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Laurier names Juanne Clarke University Research Professor

WATERLOO – Wilfrid Laurier University Sociology professor Juanne Clarke has been named Laurier's 2013-2014 University Research Professor. The announcement was made May 2, at the Celebrate Research 2012-13 event, sponsored by Laurier's Office of Research Services.

Clarke has focused on three main areas throughout her research career: medicalization, gender, and media. Recently, she has been working on children's mental health issues. Her University Research Professor project will continue this work with a cross-national scan of media representations of children's mental health issues around the world.

Clarke has published 16 books, including *Health, Illness and Medicine in Canada*, in its 6th edition, and has received 10 Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) research grants since 1985, in addition to other funding.

Clarke came to Laurier as a full-time lecturer in the Department of Sociology and Anthropology in 1971. She is a full professor in Laurier's Sociology department, an adjunct faculty member in the Community Psychology graduate program and the Doctor of Social Work program, and has served as coordinator of the Women and Gender Studies program. "I am delighted to announce that Juanne Clarke is our University Research Professor this year," said Abby Goodrum, vice-president: Research. "The research she has done throughout her career is impressive, and we look forward to the results of the research she will be conducting during her term as University Research Professor."

The University Research Professor award was created to recognize a continuous record of outstanding scholarship by a full-time Laurier faculty member and to enable that scholar to complete a major piece of research. The award also emphasizes the importance of research at Laurier and promotes the achievements of the university's outstanding scholars.

The University Research Professor award provides a \$10,000 research grant and two course remissions for the year. The award is given each year at fall convocation with a citation.

Laurier Chemistry Professor Dmitri Goussev was the 2012-2013 University Research Professor.

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