

Dalhousie brings math to the masses

Dalhousie's Department of Mathematics and Statistics will host a presentation by Peter J.M. Nicholson, President and CEO of the Council of Canadian Academies, on Thursday, May 14, 2009 at 7:30 p.m. in the Potter Auditorium, Rowe Building, 6100 University Avenue.

The presentation, entitled Math for the Masses: why quantitative literacy matters, is part of the Distinguished Speaker Series and will highlight how the digital age is changing the face of education.

Access to technology and mass amounts of data empowers and challenges us as a society. The skills needed to wade through this information, and make sense of complex problems must become a priority. Mr. Nicholson answers the question of how education must change to make sure we meet the challenge.

Mr. Nicholson is a distinguished researcher and Member of the Order of Canada. He has served in numerous posts in government, business, science, and higher education. Before assuming his current position in 2006, he was Deputy Chief of Staff, Policy for the Prime Minister of Canada.

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