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Gairdner Global Health lecture hosted by Dr. Gregor Reid - open and free lecture on planetary health through food and microbes. More information on page 4

North-South Mobility in Canada's Universities

Western International, in collaboration with Aga Khan University and Global Higher Education Consultancy has made a significant contribution to research in identifying ethical considerations for North-South student mobility programs and resulting best practices.



As universities redouble efforts to internationalize, it is a challenge, and their responsibility, to be hyper-self-reflexive about asymmetrical power relationships and *how* they collaborate with partners in the Global South in order to avoid unintentionally reproducing oppressive or colonial relationships. Bob Gough, Farzana Karim-Haji and Pamela Roy's work on [*Building Ethical Global Engagement with Host Communities*](#) (2016) is featured in a recent Universities Canada publication entitled, *North-South Mobility in Canada's Universities*.

To download and read publication click:

English : <https://www.univcan.ca/media-room/publications/north-south-mobility-canadas-universities/>
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Fermented Food for Life (FFFL) Symposium



On March 27th IDRC, Western University, Yoba for Life Foundation and Heifer International are hosting a [symposium](#) in Uganda to discuss fermented foods, sustainable enterprise and success stories from the FFFL project. The symposium will host the Minister of Health in Uganda, professors from Western and Yoba for Life, and special guests from Tanzania, Kenya and Uganda.

The Fermented Food for Life project is now reaching over 200,000 probiotic consumers in Uganda, Kenya, and Tanzania.



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2018 Canada Gairdner Global Health Lecture Series

Save the date!

On Friday May 4 there will be a series of lectures on the topic of planetary health through food and microbes hosted by Dr. Gregor Reid.

There will be guest lecturers from Western University, McMaster University, University of Toronto, Lawson Health Research Institute and Yoba for Life.

For more details, view the agenda here:

https://www.lawsonresearch.ca/sites/public/files/gairdner_poster.pdf

Location:

Western University, Arts and Humanities Building, Room 1R40

Time:

12:45 – 6:30pm

Note that there is a maximum capacity of 300 people

“Youth Fun Day” with Fermented Food for Life

“We really regretted not having produced more yoghurt for the event. We never expected to sell so much in such a short time. It was the biggest sale we ever made from a single event. We are so thankful to FFFL for making it possible for us to participate in the youth fun day.”

**-Wycliffe Muyanje,
Goldvine Chairman**



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Fermented Food for Life (FFFL), co-sponsored a youth event in Ogero Village in Western Kenya with the objective of raising awareness of public health youth development and young people’s health and wellbeing. On December 16, 2017, over 2000 people were at the “Youth Fun Day” event where children participated in many different recreational activities.

Western Heads East Annual Book Drive

Through community partnerships and donations **WHE's Fundraising and Education Committee** has collected **558 textbooks** to be sent to our partner university, **Saint Augustine University of Tanzania (SAUT)**. SAUT was established in 1998 and currently houses over 8,000 students on their main campus. These students pursue a wide scope of disciplines that include Business Administration, Electrical Engineering, Sociology, and Economics to name a few.

WHE would like to thank all donors, particularly **Western Housing** and **The Book Store** for their significant contributions.



SAUT Business Administration Lecture



MBA Graduates during graduation ceremony at SAUT

Photographs courtesy of SAUT

The 558 textbooks collected include:

- **228 Social Science**
- **141 Business**
- **69 Science**
- **61 Medical Sciences**
- **34 Engineering**
- **15 Education**
- **10 Law**

These textbooks will be placed in SAUT's library which has various sections according to the Faculties/Schools.

Internship Experience: Andrea Burke (Mwanza, Tanzania 2016)

"I think Western Heads East is such a strong initiative. Going to Mwanza only made me more sure that what the program works toward is sustainable and collaborative, as well as a bottom-up approach which promotes responsibility for all parties involved." – Andrea Burke, September 2017

"My sincere hope is that I take a lot of my learned values back to Canada and can hold onto them amidst the hustle and bustle of day-to-day life in an industrialized, isolated society. Values such as collaboration, acceptance and openness, and putting people before tasks. I mean to integrate these ideas into my own personal philosophy in the way that I see it here in Mwanza, where I have come to realize that I don't value these things as much as I should."

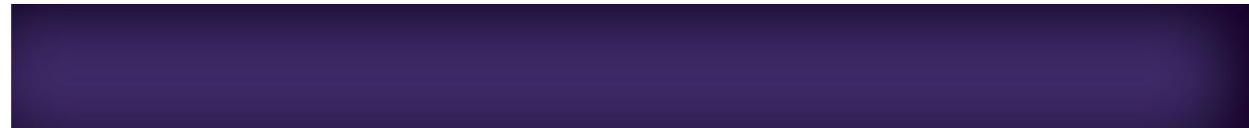
- Andrea Burke, July 2016





A special THANK YOU to Ruta Lawrence who is a founding member of Western Heads East and has been a part of our Steering Committee since its inception in 2002!

Ruta retired from Western University last year but is still actively involved with WHE and we thank her for her countless contributions over the years. Ruta's positivity, inquisitiveness and motivation have been instrumental to the success of Western Heads East. We thank her for her ongoing commitment and dedication to this organization and for all that she has done.



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