

HIRES

- ◆ Johan Brannlund, Ewa Duma, and Evgenij Kritchevski were hired as LTAs on June 1, 2011 and have been renewed for a 2nd year.
- ◆ The Department welcomes Méлина Mailhot as a tenure-track addition to the Department effective July 1, 2012.

DEPARTURES

- ◆ The Department bids farewell to LTAs Yujin Guo and Tasneem Zaihra who have moved on to more appropriate positions and wishes them success.

DEPARTMENTAL NEWS

- ◆ The undergraduate actuarial programs at Concordia University have earned provisional accreditation at the national level from the Canadian Institute of Actuaries (CIA). This accreditation applies to courses starting on or after September 1, 2012.
- ◆ The Department has established *The Dwivedi Memorial Lecture Series* thanks to an endowment from the Dwivedi Family. The first lecture in this series was held on Friday, April 27, 2012.
- ◆ *Ann-Marie Agnew Scholarship Fund* was established in memory of Ann-Marie who passed away on May 30, 2011.
- ◆ S.T. Ali, J. Garrido, J. Harnad, and A. Stancu are recipients of the 2012 NSERC Discovery grants.
- ◆ In March 2012, the Department hosted the first Montreal-held Math Kangaroo Contest attracting children from grades 2 to grade 11 for a total of approximately 100 participants.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

We are very proud of our student achievements. Congratulations to all!

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Convocation Medals

- ◆ Mr. Matthieu Hubert (BSc - Specialization Actuarial Mathematics), received the *Governor General's Silver Medal* awarded to the highest ranking student graduating from Concordia University. He also received *the Mappin Medal* awarded to the highest ranking student graduating with the degree of Bachelor of Science.

Undergraduate Awards

- ◆ Mr. Steven Ma (BSc - Actuarial Mathematics) was awarded the *Morneau Shepell Student Scholarship* – this is the first scholarship awarded.
- ◆ Mr. Matthieu Hubert (BSc - Specialization Actuarial Mathematics) was awarded the *John Culver Woody Scholarship* by The Actuarial Foundation.

Graduate Awards

- ◆ MSc students Messrs. Tuan Nguyen, Camilo Ortiz, Zhifeng Zhang and PhD students Messrs. Oscar Quijano Xacur and Sina Yansori received *The Faculty of Arts and Science Fellowship* from September 2011 to August 2014.
- ◆ Mr. Syed Chowdhury (PhD) and Ms. Mariolys Rivas (PhD) were awarded *International Fee Remission* from September 2011 to August 2012.
- ◆ During the 2011-12 academic year, *ISM Scholarships* were given to MSc student Mr. Zhang Zhifeng (MSc) and PhD students: Mr. Syed Chowdhury, Ms. Manuela Girotti, Mr. Oscar Quijano Xacur, Ms. Mariolys Rivas, and Mr. Petr Zorin.
- ◆ Mr. Menachem Wenger was awarded the *2011-2012 Fonds québécois de la recherche sur la nature et les technologies (F.Q.R.N.T)* scholarship valued at \$15,000 from September 2011 to August 2012.
- ◆ Mr. Matias Rodrigo received the ISM Doctoral Fellowship for another year valued at \$7,500.
- ◆ M.T.M. students Ms. Dalia Challita and Mr. Nicolas Boileau have been awarded the *Nick Herscovics Memorial Scholarship*. The tenure of the award is 2 terms (September 2011 to April 2012) and it is valued at \$600 per term per person.

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Undergraduate Awards

- ◆ Mr. Bruno Joyal (BA – Honours Pure and Applied Mathematics) is the recipient of the *Eric O'Connor Mathematics Medal*.
- ◆ Ms. Anne Gaureau and Mr. Ryan Gibrara have been selected by the Dean of Arts and Science for the *2012 NSERC USRA Award Program*.