Autumn 2022 Honorary Degree Recipients

Dr. Robbie Campbell, DSc (October 19, 2022 – 3 p.m.)

Founder and president of the Eating Disorders Foundation of Canada, Dr. Robbie Campbell has worked with the treatment and research of eating disorders for over 40 years. He is professor emeritus, department of psychiatry at the Schulich School of Medicine and a consultant psychiatrist at the Fowler Kennedy Sports Medicine Clinic and St. Joseph’s Family Medical and Dental Centre. Campbell has received major grants to develop telepsychiatry for remote and underserviced communities from the federal government and European Space Agency. Notable extracurricular activities include being inducted into Western University’s Sports Hall of Fame and being selected in the first-round draft choice of the Edmonton Eskimos.

Patrick Lam, LLD (October 20, 2022 – 10 a.m.)

Patrick Lam is CEO of FSE Holdings Limited, an investment and a lifestyle service conglomerate based in Hong Kong, Macao and China. The services rendered include property & facility management, cleaning & disinfection, security guarding, landscaping design & maintenance, insurance brokerage, environmental services and engineering works. In 1997, Patrick helped establish the Ivey Business School in Hong Kong, the first overseas campus of Western University. He is the acting chair of the Ivey Business School (Asia) Advisory Board, a founding director of the University of Edinburgh Hong Kong Foundation and a member of the Hong Kong Essex Global Leader Network, University of Essex. A chartered accountant by training, Patrick is a governor of the Canadian Chamber of Commerce in Hong Kong. In 2021, he was made a Chevalier of the Order of National Merit of France in recognition of his contribution to France.

Helene Polatajko, LLD (October 20, 2022 – 3 p.m.)

Helene Polatajko is an internationally acclaimed researcher, a respected educator and a valued mentor. Her work has focused on the development of assessments and treatments for children and adults with performance problems. Prominent among these is co-authorship on the Canadian Occupational Performance Measure, which has been translated into more than 35 languages and the creation of Cognitive Orientation to daily Occupational Performance (CO-OP) Approach, which also has been adopted in over 20 countries around the world. She has held more than $10,000,000 in research funding, given more than 400 presentations in more than 20 countries, has over 200 publications and has mentored over 130 graduate students. Polatajko has received numerous national and international honors during her illustrious career, including election to the
American Occupational Therapy Foundation’s Academy of Research, and being named as a Fellow to the Canadian Academy of Health Sciences. In 2022, Helene was appointed an officer of the Order of Canada.

**Nancy Love, LLD** (October 21, 2022 – 10 a.m.)

Nancy Love is the principal of NLo Strategies, her primary investment vehicle, and sits on the Board of Jona Capital, parent of KingSett Capital, Canada’s leading private equity real estate business. A generous philanthropist, she chairs the Jon and Nancy Love Foundation. Since her son’s diagnosis with multiple sclerosis in 2011, Love has dedicated herself to doing whatever it takes to help find a cure. Some of her initiatives include the co-creation of the Love Barford Chair for MS Research at St. Michael’s Hospital, the Love MS Neuroscience Research initiative at Mount Sinai Hospital and the development of the new Barlo MS Centre at St. Michael’s Hospital in Toronto. She is a board member of the MS Society of Canada and is Chair of the MS Scientific Research Foundation. Love has received many awards for her volunteer work, including an Ontario Service Award in 2002 and in 2021, she was appointed a Fellow of the Royal Canadian Geography Society.

**Mary Lou & Dan Smoke, LLD** (October 21, 2022 – 3 p.m.)

Dan and Mary Lou Smoke have built a reputation as respected teachers, activists, writers and broadcasters committed to their community and to social justice. Mary Lou is a member of the Ojibway nation and the Bear Clan, and is originally from the Batchawana Bay community, on Lake Superior, 40 miles north of Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario. Dan is a member of the Seneca Nation, of the Haudenosaunee Confederacy. He belongs to the Kildeer Clan, in the Onondaga Longhouse, on the Six Nations Grand River Territory, near Brantford, Ontario. In the early 90s, they began hosting Smoke Signals, a First Nations radio program on CHRW, Western University’s campus radio station. Smoke Signals is still on the air today and is Canada’s longest-running Indigenous campus radio program. In 2014, Mary Lou and Dan received honorary doctorates, in natural laws from the Noble International Environmental Peace University, based in India. In 2015, Mary Lou was recognized as a London YMCA Woman of Distinction and in 2019, she was inducted into the Forest City London Music Awards for Lifetime Achievement. Both are adjunct professors in the Schulich Interfaculty Program in Public Health, at Western’s Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry. They have won several radio and television awards, a teaching award from the Western University Student Council and the Atlohsa Peace Award for their work in truth and reconciliation.