



MEMORANDUM

To: Faculty, Staff and Students, University of Toronto Scarborough

From: Professor Rick Halpern, Dean and Vice-Principal (Academic)

Date: 22 June 2010

Re: Appointments of Chairs of English, Humanities, Philosophy and Physical and Environmental Sciences

I am delighted to inform you of the following four appointments:

Professor **Christine Bolus-Reichert** has been appointed Chair of the new Department of **English** for a three-year term, from 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2013. Professor Bolus-Reichert is highly regarded for her excellent scholarship as well as for her leadership and administrative abilities. She is respected for her consultative and inclusive style, her strong organizational skills, and her ability to make hard decisions when necessary. The committee believes that the Department will thrive under the leadership of Professor Bolus-Reichert. She will succeed in building a strong sense of community and commitment that will provide a fertile environment for scholarship to flourish and for a vibrant student experience.

Professor **William Bowen** has been re-appointed Chair of the Department of **Humanities** for a two-year term, from 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2012. Under Professor Bowen's leadership many parts of the Department have thrived, particularly areas in the visual and performing arts. In addition, he has presided over a significant influx of excellent new scholars across all disciplines. He is respected for his ability to nurture interdisciplinary programs and for his understanding of the complex and many faceted nature of the Department. He has the trust of faculty and staff alike and will provide a greatly needed stability during this transitional period while the Department considers its future.

Professor **Philip Kremer** has been appointed Chair of the new Department of **Philosophy** for a five-year term, from 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2015. Professor Kremer is a highly regarded scholar with an international reputation for his work in Logic and Philosophy of Language. He has served in a number of administrative roles both at UT Scarborough and the University of Toronto, most notably as Philosophy Discipline Representative and Supervisor of Studies in the Department of Humanities at UT Scarborough, and Graduate Coordinator and Associate Chair in the Department of Philosophy at the University of Toronto. Professor Kremer is held in high esteem by his colleagues for his scholarship, transformational leadership abilities, commitment, and creative energy.



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Professor **William Gough** has been appointed Chair of the Department of **Physical and Environmental Sciences** for a five-year term, from 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2015. Professor Gough brings to the position a wealth of administrative and governance experience. Since joining UT Scarborough, he has served on numerous committees and held a number of administrative roles, including Associate Chair Undergraduate Affairs in the Department of Physical and Environmental Sciences, Graduate Coordinator in the Department of Geography, and most recently Vice-Dean Graduate Education and Program Development at UT Scarborough. He has provided dedicated service to the University at large through his participation and leadership in University governance, including serving as Chair of the UT Scarborough Council, as a Faculty Governor on the University's Governing Council, and as a member of the 2030 Task Force on Governance, Phase II. As Vice-Dean Graduate Education and Program Development, Professor Gough very skillfully moved the first tri-campus PhD program to be housed at UT Scarborough, from development through to final approval by Governing Council. Professor Gough is held in highest esteem by his colleagues, both in DPES and in the Dean's Office, for his calm, consultative and fair manner, his deep sense of responsibility and commitment, excellent organizational skills, as well as for his scholarship and research. The quality of his administrative work and his people skills leave nothing to be desired and are greatly appreciated by all. He will provide the very best leadership for the Department as it engages with the challenges it currently faces and aspires to become first class in research and in its undergraduate and graduate programs. His deep sense of loyalty to his Department is demonstrated by his willingness to leave a highly successful and rewarding term as Vice-Dean Graduate Education and Program Development to take on the position of Chair. He will be greatly missed by his colleagues in the Dean's Office!