

Since 2011, curiosity has been at the heart of **Dr. Stacey MacKinnon's** work: her teaching, her service, and her scholarship. In her own classes as well as in publications, presentations, and workshops, she has become one of the most **important researchers and role models in Canada** for inquiry-based learning, and particularly its focus on encouraging and rewarding curiosity.

Her dedication to improving teaching and learning in higher education and her consistent efforts to take that improvement beyond the walls of her own classroom make her a worthy recipient of the **Janet Pottie Murray Award for Educational Leadership**.

This focus on inquiry-based learning and on curiosity informs Stacey's educational leadership, **but she does so much more as well**, from serving as a professional development facilitator with the International Montessori Foundation Leadership Institute to being an invited participant in the Elon University Centre for Excellence in Learning three-year research development series.

Stacey is one of those people who makes a difference not only to her students but to other university instructors on this campus and across the country. All the while, she is a model for the principle that guides her work: **be curious!**