

Mennonite Studies at Winnipeg

Since 1978 Mennonite studies at the University of Winnipeg have been concentrated in the Chair in Mennonite Studies. Established through the generous gifts of Dr. David Friesen and the Federal Government of Canada, the Chair is engaged in teaching Mennonite history, culture and literature, and in research and publication. Dr. Harry Loewen, formerly of Wilfrid Laurier University, is Professor of Mennonite Studies and first holder of the Chair.

As of 1985 Mennonite studies at the University of Winnipeg is being expanded through the establishment of the Mennonite Studies Centre. Funded for five years by the Dr. David Friesen Corporation, the Centre will be engaged in teaching, research and community services. It is the intention of the University to develop the Centre into Menno Simons College on the Oxbridge model. Dr. George K. Epp, formerly President of Canadian Mennonite Bible College, has been appointed as first director of the Centre. Dr. Al Reimer, Professor of English at the University of Winnipeg, has been designated as Senior Research Fellow of the Centre for 1985-86. The Chair in Mennonite Studies continues to be responsible for the academic activities of the Mennonite Studies programme within the faculty of arts and science.

Inquiries with regard to possibilities of in-residence research within the Centre should be directed to Dr. George K. Epp. Inquiries with regard to academic matters, including courses and programmes, should be directed to Dr. Harry Loewen.