WORK OF THE DEPARTMENT

During academic year 2013/14, the Department continued to focus on curriculum reform which included the revision of current courses and programmes, and the development of new courses. It also continued to engage with the wider public, with the hosting of public lectures, seminars, and activities concerned with outreach.

TEACHING & CURRICULA DEVELOPMENTS

In addition to the 3 courses at Levels 1 and 2 which were revised and written between 2011 and 2012, the Level 3 course HIST3411: Britain Since 1945 was finalised and approved by the AQAC in April/May 2014, and is to be offered in 2014/15. Other courses developed and revised during the year include HIST3701: Writing History and HIST2902: Caribbean Historical Landscape and the Development of Eco-Tourism which were approved by AQAC.
The Department also completed the revision of the BA in Africa and the African Diaspora programme which was re-named the African Diaspora Programme. This was approved by Academic Board. Similarly, the BA in History and Heritage Studies programme was revised to include Level 3 Archaeology and History courses, namely, HIST3801: Historical Archaeology and HIST3013: History of the Jamaican Landscape.

ARCHAEOLOGY

The annual Field School in Archaeology for students in HIST2801: Research Methods and Techniques in Archaeology took place at Kent Taíno Site, Trelawny January 2–11, 2014 under the supervision of Dr. Ivor Conolley, Part-Time Lecturer, and Director of the Falmouth Heritage Renewal. Eight HIST2801 students and three 3rd year students were in attendance.

SOCIAL HISTORY PROJECT

Under the guidance of Dr. Matthew Smith, the Social History Project is engaged in the development of the Jamaica Fifty Time Capsule project for the Ministry of Youth and Culture. Dr. Birte Timm who is attached to the SHP, continues with her Post-doctoral Research Fellowship awarded by the Marie Curie Fellowship in the Gerda Henkel Foundation M4 Human programmes in the Department. The Fellowship ends in April 2015.

30TH ANNUAL ELSA GOVEIA MEMORIAL LECTURE

The Department hosted the 30th annual Elsa Goveia Memorial Lecture on 1 April 2014 at the Sir Philip Sherlock Centre for the Performing Arts. The Lecture was delivered by Dr. Diana Paton, Reader in Caribbean History, Newcastle University, UK. The title of her lecture was “Small Charges” Law and the Regulation of Conduct in the Post Slavery Caribbean”.

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WEEKLY STAFF/GRADUATE SEMINAR SERIES

Under the very able coordination of Dr. Enrique Okenve, the Department’s Weekly Staff/Graduate Seminar Series saw 17 presentations by visitors, graduate students and staff during the academic year.

THE HISTORY AND ARCHAEOLOGY SOCIETY

Members of the History and Archaeology Society received awards at the recently held University Student Awards Ceremony held 12 April 2014. Oshane Robinson and Adrian Reid both received Certificates of Excellence for co-curricular service in Culture, while Kirt Henry, John Shorter, Mouricia Allen, Alicia Patterson and Kadia Gray were awarded for Outstanding Performance in Culture.

PUBLIC OUTREACH

During the year members of the Department continued to participate in radio and television discussion programmes, organising conferences and symposia, and delivering public lectures at various venues, locally and overseas.

The Department in conjunction with the School of Education held a Workshop for CAPE History Teachers on Saturday 23 November 2013. The Workshop was held between 9am and 3pm and was attended by 44 teachers of CAPE History representing 28 High Schools from within and outside the corporate area. The objective of the Workshop was to assist in the improvement of the teaching of CAPE History. The Facilitators of the Workshop were Drs. Aleric Josephs and Dian McCallum. The Department intends to make this an annual event.

The Department’s annual Cape Lectures in History series, coordinated by Dr. Aleric Josephs, was held on April 5 and 12, 2014, between the hours of 10am and 3:15 pm. Six lectures were delivered: “The Provisions of the British, French and Spanish Acts of Emancipation”, by Dave Gosse; “Cuban Revolution: Regional and International Impact 1959 – 1983” by Robert Sierakowski; “Nationalism and Nation Building
Attempts by Haiti’s Revolutionary leaders to Create a Free Society between 1804 and 1825”, by Matthew Smith; “European Settlement and Rivalry in the Americas to 1800” by James Robertson; “Global Conflict and Totalitarianism: World Wars I & II, The Russian Revolution up to 1924, and Nazism in Germany up to 1945”, by Jonathan Dalby.

The Department in collaboration with the French Embassy in Kingston, and with the Department of Government, hosted the showing of the documentary film, *Les Combattants Africains de la Grande Guerre (African Veterans of the Great War)*, on April 10, 2014 in the Neville Hall Lecture Theatre. The discussant of the film was Dr. Jonathan Dalby, Senior Lecturer in History in the Department. The event was in commemoration of the centenary of the outbreak of World War I in 1914.

The Department in association with the Department of Government hosted a Panel Discussion on the life and work of the late Nelson Mandela, titled *Tribute to Madiba Nelson Mandela*, on 18 December 2013, in the Neville Hall Lecture Theatre. The Panelists included, Dr Enrique Okenve (History) who spoke on “Mandela and the Anti-Apartheid Movement”, Dr. Raymond Brown (Government) who spoke on “The USA and the Anti-Apartheid Movement”, and Professor Rupert Lewis (Government), who spoke on “The Politics of Mandela’s Legacies”. The Discussant was Professor Waibinte Wariboko (History). The event was broadcast live on *NationWide* radio.

**DISTINGUISHED VISITORS TO THE DEPARTMENT**

The University of the West Indies and Australian National University Emeritus **Professor Barry Higman was Visiting Professor** in the Department during semester 2 of academic year 2013/14. Professor Higman conducted seminars in the MA Heritage Studies programme, teaching modules in HIST6704: Oral History: Value and Techniques; HIST6710: Audio-Visual History and HIST6703: Historic Landscapes and Environmental History. He also conducted a workshop on the Writing of the Research Paper for MA students, and met with MPhil and PhD students to discuss thesis writing. On 28 February 2014, he
presented on “The Demography of Slavery” in the weekly Staff/Graduate seminar series. Professor Higman also gave a Public Lecture, “Big History, Small Islands” on 28 March, 2014 in the UWI Library’s Multifunctional room.

STAFF MATTERS

In 2013/14 the position of Lecturer in Asian History was filled by Dr Taka Oshikiri. The position of Lecturer in Archaeology was left vacant during 2013/14, and Dr. Ivor Conolley covered most of the teaching on a part-time basis during both semesters, with assistance from Ms Renee Nelson in Semester 2. Mr Zachary Beier has been offered a contract by the University to fill the position. Mr Beier is completing his PhD at Syracuse University, and is expected to join the staff in August 2014.

Dave Gosse received the Principal’s award for Best Publication (Book) & Most Outstanding Researcher in the Faculty of Humanities and Education for Abolition and Plantations Management in Jamaica 1807–1838 (University of the West Indies Press); Kathleen E. A. Monteith received the Principal’s award for Best Publication (Article) in the Faculty of Humanities and Education for “Boom and Bust in Jamaica’s Coffee Industry, 1790–1835”, Journal of Caribbean History, 47: No. 1: pp1–27.

PROMOTIONAL ACTIVITY

Mr Christopher Graham, MPhil graduate student gave a presentation on “The Importance & Value of Studying History” to the gathering of 150 students and their teachers in attendance at the CAPE History Lectures. Mr Graham also promoted the Department’s offerings on site visits to schools within and outside the corporate organised by the Campus Admissions Office and coordinated by the Associate Dean for Outreach, Dr. Rachel Mosely-Wood.

Dr. Jenny Jemmott coordinated the Department’s participation in the Campus’ Research Days’ activities, which also assisted in promoting the Department’s offerings. She was ably assisted by Dr. Josephs, graduate students and members of the History and Archaeology Society.
The Department’s Website and Facebook continued to be periodically updated under the supervision of Dr. Enrique Okenve, assisted by Mrs Rudy-Ann Dennis Copeland.

CONFERENCE / SEMINAR PAPERS

Jonathan Dalby

• “Such a Mass of Disgusting and Revolting Cases: Explaining the Prosecution of Sexual deviance in Post-Emancipation Jamaica,” Department of History and Archaeology, UWI, Mona, Staff/Postgraduate Seminar, 22 November 2013. 38pp.

• ‘Stereotypes and Beyond: Female Criminality in Post-Emancipation Jamaica, 1835-99’ at the 46th annual conference of the Association of Caribbean Historians, Fort-de-France, Martinique, 13 May 2014. 25pp.

Dave Gosse


Aleric Josephs


Kathleen E. A. Monteith


Taka Oshikiri

James Robertson
• “Jamaica’s Victorian Architectures, 1834–1907,” Department of History and Archaeology, UWI, Mona, Staff/Postgraduate Seminar 18 October, 2013. 23pp.

Matthew Smith
• “Back To Haiti: Haitian Migration in Historical Perspective,” University of Toronto, 13 March 2014. 20pp.

• “Jamaica Needs Haiti: Island Exchanges and Cultural Relations in the 1950s,” Department of History and Archaeology, UWI, Mona, Staff/Postgraduate Seminar, 8 November 2013.


Swithin Wilmot

• “A Passion for Inclusion: Black Politics in Free Jamaica, 1838–1865,” International Conference in Honour of Professor Rupert Lewis, Department of Government, UWI, Mona Campus, 11 October. 27pp.

PUBLICATIONS

Books & Monographs:

Matthew Smith


Journal Articles & Book Chapters

Jonathan Dalby

• “‘Such a Mass of Disgusting and Revolting Cases’: Moral Panic and the ‘Discovery of Sexual Deviance in Post-Emancipation Jamaica, “

**Dave Gosse**


**James Robertson**


**Matthew Smith**

Swithin Wilmot


PUBLIC SERVICE

Dave Gosse

- Chairman: Board of Management, The Ardenne High School.

Jenny Jemmott

- Member: National World Heritage Committee, Jamaica National Heritage Trust.

Aleric Josephs

- Chief Examiner, CAPE (History) for Caribbean Examination Council

Kathleen E. A. Monteith

- Member: Editorial Board of the *Journal of Caribbean History*
- Member: National Library of Jamaica’s Collections Development/Information Systems and Services and Management Committee
- Member: Executive Committee, Jamaica Historical Society
- Editor: *Jamaican Historical Review*
- Member: Scholarship/Grants Committee, Anglican Community University of the West Indies, Mona Chapel.

James Robertson

- Vice President: Jamaican Historical Society
– President: Archaeological Society of Jamaica
– Member: National Archives Advisory Committee.

Veront Satchell
– Member: Board of Directors, The Mico University College
– Member: Governance Committee, Mico University College
– Member: Board Lady Mico Trust
– Reviews Editor: *Journal of Caribbean History*.

Matthew Smith
– Member: Board of Directors of the Museums and Ethnography Division, the Institute of Jamaica
– Chair, Content Sub-Committee, Board of Directors of the Museums and Ethnography Division, the Institute of Jamaica.

Waibinte Wariboko

Swithin Wilmot
– Member: Board of Trustees, The Archbishop Samuel Carter Educational Fund
– Member: Board of Directors, Museums and Ethnography Division, the Institute of Jamaica
– Member: Editorial Board, *Journal of Caribbean History*
– Editor: *Journal of Caribbean History*.
– Convener: Executive Nominating Committee of the Association of Caribbean Historians.
INFORMATION ON STUDENTS

Prizes Awarded

The Gladwyn Turbutt prizes for:

European History Joedian Munroe
Archaeology Ashley Jones
Atlantic World History Candice Turner
Historical Methodology Juanitta Hutchinson
Asian History Robyn Guthrie
Heritage Studies Karreene Morris

The Neville Hall prize:

History of the Americas Shawn Wright

The Walter Rodney prize:

African History Marcus Moore

The Elsa Goveia prize:

West Indian History Renee Davidson