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Welcome!

This Passport is in an initiative by the Faculty of Social Sciences as part of IdeaFest 2012 to raise your awareness about the exciting research undertaken in Social Sciences. Research showcased in this passport is a small fraction of the amazing enquiry actively pursued by the Faculty in its seven academic units and associated research centres.

The idea is for you to use this passport as a travel guide to visit 22 stations marked by an orienteering flag. At each station you will find questions and clues to answer them. To complete your game passport jot down your answers to the questions on the dotted lines like this:



rm no. *my answer*



At the final station outside the Office of the Dean of Social Sciences, fill in your entry form on the back cover. Enter the Dean's Office and submit your passport for verification at reception. Once verified your name will be entered in a draw for:

PRIZES! a \$500 gift card to the UVic Bookstore / Computer Store or towards a dinner for 6 at a restaurant of your choice; 3 - Gift Bags; 1 - \$50 Gift Certificate; 2 movie tickets to Cinecenta; 2 CPR Training Gift Certificates

This event is open to all students, staff and faculty and you can complete the course at your leisure, over a lunch hour or coffee breaks between 8:30 am and 4:30 pm, March 5 - 9, 2012.

Winners will be announced by March 15th. All efforts will be made to notify winners in person and their names will also be announce on the Faculty's website under the latest news.

**Enjoy your travels through
the Faculty of Social Sciences!**

Let's get started!



Psychology Anthropology Sociology Cornett Building



We're going to take you to the **Psychology** lab wing first. The entrance you want is “kitty corner” to the MacLaurin Building; look for the balloons. Your first two stations are found here.

*You'll find
another two
Psychology
stations after
you visit
Anthropology!*

The Faculty of Social Sciences acknowledges and expresses gratitude to the Coast and Straits Salish peoples on whose territories the campus is situated. Works of art by artists from these nations are installed throughout the Cornett Building as part of permanent and rotating exhibitions of contemporary art. The dedication of space in this building to artistic excellence recognizes the valuable intellectual and cultural contributions made by the arts to research and teaching in the Social Sciences.

Psychology is the scientific study of behaviour and mental processes. It addresses fascinating questions that lie at the heart of human life experiences.

Research Showcase:

Dr. Jim Tanaka studies how the brain functions in recognizing objects, especially faces. He leads the new Centre for Autism Research, Technology, and Education (CARTe) where researchers have developed software to teach children with autism how to recognize faces. Research gathered from the program will help design a cost-effective intervention that will improve the social communication skills of children with autism spectrum disorders (ASD).

Your first two **Psychology** stations are next to rooms



A163

and



A171

You will be heading back to **Psychology** to find 2 more stations but let's visit **Anthropology** first.

Walk towards the clock and straight through the double doors; you are now in the B-wing. Exit through the double doors immediately on your right and continue under the breezeway and through the double doors into the other B-wing. The room on your left will be B129. Go to the end of the hallway and take Stairwell 7, on your left, to Level 2. You're now in **Anthropology**.

Anthropology examines who we are, how we got here, and where we are going.

Research Showcase:

Dr. Eric Roth is advancing solutions to have Kenya Free of AIDS. His research is funded by, amongst others, the Canadian Institutes of Health Research, the United States National Institutes of Health, and the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council.



Rock Art on the right
across from B250



B228 glass case



Across from **B227**



Let's head back to **Psychology** to find two more stations.
Pass Stairwell 6, walk to the exit sign and turn left. Pass
Stairwell 4, turn left at the A-Wing and head towards A236
and the Psychology General Office.



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Turn right and walk down the hall to the wall between



A239 & A241

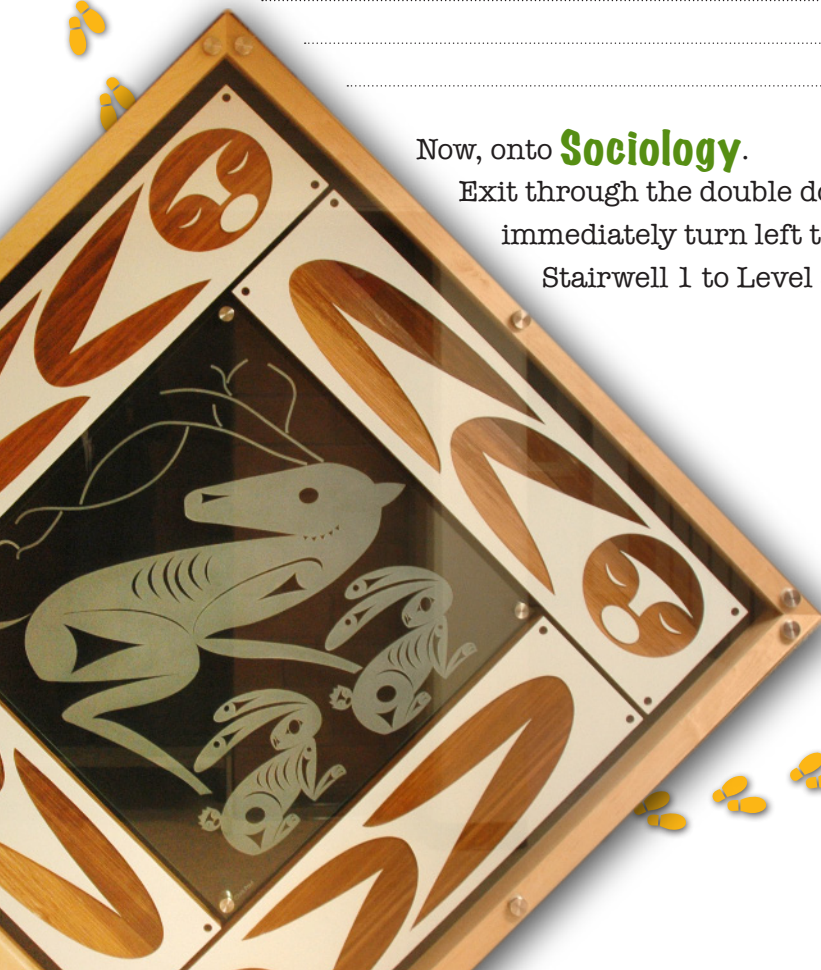
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Now, onto **Sociology**.

Exit through the double doors and
immediately turn left to go up
Stairwell 1 to Level 3.



Sociology is the study of group life, social change, and the social causes and consequences of human behaviour.

Research Showcase:

Dr. Cecilia Benoit holds numerous national awards recognizing her outstanding investigations into the health of vulnerable groups, including Aboriginal women in Vancouver's Downtown Eastside, young people confronting health stigmas linked to obesity and asthma, street-involved youth in transition to adulthood, and pregnant and early parenting women facing substance use and other challenges. She is currently the national team leader for a major collaborative CIHR-funded study to investigate vulnerability and resilience among people in the sex industry.

turn left from the stairwell



A317

Turn around and retrace your steps, then continue farther down the hallway to the next 2 stations.



A338

Continue down the hallway to



A360

It's been swell having you in the Cornett Building but there's much more to explore! Let's head over to the Social Sciences and Mathematics Building. Continue straight down the hallway; turn right towards A357-377. Pass Stairwell 3 and continue down the hallway towards the exit sign. Turn left at A309 – take Stairwell 5 to the bottom level and exit via the double doors. Walk towards the blue-grey Social Sciences and Mathematics Building. Look for the balloons to find the double doors to enter the B-wing.

Did you know that every roof surface of the Social Sciences and Mathematics building is vegetated? Warmer in winter, cooler in summer and a significant part of our storm water management strategy. Check out the thematic native plant gardens in the courtyard and look for the first use of reclaimed pine beetle wood as structural

beams in the main lobby, design elements inspired and informed by researchers in Social Sciences.



Geography Environmental Studies Political Science Social Sciences and Mathematics Building

Geography provides an understanding of how human beings interact with each other and their environment, both natural and built.

Research Showcase:

Dr. Trisalyn Nelson is the Lansdowne Research Chair of Spatial Sciences. She leads the Spatial Pattern Analysis & Research (SPAR) lab which applies advanced numerical analysis to understand and predict the geographical distribution of fauna and flora, including recently the distribution of the mountain pine beetle outbreak.



B203 Geography General Office

We'll visit **Environmental Studies**, then return to **Geography**. Head straight down the hall to just past the elevators.

Environmental Studies examines systemic aspects of environmental issues and explores solutions that cut across the boundaries of traditional disciplines.

Research Showcase:

Dr. Nancy Turner, renowned ethnobotanist, has collaborated with First Nations elders for over 40 years to retain and promote their traditional knowledge of plants and habitats. Her list of academic and popular publications is quite amazing; adding to many other recognitions, she was named a Member of the Order of Canada in 2009.



B247

Retrace your steps, and head down the staircase by the elevators but be sure to look up and see Ted Harrison's mural on the 3rd floor landing!

The Ted Harrison murals, a generous donation by the artist, are actual walls that were carefully removed from his Oak Bay home, restored and relocated to the Social Sciences and Mathematics Building.

Onto **Geography's** final three stations.



Glass case at the bottom of the staircase

Walk down the long hallway on your left towards the exit sign and turn left towards the A-wing.



Glass case before the double doors

Go through the double doors into the main lobby area. Another gorgeous Ted Harrison mural is on your right, flanked by a participatory community mosaic.

With your back to the mural, head up the right-hand (north) staircase, go left past the vending machines and turn left again down the corridor all the way to the end.



A249

Clay from the building's excavation, ethno-botanical castings and over 300 participants! Research and our knowledge mobilization in action.

Let's head upstairs to **Political Science**. Take Stairwell 3, across the hall from A249 up to Level 3 and turn right towards the Reading Room.

Political Science is the study of power, authority, and governance in human affairs.

Research Showcase:

Dr. Colin Bennett is a privacy expert studying the tensions between the right to privacy and the right to freedom of information. His recent book *Security Games: Surveillance and Control at Mega-Events* examines the monitoring of people and places. He is also the co-investigator for a SSHRC Major Collaborative Research Initiative grant entitled “The New Transparency: Surveillance and Social Sorting.”



A355

Retrace your steps past the stairwell, follow the hallway to end.



A321



A320

Go down Stairwell 2 to Level 2 and exit the building via the double glass doors on your left. The Business and Economics Building is straight ahead.

Economics

Social Sciences Office of the Dean

Business and Economics Building

Enter the building to the left under the breezeway. Stairwell 1 is tucked behind elevators; climb the stairs to Level 3.

Economics studies how individuals and groups choose to use resources. Economists are interested in the choices we make and why we make them.

Research Showcase:

Dr. Malcolm Rutherford is one of the world's leading experts on the history of American Economics. Cambridge University Press recently published his book, *The Institutional Movement in American Economics 1918-1947* and he sits on the editorial boards of *History of Political Economy*, *Journal of the History of Economic Thought*, *Journal of Institutional Economics*, and the *Erasmus Journal for Philosophy and Economics*.

Immediately on your left



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Turn around and walk past the elevators, then turn left and go down the hallway.



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317 Lab

Retrace your steps; go back to Stairwell 1 or the elevators, and go to Level 4.

Faculty of Social Sciences

Searching for ways to make a better and safer tomorrow, making a difference in our rapidly changing world. Our research puts the social into science.

Faculty Showcase:

The FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES is home to an amazing diversity of scholarship that ranges from empirical science to policy, from theoretical to applied, from local to global, from the peak of mountains to the deep oceans, but all about individuals, society and the natural and human made environments we live in. The Faculty is home to many nationally and internationally recognized and widely and frequently cited research stars including those holding the Orders of British Columbia and Canada, Canada Research Chairs, Michal Smith and CIHR Research Chairs and many more.

The Faculty received over 23 million dollars of external research funding in 2010. Our researchers and their graduate students can be found on every continent.

Turn left and view the glass case adjacent to



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Congratulations! You've now completed your final station. Don't forget to fill in your entry form on the back cover and submit your passport for verification at reception.

We hope you had great fun and good luck with the prize draw!

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When you're finished, tear off and leave your contact information
to be eligible for prizes!

name:.....

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