ABOUT US

Welcome to the first edition of the Sir Arthur Lewis Institute of Social and Economic Studies (SALISES), Mona newsletter. We hope to share information on our interests and activities at the Institute.

SALISES is named after one of the Caribbean's most distinguished economists, Sir Arthur Lewis. Formed in 1999 with a merger of the Consortium Graduate School of the Social Sciences (CGSS) and the Institute of Social and Economic Studies, SALISES has branches in Mona, Cave Hill and St. Augustine.

The institute’s main focus is research which is carried out by its research fellows. It also offers two excellent programmes at the MSc and MPhil/PhD levels. We at SALISES are fully committed to fulfilling our mission:

To undertake high-quality research and graduate teaching in the areas of social and economic development policy, governance and public policy with special reference to small developing countries.

Please come and visit us and we hope you will find our newsletter informative.

SALISES RESEARCH TO FOCUS ON CARIBBEAN PROSPECTS FOR 2030 AND THE SDGS

SALISES Mona, has agreed that its research agenda for 2016 to 2019 will be “Caribbean Prospects for 2030 and the Global Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).” Also known as “Caribbean Prospects (2030)” or simply “Caribbean Prospects,” the SALISES Mona Research Agenda will be formally launched on October, 24 2016, on campus.

From 2010, SALISES was guided by its “50/50” research agenda which looked back at 50 years of Independence in the Commonwealth Caribbean and forward for the next 50 years. As with this successful initiative, “Caribbean Prospects 2030” will engage scholars and practitioners. Research clusters will interrogate Caribbean Prospects for 2030 in light of the SDGs and seminars, conferences and “Analyse and Propose” sessions held throughout the period will focus on Caribbean Prospects and the SDGs. Peer-reviewed publications will result from these scholarly engagements. Each of the SALISES campus units are expected to incorporate elements of this theme into their annual activities.

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Hyatt Regency Hotel, Port of Spain, Trinidad

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TEACHING

SALISES offers a taught MSc degree in Development Studies. Our MPhil / PhD degree programme is research-oriented with supervision in the areas of Economic Development Policy; Governance and Public Policy; and Social Policy.

For the academic year 2015/2016, twelve students were registered to pursue the MSc degree in Development Studies. Two students were also accepted to pursue MPhil/PhD degrees, one in Governance and Public Policy and the other in Social Policy.

At present, the institute has a total of 33 enrolled students: one student pursuing the MPhil/PhD degree in Governance; three students pursuing the MPhil/PhD degree in Economic Development Policy; six students pursuing the MPhil/PhD degree in Governance and Public Policy; six students pursuing the MPhil/PhD degree in Social Policy; and seventeen students pursuing the MSc degree in Development Studies.

By Rushana Mighty,
Acting Administrative Secretary

CURRENT RESEARCH PROJECTS

The World Bank
SALISES has been contracted by the World Bank to carry out a study of energy use in urban poor areas in Kingston. The study will include a baseline survey and an impact evaluation of a proposed intervention in the communities. The research team is comprised of Aldrie Henry-Lee, Arlene Bailey, Anthony Clayton and Yhanore Johnson-Coke. The project is scheduled to end in 2017.
Activities of Academic and Professional Staff

**Aldrie Henry Lee**


**Jessica Byron**

Presentation on the OECS model of regional integration and the extent to which it can be replicated, FLACSO Seminar on Regional Integration in the Caribbean, Universidad Pontificia Catolica de Madre y Maestra (PUCMM), Santo Domingo, Dominica Republic, October 2015.


**Mark Figueroa**


Invited presentation, “Arthur Lewis’s Contribution to Development: Universal Principles and the Search for Particular Pathways” to a seminar on Economic Development and Growth, 100 Years after Arthur Lewis’s Birth, organized by the International Economic Association (IEA) and the Research Institute for Development, Growth and Economics (RIDGE), with the support of the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) and the Spanish Agency for International Development Cooperation (AECID), Santa Cruz, Bolivia, 14 October 2015.


**Terri-Ann Gilbert-Roberts**


SES ONLINE!

For several years now the Publications Section has been working with MITS to put Social and Economic Studies (SES) online. SES is the premier social science journal in the Caribbean region. Although the technology has been available for a while, it required us to go online in open access format, which is the preferred mode of dissemination for academic research nowadays. As Managing Editor of SES I thought it better to explore a paid access model first as we are a subscription-based journal with bills to pay and no external funding. This required waiting a few more years till UWI/MITS was able to offer an e-commerce portal which finally happened last year.

It is with pride that we announce that SES went online on June 8, 2016, to coincide with the historic 41st Caribbean Studies Association (CSA) conference which was held in Haiti from June 6-11. CSA delegates were offered a 50% discount off our already reasonable prices on all articles and issues. The system now allows single document delivery so that customers may purchase individual articles instead of the entire issue. They may also purchase a whole issue or take out an annual subscription.

Annie Paul, Senior Publications Officer
SES has been included in the JSTOR database since 2011. One of the benefits of being part of JSTOR’s online archives is having access to data on the usage of our holdings. For instance between Jan-May 2016 there were 17,953 SES article views and 12,272 pdf downloads. We can see in detail how many times each article was viewed. In Table 1 you can view the top 12 SES articles accessed during the January to June period this year.

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Renaming of the Documentation Centre

On November 10, 2015 the SALISES Documentation Centre took on a new name: The Norman Girvan Documentation Centre. An ardent regionalist, devoted husband and father and a man who loved Caribbean culture, were some of the terms used to describe former director Norman Girvan who died on April 9, 2014 at age 72.

The short ceremony was attended by friends, colleagues and family members of Norman Girvan. Professor Patrick Watson, SALISES University Director, revealed how impressed he was with Girvan’s work in creating a platform for better linkages in the Caribbean. Dr. Patricia Northover in her special tribute, also shared her experiences with Professor Girvan noting his sincerity in contributing to solutions to the challenges of the economic and social development of the wider Caribbean.

After the official cutting of the ribbon, Mrs. Jasmine Girvan humbly accepted the renaming honour and gave an emotional and touching acknowledgment. In reflecting on the life of her husband, Mrs. Girvan told the gathering how important family life was to the man, whose love for the Caribbean was evident. He knew the importance of family and was passionate about all things Caribbean, including cricket and carnival.

Nadine Newman, Librarian

DEREK GORDON DATABANK

The Derek Gordon Data Bank is a Unit within SALISES responsible for sourcing, acquiring, documenting, archiving and make available **Micro Data Sets** from the Caribbean region, to facilitate socioeconomic analysis. Most of the data sets available in the Data Bank are from government agencies, but the Data Bank also welcomes data sets from other organizations/researchers. All data sets provided to researchers are anonymised to ensure the confidentiality of the respondents. Recently acquired data sets include:

- Jamaica Census 2011 (Provider – STATIN)

The Data Bank also provides a work friendly computer lab (20 seats) where graduate students and faculty can: undertake research / assignments; utilize available micro data sets from the Data Bank for their research; use a plethora of quantitative statistical software (SPSS, STATA, RATS, EVIEWS, etc) for data analysis; access the qualitative software Nvivo, Microsoft Office and other regularly used software; make use of fast and stable internet connection; receive technical assistance and software user manuals when needed; take advantage of low-cost colour and black & white printing. The computer lab is also available for rental to host workshops or lectures at an affordable price.

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Richard Leach, Databank Manager
Many persons may have heard the phrase ‘research clusters’ as it relates to SALISES. Research clusters were conceptualized by former Director, Professor Brian Meeks. In 2012 SALISES held a conference to commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of independence in the Commonwealth Caribbean titled *Fifty-Fifty: Critical Reflections in a Time of Uncertainty*. This conference was the high point of a series of thirty two conferences held over the previous two years. One of the immediate outcomes of the conference was the consolidation of a new research agenda. In order to facilitate the wide-ranging series of seminars connected with the new agenda, seventeen clusters were formed. The clusters brought together an interdisciplinary group of scholars and practitioners from within the UWI community, the region and beyond. From these initial 17 clusters, six remain active. These are: i). Caribbean Integration, ii). Grenada, iii). Political Economy and Public Policy, iv). Social Policy, v). Sustainable Rural and Agricultural Development and vi). Youth.

This issue of the newsletter focuses on the Social Policy Cluster, chaired by Dr Aldrie Henry-Lee, Senior Research Fellow and Acting Director of SALISES. The founding members of the cluster are Hermione McKenzie, Clement Branche, Heather Ricketts and Aldrie Henry-Lee. The Social Policy Cluster focuses on the nature and characteristics of social policy formulation and implementation and examines factors which influence social policy development in Jamaica and the wider Caribbean. Some achievements of the cluster include panels at two SALISES conferences and a forum since its inception. More recently was the February 2016 launch of the book titled *Pathways to Action: Social Policy in the Caribbean* edited by Aldrie Henry-Lee; contributors included Godfrey St Bernard, Alana Griffiths, Letnie Rock, Innette Cambridge, Pauline Knight, Orville W. Taylor, Stanley Lalta, Maureen Samms-Vaughan, Denise Eldemire-Shearer. Next, the Social Policy cluster aims to reflect on the prospects for social development in the Caribbean in light of the targets set out in the UN 2030 agenda for the fulfillment of Sustainable Development Goals.

*Noella Gohagen, Library Assistant*

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**PROMOTING THE RIGHTS OF CHILDREN IN EXTREMELY DIFFICULT CIRCUMSTANCES**

Paper submissions are invited for the eleventh annual research conference on children’s issues under the theme: “Promoting the Rights of children in extremely difficult circumstances.” The conference is being hosted by SALISES in partnership with the United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF), the Caribbean Child Development Centre (CCDC), UWI, Jamaica’s Early Childhood Commission (ECC), the Planning Institute of Jamaica (PIOJ), Jamaica’s Office of the Children’s Advocate (OCA), Jamaica’s Office of the Children’s Registry (OCR), the Jamaica Child Development Agency (CDA) and the Ministry of Education (MoE). The broad theme of the conference is “Promoting Child Rights through Research.”

Top 10 secondary and primarily level awardees at the 2015 Caribbean Child Research Conference

The Caribbean Child Research Conference is a regional interdisciplinary conference covering a range of child-related themes. It aims to share research on children, strengthen the network of researchers on children’s issues and encourages research both in priority areas and in other important but neglected areas.

**DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF ABSTRACTS—September 16, 2016**

For further information please call Ms Krystal Lawrence at 927-1020 or 927-1234 or email childconferencere-search@gmail.com.
Population Planning for Development in Jamaica
“Theory, Practice and Policy for the Post-2015 Development Agenda”

SALISES Conference
Jamaica Conference Centre
Kingston, Jamaica
25–27 January 2017

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Important Deadline Dates

Submission of Abstract: 29th August, 2016
Final Submission of Full Paper: 16th December, 2016

Conference Dates: January 25-27, 2017
Venue: Jamaica Conference Centre
Kingston, Jamaica

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Registration Fee:
Two Day Registration Fee: JMD 6,000.00 per person
Daily Registration Fee: JMD 3,500.00 per person
Students registered in Tertiary-Learning Institutions - Daily Registration Fee: JMD 1,500.00
Employees from Government Ministries and Departments
Daily Registration Fee: JMD 3,000 per person for groups consisting of 3-4 persons
Daily Registration Fee: JMD 2,500 per person for groups consisting of 5+ persons
WE DO HAVE FUN TOO

SALISES Team Building Initiative is the department’s way of putting emphasis on and strengthening our unit’s TEAM approach to our tasks and overall presentation as a unified force. The idea of working together as a team is not a strange occurrence for SALISES. If you need to be convinced, you only need to take a look at the success we have enjoyed in planning and executing our many conferences, seminars, public lectures and the ways in which we celebrate each team effort and results.

ALL HANDS ON DECK

Wholesale, we have always been able to come together and present a seamless output, utilizing all the skills and talents of all members of our team and thereby producing amazing results. Taking this same approach but adding a level of competitiveness was the planning team’s brilliant way of infusing fun to the already heavy workload associated with each desk at SALISES.

It has been interesting to watch the sparks of competition and the gelling of teams to form their allegiances and work together for bragging rights after claiming winnings in brain games, frostbites, scavenger hunts, potluck, dominoes, ludo, musical chairs, track events, beach day, wear your team colour days, cheerleading or any other activity that the teams were asked to huddle together and come out and represent. Teams were divided along the lines of colours and all members of the department were randomly placed in a team and encouraged to contribute in whatever ways they could to ensure their team came out winners! BURGUNDY Team – Girvan, RED Team – Meeks, PURPLE Team – Duncan, YELLOW Team – Le Franc, BLUE Team – Lewis, lines have all been drawn and spirits are high whether there is a scheduled activity or not on any given day, but on activity days, the competition and competitiveness is strong in the air.

Monique Little
Library Assistant

Richard McTaggart—SALISES first ‘Employee of the Quarter’

Richard has been at SALISES for over 10 years. Richard is unassuming in nature, quiet and soft spoken. He is the person that never says no, he is always ready to take on a task no matter the degree of difficulty. Some would call him a “Jack of all trades.”

Richard is the last of four (4) boys for his parents, he is married to Latavis McTaggart and has two (2) beautiful daughters. Richard is a very talented singer and songwriter and aspires to be a pilot, architect, IT specialist and a musician, as I said before, “Jack of all trades.” This young man has big dreams and he has skills.

Christine Crew,
Administrative Officer

Ms Christine Crew handing over computer to Kintyre Basic School as part of SALISES Outreach initiative