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LAURIER EXPERT ALERT: World AIDS Day

WATERLOO – Every year on Dec. 1, people around the globe observe World AIDS Day to help raise awareness of HIV and AIDS and provide an opportunity for the world to join together in the fight against HIV.

The following Laurier faculty members have expertise in AIDS research:

Robb Travers, associate professor, Psychology

- Travers maintains an active community-based research program that seeks to understand HIV “risk behaviours” in broader social context and the development and impact of interventions at various levels (individual, community and structural/societal). He is also interested in factors that impede emotional wellbeing of lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender youth as well as people living with HIV/AIDS.
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Alan Whiteside, Centre for International Governance Innovation chair in Global Health

- Prior to joining Laurier, Whiteside was the founder and director of the Health Economics and HIV/AIDS Research Division at the University of KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa. He has written numerous articles and several books on HIV/AIDS, including *AIDS: The Challenge for South Africa* (2000) and *HIV/AIDS: A Very Short Introduction* (2008). Whiteside is well known for his work in this field and lectures on the international stage. He developed a successful training workshop, “Planning for HIV/AIDS,” and mentors students, academics and researchers in the field.
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