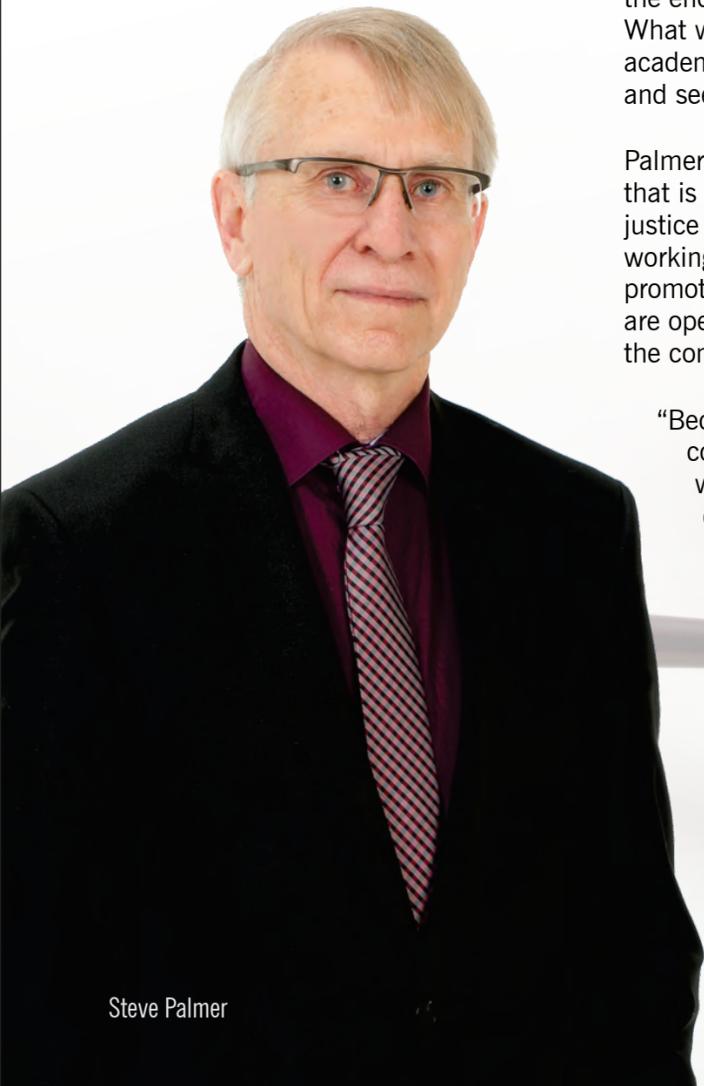


Our commitment to research that has impact

The Collaborative Centre for Justice and Safety is a catalyst for research that supports first responders and justice and community safety organizations. At any one time it will have up to 20 researchers from various disciplines working together to examine complex issues related to policing, the court system, emergency management, justice and community safety.

One of the centre's areas of study is responder and victim resiliency with projects ranging from the exploration of emerging technologies to finding ways to reduce the risk of post traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) in front line responders. Researchers are also exploring important issues such as the effect of changing demographics on crime rates; police service management in times of austerity; and finding efficiencies within the criminal justice system.

"One of the areas we have considerable focus on is economics, particularly the economics of safety," said Steve Palmer,



Steve Palmer

executive director of the Centre. "This involves looking at the community's values, the costs, what the returns on investment are and not just the numbers, but also the social values as well."

This type of research is possible because of the multi disciplinary approach the Center takes. Teams often integrate expertise in areas such as psychology, justice studies, computer science and engineering to address complex problems.

"The Center is certainly unique in Saskatchewan and the multi disciplinary approach we are using is unique within Canada," said Palmer.

The researchers are also deeply connected with the community they serve.

"When I talk to people across the country I talk about the Team Regina or the Team Saskatchewan approach we have," said Palmer. "We are very integrated. The research community is well integrated with the end-user community and their peers. What we have is a system where academics can do high-quality research and see the fruits of their labour applied."

Palmer describes Saskatchewan as a place that is conducive to examining social justice issues because of people's close working relationships: government policies promote partnership building; researchers are open to cross-disciplinary projects; and the community is supportive.

"Because of the support and communication from the community we get to understand the issues and challenges better," says Palmer.

"We also get to the knowledge that the academics develop into application within the community more seamlessly than perhaps in other communities."

It is a way of doing things that ensures the research produced through the Centre continues to have a meaningful impact at home and beyond.

WHAT'S HAPPENING

March 20 2:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Faculty of Fine Arts
New Media Studio Lab Open House Showcase

Location: RIC Atrium, Main Campus

The New Media Studio Lab (NMSL) is pleased to host an open house showcase in the RIC Atrium. Come out and see the NMSL members' current research through a series of presentations.

The NMSL is a knowledge cluster of researchers from Fine Arts, Engineering and Computer Science who are committed to generating theory and research at the interstices of art and technology.

March 26 7:00 p.m.
Faculty of Arts
2015 Stapleford Lecture - The Fierce Urgency of Now: Global education as a gateway to creating critically informed, motivated and globally competent citizens

Speaker: Michael O'Sullivan
Faculty of Education, Brock University

Location: RIC 119

Michael O'Sullivan will talk about how the daunting challenges that face humanity are increasingly global in scope and therefore require global solutions. He will elaborate on how this has significant implications for the professional practice of K to 12 teachers, teacher-educators, and curriculum developers. Students need to be prepared to successfully confront the complex 21st century challenges that they will soon inherit as young adults.

March 30 7:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
Faculty of Arts
The Armenians, the Holocaust, and Rwanda: Where was Empathy?

Presented by Dr. Ellen J. Kennedy

Location: RIC 119, Main Campus

Research has shown that perpetrators of atrocity crimes and genocide lack empathy. Using her own work in the area of human rights as an example of the insights and applications to be gained through the study of the liberal arts, Dr. Kennedy will discuss how, now more than ever, a liberal arts education is a crucial window into the human condition and the development of empathy.

Alumni
Crowning Achievement
Awards

Notice to the 2015 Alumni Crowning Achievement Award Nominators:

Please re-submit new nominations!

Due to a technical error discovered on March 4, we are asking you to re-submit any new Alumni Crowning Achievement Award nominations sent between December 1, 2014 and March 4, 2015.

The deadline for submission has been extended to Tuesday, March 31, 2015.
Complete details and forms are on: www.uregina.ca/external/alumni-relations

For more information, please contact External Relations at (306) 585-5158 or diane.mullan@uregina.ca.