

Graduate Student Representative
Annual Report to the AGM

Graduate Student Panel for CSSE 2011

The 2011 Graduate Student Panel at CSSE entitled “*The Nature of Research in Educational Administration: Collaborative Opportunities for Graduate Students: Graduate Student Seminar*,” began to take shape in November 2010 through discussions with graduate students at a number of University campuses and CCGSE co-chair Lori Friesen. Following a review of previous CASEA graduate panel presentations and input from the CASEA Executive, the format and focus were finalized early in January.

Invitations to prospective panel members were extended via email with the intent to provide graduate students with a pan-Canadian perspective that brings together knowledge of the nature of the academy, partnerships between researchers and outside agencies and organizations, global partnership opportunities, and research within the K-12 and post-secondary systems. CASEA was fortunate to have respected scholars from four provinces agree to lend their expertise and knowledge to the 2011 panel and help identify opportunities for active involvement in research for graduate students completing their degree.

Panelist **Dr. Ann Sherman**, Dean of Education at the University of New Brunswick, throughout her career has partnered with education stakeholders to examine leadership roles in the K-12 system. Panelist **Dr. Claire IsaBelle** from the Université d’Ottawa brings a research focus on organization and administration as well as an understanding of opportunities for our francophone students. **Dr. Randolph Wimmer**, panelist from the University of Alberta, brings his current research interests in post-secondary administration and the changing nature of the academy, and panelist **Dr. Tim Goddard**, Dean of Education from UPEI, brings his extensive international experience and knowledge of opportunities beyond our national borders.

Each member of the panel will respond to an introductory statement for 10-15 minutes followed by an interactive question and answer session with members of the audience following the final panelist’s presentation. Refreshments are provided to panelists and attendees courtesy of CASEA.

The 2011 panel promises to be an informative and beneficial event for CASEA graduate students and prospective students who may be deliberating on a career in educational administration. My sincere thanks to president Dr. Dawn Wallin, Vice-presidents Dr. Bonnie Stelmach and Dr. Ken Brien and Lori Friesen for their on-going support and guidance in creating this year’s panel. Finally, my never-ending gratitude to my mentor and friend Dr. Rosemary Foster who supports me in ways too numerous to mention. Her wisdom and dedication to CASEA continue to inspire me.