

School of Health and Human Performance

Highlights and Milestones 1966 - 2007



1966 The School of Physical Education is created as a response to the need for teachers of Physical Education in the Province of Nova Scotia. **Dr. Hugh Noble, Ken Gowie (Athletic Director), Gerry Walford, Al Yarr and Carol MacLean** play key roles. Unlike most other programs in Canada, President Henry Hicks locates the program in the Faculty of Health Professions recognizing its important contribution to the field of health. **Dr. R.M. MacDonald** (Dean, Faculty of Health Professions) becomes the first Dean for the new program. Dr. Andrew MacKay (then Dean of the Law School) supports the program. 10 students enter the first year.

1968 **Dr. Allan Coles** from Australia becomes the first Director of the School of Physical Education, which also houses Athletics and Recreational Services. Academic programs are being built. 60 students enter the first year program. Faculty members include an international group from Canada, Australia, the United States, and the United Kingdom. The School's headquarters is located on University Avenue. Student classes and faculty offices are scattered across campus and in the Studley gymnasium.



1969 **John Cassidy** who later is inducted into the Canadian Basketball Hall of Fame (2007) becomes a student in the School.



1970 The first class of 8 students graduate from the Bachelor of Physical Education. A Masters of Physical Education begins.

1971 A Health Education major is added to the undergraduate degree program. Students from the Nova Scotia Teachers College Physical Education program enter the BPE to complete their final 2 years.

1972 The BPE graduates 19 students. The Human Movement option is offered as part of the BPE program as an alternative to the teaching track. **Richard Beazley** becomes the first graduate of the Master's program.



1973 **Dr. Michael Ellis** from the University of Illinois brings a Recreation emphasis when he becomes the second Director of the School. The first graduate student completes a

Masters of Science. **Dr. John Pooley**, as the first undergraduate Coordinator for the School, begins an international exchange program with two schools in the UK and one in the US. The School relocates to the Arts Annex.

1975 A Bachelor of Science (Health Education) with a focus on teacher preparation is created as the result of increased awareness of the need for illness prevention and health promotion programs in schools.

1976 The Dalhousie Women's Field Hockey team, with several student members from the School wins the National University championship under leadership of coach and School faculty member Nancy Buzzell. 56 students complete the undergraduate program.

1977 Bachelor of Recreation program begins. The first student graduates with a Bachelor of Science (Health Education).

1978 **Dr. Larry Maloney**, who had been teaching in the school since 1974 is appointed Director. 12 students graduate from the Bachelor of Recreation program. 20 students complete the MSc degree.



1979 Dalplex creates outstanding new facilities for athletics and also for students participating in the activities portion of the physical education program. The School relocates to the Stairs House.

1980 BSc (Health Education) introduces a community-health promotion focus with two streams, Lifestyles and Administration.

1981 Athletics and Recreational Services is separated from the School of Physical Education.



1982 The Dalhousie Women's Volleyball team under the coaching of faculty member **Lois MacGregor** wins the University national championship. Five students from the School are members of the team. We are renamed the School of Recreation, Physical and Health Education.

1984 The School takes the dramatic step of creating a five-year, Bachelor of Physical Education/Bachelor of Education integrated program. This program blossoms into one of a kind in Canada and results in the graduation of professionals qualified to teach in the gymnasium and the subject area classrooms.

1986 Academic development continued with the creation of the Bachelor of Science (Kinesiology) a program that currently is the largest in the School. 56 students complete their undergraduate degrees.



1988 The School's Graduate programs expand to include three separate degrees Master of Arts (Health Education), Master of Science (Kinesiology) and Master of Arts (Leisure Studies). **Dr. Sandy Young**, a faculty member who has taught in the School since 1970, becomes the School's fourth Director. 11 students complete our graduate degrees.

1989 Faculty member **Nigel Kemp** is inducted into the Nova Scotia Sport Hall of Fame.



1990 Kinesiology begins an Honours program.



1993 The government's "rationalization" decision forces the termination of all teacher preparation programs at Dalhousie. As a result, under the **Acting Directorship of Dr. John McCabe**, faculty members begin a strategic planning process to revise the School's mission.

1995 Dr. Maloney returns as Director of the School. We are renamed **The School of Health and Human Performance** with the mission of enhancing the health and well-being of members of society. A BSc (Kinesiology) begins as a result of the revisioning process. Kinesiology begins an ergonomics stream and the Therapeutic Recreation program is strengthened. 108 students complete undergraduate degrees.



1998 **Professor Lois MacGregor** inducted into the Nova Scotia Sport Hall of Fame. School Research Awards reach \$198,600. 16 students complete their graduate degrees.

1999 **Dr. Phil Campagna** wins the Dalhousie Teaching Award Using the previous B.P.E./B.Ed. Model, a new five-year Bachelor



of Science (Recreation)/Bachelor of Management integrated program begins in cooperation with the Faculty of Management.

2000 **Dr. Lori Livingston** from Ontario becomes the fifth Director of the School. Kinesiology begins a Coaching Science stream. 118 students complete their undergraduate degrees. Retired **Professor Al Yarr** is inducted into the NS Sport Hall of Fame.

2001 Enrollment reaches 401 in undergraduate programs in the School. Dr. Sandy Young is inducted into the NS Sport Hall of Fame posthumously.

2002 Recreation celebrates 25 years as a School program. School Research Awards reach \$676,000.

2004 The BSc (health Education) is renamed BSc. (Health Promotion). A new stream in Research and Policy begins. The Community Health Promotion stream is strengthened. An Honours degree in Health Promotion begins.

2004 Professor Nigel Kemp and Professor Lois MacGregor are inducted into the Dalhousie University Sports Hall of Fame.

2005 Research dollars in the School surpass \$1.8 million.

Kinesiology student **Matthew Knox** is the first School student to receive a Rhode Scholarship.



2006 The MA (Health Education) is renamed the MA (Health Promotion). **Dr. Carol Putnam** receives the Faculty of Health Professions teaching award. Professor Lesley Barnes receives the Dalhousie Educational Leadership Award.. Retired professor Dr. Jan Prsala inducted to the Canadian Volleyball Hall of Fame.



2006 The School establishes the School of Health and Human Performance Exemplary Service Award and Dr. R. Lee Kirby (Faculty of Medicine) is named the first recipient.

2006 Kinesiology celebrates 20 years as a program. The number of School graduates surpasses 3000.



2007 Kinesiology student **Tony Griffin** completes a cross-Canada and cross Ireland bicycle tour raising \$ for Ovarian Cancer Canada, the Lance Armstrong Foundation and the Irish Cancer Society.

2007 **Dr. Charlotte Loppie** wins the first School Teaching Excellence Award.



2007 New curricula are introduced for the B.Sc (Kinesiology) and B.Sc (Kinesiology) Honours programs. The School applies for CCUPEKA accreditation. The number of School graduates surpasses 3000. 120 undergraduates complete their degrees. Graduate enrollment reaches 56.

I am delighted to welcome back to Dalhousie former graduates and Associates of the School of Health and Human Performance for these 40th anniversary celebrations. Anniversaries are indeed special times which provide opportunity to reflect on past good times and successes and to imagine and plan for an even brighter future. Congratulations to the School, graduates, students, and present and former faculty and staff on this most happy occasion!

**Dr. William Webster Dean, Faculty of Health Professions
2005 – Present**



School of Health and Human Performance Celebrating 40 Years of Excellence

Health Education • Health Promotion • Kinesiology • Leisure Studies • Physical Education • Recreation



On behalf of the students, staff, and faculty of the School of Health and Human Performance, I am pleased to welcome you to our 40th Anniversary Celebration on the weekend of October 19-21, 2007. I hope that you will take this opportunity to become involved in many of the exciting events that have been planned to make this a most memorable experience. This is a tremendous opportunity for us all to celebrate the past while at the same time getting a glimpse into how the School continues to shape the future in Health Promotion, Kinesiology, and Recreation/Leisure Studies. Enjoy!

**Dr. Lori Livingston, Director HAHP
2000 – Present**



Dr. Lynne McIntyre
Dean 1992 - 2005



Dr. Ron DeBurger
Dean 1988 - 1992



Dr. Robert Tonks
Dean 1977 - 1988



Dr. R. M. MacDonald
Founding Dean 1963 - 1977

We are celebrating Alumni, students, faculty and staff for their accomplishments in Health Education, Health Promotion, Kinesiology, Leisure Studies, Physical Education, Recreation Management and Therapeutic Recreation.

By 2007 our students and faculty members had excelled by receiving major national research awards. Staff, faculty and students have been recognized by national, provincial and local community organizations for their teaching, leadership and vision. Government has hired our alumni and relied on research emanating from the School to inform policy, move theory to practice, and to develop effective community programs. Staff, students and faculty have also demonstrated excellence by participating on Canadian University National Championship teams, becoming Olympians, being inducted into Canadian, Nova Scotian and Dalhousie Halls of Fame, and participating as officials, coaches and builders of sport.

They have all contributed to our excellence.

* Comments by Dr. Larry Maloney, Director 1978 – 1989; 1995 – 2000

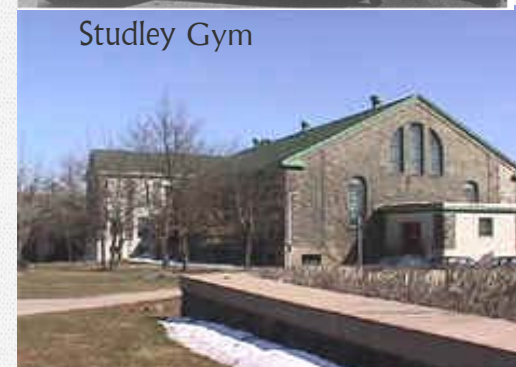
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Arts Annex Bldg



Stairs House



Studley Gym



*One thing has remained constant over all the 40 years of development--the School remains extremely proud of the thousands of its alumni who have gone forth after graduation and made significant impacts on our society. We who remain with the School take great pride in our alumni and their accomplishments, and we are proud that they represent Dalhousie so well! We are assured that this tradition of excellence will continue in the years to come. **