informs students on the process involved in creating their own employment by establishing businesses.

Student Services & Development Manager, Merrit Henry noted that over the past five years the PCS has relied more on automation and continually assesses the impact of its initiatives on career development for the UWI Mona student. Among the new and exciting options available is an online registration for Joblink, an internet option at which students can register for placement in current or future positions, some of which are advertised on the site. At Joblink, the PCS is able to prepare student profiles using information gathered during the registration process. Students are then required to come into the PCS, book results and participate in mock interviews. Through this process, the PCS aggressively prepares students to apply for and obtain employment. "We are helping them develop the necessary competencies. How to plan and organise a proper job search," Mrs. Henry shared.

Students can also keep abreast of developments using the online messaging service which is complemented by a dedicated line for individual career counselors and peer

counselors, another recent and novel addition which was incorporated in an attempt to make communication easier. Staff can also be reached via e-mail at careercounsellor@uwimona.edu.jm.

"We have introduced several exciting initiatives to better serve students. The PCS has grown to become a one-stop career centre which focuses on not only career development but on the growth of the whole individual," said Mrs. Henry, a 22 year career development specialist who has vast experience in guiding students make sound choices having worked as a high school guidance counselor before joining the UWI.


In addition to the annual Career Expo, the PCS hosts the Annual Graduate Programme Job Fair. The Fair, which is in its 39th year, gauges the impact of the career development and placement initiatives offered by the PCS. It also facilitates interviews between final year students from the Faculties of Humanities and Education, Pure and Applied Sciences and Social Sciences and public and private entities seeking to recruit new staff. Through the use of this innovative setting, the AGRP Job Fair eliminates some of the competition which would have inevitably materialised had the job openings been openly advertised to the general public and importantly increases employment chances for UWI final year students.

The PCS distributes packages containing brochures on Joblink, interview guidelines and a schedule of the events prior to the Job Fair. The office strategically places posters on all main notice boards across the campus and distributes packages to all Halls of Residences as well as the Commuting Students' Lounge to ensure that students are informed of opportunities. Students also have the option to view the package online, register and then visit the PCS offices to be screened for prospective interviews.

In addition, the PCS hosts orientation and career development seminars to inform students on the changing labour market and career trends. The best known of these

events is the Annual World of Work Seminars, which are specifically organised for final year students. Students hear presentations on timely issues such 'Job Hunting Strategies for the 21st Century Job Seeker' and 'Employment Opportunities and Job Survival Skills: How to cope in a Global Recession'. "We are preparing for the world of work and we bring them employers to help deliver seminars for students," Mrs. Henry explained.

The PCS has also linked with regional employers through the UWI Regional Career Development Programme which has been designed to provide students across the three campuses with a Caribbean experience during the summer. The programme helps students seek employment and training opportunities in another Caribbean country and in the process introduces the region as an alternative and lucrative job market to the United States of America, Canada and the United Kingdom. Earlier this year, four students traveled to the Eastern Caribbean to participate in training opportunities. The JOYST overseas programme continues to be attractive with over 500 students going off on the programme last year. Mrs. Henry noted that her office accepts applications for the programme and provides oversight over the process. Students are also encouraged through the office to take advantage of the JAMVAT programme which allows students to work for a specific number of hours from which they earn towards offsetting tuition fees.

In order to monitor the impact of its wide ranging activities and services, the PCS asks graduates to participate in a survey administered at the AGRP Job Fair which helps the PCS conduct a Tracer Study. The PCS is also assisted by an Advisory Placement Board and keeps in touch with the Jamaica Employers' Federation and Human Resource Management Association of Jamaica to keep its programmes timely and relevant. 

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DR. DAVID WALCOTT

Approximately two weeks after receiving the certificate which officially confirmed their status as graduates from The UWI, Mona Campus, medical doctors David Walcott and Luke Foster were named as the recipients of the Jamaica Rhodes Scholarship and the Commonwealth Caribbean Rhodes Scholarship respectively. Both graduated from the University with first class honours.

DAVID WALCOTT

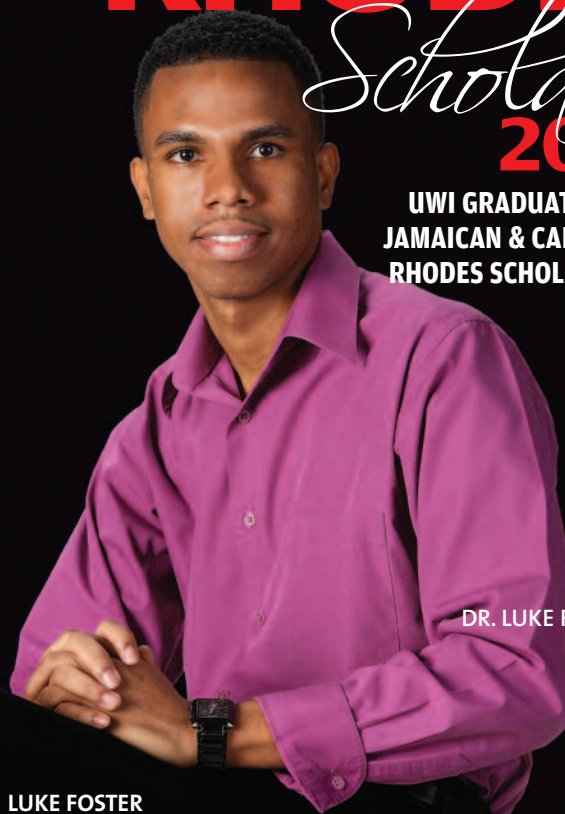
Dr Walcott will study at the prestigious Oxford University in the United Kingdom. Jamaica's Governor General, Sir Patrick Allen, in announcing the Jamaica Rhodes Scholarship award at King's House, said it was a difficult decision to choose Dr Walcott who won from a field of "very, very strong candidates". In response, Dr Walcott said that he was "extremely honoured" to have won the scholarship and thanked his family, fellow candidates and also his teachers for "moulding me throughout all these years and for giving me a sense of empowerment".

Secretary of the selection committee, Peter Goldson said in addition to academic excellence -- which all the candidates had -- the committee looked for other qualities such as "energy, determination to make a difference, ability to lead and compassion for the weak".

Warden of Rhodes House in Oxford, Dr Donald Markwell -- who attended the interviews as an observer -- said the calibre of the three Rhodes Scholars currently at Oxford is "extremely high". He said this year's candidates were "not only accomplished academically, but also in extra-curricula activities and various forms of leadership".

RHODES *Scholars* 2011

**UWI GRADUATES TAKE
JAMAICAN & CARIBBEAN
RHODES SCHOLARSHIPS**



DR. LUKE FOSTER

LUKE FOSTER

Dr. Luke Foster is this year's recipient of the prestigious Commonwealth Caribbean Rhodes Scholarship. This announcement was made November 23, 2010 at Government House in Barbados by Secretary of the Rhodes Selection Committee, Mr. Peter Goldson, alongside Chairman of the committee Governor General Sir Clifford Husbands.

Dr. Foster completed his medical degree from the Faculty of Medical Sciences, Mona Campus, in 2010, receiving honours in Medicine and Therapeutics, General Surgery and distinction in Obstetrics and Gynaecology.

The aspiring Surgeon was selected from among five other candidates for the most prestigious post-graduate scholarship in the world.

He too will be heading to Oxford University in October 2011 where he will join his classmate Dr. David Walcott.

Expressing that he is extremely honoured to be awarded this year's scholarship, he noted: "I think it is a wonderful opportunity to continue a path, and it will allow me to make an impact in my field. It has been an amazing, memorable experience which also enabled me to meet a wonderful group of candidates."

The Rhodes Scholarships, the oldest international fellowships, were initiated after the death of Cecil Rhodes in 1902, and bring outstanding students from many countries around the world to the University of Oxford. Cecil Rhodes dreamed of "improving the world through the diffusion of leaders motivated to serve their contemporaries, trained in the contemplative life of the mind, and broadened by their acquaintance with one another and by their exposure to cultures different from their own. Mr. Rhodes hoped that his plan of bringing able students from throughout the English-speaking world and beyond to study at Oxford University would aid in the promotion of international understanding and peace."

Having benefitted from planned and steady growth for more than six decades, The UWI Mona is fully equipped with a range of facilities necessary for the functioning of a modern tertiary institution. With substantial lecture theatres, six student dormitory facilities, a 24-hour library and extensive sport facilities, UWI Mona today can be described as a self-sufficient mini town. Several financial institutions have established full service branches on the campus which is also home to the University Press, the institution's publishing house for numerous printed works produced from the Caribbean's leading authors and researchers. In addition to these facilities, the historic campus is also served by its own Post Office, Chapel, a primary health care clinic, bookshop, a supermarket, several commissaries and a beauty and body care salon!

Those who work and study at Mona may take much of its rich history for granted. The architecture and physical layout of the buildings are part of institution's historical composition. Several have been named in tribute to individuals who have served Jamaica and the region with distinction. Most have given outstanding service to the UWI in particular and have contributed to the development of higher education across the Caribbean. While some names are easily recognisable, others may not be as familiar to many. Within these buildings lie rich stories of the diversity and evolution of the UWI.

Philip Sherlock Centre for the Creative Arts - keeping music, dance and drama alive

Bearing the name of a distinguished former Vice Chancellor of UWI is the Philip Sherlock Centre for the Creative Arts (PSCCA). With its distinctive thatch roof structure, it was formerly known as the Creative Arts Centre (CAC). The Centre was founded in February 1968 with the assistance of the Gulbenkian Foundation and completed by the Friends of Canada. A Creative Centre



THE PHILIP SHERLOCK CENTRE FOR THE CREATIVE ARTS

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was the brainchild of Sir Philip Sherlock, who believed that the University Campus should have a place for the development of the creative imagination. In 1993 the Centre was renamed in honour of his life and work.

The Centre now holds a central position in the Cultural Studies Initiative, which was initiated by Vice Chancellor Nettleford. In order to achieve its mandate, which is to provide an enriched cultural life for the University and the wider community, the PSCCA organises lectures, exhibitions and a number of cultural events during the academic year. Attached to the Centre and using its facilities are a number of student societies such as the University Singers, the University Dramatic Arts Society, the Panoridim Steel Orchestra, the UWI Camera Club and the University Dance Society.

Sir Philip was a Caribbean scholar and educator, best recognised for his long

and dedicated service as a member of the UWI community. His relationship with UWI dates back to 1945 when he was appointed member of the Irvine Commission which conceived the then University College of the West Indies (UCWI). His contribution includes the introduction of Extra Mural Studies at the University and the birth of new departments and branches at Mona. He was appointed Pro Vice Chancellor to the new St Augustine Campus in 1960 and engineered the creation and restructuring of faculties across the University's three campuses. He was knighted by the Queen and received the elusive honour of the Order of Merit of Jamaica.

In honour of Sir Arthur Lewis

Yet another intellectual giant of this great University is fittingly recognised in the person of Sir Arthur Lewis, the first Nobel Prize winner from the English-speaking Caribbean. Located on the western side of the Ring Road, the Sir Arthur Lewis Institute of Social and

THE VINCENT HOSANG ENTREPRENEURSHIP PROGRAMME MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN THE LIVES OF STUDENTS

The one thing that will differentiate the 2009 winners of The UWI Venture Challenge Competition (UWIVC) from previous winners is that their award winning plan for a Digital Gaming System will move from concept to reality. The winners, Jacqueline Swaby, Karl Rowe, Maurice Thompson, Oral Farquharson and Wadia Lazarus, all graduates of the Mona School of Business (MSB), are collectively adamant about bucking the trend of no winning team executing their plan. In fact, so determined is this tight knit group to breaking the cycle that they have taken steps to register their brand.

Previous teams have gone down this path and eventually lost steam given the daunting challenges of starting a business within the Jamaican business landscape. However what may set this special group apart from the rest, according to Director of the Vincent HoSang Entrepreneurship Programme, Patricia Lothian, is that they have displayed “a high level of interest and seriousness” to succeed.

“We see the potential in establishing a business amongst ourselves and have registered it as Digital Gaming Solutions... it is unique to Jamaica but not the wider gaming entertainment



OPPORTUNITY FUNDING CORPORATION VENTURE CHALLENGE COMPETITION 3RD PLACE & BEST PRESENTATION WINNERS 2010. FROM LEFT-RIGHT ORAL FARQUHARSON, WADIA LAZARUS, KARL ROWE, JACQUELINE SCOTT-CROSSLEY, MAURICE THOMPSON

industry around the world,” Mr. Rowe, a member of the group, pointed out.

To see this group today and hear their experience is to fully understand the life changing impact that the Vincent HoSang Entrepreneurship Programme has had on participating students.

The programme, which was launched in November 2002, is designed to encourage members of the University community to use their talent and skills to harness ideas that can be grown into full fledged operating businesses. Divided into two segments, the programme comprises the incubator process and the UWIVC, where teams vie for the title of top business plan. Entry of the 2009 winners in the programme came about by invitation, which is one of two ways persons can enter the programme, the other being through the submission of a plan. The invitation was based on their business plan assignment for the course, New Ventures and Entrepreneurship, which received the top mark for the class. The 2009 winners elected to take on the challenge figuring that they had been successful working as a group from the second week of their MBA Programme. They were also extremely confident about their business idea, which incorporates information communication and technology to link micro processor powered gaming machines initially across 21 geographic locations throughout Jamaica. “This plan covered several areas using technology and how we could diversify into different aspects using technology so that in itself, made this a more well rounded project,” said Mr. Farquharson.

Leading up to the UWIVC, participating groups benefit from workshops that are designed to assist in terms of teaching skills needed to start a company. These workshops include sessions on marketing, financing, preparing business plans and intellectual protection. Potential investors are also invited to view ventures developed by the teams or individuals with the view to get funding for projects.

In addition to these workshops, participating groups are assigned mentors and advisors. In the case of the winners for UWIVC 2009, their mentor was Sandra Shirley, a noted business leader. “She was excellent and without her help we would not have won the local leg. Our business plan was sound at that point but what she grilled us on was the Question and Answers [Q & A] segment as she went through every possible scenario, many of which came up during the final UWIVC presentation,” said Mr. Rowe.

The group went on to sweep all the sectional prizes which included best Q & A team and best presenter, who was Mrs. Lazarus.

As part of the programme, the winners of the UWIVC go on to represent the MSB at the Opportunity Funding Venture Challenge Competition (OFCVC), a business plan competition designed to assist historically Black colleges and universities to develop a comprehensive entrepreneurship curriculum, which is relevant in preparing young African-American to become entrepreneurs. The event is held annually in Atlanta, USA and the MSB, the only non-US based participating school, has placed second, third, fourth, fifth and sixth in various years since being invited to enter the competition in 2003.

Capturing the UWICC crown was the easy part according to the winning group, who were unanimous in their response that the true rigours of preparation occurred when participating in the OFCVC. Preparation entailed assistance in numerous areas such as: coaching sessions for the improvement of the business plans; coaching in oral presentations; mentorship from experienced entrepreneurs and experts; accommodations for meetings with external advisors and funding for market research and any other consultation as well as technical assistance specific to the needs of the venture among others. “Initially the plan was written as an academic exercise, however now the plan had to apply to a real world scenario that would appeal to an international audience, so we had to rewrite it two to three times as a result,” said Mr. Rowe.

Exposure to intensive and extensive preparation during January to April courtesy of advisors such as MSB Lecturer in Entrepreneurship, Douglas Lindo, MSB Lecturer in Communications, Elaine Commissiong, MSB Lecturer Harry Abrikian and Harry Smith and Mark Chisholm, who volunteered their time, was of profound significance.

“More than 60 per cent of what came out as the end result is attributable to our mentors and advisors, who were tremendously helpful,” claimed Mr. Rowe. In the end, the hard work paid off as the group placed third among 21 schools in the competition, creating a bit of history by collecting the sectional prize for best presentation, a first for the MSB.

Currently, the group is in negotiations with a potential investor that has operations worldwide. If they are successful, this will mark another milestone in the Programme.

The Vincent HoSang Entrepreneurship Programme is funded via a grant to the UWI Endowment Fund by Mr. Vincent HoSang, who heads the largest Caribbean frozen food plant, Caribbean Food Delights, in North America. Through the entrepreneurship programme, he has assisted in expanding the opportunity for entrepreneurial learning to others, enhancing the development of the skills of entrepreneurship. 

MONA APPOINTS 4 NEW PROFESSORS

The UWI, Mona is pleased to announce the promotion of four members of staff to the rank of Professor. They are Senior Lecturer in the Department of Life Sciences, **Dr. Nouredine Benkeblia**, Director of the Telecommunications Policy and Management (TPM) at the Mona School of Business, **Dr. Hopeton Dunn**, Senior Lecturer in the Department of Life Sciences, Senior Lecturer in the Department of Physics, **Dr. Mitko Voutchkov** and Senior Lecturer in the Department of Life Sciences, Mona, **Dr. Dale Webber**.

Dr. Nouredine Benkeblia holds a Bachelor of Science degree (Option: Food Technology and Agro-Industries) from the Institute of Agronomy, Algeria (1988) and a Master of Sciences degree and Doctor of Science with an option in Food Sciences and Human Nutrition from the National Institute of Agronomy, Algeria (1993 and 2000 respectively). He went on to pursue further doctoral studies in Agriculture with an Option in Plant and Crop Sciences from Kagoshima University in Japan (2007).

Professor Benkeblia joined the staff of The UWI, Mona in 2008 as a Senior Lecturer in the Department of Life Sciences. He came to The UWI, Mona with a distinctive record of reputable publication having conducted almost two decades of research in a wide range of areas including food chemistry, postharvest biology of horticulture crops and plant biochemistry in several countries across the world such as: Algeria, France, Japan, USA and Jamaica.

His research includes biochemical and physiological parameters of crops including respiratory parameters, sugars and fructans metabolism, as well as technological parameters for crops preservation.

Professor Benkeblia has undertaken extensive research in postharvest changes and his work has appeared in a number of high impact journals, including Metabolomics, Food Chemistry, New Phytologist, Journal of Food Biochemistry, Journal of Agricultural and Food Chemistry, Tetrahedron Asymmetry among others. He has published seventy (70) refereed articles and over ten (10) non-refereed articles. In addition, he has authored and coauthored five (5) books, edited seven (7) books, and has authored and co-authored eleven (11) book chapters. The appearance of his work in such reputable publications and the extensive citation by other experts of his research demonstrates the high level of respect afforded to Professor Benkeblia by his peers.

Additionally, Professor Benkeblia has presented his research findings at local and international conferences and recently convened the first International Horticulture Symposium in the Caribbean which saw over twenty international experts in attendance. Nouredine Benkeblia's research has also attracted over JA \$20 million in grants.



Dr. NOUREDDINE BENKEBLIA, Senior Lecturer in the Department of Life Sciences

Professor Benkeblia serves on a number of editorial boards of international scientific journals and is also engaged as a reviewer for over twenty international scientific and high impact journals. He has also served as the Scientific Expert of the United Nation Development Programme (UNDP).

He is a member of a number of local and international scientific and professional organizations including the International Society of Horticultural Science (ISHS) and the Jamaica Society for Agricultural Sciences (JAGRIS). Additionally, Professor Benkeblia has taught at both the undergraduate and graduate levels.

Professor Hopeton Dunn holds the Digicel Foundation Chair in Telecommunications Policy and Technology Management, attained the Bachelor of Arts degree from the UWI with first class honours in Mass Communication and Social Sciences (1986). He completed the Master of Arts (1988) and the Doctor of Philosophy (1991) degrees in Communications Policy Studies at City University, London. Professor Dunn joined the staff of The UWI, Mona in 1992 as Lecturer in the Caribbean



Dr. HOPETON DUNN, Director of the Telecommunications Policy and Management (TPM) at the Mona School of Business

Institute of Media and Communication (CARIMAC). He was promoted to Senior Lecturer in 1997 and in that year also completed a professional diploma in Telecommunications Policy Development at the Florida International University (FIU) in the United States, on a fellowship from the Organization of American States (OAS).

In 2003, Professor Dunn was seconded to the Creative Production and Training Centre (CPTC), as Chief Executive Officer, where he conceptualised and led the establishment of the Media Technology Institute (MTI). He resumed duties at the UWI as Director of the TPM Programme in the Mona School of Business in 2005.

Professor Dunn's scholarly attention has been focused on the areas of New Media and telecommunications policies, tourism and economic development, theories of globalisation, and the political economy of Caribbean and African media industries. He is the author, editor or co-editor of seven published volumes, consisting of four books and three monographs. He has written 14 chapters in books, 15 scholarly articles in refereed academic journals, 10 Technical Reports for governments

or international organizations and produced eight non-print multimedia publications. He has presented over 30 academic papers at international and regional conferences and conducted numerous workshops and training sessions. In 2001 he received the Distinguished Researcher's Award from the UWI, Mona Campus in recognition of outstanding research in the Faculty of Humanities and Education.

Professor Dunn is an innovative and dedicated

academic. He is excellent in the classroom. He designed several new courses for delivery at Mona and St Augustine and led in the creation of two successful graduate degree programmes; both are now being delivered in two separate faculties at Mona.

Professor Dunn is regarded as an international authority on communications policy and technologies and their developmental impacts on countries of the global South. He is the Secretary General of the International Association for Media and Communication Research (IAMCR), the worldwide professional organisation in the field of media and communication research. For a decade he was leader of the IAMCR's Policy and Technology division and served for two years as Chairman of the Association's Task Force on Global Media and Communications Policies. In 2009, he was accorded the honour of chairing a session of the major UN conference on Internet Governance held in Sharm el Sheikh, Egypt, and also participated as a delegate in both World Summits on the Information Society (WSIS) organized by the ITU. In Jamaica, Professor Dunn is Chairman of the Broadcasting

Commission, a member of the National Commission for UNESCO and chief adjudicator for several professional media awards schemes. He has served as a Board Member, Deputy Chairman and later Chairman of the Creative Production and Training Centre Ltd (CPTC) and as a member of the Board of Management of the National Library of Jamaica. Professor Dunn has made a significant contribution to university life at the UWI, serving as a member of the Vice Chancellor's Task Force for the 2007 – 2012 UWI Strategic Plan (2006), a member of the Technical Advisory Committee on Distance Education, (1998) and member of the inaugural Planning and Management Committees for Radio Mona, UWI.

Dr. Mitko Voutchkov, holds the Bachelor of Science with Honours in Physics as well as the M.Ed in Physics and Mathematics from the University of Plovdiv, Bulgaria. He went on to secure the Doctor of Philosophy degree in Nuclear Physics from the Bulgarian Academy of Sciences, in Sofia, Bulgaria, and also received postgraduate training in nuclear radiochemical methods and advanced X-ray Fluorescence Spectroscopy at Argonne National Laboratory. He is also a Licensed Operator-1 of the Slowpoke 2 Nuclear Reactor.

Dr. Voutchkov came to Jamaica in 1993 after a two-month Expert Mission on behalf of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA), during which he trained members of staff at the then Centre for Nuclear Sciences, now International Centre for Environmental and Nuclear Sciences (ICENS), in analytical applications of nuclear techniques. He joined the staff of The UWI, Mona as a Research Fellow at ICENS the same year, dedicating himself to promoting nuclear science to solve problems of agriculture, industry and health in Jamaica.

He was responsible for expanding the analytical capability of the Centre, securing local and international grants, which facilitated the upgrade and expansion of the nuclear analytical facility with fully automated X-Ray Fluorescence and Neutron Activation Analysis systems. As Head of the Nuclear Analytical Laboratory, Dr. Voutchkov led a team of scientists that were on-site trained and worked on development of methodologies for analyses of new materials and elements. The outcome of this research produced eight peer-reviewed papers and increased the analytical capability of the nuclear facility by extending the range of analysed elements from 25 to 80 and making possible analysis of biological materials, such as plants, food, animal and human tissues.

Professor Voutchkov has developed an international reputation in the field of Applied Nuclear and Health Physics. He has engaged in several collaborative research projects related to Heavy Metal (HM) transfer to humans through the soil-plant-food chain. The research outcomes included investigation and mitigation of lead poisoning of children, cadmium in the soil-yam-food chain, mercury in fish and placenta, chromium and selenium in diabetic patients, and heavy metals in bauxitic soils. Further research outcomes include assessment of HM in bovine kidney and liver, composition of Jamaican foods, trace elements in prehistoric Taino artifacts, rare earths in bauxites and gold exploration in Jamaica, radon in soils and occupational exposure of nuclear reactor operators.

The impact of these outcomes confirmed that Heavy Metals in the soil-plant-food-human chain pose a serious, but preventable problem in Jamaica. These research findings provided a sound scientific basis for environmental and health management, and policy-making of

HM poisoning in Jamaica. For instance, the finding that the backyard lead smelting of used car batteries is the primary source of lead-poisoning in Jamaica impacted the policy makers, and in June 2005 it was launched the National Used Lead-Acid Battery campaign, which was quite successful in mitigating lead hazards.

His research on the mitigation of lead hazards in lead-contaminated communities has had significant public impact. The lead research programme also contributed to the development of local leadership capacity for the management of lead hazards, which prior to 1990 was outsourced to overseas institutions.

Professor Voutchkov has also made a major contribution as an academic. He serves as Postgraduate Coordinator of the Department of Physics, and is Leader of the Materials & Medical Physics Research Group. He was instrumental in the relaunch of the Major in Materials Science and in the 2008-09 academic year introduced a new Major in Medical Physics & Bioengineering.

Professor Voutchkov has a history of original research, having published research articles in applied nuclear and health physics journals, including 57 papers in peer-reviewed journals, 34 papers in published conference proceedings, 2 patents, 1 book and 3 book chapters. The chapter "Inorganic and Organic Geochemistry Techniques" in the Medical Geology book by Elsevier Academic Press (2005) had a worldwide impact and received the UWI Principal's Research Award for "Best Publication" in 2006, while the book was awarded the 2005 British Medical Association Award and the



Dr. MITKO VOUTCHKOV, Senior Lecturer in the Department of Physics

2006 Award of the Association of American Publishers.

He is a member of three governmental and four national scientific committees in Jamaica. At the international level, he has served in the capacity of a National Consultant and TC-Expert in Applied Nuclear and Health Physics of IAEA, carried out over 15 Expert Missions worldwide. , Member of the IDRC (14th World Health Congress, Brazil) Panel "Ecosystem Approach to Environmental Pollution and Public Health" and a participant of the International Consortium on Sustainable Use of Lead, McMaster University, Canada.

He is the recipient of several awards including the Gleaner Honour Award for Science & Technology in 2002, the Principal's Research Award for the Best Publication of the Faculty of Pure and Applied Sciences in 2006, and the Association of American Publishers Book Award for 2006 in the category for Excellence in Professional and Scholarly Publishing, the British Medical Association book Award in the Public Health Category.

Dr. Dale Webber, who is also Director of the Centre for Marine Sciences and Associate Dean Graduate Matters in



Dr. DALE WEBBER, Senior Lecturer in the Department of Life Sciences

the Faculty of Pure and Applied Sciences, holds the Bachelor of Science Honours degree in Botany and Zoology and the Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Marine Botany from the University of the West Indies, Mona. His academic specialization is in the field of Coastal Ecology and Management.

Dale Webber joined the staff of the UWI, Mona in 1989 as Warden of Taylor Hall and moved in 1991 to become Lecturer in the Department of Life Sciences. From 1992 to 2001 he was the Assistant Director for the Centre for Marine Sciences. His promotion to Senior Lecturer came in 2003. Professor Webber has also served as a part-time lecturer in the School of Education.

Professor Webber has had a distinguished career in Coastal Ecology and Management and has demonstrated a strong and consistent record of academic achievement in research, teaching and administration. His work in the Kingston Harbour spans some seventeen years. The impact of this research is recognized internationally by his peers.

Professor Webber has produced two book chapters and twenty five publications in peer reviewed journals, nine of which are within the special

issue of a major journal 'Bulletin of Marine Science', which he was invited to co-edit and produce as a result of the significance and extensiveness of his team's work on the marine biology of the polluted Kingston Harbour. He has presented his research findings at conferences locally and internationally and has written over seventeen technical reports. Dale Webber has attracted approximately JA\$30 Million and

US\$150,000.00 research grants.


His strong academic reputation is evidenced by the large number of scholarships and awards which he has secured including the Faculty of Pure and Applied Science award for Most Outstanding Lecturer in 2008, the Principal's Award for the Best 2003/2004 publication in the Faculty of Pure and Applied Sciences; Silver Musgrave Medal from the Institute of Jamaica for distinguished eminence in the field of Science; Young Scientist/Technologist Award 1993 from the Scientific Research Council/Shell Company WI Ltd and the Young Scientist Award 1988, Third World Academy of Sciences.

Professor Webber is a member of the teaching staff in the Department of Life Sciences, where he lectures in both the undergraduate and graduate programmes. Over the past ten years he has taught and been first examiner for the second year Life Sciences Departmental core subject of Ecology to over a thousand undergraduate students and first examiner and lecturer of the final year course in Coastal Management. He was responsible for the introduction of new undergraduate courses in Environmental Assessment and Management and the Biology of

Coastal Plant Communities both of which became graduate courses after they were developed and delivered over a three year period at the undergraduate level.

Over the past fifteen years he has supervised twenty-three M.Phil. students, six MSc. students and eight Ph.D. students to successful completion in a range of interests from water quality and coastal ecology to oceanography and ecosystem modeling. He has also examined more than 30 higher degree theses from all three campuses of the University of the West Indies on a range of biological topics.

Professor Webber has made a significant contribution to the life of the university through his involvement in administrative activities. He has served as Head of the Department of Life Sciences; Sub Dean student matters, Faculty of Pure and Applied Sciences and has been a member of both Campus and University Finance and General Purposes Committees, as well as both Campus and University Councils.

He also has an excellent record of public service, serving as Chairman, Environmental Foundation of Jamaica Board of Directors, National Ramsar Committee of the National Environment and Planning Agency, Convener of the CAPE Environmental Sciences Panel for the Caribbean Examination Council, Chairman of CL Environmental Company and Member of the National Council on Ocean and Coastal Zone Management as well as the Jamaica Institute of Environmental Professionals. He presently serves as Deputy Chairman, Mona Preparatory School Board, President, Parent Teachers' Association of the St. Andrew High School for Girls and President of the Tornadoes Swim Club which all together offer opportunities to influence young minds at work and at play, instilling discipline as they learn life skills. 

UWI ASSISTS IN REBUILDING HIGHER EDUCATION IN HAITI



Forty-three participants in the Certificate course in Haitian Creole were recognized at a presentation ceremony held at The UWI, Mona. The participants who consisted of medical personnel, law enforcement officers and members of the Jamaica Defence Force, represent the first cohort to take part in such a programme. The course is the first of two, delivered by the Jamaica Language Unit (JLU) in the Department of Language, Linguistics and Philosophy, UWI, Mona. They were designed to assist in the relief efforts in Haiti by bridging the language barrier between the disaster relief experts and the Haitian population. Here, some members of the Level 1 cohort pose with their certificates. Back row (l-r) are Captain. Lewis - JDF, Otis Simpson, Kamesha Murray, Gheovan Dixon, Tino Reid, Rohan Brown, Nickesha Dawkins, Desroy Lewis, and Professor Hubert Devonish of the Jamaica Language Unit. Front row (l-r) Royan Reid, Stephanie Gregory, Rohan Reid, Hope Rose, Kenesha Allen, Diana Dixon, Andrew Williams, and Mrs. Doreen Preston, Jamaica Language Unit.

The Mona Campus as part of The University of the West Indies (UWI)/ Haiti Initiative has been playing a significant role in the rebuilding of Higher Education in Haiti. Currently, some twenty-five students of the State University of Haiti are completing the final year of their degree programme at the Mona Campus. The students were granted full scholarships for one year of study after a rigorous process of selection. They are taking classes in the faculties of Social Sciences, Pure and Applied Sciences and Humanities and Education. The Haitian students are completing course work already begun in Haiti yet interrupted by the devastating earthquake. On completion of their year at Mona, the students will return to Haiti where they will be awarded a degree from the State University of Haiti.

Other efforts by the Campus have included assistance in the recovery and preservation of Haitian historical records as the earthquake significantly damaged the main library and archive buildings which house the documents of the

country's rich history. In July a team from Mona traveled to Haiti. In Port-au-Prince they organized and delivered two workshops in basic binding and conservation techniques for staff of the National Library of Haiti and the Haitian National Archives. Additionally, they assisted with repair/restoration work and monitored the work being done by the persons trained. Also, a librarian from the National Library of Haiti is now on internship at the Main library of the Mona Campus.

The UWI, Mona, Jamaica Language Unit, Department of Language, Linguistics and Philosophy also organized workshops on Haitian Creole designed to assist in the relief efforts in Haiti by bridging the language barrier between the disaster relief experts and the Haitian population. Forty three persons comprising members of the Jamaica Defence Force, medical personnel and law enforcement officers completed the course. Of that number twenty one participated in the advanced six week Level Two component of the course. **M**



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Economic Studies (SALISES) was established in August 1999 as a result of a merger of the Institute of Social and Economic Research (ISER) one of the University's original departments in 1948, and the Consortium Graduate School of Social Sciences (CGSSS), which came about in 1985.

Sir Arthur, a native of St Lucia, was not only a Nobel Laureate in Economics but also UWI Mona's first Vice Chancellor. He is revered throughout the Caribbean for his outstanding and enduring contribution to the promotion of the discipline of development economics in the region and in the developing world at large. After gaining his PhD from the London School of Economics and a brilliant career as a lecturer at Manchester University in the United Kingdom, Dr Lewis became Vice Chancellor of UWI in 1959 and led the University for five years during which time he led the


thrust for the expansion of university education in the Caribbean. Knighted in 1963, Sir Arthur moved to Princeton University in the United States as a professor that same year. In the early 1970s, he was instrumental in setting up the Caribbean Development Bank (CDB), and served as its first president from 1970 to 1973.

A signal and deserved honour was received by Sir Arthur in 1979 when he won the Nobel Prize for Economics, becoming the first person of African descent to cop the prestigious award in a category other than peace. He retired in 1981, becoming president of the American Economics Association before he died in 1991.

The mandate of SALISES is to conduct multidisciplinary, policy-oriented research and training to serve the needs of small developing countries like the Caribbean. Being a principal unit of UWI's School of Graduate

Studies and Research, students of SALISES may read for MSc, MPhil or PhD degrees in a number of disciplines in areas such as governance, social and economic policy, development and research methods.

The Institute has its own full-time staff and also draw expertise from UWI itself and a cadre of overseas faculty. Its Documentation and Data Centre is excellent - along with numerous published and unpublished works on Caribbean society, economy and polity, the centre allows access to more than 5000 journal titles.

An important feature of SALISES, which has branches at St Augustine and Cave Hill, is the Derek Gordon Data Bank which houses data from various governmental and non-governmental organisations throughout the Caribbean. It is a must-see for regional technocrats, researchers, academics and graduate students alike. 

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Professor Everard Barton

Consultant Nephrologist, Department of Medicine, has received the First Caribbean International Bank Unsung Heroes award for his medical and community service. He established two free clinics in Mandeville and St. Ann's Bay and has provided relief and treatment for over 300 persons in these communities over the past seven years.

Dr. Terrence Forrester

Professor of Experimental Medicine and Director of the Tropical Medicine Research Institute (TMRI), recipient of the prestigious Gold Musgrave Medal from the Institute of Jamaica for his contribution to Science. Professor Forrester's work in the area of hypertension research is especially significant in the Caribbean context, given the region's prevalence of hypertension and high death rate from coronary heart disease.

Professor Wayne McLaughlin

Professor of Molecular Biology and current head of the Department of Basic Medical Sciences received The Gleaner Honour Award for Science and Technology for his work in producing scientific research results that have positively affected

agricultural production in Jamaica and the Caribbean.

Camille Daley

Teaching Assistant in the Department of Sociology, Psychology and Social Work received the First Caribbean Unsung Heroes award for her work with persons who have sickle cell. She is co-founder and Director of the Sickle Cell Support Club of Jamaica which provides social and emotional support to persons with sickle cell disease and has helped thousands to manage their illness and lead fairly normal lives.

The entire University community commends you on these achievements and is proud that you have been recognised for your outstanding and dedicated service. Through you, The UWI, Mona is proud to be serving the people of Jamaica and fulfilling its mission to propel the economic social, political and cultural development of West Indian society through teaching, research, innovation, advisory and community services and intellectual leadership. **THE UNIVERSITY OF THE WEST INDIES, MONA – INSPIRING EXCELLENCE, PRODUCING LEADERS**



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UWI WELCOMES BERMUDA AS A MEMBER COUNTRY



Bermuda is now the 16th country to officially join The University of the West Indies family. Bermuda's status as an associate contributing country was approved by


University Council in April 2010 and officially promulgated with the ceremonial signing of the new Statute defining the 'Associate Contributing Country' status for Bermuda by Vice Chancellor of The University of the West Indies, Professor E. Nigel Harris and Bermudan Premier Dr. the Hon. Ewart Brown. The ceremony took place on August 25, 2010 at the Premier's

official residence, Camden House, in Bermuda.

Bermudan students will now – like other students of UWI contributing countries who are sponsored by their government – be eligible for a subsidy on tuition fees to study at any of The UWI's four campuses. This will become effective for Bermudian nationals from the academic year 2011/2012.

As he welcomed Bermuda into the UWI family, Vice Chancellor Harris noted that the process had been a long one, going back to the early 1990s when attempts were made to link Bermuda to the West Indies. He expressed his pleasure that at the initiative of the Government of

Bermuda, the process was rekindled in 2008, culminating in the accession of Bermuda as an associate contributing country of The University of the West Indies.

UWI's University Registrar/Director of Administration, C. William Iton and Pro Vice Chancellor and Principal of the UWI Open Campus, Professor Hazel Simmons-McDonald accompanied the Vice Chancellor to the signing. The ceremony was also attended by Bermuda's Cabinet members, Bermuda College President, Duranda Greene and Bermuda Union of Teachers' General Secretary, Mike Charles. 

BOXILL, WEBBER NAMED GRACE, KENNEDY PROFESSORS



DALE WEBBER (LEFT) AND IAN BOXILL CONGRATULATE EACH OTHER ON THEIR APPOINTMENT


Professors Ian Boxill and Dale Webber have been named Grace Kennedy Foundation Chairs at the University of the West Indies (UWI). Professor Boxill will assume the Carlton Alexander Chair in Management Studies and Prof. Webber is the James S. Moss Solomon Chair in Environmental Management.

Professor Boxill will preside over the Centre for Tourism & Policy Research (CPTR) in the Faculty of Social Sciences. The Centre aims to advance research and training in the areas of tourism studies and more broadly, development policy making and analysis in Jamaica and the Caribbean. Research and policy analysis will be the main activity of the centre.

Professor Webber will be based in the Department of Life Sciences in the Faculty of Pure & Applied Sciences and will oversee the development of a Centre for Environmental Management at Mona, in collaboration with other scholars in environmental management across the UWI.

The chairs are the latest to be funded by the Grace Kennedy Foundation which also provides scholarships and bursaries to students at UWI and other tertiary institutions. They are named for Grace Kennedy & Company Limited Chairs the late Hon. Carlton Alexander and James S. Moss Solomon.

UWI Vice Chancellor, Prof. E. Nigel Harris hailed the partnership between the Grace Kennedy Foundation over more than two decades which he said had "brought the university stars" like Prof. Gordon Shirley, the first holder of the Carlton Alexander Chair in Management Studies, and Prof. Elizabeth Thomas-Hope, previous holder of the James S. Moss Solomon Chair in Environmental Management.

Professor Harris said that both Professors Boxill and Webber "have the intellect, track record and commitment to translate the research they have done and will do into policies and strategies that will redound to the collective benefit of Jamaica and the region we serve." 

UWI CHESS SOCIETY'S 'DYNAMIC DUO'

These are heady times for the UWI Chess Society, as it currently boasts not only the 2010 National Junior Chess Champion, Zachary Ramsay in its stable of prized players but also, two time defending champion, National Master Damion Davy, who, despite being rivals across the chess board, are united in their passion to see the game permeate the culture of their campus, Mona and by extension, Jamaica.

Both supremely confident young men, Ramsay and Davy see themselves as part of a new generation looking to take chess in Jamaica to the next level. Armed as they are, with healthy doses of chess master logic and strategies, honed from years of practice, there is no doubt that between them and others in the club, they can achieve this goal, as well as the personal ones they have set for themselves.

If you need a glimpse of why this is possible, you do not need to look any further than the resurgence of the Society which was almost moribund by 2008. However, with the infusion of talents like Ramsay and Davy among others, its previously pitiful state is all but a distant memory. The Society has gone from strength to strength, co-organizing, 'The Magnificent Chess UWI Open' in 2009, which is arguably the strongest and largest chess tournament ever staged in Jamaica. This event had the likes of Grand Master Alfonso Romero Holmes from Spain, International Master Jose Vilela of Cuba, FIDE Master Delisle Warner from Barbados, and FIDE Master Bengt

Hammar of Sweden, who were pitted against three of Jamaica's best, FIDE Master Warren Elliot, then FIDE Master, now International Master, Jomo Pitterson and National Master Shane Mathews. All told there were some 400 competitors in attendance.

The Society did not stop there, as following on the heels of that tournament was the 2010 Jamaica National Building Society UWI Chess Open, featuring players such as Grand Master Timur Gareev, International Master Marko Zavanic of the University of Texas, Brownsville and International Master Giorgi Margvelashvili of the University of Maryland. The event attracted more than 200 players from colleges and high schools across Jamaica.

Ramsay, now a third year Medical Sciences student and Immediate Past President of the Society, can be considered one of the main architects of this resurgence as upon his arrival on campus in 2008, he and another student, National Master Brandon Wilson came together and decided to revitalise the Society, rewriting the constitution and implementing other changes that would invariably chart the trajectory of its current success.

The passion for the game is almost palpable when you meet both Ramsay and Davy, who is majoring in Actuarial Sciences. They share an unshakable determination to succeed at a game, which largely remains at the low end of the totem pole in Jamaican sport consciousness. Truth be told, it almost seems like destiny that both would be a part of the resurgence of the game on the Mona campus as their lives have intersected like Venn Diagrams over the years.

Introduced to the game by relatives, Ramsay by his father, Michael Ramsay, a seasoned competitor from high school and St. Augustine campus days, and Davy, by his cousin Karen Davy, who had chess games on her computer which sparked his interest, both went on to become rivals in high school.



Zachary Ramsay

At first, the rivalry seemed one-sided as Davy, who says of his early days of playing chess, “I started off slow then took off like an exponential curve,” after assistance came in the form of a National Master, who happened to be from his high school alma mater among other support. It was then he became good enough to beat Ramsay, against whom he always measured his progress. Whereas Davy seems more intensely driven, Ramsay is a cool customer, who has always viewed the game as a form of recreation with perks. “While others were playing video games, I was playing national events, travelling all round the world, meeting people and making money on weekends,” he says, while pointing out that there is so much more to the sport than moving around pieces on the board.

Even now, Ramsay continues to play the game as a form of recreation, although he goes to chess tournaments regularly on weekends. “Whatever time I allot for relaxation, that is my chess time when I go to the computer and play blitz and puzzles,” he reveals, qualifying that his studies have curtailed his recreational time. Davy on the other hand, has no illusions about having to invest a set time to practice his game especially with the increasing demands on his time for studies. “I have set times which is every single Friday in the night straight through to the Saturday

morning,” he says, while noting that in between the time, he is always thinking about a chess move or position.

While both say that their membership in the Society has not necessarily impacted on their skills as players, they say the Society has developed other important skills. Ramsay says that these skills have been borne out in the area of leadership and organization, a testimony of this is the hosting of the aforementioned international tournaments. Concurring, Davy, who currently serves in the position as Treasurer, also points to the fact that teaching the game has become a particular skill which he has had to hone. “Teaching people has helped me to remember some of the fundamentals of the game, which is our primary focus in developing the club,” he notes.


If there is any obvious disagreement between this ‘dynamic duo,’ it revolves around two issues: their favourite local and international players and why Davy lost his title as National Junior Chess Champion this year in September to Ramsay.

Magnus Carlsen of Norway, who is the currently ranked world number one in the game, is Ramsay’s favourite player. “He is a child prodigy and is my age and that is one of the things that impresses me about him. He has been able to become the number one rated player at such a young age and his chess is very exciting,” he explains. Surprisingly, he has no favourite local player. Davy however, backs Veselin Topalov of Bulgaria, even though the record of the Grandmaster and former world number one has been very spotty of late. “He is still my player, but recently I have also been looking at

Vladimir Kramnik, who is a former number one,” he says. As for his local favourite player, he cited a litany of players, which included FIDE Master Warren Elliot, International Master Jomo Pitterson, Andrew Mellace (with whom he trains) and Equitable Brown (a mentor in high school).

In terms of Ramsay toppling Davy to win the title as National Junior Chess Champion, which was incidentally, their last year participating in the championship for players under 20 years of age, both beg to disagree. Ramsay matter of factly states that the battle for the trophy was between him and Davy and when he beat him, he knew that the Championship was won, as Davy was his only competition; Davy feels it was his mistake that allowed Ramsay to win and it was not a case of Ramsay beating him. “He stole my beautiful trophy...I was better in the game than Zachary but sometimes when you take a simple position and make it complicated and it hurts you...I blundered so he won,” Davy jovially insists, while Ramsay smirks.

As for the future of the Society, they envision it getting it bigger and better. In December 2010, the Society, completed undoubtedly the most successful year in its history, when the UWI Mona Chess Team participated in the prestigious Pan American Intercollegiate Chess Championships in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. The Championship is an annual event in which some of the best Colleges and Universities in North American and the Caribbean participate, including several International Grand Masters.

The highlight of the event for the UWI team was the performance of National Master Davy, who finished the event unbeaten on 3.5 points out of a possible 6, having faced the most difficult players. UWI completed the tournament as the second best international team, behind the University of Toronto. Other team members included National Junior Champion Zachary Ramsay, Jared Lewis and Ogaufi Didimalang. 



Damion Davy

GRADUATION

A Celebration

Over three thousand graduates were awarded their degrees at the annual graduation ceremonies at The UWI, Mona on Friday, November 5 at 5:30 pm and Saturday, November 6, 2010 at 10 am and 5:30 pm. respectively. The graduates, supported by their colleagues, families and well wishers turned out in record numbers for the three ceremonies. Graduates from the faculties of Humanities and Education and Law were presented at Friday's ceremony while those from the faculties of Medical Sciences and Pure and Applied Sciences were presented on Saturday, November 6 at 10 a.m., followed by the Faculties of Social Sciences and Engineering at the 5:30 pm ceremony.

Mona also conferred honorary degrees on five outstanding members of the society: the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws (LLD) was conferred on Mr. George Neville Ashenheim and Professor Emeritus Edward Baugh received the honorary degree of Doctor of Letters (DLitt) during Friday's Ceremony. At Saturday's ceremony, Dr. Knox Hagley and Dr. Renn Holness were conferred with the honorary degrees of Doctor of Science (DSc) and the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws was conferred on the Hon. William McConnell on Saturday afternoon.

First Cohort of Medical Physics Graduates

There were other firsts for Mona: the first cohort of Medical Physics graduates were presented on Saturday, November 6, 2010. The cohort consisted of six Jamaican students who

pursued double majors. The graduates included Alyssa Morgan, one of the 2010 valedictorians, Atara O'Sullivan who graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree with a double major in Electronics and Medical Physics and Nadine Dunn, Felicea Foster, Hugh Grant, Okieffy Palmer who pursued a Bachelor of Science degree with a double major in Electronics and Medical Physics.

UWI, Mona is the only university in the English-speaking Caribbean offering a Bachelor of Science degree in Medical Physics and will as of the 2011/12 academic year begin to offer a Master of Science degree in Medical Physics. In addition UWI, Mona will offer a postgraduate diploma and certificate in this area. Mona's sister campus at St. Augustine offers a minor in Medical Physics.

The Medical Physics programme at Mona is designed to prepare students who want to pursue graduate careers and studies in nuclear medicine, radiation oncology and diagnostic radiology. The programme is interdisciplinary, offering a diverse



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(1)FIRST COHORT OF MEDICAL PHYSICS GRADUATES (2)LECTURER IN THE DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT STUDIES, DR. DELROY CHEVERS RECEIVED RESOUNDING APPLAUSE FROM GRADUATES AT THE NOVEMBER 2010 GRADUATION CEREMONY (3)INAUGURAL COHORT IN UNIVERSITY TEACHING (4)GUILD PRESIDENT, JOVAUGHN NEIL IS ABOUT TO COLLECT HIS CERTIFICATE FROM THE CAMPUS REGISTRAR.


curriculum combining courses from Physics, Chemistry, Biology, Mathematics and Computer Science areas.

Training in Medical Physics allows graduates to become health care professionals who possess specialized training in the medical applications of physics. The work of medical physicists involves the use of X-rays, radioactive materials, ultrasound, magnetic and electric fields, infrared and ultraviolet light, heat and light in diagnosis and therapy. Career opportunities in Medical Physics are available in three distinct areas namely: clinical service and consultation, research and development, and teaching.

Inaugural Cohort in University Teaching and Learning

Another pioneering group was the first cohort of graduates to pursue the postgraduate Certificate in University Teaching and Learning. They were presented during the graduation

ceremony on Friday, November 5. Five academic staff members were presented: Dr. Noel Cowell (Department of Management Studies), Dr. Anna Perkins (Office of the Board of Undergraduate Studies), Shane Mark-Scale (Department of Library and Information Studies), Patricia dos Reis (Department of Modern Languages) and Tanzania Saunders (Department of Management Studies). This inaugural cohort underscores the University's commitment to excellence in teaching. It is also in keeping with the UWI Strategic Development Plan that gives primacy to teaching, learning and research.

The Certificate in University Teaching and Learning programme is designed to meet the need for academic staff to be further exposed to teaching and learning strategies and approaches required to be effective in educating today's students for tomorrow's world. The programme is designed as a UWI post-graduate certificate. 

VALEDIC

Representing the Class of 2010



DAKOTA MARSHALL

ALTRICIA DAWSON

ALYSSA MORGAN

The search for valedictorians for the annual graduation ceremonies begins as soon as results of the end of year examinations are known. Each Faculty is asked to make nominations from members of the graduating class who have attained first class honours.

The nominees are then invited to prepare a graduation address based on their UWI experience, and deliver this in front of a selection committee comprising representatives of the Faculties themselves, the Administration and the Guild of Students. Some 14 students were interviewed in 2010 before the top three were selected to represent the Class of 2010.

ALTRICIA DAWSON

Altricia entered The UWI, Mona in 2007 to read for the degree of Bachelor of Science in Management Studies in the Faculty of Social Sciences. She became deeply involved in all aspects of university life, participating in the UWI Quality Leadership Programme and the Mentorship Programme. A great part of her university life revolved around Mary Seacole Hall, where the emphasis was on volunteerism: she was a member of M.S.C.A.R.E.S., volunteering at the Jamaica Christian Boys Home and participated in activities such as the UBUNTU programme, which involved volunteering at an institution for children whose parents are incarcerated. Such was her performance at both academic and co-curricular levels that she was inducted into the Social Sciences' Honour Society as well as the Mary Seacole Hall Honour Society. She was also recipient of the Caribbean Cement Company Scholarship.

Miss Dawson was also member of the Third Year Experience programme which prepares students for life outside of the UWI.

Altricia Dawson has been awarded the degree of Bachelor of Science in Management Studies with First Class Honours and aims to pursue Doctoral Studies in Operations Management. In her own words: "This is in an effort to bring a more structured and informed approach to the study of efficiency in the Jamaican business sector and that of the region, thereby improving revenue management in our manufacturing and service sectors, while enabling the region's companies to compete effectively in a market ruled by global competition."

DAKOTA MARSHALL


On entering The UWI, Mona Dakota's dream was to become an Attorney at Law. However, she studied Linguistics for three years and grew to love the discipline. Now, her vision is to become a Linguistic Human Rights Attorney, focusing on bilingual education rights for children.

Dakota Marshall received the Linguistic Faculty award for excellence in her first and second years of study and was also recipient of the Jamaica National Building Society Scholarship. She also participated keenly in co-curricular activities, serving as a member of the Debating Society and the Dramatic Arts Society, and participating in the annual dramatic arts presentation Tallawah in 2009. She received the degree of Bachelor of Arts in Linguistics with First Class Honours.

ALYSSA MORGAN

Alyssa Morgan entered The UWI, Mona to pursue the degree in Computer Science. While an undergraduate, she received numerous awards at the departmental and faculty levels including making the Dean's List for her outstanding performance. Miss Morgan was also employed as a lab-technician in the department of Computer Science, responsible for fixing problems with the use of the computers but also for assisting students with the practical aspects of their courses.

Her entrepreneurship talents came to the fore as lead web developer of a startup software company called GYC Microfinance which specializes in building software for small microfinance institutions and also raising awareness about youth microfinance. Miss Morgan is also a founding partner in a web development company, called CyberMaster. In addition to her various teaching and entrepreneurial involvements, Miss Morgan also volunteers her trade in service to several social and non-government organizations.

Miss Morgan has now been awarded the Bachelor of Science degree in Computer Science (Major) and Medical Physics and Bio-engineering (Minor), a programme which encourages a cross-disciplinary approach to Computer Science, incorporating elements of physics, electronics, medicine and biology. 

Pictorial News Round-up



ABOVE: NEW STUDENTS SEARCH FOR THEIR NAMES IN THE MATRICULATION REGISTER.

RIGHT: PRINCIPAL SHIRLEY CONGRATULATES MATRICULANT, YANA-MARISA EDWARDS, FACULTY OF MEDICAL SCIENCES, THE TOP STUDENT ENTERING THE MONA CAMPUS FOR THE 2010/2011 ACADEMIC YEAR.



STUDENTS MAKING THEIR WAY TO THE ASSEMBLY HALL.

Toronto Police Chief Visits



Chief of the Toronto Police Service, Mr. William Blair, addressing a press briefing held at the end of a four-day visit to the Island. This was the second in a series of planned visits by prominent international Crime Management experts with knowledge of contemporary trends in Policing, organised by The UWI, Mona, in collaboration with the Police Services Commission. The visits are intended to facilitate an interaction between these experts and key persons associated with the transformation of the Jamaica Constabulary force (JCF) allowing for an exchange of perspectives, ideas and recommendations on specific elements of the transformation.

During his visit, Mr Blair participated in a symposium on the Control and Prevention of Transnational Crime and held discussions with key officials from the Government, Private Sector and Civil Society as well as the leadership of the Jamaica Constabulary Force, to share his perspectives on relevant lessons to be learnt from the Canadian experience. Mr. Blair also met with UWI academics who are engaged in research on policing, crime and criminal justice as well as media leaders for discussions on issues and topics related to policing and crime.

Also in the photo (l-r) are representative of the UK Police Civilian Oversight authority Mike Franklyn, Canada's High Commissioner to Jamaica, H.E. Stephen Hallihan and Mona Principal, Professor Gordon Shirley.

Honouring Mona's Retirees



Dean of the Faculty of Pure & Applied Sciences, Professor Ishenkumba Kahwa (standing) greets retiring Deputy Principal Joe Pereira and his wife Beverley at Mona's dinner in honour of retirees while Campus Bursar, Elaine Robinson engages retiree Swarna Bandara (right) of the Medical Library. At left is head of the Department of Educational Studies, Dr. Beverley Bryan.



John Stewart of the Marketing & Communications Office in conversation with retirees Noel James, Institute of Education, Harold DaCosta, Central Control office, Maintenance and Lascelles Watson, Hugh Wynter Fertility Management Unit.

Blue & White Christmas Concert



The UWI Pan Steel Orchestra treats patrons to carols during the Blue & White Christmas Concert held at UWI, Mona.



The UWI Pan member encourages patrons to sway to the beat of the Pan Steel Orchestra at the Blue & White Christmas Concert at UWI, Mona.

MEET THE MONA CAMPUS COURTESY CORPS

Regular users and visitors of the Mona campus are likely at some stage to encounter Mathematics major, Damion Pitter, who efficiently provides parking directions and general information about facilities and activities taking place at The UWI, Mona. An encyclopedia of information about the maze of buildings and services offered on the 653 acre campus, Damion pleasantly and precisely directs campus users to the Tropical Medicine Research Institute or the Sir Alister McIntyre Building to which visitors frequently refer as the 'peach building'.

A member of the Campus Courtesy Corps, Damion is part of a 72 strong group of male and female students trained to undertake tasks classified as de facto or non-core security functions. Corps members are deployed in all but two of the University's parking facilities, managing the flow of vehicular traffic in several areas including the Senate, Social Sciences, Medical Library and the Bio Tech Laboratory.

The brainchild of Mona Principal, Prof Gordon Shirley, the Corps engages students at different levels, offering part-time employment while they complete studies. The Corps in its present state is the second attempt by the University to integrate students into the manpower needs of the institution by serving in non-security areas. UWI's management took the decision that students could be utilised in non-security functions such as providing courtesy and traffic warden services.

Operation and management of the Corps falls under the responsibility of Director of Security, Assistant Commissioner of Police, Keith 'Trinity' Gardner, a veteran officer of the Jamaica Constabulary Force seconded in 2008 to manage the security of the UWI's Mona campus. ACP Gardener explains that it was critical to the University administration that

the functions identified did not pose a threat to participating students. The Corp's performance has exceeded expectations with students benefiting not only from the opportunity to earn a regular income but from the experience of being responsible to a job which requires them to be punctual, neat and professional.

ACP Gardner shared that the Corps was designed to offer services in several areas. A plan to have students stationed on Halls of Residence performing low-risk, non-core security functions as receptionists and courtesy officers was shelved due to the discomfort of some students and student services managers. "Students and student services managers indicated that they would be more comfortable seeing trained, uniformed security guards stationed on the halls. The focus has subsequently been placed on having Student Courtesy Officers assist with the traffic management aspect of the programme," ACP Gardner said.

"This is one of the ways the University has identified to help students find employment and develop certain skills and competencies," he said.

Interested students are invited to join the Corps through advertisements. Recruited members are required to undergo a one-day exercise which includes a lecture and job training skewed towards service delivery. The UWI Marketing & Communications Office assists with training by reinforcing to new recruits that the service is a courtesy programme. Since the programme's inception earlier this year, two batches of courtesy officers have been trained and are functioning.

"We downplay any ideas of enforcement and physical involvement. We emphasise and de-emphasise use of force and our students are constantly reminded that they are not to get



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DAMION PITTER

involved in any confrontational situation.”

While all postings are at very low risk, students are trained to assess situations to see if there is a danger to their personal safety. To this end, all student officers are equipped with radios and are trained to call for help if a situation should escalate into a threat.

“We have introduced them to the basic powers of arrest under common law and reinforce that if they engage in any exercise that could be in breach of a person's constitutional rights they could be liable at civil law for remedies”, noted ACP Gardner.

The opinion of students was sought in arriving at a decision over uniforms. Smartly attired students wear blue shirts and black pants adorned with the University Crest. Uniform shirts are clearly marked with identifying words 'Student Courtesy Corps' or 'Traffic Warden'.

The Director of Security is happy to report that students have been acting in conformity with the mandate and rules of the Corps. “I am satisfied with their performance,” he said.


From the student officer's perspective there is also the welcomed financial benefit. Corps members earn an hourly rate and are given a maximum of 15 hours weekly during the semester. Students are also allowed to work during break periods such as holidays to supplement their earnings. According to Damion, this goes a far way towards offsetting costs such as tuition and living expenses. His supervisory duties include drafting a weekly schedule for assigned team members, monitoring the parking lots and giving directions to the diverse mix persons accessing the campus. “You meet the good, bad and indifferent but it is rewarding collecting a cheque for the work you have done,” the ambitious final year student said.

Damion's views are echoed by another supervisor, Donisha Hutchinson, who finds students receptive and warm to the Courtesy Corps team. She admits that while the job is fun, things sometimes get hectic when they are faced with traffic congestion especially after a function. The pace though has taught Donisha, a final year political science student, to manage stressful situations. She too welcomes the opportunity to serve the University while earning for her efforts and

encourages other students to participate in the programme.

“I am usually very outspoken but I have learned self-control as while persons appreciate the customer service being delivered, some are not civil,” shared Donisha who believes that the training has been very helpful in creating a sense of responsibility.

Another member of the Courtesy Corps, Occupational and Environmental Safety and Health student, Shenique Clare also credits the training received with making the difference in the execution of her duties. “You have to bring your own personality to the job. It is also important for us to familiarise ourselves with the campus.”

There is some consideration to expand the service to some buildings where security guards are operating and where there is a minimum risk to students. There is also some thought being given to revisiting plans to use courtesy officers on hall during the days. “We will assess the risk that is associated with any task involving students. For example we would not place students where money is being traded,” ACP Gardner said. 



Director of Security, Assistant Commissioner of Police, Keith Gardner briefs members of the courtesy corps.



The Confucius Institute in Jamaica

In February 2009, Vice-President of the People's Republic of China, Xi Jinping, handed over the Confucius Institute to The University of the West Indies, Mona. This was a tremendous development as the Institute, which falls under the Department of Modern Languages, Faculty of Humanities and Education, counts as first in the English-speaking Caribbean. On that occasion, I was invited by the UWI to deliver the inaugural lecture. The title of my address was, "... Language,

Learning and the Future". I said, among other things that: "China has emerged as a major player on the international stage, articulating in a language that has, as its main focus, harmony, peaceful development and friendliness with other nations. As in traditional thought, man has again achieved centrality of focus. This is commendable, and can stand as a living example to other nations... we in the African Diaspora know



Pictured, from L-R, in front of main gate of Taiyuan University of Technology: Professor Lu Shaogang, Co-Director, UWI Confucius Institute, Dr. Courtney A. Hogarth, Director, UWI Confucius Institute, and Professor Zhao Anyuan, Kabul University Confucius Institute, Afghanistan.

only too well what the opposite of such an approach can mean. Centuries before this, while the days of the Chinese Empire were waning, this same China added to our 'Mosaic Identity'. Then, Emperor Xian Feng ruled from his Dragon Throne. In the fourth year of his rule, in 1854, the first set of Chinese immigrants made their journey across the seas to Jamaica, as indentured labourers.

With the establishment of this institute, Jamaicans will be able to have a window, possibly a threshold on China, through study of her language. ...I envision a future in which the world will need to speak with China, and will speak more with China. China, it seems to me, is all too eager for this dialogue, as she continues to create a foundation for such. We must grasp these opportunities.

Among the ancient cultures of the world, China is the only one that has persisted, unbroken, to the present day. She has a mighty tale to which we may hearken: the togetherness of her people, the work-ethic of her people, the willingness of her people to contribute towards common development, the love of art and beauty, the indomitable spirit of the Foolish Old Man, the love of life and laughter, the willingness to explore unknown territories, the enduring of hardships for the attainment of personal and common goals, the reaffirmation of the importance that the thoughts of Confucius and other philosophers have had in development, are all affirmative qualities to which we may aspire, and which we may emulate.

The future calls for self-knowledge. It calls for respect and dispassionate thought. More than ever, for countries

such as Jamaica it calls for education and the nourishing of our young minds.

There are no experts on the future, for we have not yet experienced it. All experts are 'experts of experience'. Yet insightful 'experts of experience' know only too well that the branches of the future grow out from the roots of the past. We will therefore have to, not discard memory, but embrace it. The name of this embrace shall be called dream. For, while memory is important, to dream is more virile. There was never an achievement that did not first exist in a state of dream.

We must, therefore, in coming days craft our individual language in such a way that it becomes the fertile ground from which dreams spring. Our language shall shape our dreams, and our dreams shall shape our future. In this we will have to protect those who are guardians of our creative heritage – our artists, writers, poets, dancers, musicians and storytellers..... We ought to protect and embrace them, for in so doing we embrace our languages, our dreams, and our future."

'With the establishment of this institute, Jamaicans will be able to have a window, possibly a threshold on China, through study of her language'


Since this lecture, my status has metamorphosed from that of a comfortable spectator, to one intimately bound up in the inner-dynamics of this institution. On August 1st, 2010, I assumed its directorship. Prof. Lu Shaogang, from Taiyuan University will soon assume duties as

Chinese-Director for our Institute, which is paired with Taiyuan University of Technology (TUT) in Shanxi Province. We believe that TUT is proficient in several streams of knowledge from which The UWI and Jamaica could benefit. At the same time there are several areas of study that Chinese students would be interested in undertaking in Jamaica. Through the efforts of our Institute we shall seek to facilitate these valuable exchanges

The mandate of the Confucius Institute is to encourage dissemination and learning of the Chinese Language and culture. The short-term goals are to teach Chinese Language (Mandarin), Chinese Calligraphy, Tai Chi, and to host a 'Film of the Month' series, in which we look at films/documentaries relevant to China. Language classes have already begun with UWI students and individuals from the community. Their teacher, Feng Yan, is a young, dynamic woman.

The long-term goals of the Institute shall embrace and continue those short-term goals, while seeking to expand beyond and above these. We would like to see Chinese as a second

language, taught in primary and secondary schools. As such the Confucius Institute in Jamaica aims to become a training centre for teachers. As a nation that has valuable governmental, business and cultural ties with

China, we shall seek to create valuable partnerships with business, government and social sectors, as we try to facilitate understanding between both nations to the mutual benefit. 

**Courtney A. Hogarth, Ph.D.
Director, Confucius Institute**

UWI DOMINATES INAUGURAL UWI/UTECH SPORTS CHAMPIONSHIP

THE UWI, MONA TEAMS DOMINATED THE COMPETITION TO TAKE FOUR OF THE FIVE TROPHIES AT THE INAUGURAL STAGING OF THE UNIVERSITY OF THE WEST INDIES /UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY, JAMAICA UWI/ UTECH SPORTS CHAMPIONSHIP HELD SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER AT THE MONA BOWL. THE CHAMPIONSHIPS FEATURED THE UWI PELICANS AGAINST THE UTECH KNIGHTS, COMPETING FOR THE TOP PRIZE IN FIVE SPORTING ACTIVITIES NAMELY: FOOTBALL, NETBALL, CRICKET, BASKETBALL AND VOLLEYBALL. THE EVENT WAS ORGANISED BY THE SPORTS DEPARTMENTS OF THE TWO INSTITUTIONS. HERE ARE SOME PICTORIAL HIGHLIGHTS.





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SPORTS FEATURE

UWI MONA TABLE TENNIS CLUB WINS TWO TOP TITLES AT NATIONAL TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS


MEN'S TEAM, L-R: CHEVRALO FOSTER, NICHOLAS MAHFOOD, ROBERT THAXTER, HUBERT LAWRENCE, MICHAEL GRANT. CENTRE: UWI, MONA'S TOP WOMEN'S PLAYER, SHENIQUE CLAIRE. WOMEN'S TEAM, L-R: SHANTAL BAILEY, SHENIQUE CLAIRE, JTТА PRESIDENT KEITH GARVEY, JANELLE MORRIS, TEAM COACH SANDRA REITTIE.



At the end-of-season JTТА National Table Tennis Club League play-offs, held at the YMCA on January 16, UWI, Mona Table Tennis Club won two top titles, the women's championship and Men's Division 2 crown. UWI did not field a team in Men's Division 1, which was won by newcomers Furia, led by some inspired play from former UWI standout and Jamaica representative Darryl Strachan.

Facing perennial favourites Pembroke Hall in the women's final, Janelle Morris eased past Alecia Bennett 3-0 and Shantal Bailey got by Bennett 3-1 in singles matches. Morris and Bailey pipped national champion Yvonne Foster and Davia Green 3-2 in doubles, for UWI's third win. Foster beat Shenique Clare 3-0 to pull one back for Pembroke Hall, but Foster's loss in doubles put an end to Pembroke Hall's championship streak.

While the UWI women last won the title in 2002, their male counterparts were gaining their first hold on the Division 2 title. In the final, UWI faced Bank of Jamaica. Robert Thaxter nipped BOJ's Jide Lewis after rallying from two sets down to win 3-2; Michael Grant crushed Selvin Smith 3-0 and Nicholas Mahfood blew away Lewis 3-0, for UWI's three triumphs. Alphonso Murray turned back Thaxter 3-1 in singles and teamed with Smith in doubles to ease past Mahfood and Grant 3-0, for BOJ's two consolation wins.

Champion teams received challenge trophies and players from champion and runner-up teams received medals. Cash prizes of \$20,000 and \$15,000 were presented to winners and runner-up teams for Men's Division 1, \$15,000 and \$10,000 for women's and Men's Division 2 were awarded. 

MAIN LIBRARY ACQUIRES STATE OF THE ART SECURITY SYSTEM



ACTING CAMPUS LIBRARIAN LEONA BOBB-SEMPEL (LEFT) ENGAGES IN CONVERSATION WITH (L-R) CHAIRMAN OF THE UWI DEVELOPMENT AND ENDOWMENT FUND (UWIDEF) DENNIS LALOR; RETIRED CAMPUS LIBRARIAN NORMA AMENU-KPODO, DURING WHOSE TENURE THE PROJECT WAS INITIATED; MANAGING DIRECTOR OF 3M CARIBBEAN REGION BELMIRO MONTALDI; AND DEPUTY LIBRARIAN AT THE UWI LIBRARY VERA GEORGE.

A new state-of-the-art 3M Library Security System was officially commissioned into use at The UWI Mona Main Library on Tuesday, January 18, 2011 at a launch ceremony held at the Multifunctional Room, Main Library, UWI, Mona. The system was acquired under a Memorandum of Understanding between 3M InterAmerica Inc. (Jamaica Division); the UWI Development and Endowment Fund (UWIDEF); and the UWI, Mona Campus.

The 3M Library Security System will offer an improved experience to the UWI, Mona student population and other users. It will secure the Main Library's valuable and significant collections and paves the way for the introduction of self check machines which will allow users to check items out themselves at their own pace thereby transforming the Library's operations.

The Launch event included a presentation on the features of the system, an official ribbon-cutting and a live demonstration. Among the speakers for the event were the Vice Chancellor; Mona's Principal ; UWIDEF Chairman, Hon. Dennis Lalor; and Managing Director for 3M Caribbean Region, Mr. Belmiro Montaldi.

The 3M Library Security System was purchased by The UWI Development and

Endowment Fund (UWIDEF) at a cost of US\$90,000 with 3M InterAmerica Inc (Jamaica Division) providing a 30% discount in the price . 3M also awarded the 3M/Kenneth Ingram/UWIDEF scholarship valued at \$720,000 over three (3) years tenable at the Department of Library and Information Studies. 3M, through its agent TELiCON Group, also provided the technical oversight for the installation and testing of the system. The UWI Mona Campus completed all infrastructural works to facilitate the installation of the system.

UWIDEF is the major fundraising arm of the UWI Mona campus and provides stewardship for funds raised through capital campaigns and projects, general endowment and planned giving. Since its incorporation in 1990, UWIDEF-Mona has implemented numerous projects including grants and scholarships for both undergraduate studies and post graduate research, and establishment of various facilities for students. This undertaking serves as a part of UWIDEF's support to the UWI Mona's mission to enhance the service and experience that is offered to its student population and other users. The 3M Library Security System will secure the Main Library's valuable and significant collections. **M**

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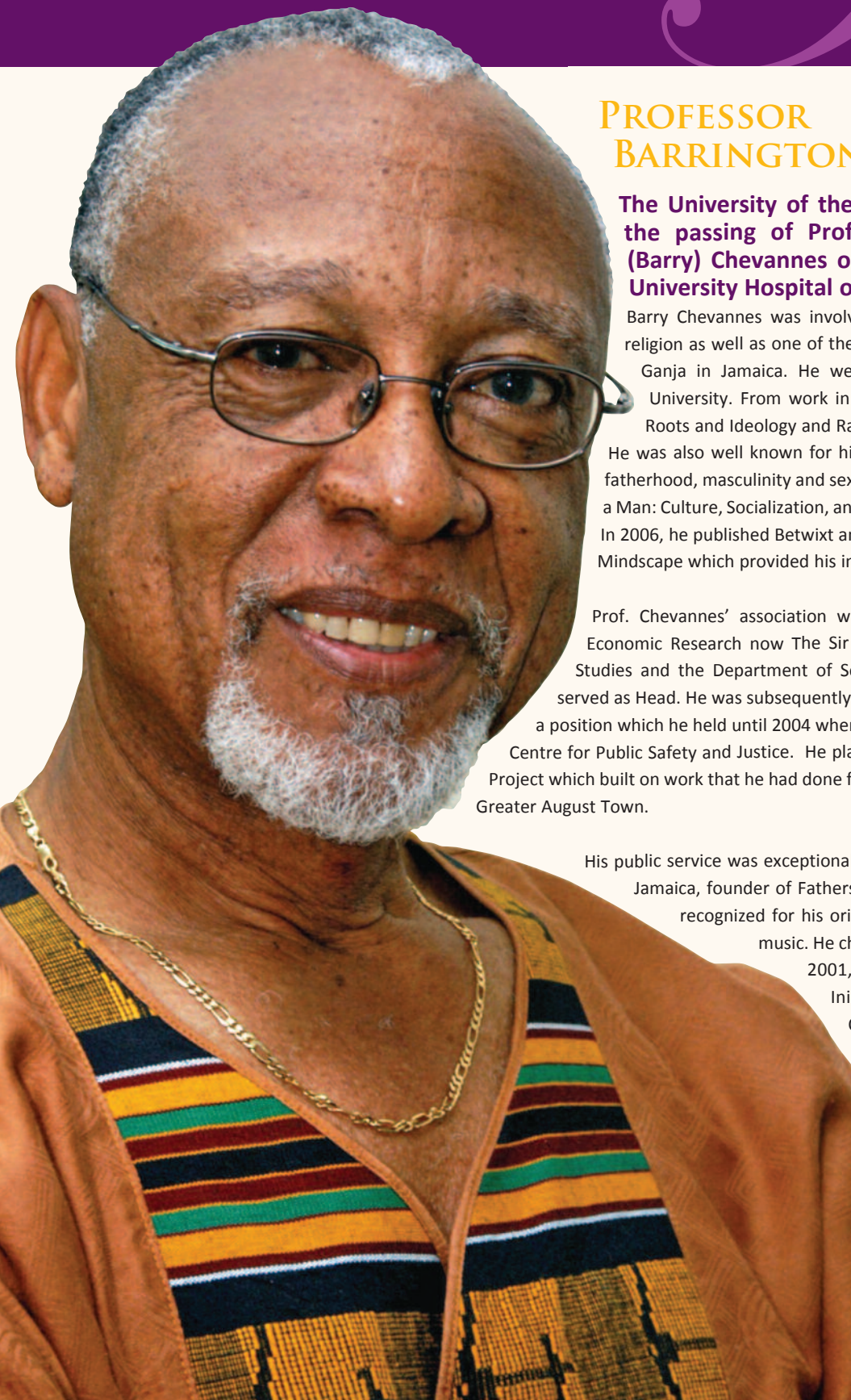
The University of the West Indies, Mona deeply regrets the passing of Professor Emeritus Alston Barrington (Barry) Chevannes on Friday, November 5, 2010 at the University Hospital of the West Indies.

Barry Chevannes was involved in the study of Afro-Caribbean culture and religion as well as one of the earliest scientific studies of the social impact of Ganja in Jamaica. He went on to do a PhD on Rastafari at Columbia University. From work in these areas, he published two books *Rastafari: Roots and Ideology* and *Rastafari and Other African Caribbean Worldviews*. He was also well known for his more recent work on socialization, the family, fatherhood, masculinity and sexuality; out of which came his book *Learning to Be a Man: Culture, Socialization, and Gender Identity in Five Caribbean Communities*. In 2006, he published *Betwixt and Between: Explorations in an African-Caribbean Mindscape* which provided his insights into the essence of Caribbean culture.

Prof. Chevannes' association with the UWI spans the Institute of Social and Economic Research now The Sir Arthur Lewis Institute for Social and Economic Studies and the Department of Sociology, Psychology and Social work where he served as Head. He was subsequently appointed Dean of the Faculty of Social Sciences, a position which he held until 2004 when he was appointed Director of the newly created Centre for Public Safety and Justice. He played a leadership role in the University Township Project which built on work that he had done for many years in the surrounding communities of Greater August Town.

His public service was exceptional. He was Chair of the Council of the Institute of Jamaica, founder of Fathers Incorporated, and of Partners for Peace, and is recognized for his original contribution to Jamaican folk and religious music. He chaired the National Commission on Ganja in 2000-2001, was a member of the Peace Management Initiative of the Ministry of National Security, Chairman of the Jamaican Justice System Reform Task Force and Co-chaired the CARICOM Commission on Youth Development.

Barry Chevannes' passing is a tremendous loss for the university to which he devoted almost a lifetime of service. The University extends its most sincere condolences to his wife Pauletta his two daughters Abena and Amba and to all the other members of his family. 




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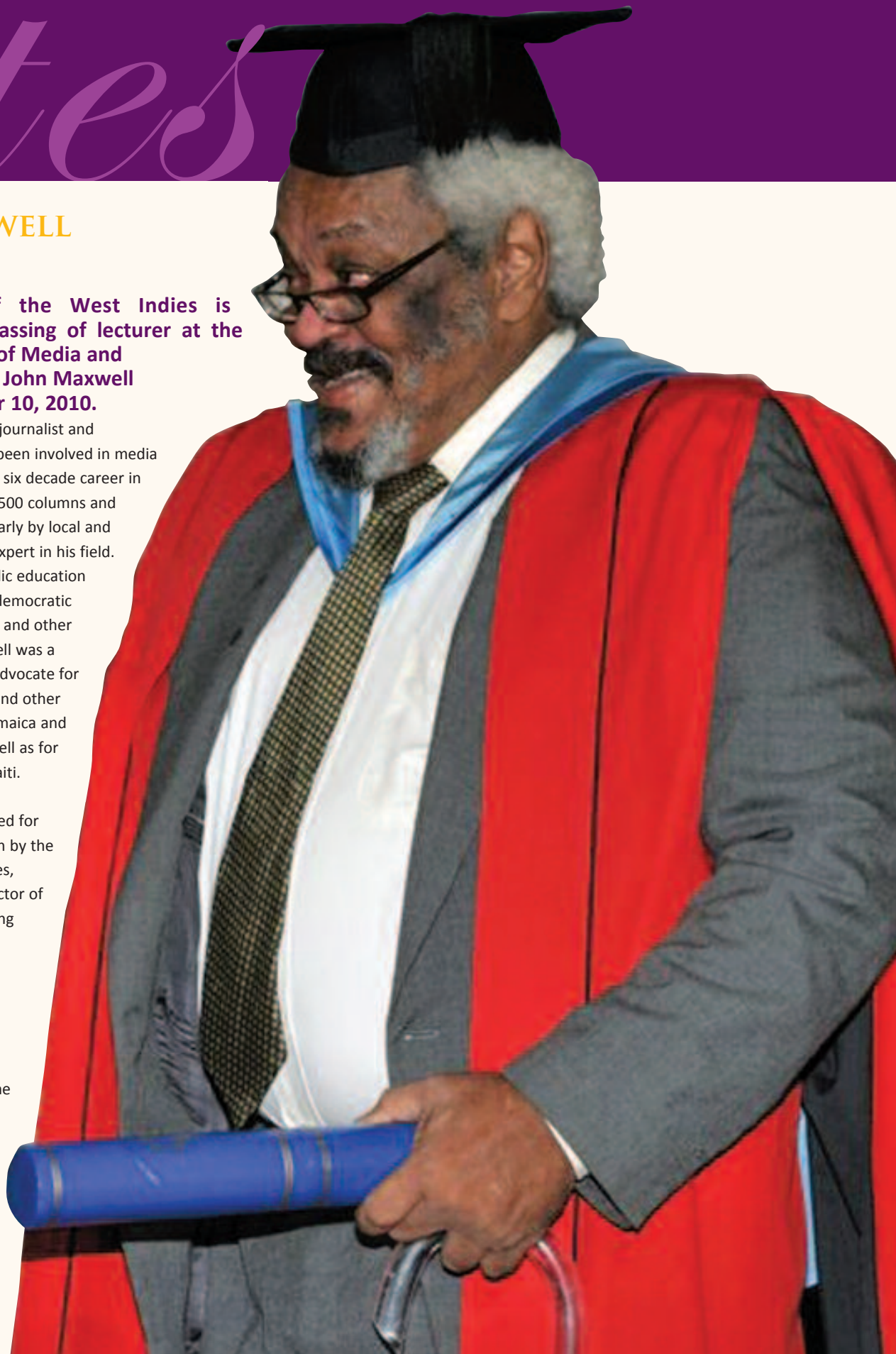
JOHN MAXWELL

The University of the West Indies is saddened by the passing of lecturer at the Caribbean Institute of Media and Communication, Mr John Maxwell on Friday, December 10, 2010.

Mr. John Maxwell, veteran journalist and environmental activist has been involved in media since the 1950s. During his six decade career in media he published over 1,500 columns and has been interviewed regularly by local and international media as an expert in his field. He has been an icon in public education especially in areas such as democratic governance, decolonisation and other related topics. John Maxwell was a passionate and unstinting advocate for the protection of beaches and other environmental causes in Jamaica and throughout the region as well as for the political liberation of Haiti.

John Maxwell was recognized for his outstanding contribution by the University of the West Indies, Mona with an honorary Doctor of Letters degree in 2009 during the annual Presentation of Graduates Ceremony.

John Maxwell's passing is a tremendous loss for the university to which he devoted much of his life. The University extends its most sincere condolences to his wife, children and to all the other members of his family. 



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UPCOMING EVENTS

March 3	Sports Day
March 4:	Campus Council meeting
March 17-20:	UWI Carnival
March 22:	27th Elsa Goveia Lecture: The Modernized Caribbean and its Implications for Heritage Tourism
March 24:	12th annual SALISES conference
March 24-27:	17th annual International Diabetes Conference
April 17:	Valedictory Service