

RESEARCHER OF THE MONTH

Dr. Antony Card started as Dean of the Faculty of Education at Mount Saint Vincent University, Halifax, in September 2018. Prior to that, he was Dean of the School of Human Kinetics and Recreation, Memorial University of Newfoundland and Associate Vice-President (Research) for the Grenfell Campus of Memorial University. Antony completed his doctoral work at the University of Southampton U.K. and emigrated to Canada in 2002. He serves on the Board of Directors for PHE Canada (2007-12, 2018-current) and has taken a leading role around its Healthy School Communities Initiatives. Antony is also the Managing Editor of the Revue phénEPS/PHEnex Journal.



Antony has taught PE methods courses to primary/elementary education students and online Master of Physical Education courses in Comprehensive School Health and Leadership in Physical Education. His research projects have focused on children and youth in Newfoundland and Labrador and engaging policymakers, practitioners and researchers in jointly setting priorities for youth health in schools across Canada, such as with the development of Core Indicators and Measures of Physical Activity. He has conducted surveys of Physical Education and youth health in Newfoundland and Labrador for over a decade. In 2017, he was a visiting scholar at the University of Otago and researched the influence of physical literacy on the education system in New Zealand. Antony also gave the R. Tait McKenzie Scholarly address at the PHE Canada National conference in St. John's Newfoundland that focused on the muddled thinking that exists in HPE and the cutting of HPE programs in universities in North America. Antony is currently working with the Qalipu First Nation on a project funded by the McConnell Foundation to support the social and emotional development of young people through a comprehensive approach to healthy school communities.

Why is it important to be connected to the PHE Canada Research Council?

The PHE Canada Research Council has had a significant influence on my academic development and the conferences have been one of the most enjoyable aspects of my career. It provides the opportunity to present and share our work, to develop collaborations and to support each other. I am thrilled that there has been an emphasis on engaging graduate students, the future of our community, in recent years. The Research Council energizes my passion for HPE and Comprehensive School Health, and it has been the avenue through which I have developed lifelong friendships.

Dr. Card's most recent publications:

Card, A. (2018). The 'not quite' global phenomenon of physical literacy: A case of disharmony between Sport, Physical Literacy and Physical Education in New Zealand, PHE Canada Research Council Forum, Whistler, BC, Canada, May

Card, A. (2018). Reflections from Afar: Comprehensive School Health in the UK, Australia and New Zealand, Shaping the Future Conference, Lake Louise, AB, Canada, January 31 – February 3

Card, A. (2017). Physical and Health Education: An event horizon? R. Tait McKenzie Scholarly Address, Physical & Health Education Journal, 83:2
