#1
Carleton’s Sociology program is the second oldest in Canada.

Cheers to 50 years!
June Helm MacNeish taught the first sociology course at Carleton in 1949-1950. She went on to become a well-known American anthropologist and had a long career at the University of Iowa.
#3

John Porter was Carleton’s first full-time sociology professor.
50 Fun Facts

#4
Introductory Sociology was the first sociology course offered at Carleton; every fall and winter semester approximately 1800 students take an Introduction to Sociology course at Carleton University.

Cheers to 50 years!
#5

The first sociology courses with anthropological content (Introduction to Sociology and Anthropology, Archaeology and Ethnology) were offered in 1950-1951.

Cheers to 50 years!
The first sociology courses were taught at Carleton College’s location in the Ottawa Ladies College on First Avenue in the Glebe.

Cheers to 50 years!

Cheers to 50 years!
#8
The Loeb Building, current home of the Department of Sociology and Anthropology, opened on December 1, 1967.

Cheers to 50 years!
#9

John Porter’s office was in D789 Loeb. A plaque was installed to commemorate his contribution to Sociology.

Cheers to 50 years!
50 Fun Facts

#10
The name of the Department of Sociology was officially changed to the Department of Sociology and Anthropology in 1968.

Cheers to 50 years!
#11

The Ph.D. program in sociology was introduced in 1970; the first PhD in Sociology was awarded to Sidney Gilbert in August 1973. Sidney Gilbert was supervised by John Porter and Bernard Blishen (Trent University). His dissertation was titled, “Educational and Occupational Aspirations of Ontario High School Students: A Multivariate Analysis”. Sidney Gilbert became a professor of sociology at the University of Guelph.
Since 1970, 226 people have received their PhDs in sociology from Carleton University.
#13
Sociology PhD graduates have become faculty at countless universities across Canada including: Concordia University, University of Waterloo, University of Winnipeg, Trent University, University of Guelph, Simon Fraser University, Ryerson University, Algoma University, North Island College.

Cheers to 50 years!
The Soc-Anth Bar Flies softball team have won the Carleton Grad Student Softball League championship eight times including the last three years.

Cheers to 50 years!
Since 1970, 570 students have received MAs in sociology from Carleton University.

Cheers to 50 years!
50 Fun Facts

#16

The Department had 7 full-time faculty members in 1965, 38 in 1973 and 40 in 2018.

Cheers to 50 years!
Cheers to 50 years!

50 Fun Facts

#17

Angus Reid, the Chair of the Angus Reid Institute and the founder and CEO of Angus Reid Global, received his Ph.D. from the Department in 1974. The Canadian Sociological Association has named the Angus Reid Practitioners/Applied Sociology award in his honour.

Cheers to 50 years!
#18
The MA program in anthropology was introduced in 1975.

Cheers to 50 years!
#19
Since 1975, 286 students have received MAs in anthropology from Carleton University.

Cheers to 50 years!
The Department’s Ph.D. program in anthropology was introduced in 2009; the first graduates were Daniel Tubb and Marieka Sax in 2014. Daniel Tubb was supervised by Peter Gose and his dissertation was titled, “Gold in the Choco, Columbia”. He is a professor in the Department of Anthropology at the University of New Brunswick. Marieka Sax was also supervised by Peter Gose. Her dissertation was titled, “Sorcery and Morality in the Andes: Illness, Healing, and Brujería in Kanaris (Lambayeque, Peru)”. Marieka Sax is a research associate at the University of Northern British Columbia.
#21
Since 2009, 9 students have received PhDs in anthropology from Carleton University.

Cheers to 50 years!
#22

Kim Mitchell is the longest serving administrative staff at the Department of Sociology and Anthropology. She joined the department in 1981 (and joined Carleton in 1974).

Cheers to 50 years!
As of 2018, the Department had 26 full-time sociology faculty and 14 full-time anthropology faculty.

Cheers to 50 years!
#24


The current chair, Blair Rutherford began his term in 2019.

Cheers to 50 years!
#25

Charles Gordon, sociologist, enjoyed calligraphy. If he liked you, he would give you a hand-crafted phrase. There are still remnants of his calligraphy phrases in the department today. He also made incredible cheesecakes. Carleton University runs a lecture series on Society and Design in honour of Charlie Gordon.

Cheers to 50 years!
Anthropologists Victor Valentine and Frank Vallee were recorded in the undergraduate calendar as Professors of Sociology until the academic year 1973-74. They were then recorded as Professors of Sociology and Anthropology. These were the department’s first full-time anthropologists. In 1999 the Frank Vallee Memorial Scholarship in Anthropology was established in Prof. Vallee’s honour.

Cheers to 50 years!
Course registration changed from in-person to telephone in the late 1980s, then to online in the early 2000s alleviating the lineups and waiting time.

Cheers to 50 years!
Actor and musician Dan Ackroyd took courses from the Department of Sociology and Anthropology in 1969, with plans of pursuing a career in law enforcement. He quit his studies and moved to Toronto to pursue a career in comedy instead.

Cheers to 50 years!
The Department’s current anthropology faculty have received their PhDs from: University of Aberdeen, University of Toronto, McGill University, University of Chicago, University of Arizona, Heidelberg University, University of California-Berkeley, Carleton University, London School of Economics, Columbia University, Cambridge University, University of British Columbia, and York University.
#30

Current sociology faculty received their highest degrees from: University of Toronto, Carleton University, University of Alberta, Cambridge University, University of British Columbia, York University, University of Calgary, Ontario Institute of Studies in Education, University of London, University of California- Santa Cruz, Concordia University, Simon Fraser University, University of Pennsylvania, University of Montreal.

Cheers to 50 years!
#31
The Sociology and Anthropology Department is home to two former Trudeau fellows: Jean-Michel Landry (2009) and Zoe Todd (2011) and one current Trudeau fellow, Abigail Curlew (2019).

Cheers to 50 years!
The Bruce McFarlane Bursary was established in 1992 to honour Dr. Bruce McFarlane’s 33 years as a teacher and a scholar at Carleton University. Dr. McFarlane was the Department’s chair from 1964-1967. He had the responsibility of ushering the department into its new home in the Loeb Building.

Cheers to 50 years!
#33

Wallace Clement, student of John Porter, was one of the department’s earliest PhDs in sociology, graduating in 1976 with a dissertation titled, “Capitalism: Corporate Power Relations Between Canada and the U.S.”. In his 38 years at Carleton, Professor Emeriti Wallace Clement was the chair of the department, Dean of the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, Dean of Graduate and Postdoctoral Affairs and supervisor of countless graduate students. A Graduate Scholarship in Dr. Clement’s name was established in 2018 upon his retirement to honour his service.

Cheers to 50 years!
Former sociology professor Gertrude Neuwirth founded the Research Resource Division for Refugees, a research centre that was housed for many years in Loeb A735, and was subsequently housed in the School of Social Work.

Cheers to 50 years!
Jefferson C. Francis Memorial Scholarship was created to honour Jefferson C. Francis, a Carleton University Sociology PhD student who, mid-studies, enlisted in the Canadian Forces. Francis was killed in Afghanistan in 2007. The scholarship is awarded to students in Conflict Analysis and Conflict Resolution or the Intelligence and National Security Clusters.

Cheers to 50 years!
2012 was a record year for Janet Siltanen as she witnessed three of her PhD students cross the stage at the same time; her students Nicholas Scott, Karen Foster, and Riva Soucie all graduated in 2012. In 2017, Janet Siltanen was awarded a very richly deserved Carleton Faculty Graduate Mentoring Award.
Between 1998-2018 SSHRC awarded $8,260,152.00 to Carleton University faculty and students for sociology-related projects.
#38

Between 1998-2018 SSHRC awarded $2,567,131.00 to Carleton University faculty and students for anthropology-related projects.

Cheers to 50 years!
Loeb D794 is the Lester B. Pearson room, named after Canada’s 14th Prime Minister, one-time chancellor of Carleton University, and namesake of “Mike’s Place”. When Pearson was chancellor at Carleton University, this was his office.

Cheers to 50 years!

Cheers to 50 years!
The anthropology program joined the BGInS (Bachelor of Global and International Studies) program with the specialization, “Globalization, Culture and Power” in 2015. The sociology program joined the BGInS program with the specialization, “Inequalities and Social Change” in 2017.

Cheers to 50 years!
#42
The upcoming (2020-2021) president of the Canadian Sociological Association is Carleton University sociology professor Xiaobei Chen.

Cheers to 50 years!
#43
Donna Patrick was the president of the Canadian Anthropology Society/Société canadienne d'anthropologie (CASCA) from 2015-2018.

Cheers to 50 years!
#44

Carleton University winners of the Canadian Sociological Association’s John Porter Tradition of Excellence Book award include:

- 2007— Andrea Doucet *Do Men Mother?* University of Toronto Press, 2006

Cheers to 50 years!
50 Fun Facts

#45

Sociology graduate students have taught many mini-enrichment classes to elementary and high school classes at Carleton University. Those courses have included: “Social Justice in Action” (Cora Macdonald and Vanessa Million), "Selfies, Vlogs, Tumblr, & Blogs: Feminist Social Media for Social Change" (Melissa Conte and Sarah Rodimon), “'Science Friction': Exploring Scientific Controversies Across Cultural Locations” (Christian Pasiak), and “Growing up in Borderland, Teenagers on the Margins” and “Youth Understanding and Changing the World: Your Chance to Stand Out” (Alejandro Hernandez).

Cheers to 50 years!
The Department of Sociology and Anthropology currently has many professor emeriti. They are: Bruce Curtis, Peter Gose, Alan Hunt, Florence Kellner, Janet Siltanen, and Wallace Clement.

Cheers to 50 years!
The Sociology and Anthropology Department has strong ties to the Institute of Political Economy, reflecting the historical strength of political economy in the department.

Cheers to 50 years!
Anthropologist Blair Rutherford was the first director of the Institute of African Studies at Carleton University. He held this position from 2009-2015.
The departmental main office used to be the departmental lounge. In 1998 it was dedicated the “Kevin Mather Lounge” in memory of sociology undergraduate student Kevin Mather. Mather was 27 years old when he was struck by a car and died the day before his graduation.

Cheers to 50 years!
Around 7000 students have received Bachelor of Arts degrees in sociology or anthropology from the department since 1982.

Cheers to 50 years!