



## Invitation

Forum on Internal and External Service

**April 17, 2015**

Institut de tourisme et d'hôtellerie du Québec, Montréal

The Fédération québécoise des professeures et professeurs d'université (FQPPU) is holding a series of forums aimed at identifying and exploring issues associated with the professor's workload. The first such event, about university teaching, was held on April 25, 2014. We are inviting you to attend our second forum, this time about service, which will take place on April 17, 2015.

It is widely known that the professor's workload is made up of teaching, research and service. While these activities are not valued equally, each has demands and challenges that have consequences on the professional and personal lives of university professors.

It is not easy to define service in a university context because it takes different forms depending on the individual and the university. While many professors carry out administrative tasks within their university and provide service to the internal community, others share their expertise with external groups (unions, community organizations, etc.)—some of which do not have easy access to academic knowledge—or collaborate with organizations and bodies that fall within their field of research.

The aim of this forum is not to define the best practices for service—it is each professor's prerogative to determine how to carry out this task—but instead to provide a space to discuss the subject, to understand what it means for our colleagues, to consider different scenarios, and to explore shared lines of thought.

## General Overview

The theme will be explored from various angles—historical, individual, and institutional—ending in a presentation of different internal and external service scenarios.

Two sessions are planned (morning and afternoon).

Round tables with the guest speakers will be followed by discussions with the audience. This format will favour group reflection.

To conclude the forum, the FQPPU has invited a special guest, renowned observer of university life and long-time FQPPU collaborator, Pierre Hébert of Université de Sherbrooke.

Schedule: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Lunch served on site

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Guest speakers who have given their agreement in principle:

**Catherine Beaudry**, École Polytechnique de Montréal

**Louise Briand**, Université du Québec en Outaouais

**Raphael Fischler**, McGill University

**Jean-Marc Fontan**, Université du Québec à Montréal

**Marie-Noëlle Hervé-Albert**, Université du Québec à Rimouski

**France St-Hilaire**, Université de Sherbrooke

(Other guest speakers are still to be confirmed.)

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Advance registration for the forum is required. Deadline: March 23, 2015.

The [registration form](#) and itinerary are available on the FQPPU's website: **www.fqppu.org**.

The \$30 registration fee covers the cost of lunch.

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