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To: Senate, Vancouver
c/o Lisa Collins, Associate Registrar, Enrolment and Curriculum Services

From: David H. Farrar
Provost and Vice President Academic

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Re: Dr. Sherrill Grace – University Killam Professor

In accordance with Policy #57, University Killam Professors, I am writing to inform the Vancouver Senate that at its meeting of February 7, 2011, the Board of Governors approved conferring the designation University Killam Professor on Dr. Sherrill Grace, Professor, Department of English, Faculty of Arts.



MEMORANDUM

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To: Campus community – faculty, staff and students

From: David H. Farrar, Provost and Vice President Academic

Re: University Killam Professor – Dr. Sherrill Grace

I am pleased to announce that the Board of Governors, on the recommendation of the President, has approved conferring the designation *University Killam Professor* on Dr. Sherrill Grace. The designation is conferred under policy #57 University Killam Professors to recognize exceptional members of faculty, who have distinguished themselves as scholars in research and teaching and, as a result, have received the highest acclaim by the academic community and the general public.

I quote from the letter of nomination:

“Professor Grace has built a stellar record as a Professor of English for over thirty years of teaching at McGill University and the University of British Columbia. She began publishing before receiving her doctorate,..., and has continued to publish copiously since then. Her total as of November 2010 is four scholarly editions, eight monographs 11 edited collections, and 104 scholarly articles, as well as 109 review articles and related publications.

“While these figures alone are enormously impressive, they become even more so if combined with the extent of her pioneering research in a wide range of areas that are both diverse and interconnected. She was the first scholar ever to publish a book on Margaret Atwood; she edited two large volumes of Malcolm Lowry’s letters making previously unavailable material widely accessible; she is a leading scholar in Canadian expressionism, the North, and the literature of the two world wars, and she is one of the most distinguished biographers of Canadian literary figures including Sharon Pollock and Timothy Findley. ... Over the years, her research (like her teaching) has become increasingly interdisciplinary: she examines twentieth-century Canadian literature side by side with theatre, film, painting, music, and cultural history, finding in this approach a productive way to examine Canadian culture and identity.”

Her many accomplishments, which grow from her joy in working with students and conducting research, have been recognized across Canada and abroad, and she has received some of the most prestigious awards that the Canadian scholarly community and UBC have to offer. Most recently, these have included the Lorne Pierce Medal of the Royal Society of Canada, the Canada Council Killam Prize in the Humanities and the Canada Council Killam Research Fellowship. She is also a Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada, a recipient of the UBC Jacob Biely Faculty Research Prize, a UBC Distinguished University Scholar as well as a recipient of the UBC Killam Research Prize and UBC Killam Teaching Prize.

I know you will join me in congratulating Sherrill Grace most warmly on her appointment as University Killam Professor, an honour reserved for those members of the faculty who have attained the highest distinction in their field.