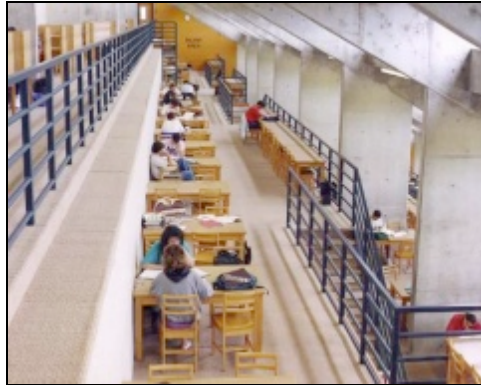




News

Memorial makes the grade
Loeffler named 'class act'



As usual, Memorial's library received high marks in national university report cards.

Memorial University received favourable grades in the 2006 edition of the Globe and Mail's University Report Card. This report card includes the opinions of 32,700 undergraduate students, all current full- or part-time students who are also members of the studentawards.com online database.

Grouped among Canada's medium-sized universities,

Memorial received its highest grade, an A, in a number of categories including overall quality of education, overall university atmosphere, academic reputation, reputation of university among employers, and quality/availability of technology on campus just to name a few. A's were also given in areas such as personal safety/security, library services, and the ease of course registration process.

Strong grades were received in areas including student services, course variety/availability and attractiveness of campus as well. Other areas of improvement included the availability of merit-based and needs-based scholarships, the availability of financial assistance and co-op/internship opportunities. The lowest grade Memorial received was a D for its student residences.

Paul Chancey, director of the Centre of Institutional Analysis and Planning, says "the methodology used to evaluate these report cards give students a chance to voice their opinions, which is important.

"While there are elements of the methodology that could be improved, this report card generally reflects what we are hearing in our own student surveys."

In the annual Macleans magazine ranking, Memorial placed fifth among comprehensive universities, the same ranking as last year.

The Globe and Mail report card also recognized Dr. TA Loeffler, a professor in Memorial's School of Human Kinetics and

Calendar of Events

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Calendar grid for November 2006 with days of the week and dates.

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Information session - engineering

Time: 1 p.m.-2 p.m.

Location: Arts & Administration, A-1043

Harris Centre regional workshop in St.

Brides

Time: 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Location: Bird Island Resort, St. Brides, NL

A Little Learning: Education in a Two-Room School

Time: 8 p.m.-9:30 p.m.

Location: Hampton Hall, Marine Institute

Mina Hubbard: The Woman Who Mapped Labrador

Time: 7:30 p.m.-10 p.m.

Location: Junior Common Room R

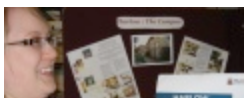
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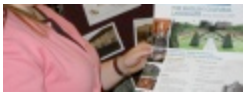
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Recreation, in its Class Acts feature story. Dr. Loeffler has climbed Denali, North America's highest peak, and came close to conquering Asia's highest mountain, Mount Elbrus in Russia. She will challenge the world's highest spot, Mount Everest, in the spring.

The *Globe* says Dr. Loeffler is cool, because "The same energy that has challenged her to climb drives her to teach. Her sense of adventure, appetite and endurance keeps her students on their toes. On three occasions, she has taken students to the Grand Canyon, where lectures were done on-site."

Dr. Loeffler told the *Globe* that teaching is a place where she can take risks, never knowing what the outcome will be.

"Sometimes it's amazing. Other times it's just average. But I can never predict it...I've also had a passion for inspiring others to take on a new activity – whether it's rock climbing or analysis. I've got to get into the wrestling ring and wrestle with it: throw the idea to the mat and have the idea throw you."

The *Globe* featured five Class Acts from across the country. They are the "professors who bring something special to the lecture theatre are the ones students truly revere. Here's a selection of teachers who put the higher into learning."

November 3, 2006

Common Room, 11
Gushue Hall

An Idiot's Guide to
Epigenetics and
Methylation

Time: 1 p.m.-2
p.m.

Location: Science
Building, SN-4015

Teaching Large
Classes

Time: 12:30
p.m.-2 p.m.

Location: Education,
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