

Press Release

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Honorary doctorate awarded to Michel Prévost; Saint Paul University student satisfaction levels show steady increase

OTTAWA, April 17, 2015 — As part of today's graduation ceremony marking the culmination of our graduates' academic journey, an honorary doctorate will be awarded to Mr. Michel Prévost, who has been actively involved for over 35 years in preserving and promoting the intangible, archival and built cultural heritage of Ottawa, the Outaouais region and Eastern Ontario. As chief archivist of the University of Ottawa since 1990 and president of the Société d'histoire de l'Outaouais since 1997, he seizes every opportunity to educate policy makers and the general public about the importance of protecting our heritage, particularly our religious heritage.

This year's ceremony coincides with SPU's first-ever appearance in *Maclean's* magazine's annual university rankings (2015 Canadian Universities Guidebook). According to the National Survey of Student Engagement, 95% of first-year students would choose SPU again, and 96% of senior-year students rate their SPU educational experience "good" or "excellent." With student satisfaction levels well above the national average and a high overall score in the rankings, SPU has every reason to be proud.

Congratulations to Mr. Prévost and to all of our students!

Saint Paul University (1848) is the founding college of the University of Ottawa, with which it has been federated since 1965. Bilingual and on a human scale, it offers programs in social communication, counselling and psychotherapy, canon law, public ethics, conflict studies, philosophy, human relations, and theology.

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