



# Newsletter

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## SCHOLARSHIPS & BURSARIES 2019



Ms. Sudean Peters

Since the inception of the Joe Pereira Scholarship in 2004, the award has been presented to deserving students from various disciplines. This year's awardee is Ms. Sudean Peters who is pursuing a Bachelor of Arts in Journalism in the Faculty of Humanities and Education. Miss Peters hails from the parish of Clarendon and is a past student of Glenmuir High School where she completed her secondary education with 9 passes in CSEC and passes in 8 units of the CAPE examinations. Ms. Peter's is set to continue her sterling academic performance as she made the Dean's list in the last academic year.

In her acceptance of the scholarship Miss Peters expressed her gratitude for the opportunity, as the funds will allow her to focus on her studies instead of worrying about her financial obligations to the University. She stands ready to represent WIGUT as its ambassador for this academic year.

In addition to the Joe Pereira Scholarship WIGUT has also disbursed the sum of \$1,080,000 in general bursaries to assist 27 students along their journey this academic year. These bursaries are as a result of members' contribution to the Bursary Fund and we encourage members to continue their support of this worthy cause. Special Bursaries named after past members who have given sterling contribution to WIGUT, will also be awarded.

## Donations

As the region continues to offer support towards the rebuilding of the islands of The Bahamas in the wake of recent hurricanes, WIGUT (JA) registered its support by way of a cheque in the sum of US\$5,000.

During the month of October WIGUT also contributed \$25,000 towards the activities of the Institute of Gender and Development Studies to mark 16 Days of activism in support of International Day of Violence Against Women at the event dubbed "Walk a Mile in My Shoes."



WIGUT President Prof. Paul Brown, and Treasurer Dr. Noel Morgan, handing over donation cheque to President of the Jamaica Red Cross Society, Ms. Hope Monroe.



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## Library Open Week 2019



The Mona Library celebrated Open Week with a series of activities to showcase various services, resources and talents resident within The UWI Mona Library. The 4th staging of Open Week took place October 13-18, 2019.

### Church Service

The week began with a Church Service on Sunday, October 13, at the University Chapel. The programme was facilitated by the United Church in Jamaica and the Cayman Islands.

Dr Paulette Kerr, Campus Librarian, brought greetings on behalf of the Library, while 'Library Notes', the Library's singing group, blessed the worshippers with beautiful songs interspersed throughout the programme. Other participants from the Library were Fernando Spencer who read from the Scriptures, and Tracy Edwards who assisted with the offertory. Some members of staff were accompanied by their spouses and children. The Church Service was followed by brunch in the Multifunctional Room of the Main Library.



### Celebration of Books

The Celebration of Books Reception & Exhibition Launch, took place Monday October 14, 2019, at 6:00pm in the Multifunctional Room, Main Library. This signature event showcased the distinguished scholarship of The UWI Mona staff who published books within the period of August 2018 to August 2019. Twenty six (26) UWI/ UTCWI authors and twenty (20) monographs were recognized. Dr. Leith Dunn chaired the evening's proceedings and guest speaker was Poet Laureate and Writer-in-Residence in the Department of Literatures in English, Professor Lorna Goodison. Dr. Canute Thompson responded on behalf of the authors.

The exhibition of 20 works will remain in the Catalogue Hall of the Main Library until November 30, 2019. [More...](#)



## Welcome to New Members

Ms. Deon C. Dewar-Gray	Social Work Training & Research Centre
Miss Lisa Gaye A. Vernon	Norman Manley Law School
Miss Lafane Taylor	Bursary
Mr. Kurt A. Vaz	Department of Pathology
Mrs. Elecia A. Myers	Dean's Office, Faculty of Science & Technology
Dr. Kayon Donaldson-Davis	Mona Ageing & Wellness Centre
Mrs. Charlene Riley	Office of Administration
Dr. Michelle Munroe	Department of Government
Dr. Diane Newman-McKenzie	Department of Pharmacology, Basic Medical Sciences
Mrs. Joyce Goode-Jones	Department of Microbiology
Dr. Karen Carpenter-Russell	Institute of Gender & Development Studies
Miss Roshene Betton	Norman Manley Law School
Dr. William Rose	Department of Engineering
Dr. Tina Hylton-Kong	Department of Community Health & Psychiatry





## UWI Blue Book and You!

Conditions Governing Annual Leave Entitlements (Clause 114) Appendix XIII page 18-20

### *Graduated Annual Leave and Maximum Accumulable*

No. of years of service	Annual leave (working days)	Maximum accumulable
[New employees] 15 years and under	15 days per annum	30 days
Over 15-25	20 days per annum	40 days
Over 25	30 days per annum	60 days

Persons who are not new employees shall be entitled to 42 days Annual Leave per annum. Such persons include individuals who received a series of one-year contracts which began before 12th October, 2007 and thus had been in receipt of 42 days Annual Leave per annum.

**New employees:** Staff employed from 1st August 2009 **Old employees:** Staff employed before 31st July 2009

## Your Pension & You

### *Pension handbook*

[http://wigut.uwimona.edu.jm/sites/default/files/UWI\\_FSSU\\_Members%27\\_Handbook\\_September\\_2017\\_Revision.pdf](http://wigut.uwimona.edu.jm/sites/default/files/UWI_FSSU_Members%27_Handbook_September_2017_Revision.pdf)

### *Check your balances on Hartlink*

<https://www.hartlinkonline.co.uk/uwi-fssu/hopl.chi/wui/homepgui.html>



## Did You Know?

Academic staff who teach continuously throughout the year are entitled to annual vacation leave.

See Blue Book [Section XI Clause 115]

## Know your Representatives



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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### SAVE THE DATE...

December 14, 2019 - WIGUT Party 2019



### SPECIAL



**SHAW PARK**  
BEACH HOTEL & SPA

A collage of four images showing the hotel's interior: a bedroom with a blue headboard, a view of the beach and ocean, a dining area with a table set for a meal, and a spa area with a hot tub.

**CHRISTMAS/NEW YEAR**  
**SPECIAL!**

Home away from home for the holidays!

**ALL INCLUSIVE PACKAGE – MINIMUM 3 NIGHTS STAY**  
Single Occupancy: US\$190.00 per room per night  
Double Occupancy: US\$230.00 per room per night  
Triple Occupancy: US\$300.00 per room per night  
Child (4 – 12 yrs): US\$ 35.00 per night sharing-two adults  
Child 4 and under – FREE sharing with two adults

A small logo featuring a globe and the hotel's name.

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## UWI Awards Excellence in Teaching on Quality Day, 2019

### *The UWI Student Evaluation of Teaching Award Ceremony*



After years of discussion, the first ever UWI Student Evaluation of Teaching (SET) award ceremony was held on Thursday, November 14, 2019 at 5:00 pm in the Exhibition Room, Faculty of Medical Sciences, Teaching and Research Complex. This award ceremony came about as a result of the partnership between the Office of the Deputy Principal and the Centre for Excellence in Teaching and Learning (CETL). It was fittingly held on the observation of Quality Day 2019, the first ever such observation at the UWI. The message was unmistakably clear, good teaching is one of the contributory factors to the quality offerings of the UWI.

Over the years, the need for the recognition of faculty who scored high on the SET was expressed by several senior managers and others at the UWI, Mona Campus. Unfortunately, this was not realised until on Thursday November 14, 2019 when this ceremony was held. The ceremony had as its chair, Professor Ian Boxill, Deputy Principal of the UWI Mona Campus.

Eighty four members of faculty were honoured for excellence in teaching (as was reflected in their SET scores) in this award ceremony. The list of awardees included professors, senior lecturers, lecturers and adjunct lecturers. They were drawn from five of the six faculties operating on the UWI Mona Campus (Faculty of Humanities and Education, Faculty of Social Sciences, Faculty of Medical Sciences, Faculty of Engineering and Faculty of Science and Technology). The awards were presented by Professor Dale Webber and Dr Tomlin Paul.



The chairman, in his opening remarks congratulated the awardees (faculty scoring 4.5 and above on SET) on their accomplishments and underscored the importance of teaching at the UWI Mona Campus. He indicated that the faculty who had worked long and hard in preparing for their classes and teaching in outstanding ways were definitely an asset to the institution. Hence, they were singled out for this special honour in the ceremony. He later pledged that the ceremony would not be a “one off event” but would be celebrated next year, in a bigger and more impressive ceremony.

Greetings were also brought by the Campus Principal, Professor Dale Webber. He congratulated the faculty for their stellar achievements and pledged the commitment of the Campus in recognising faculty pedagogical excellence. He noted that the ceremony was an historic one and congratulated the CETL and the Office of the Deputy Principal for working together to make the award ceremony a reality.

Dr Tomlin Paul, Dean of the Faculty of Medical Sciences and the UWI/Guardian Life Premium Teaching awardee for 2006 also brought greetings. He used the opportunity to congratulate the faculty on their award. Further, he encouraged faculty to continue to teach well, utilising faculty development opportunities to grow and develop themselves as excellent teachers. **[Photo Gallery](#)**

*Submitted by Mervin E. Chisholm, Coordinator, Centre for Excellence in Teaching and Learning, The University of the West Indies, Mona Campus.*



## Support Your Union

Volunteer to serve on committees:

- Public Relations & Publications
- Grievance
- Membership
- Pensions
- Professional Development
- Faculty/Section Representative

## Contribute to the WIGUT Bursary Fund

We extend this call for members to contribute to the scholarship and bursary fund that supports the needs of students. You may make a one time commitment or you may choose to establish continuous support by filling out the [bursary fund salary deduction form](#) and submitting to the WIGUT secretariat. These amounts will be deducted from your salary and deposited directly to the Bursary Fund. Come... Help to support this worthy cause!

## Contribute to WIGUT Magazine - ADZE

We extend a call for items to be included in the 60th Anniversary edition of WIGUT's magazine which is produced every 10 years, inclusive of the years 2008-2018.

- Articles
- Tributes
- Photos
- Highlights of events in your faculty/section
- Fun items:
  - Crossword puzzles,
  - Did you know
  - Poetry
  - Jokes

Deadline for submission: December 15, 2019

Submit your contributions to

Email: [wigut@uwimona.edu.jm](mailto:wigut@uwimona.edu.jm) or [wigutjanewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:wigutjanewsletter@gmail.com)



## Memorabilia for Sale



**Ceramic Mug  
with secure lids**  
**\$850**



**Umbrellas**  
**\$1,775**



**Polo - Shirts**  
Male and Female  
Sizes: Small, Medium,  
Large, 1XL, 2XL, 3XL  
**\$1,385**



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