

## FEATURED INFORMATION



### GAMBLING : BASIC NOTIONS AND RESOURCES TO SUPPORT INTERVENTION

In collaboration with the Research Chair on Gambling and the Institut universitaire sur les dépendances, the Douglas Mental Health University Institute presents the 16th exchange session of the cross-training program on mental health and substance *Gambling : Basic notions and resources to support intervention*. The event will take place on **Tuesday June 6, from 9:00 am to 4:30 pm**. It will be held at the Douglas Hall of the Douglas Mental Health University Institute and via videoconference in partner sites.

The event is intended for professionals, administrators or anyone involved with a clientele consisting of youth or adult at risk, or dealing with gambling, mental health or substance use disorders.

Please visit [our website](#) for more details.

## PUBLICATIONS

### GAMBLING TRAJECTORIES IN QUEBEC

**NEW!!** The Chair's new [fact sheet](#) on gambling trajectories in Quebec is now available.

### CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Our researchers and students presented three posters at the 16<sup>th</sup> Alberta Gaming Research Institute Conference:

- ◇ Arsenault, N., Kairouz, S., Fiedler, I., Monson, E. (2017). *Exploring the effects of introducing a state monopoly operator to an unregulated online gambling market*.
- ◇ Kairouz, S., Costes, J.-M., Monson, E., Eroukmanoff, V., Arsenault, N. (2017). *Gambling patterns and problems of gamblers on regulated and unregulated sites*.
- ◇ Monson, E., Kairouz, S., Dussault, F., Arsenault, N. Ilacqua, S. (2017). *Assessing problem gambling: Convergence and divergence of the problem gambling severity index (PGSI) and the diagnostic and statistical manual of mental disorders (DSM-IV-TR)*.

## KNOWLEDGE TRANSFER

### THE ALGORITHM OF ADDICTION: A PEEK INSIDE THE WORLD OF SLOT MACHINES

In collaboration with the Observatoire des Jeux (France), the Research Chair on Gambling organized a screening of the documentary *Ka-Ching! Pokie Nation* in Paris (France) in February. Researchers and government representatives attended the event.

A second North American public screening of the documentary was held in April in Quebec City, followed by a panel discussion with gambling experts. The [event](#) was organized in collaboration with the Criminology program (School of Social Services of Université Laval) and attracted more than 40 participants.

An upcoming screening of the film *Ka-Ching! Pokie Nation* will take place at the 35th International Visual Sociology Conference on June 20th, 2017.

## ACTIVITIES & EVENTS

### RISQ 25<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY

In collaboration with the Institut universitaire sur les dépendances, the regroupement de Recherche et intervention sur les substances psychoactives - Québec (RISQ) is organising its [annual seminar: 25 ans et tournés vers l'avenir](#), on June 8, 2017, in Trois-Rivière.



## SCHOLARSHIPS & INTERNSHIPS

### SAMANTHA ILACQUA RECEIVES CUSRA AWARD AND MASTER'S FUNDING

Congratulations to Samantha Ilacqua for obtaining the [Concordia Undergraduate Student Research Award](#) for the summer 2017. Samantha's research will examine the relationship between gambling rates and the financial crisis of 2007/2008, in Canada and the United States.

Samantha also received the Merit, Dean's and Mentor awards from the department of Sociology and Anthropology at Concordia University. In addition to her Master's scholarship from the Research Chair on gambling, these will help fund her training as a researcher under the supervision of Dr. Kairouz, starting in the fall of 2017.

## NEWS FROM THE GAMBLING FIELD

### WHEN GAMBLING AFFECTS THE GAMBLER'S SOCIAL NETWORK: IMPACTS AND CONSEQUENCES

In a recent knowledge transfer activity organized by the FRQ-SC, Dr. Francine Ferland and her team (CIUSSS de la Capitale-Nationale) presented her research on the harmful effects of gambling on the social network of gamblers. The full report is available on the [FRQ-SC website](#).

### RISK DISTRIBUTION AND ACCESSIBILITY OF VLTS IN MONTREAL

The Direction de santé publique du CIUSSS du Centre-Sud-de-l'île-de-Montréal has released a [report](#) on video lottery terminals accessibility and mapping of gambling risk in Montreal.

## GAMBLING CONFERENCES

### NCRG 18TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The National Center for Responsible Gambling will be hosting its [18<sup>th</sup> annual conference on gambling and addiction](#) on October 1-2 2017, in Las Vegas, Nevada.

### NAGS 27TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The [27<sup>th</sup> annual Conference of the National Association for Gambling Studies](#) will be held on November 22-24 2017, in Melbourne, Australia.

## OTHER CONFERENCES

### INSTITUT UNIVERSITAIRE SUR LES DÉPENDANCES SYMPOSIUM

The Institut universitaire sur les dépendances will be hosting a scientific symposium on September 28 at the Institut de recherche du Centre hospitalier de l'Université de Montréal.

### EUROPEAN PUBLIC HEALTH CONFERENCE

The [10<sup>th</sup> European Public Health Conference on Sustaining resilient and healthy communities](#) will take place in Stockholm, Sweden, on November 1-4 2017.

### ISSUES OF SUBSTANCE 2017

The [Issues of Substance 2017 conference: Addiction matters](#) will be held on November 13-15, in Calgary, Alberta.

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