

## News from Newfoundland and Labrador

## News from Memorial University

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## Research

- Applications are now invited for the Margaret Williams Trust Fund Award which promotes the development of librarianship in Newfoundland and Labrador by providing funds for scholarships, research, special projects, and work exchange opportunities. Funds are awarded on a competitive basis to applicants seeking funding for library-related projects or assistance in pursuing full-time graduate studies in librarianship, archival studies, or teacher librarianship. The 2019 award is valued at a maximum of \$1,500. The deadline for applications is June 14. For more information and specifics on applying, [click here](#).
- A Research Data Management (RDM) Working Group has been created and is a sub-committee of the Vice-President Council (VPC) of Memorial University. Its purpose is to develop Memorial's Research Data Management Strategy to meet the requirements of the anticipated Tri-Agency Research Data Management Policy in the fall of 2019. It is further expected that the activities of the working group may serve to improve researcher support with regards to RDM. Ms. Susan Cleyle, University Librarian, is Chairing the RDM Working Group.

## Strategic Planning

There are currently eight strategic planning projects underway by Memorial University Libraries. For a quick synopsis, please see the graphic to your right. For more information about our strategic plan, please visit [here](#).



## Employee News

- Louise White has ended her term as AUL of the QEII, Marine Institute, Music, & Education Libraries, and is enjoying a well-deserved admin leave.
- Brian Quinn of the Marine Institute Library has won the Memorial University President's Award for Exceptional Service; Brian has been a steadfast volunteer on many initiatives during his career, but particularly, the Campus Food Bank.
- At the recent Memorial University annual employee service awards, the following employees received acknowledgements:
  - Sharon Thompson – 20 years
  - Jacqueline Hillier; Donna Norman; Carl White – 25 years
  - Juanita Frye – 40 years

## Cool Stuff

- An interesting collaboration happening in our makerspace was recently profiled on the [University's website](#).
- Our Archives and Special Collections Division was recently on CBC News - On June 14, 1919, Capt. John Alcock and Lt. Arthur Brown of the Royal Air Force took off from Lester's Field, St. John's and landed 16 hours later at Clifden, Ireland. The Archives & Special Collections Division has a photo album documenting the journey thanks to the generosity of Peter Carter. The scrapbook belonged to his Great Aunt Margaret Carter. It is currently on loan for an exhibit in The Admiralty House Communications Museum in Mount Pearl to celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the transatlantic air race. Zoom to 12:30-16:41 for the full feature story on [CBC's Here and Now](#).
- The Research Data Centre located in the QEII Library celebrated its fifth anniversary. Details are [here](#).
- The Centre for Newfoundland Studies purchased a rare book inscribed by Romantic Poet William Wordsworth. Read more [here](#).