

PARTNERS AGAINST RACISM (PAR)

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To Whom it May Concern;

The Nova Scotia Human Rights Commission sponsors the Partners Against Racism (PAR) committee which provides opportunities to engage in public education, partnerships and dialogue on human rights. PAR is a collection of many community groups, business and government agencies committed to promoting human rights in the province of Nova Scotia. PAR organizes two public events each year; International Human Rights Day, December 10th, marking the anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, and March 21st, commemorating the International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination.

Saint Mary's University has been a member of the Partners Against Racism committee since 2003, with Jim Sharpe, Dean of the Continuing Education Department. In December 2004, Bridget Brownlow, Conflict Resolution Advisor, replaced Mr. Sharpe on the committee, and continues to represent the university on PAR.

As a PAR member, Bridget Brownlow and Saint Mary's University, work on the planning, development and delivery of annual public education events as well as other human rights initiatives that occur during the year.

Saint Mary's University has been and continues to be a valued member of Partners Against Racism committee.

Sincerely,



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ps Please note that the PAR members are listed in the footer of all PAR correspondence.

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