



Athabasca
University

Doctoral Seminar – 12 May 2022

Sir John Daniel

Chancellor

Acsenda School of Management, Vancouver

May 12th, 2022



Universities in 2016: Open or Closed?

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Address to AU doctoral students

2016-10-06

Renewal of contacts
with Alberta and Athabasca University

2021-22: Alberta 2030 project – Guiding Coalition

2021-22: Invitation to join AU Board of Governors

2022: Professor Peter Scott appointed as President



Professor Peter Scott

Ph. D. (Psychology) University of Sheffield, UK.

Teaching and research in cognitive science and psychology

Director: Knowledge Media Institute, Open University, UK

Pro-Vice-Chancellor: University of Technology, Sydney, Australia

President: Athabasca University

3-month internship 1972



The Open University – United Kingdom



Christ's Hospital School



St. Edmund Hall, Oxford



Université de Paris



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1970s

ÉCOLE POLYTECHNIQUE
UNIVERSITÉ DE MONTRÉAL

2020s





Paris, May 1968



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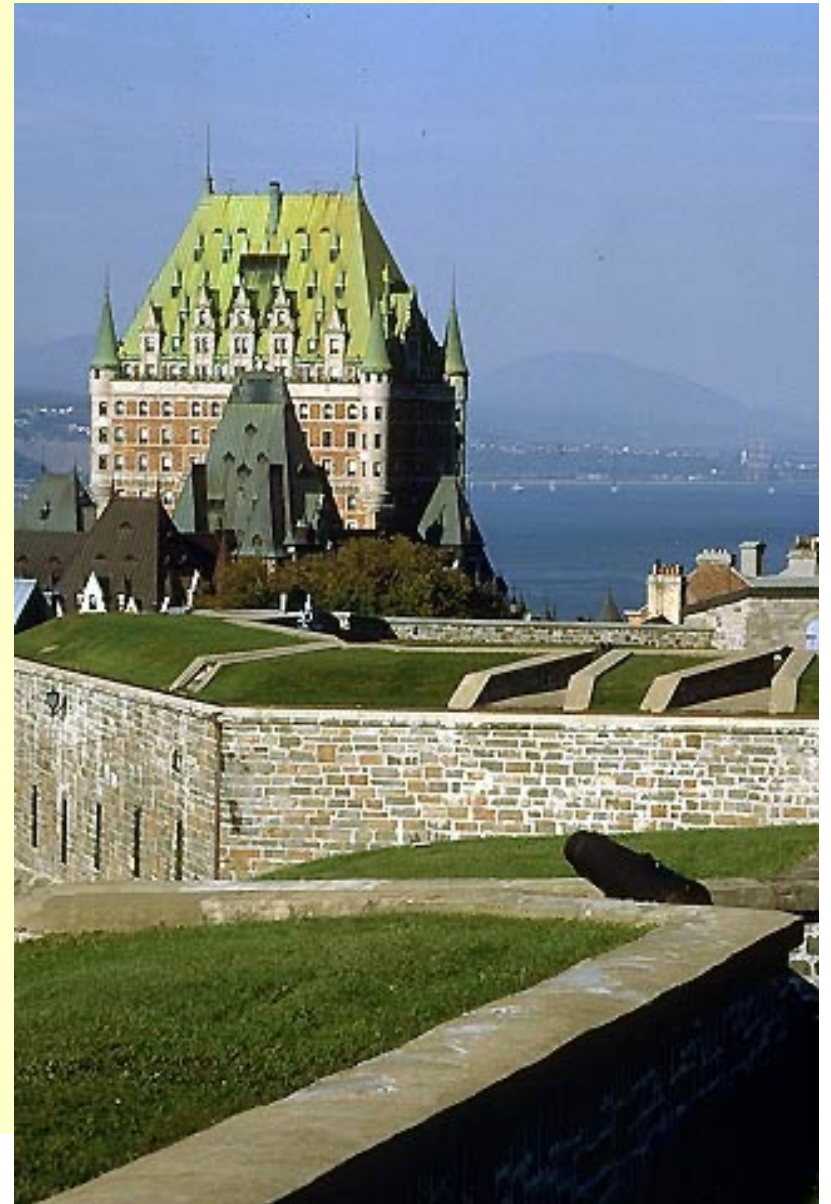


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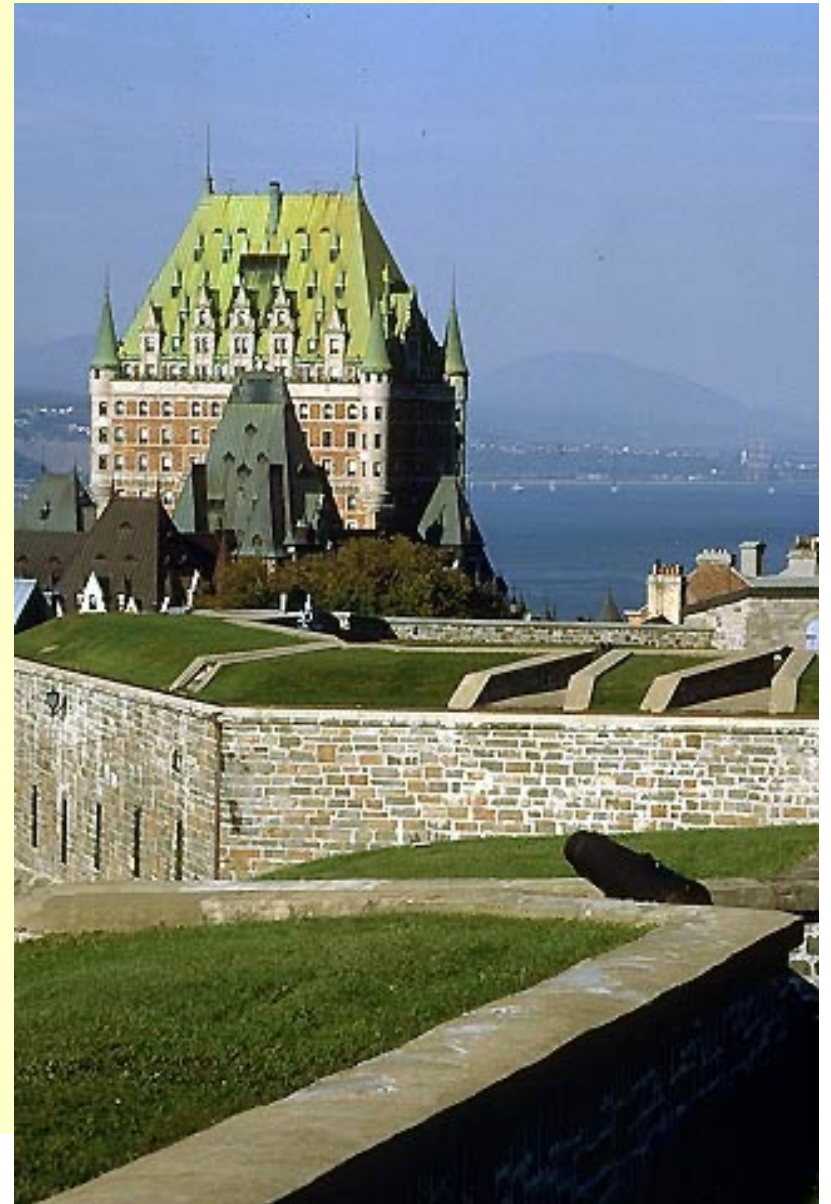




Open as to:

- People
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- Ideas

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Ancient Roots of the Modern World
AU's blockbuster first course in the 1970s

'essential reading for all involved in higher education'
TIMES HIGHER EDUCATION SUPPLEMENT

Mega- Universities & Knowledge Media

Technology Strategies
for Higher Education

John S Daniel

A LONG HISTORY WITH ROOTS IN TURKEY



Saint Paul – Born in Tarsus

Wrote letters (epistles) to
Churches around the Mediterranean

BUT... New as an academic subject



Lord Walter Perry
Founding Vice-Chancellor

The Open
University

The key UKOU
innovation
was the

COURSE TEAM

It was how the
UKOU
institutionalized
innovation

If you need new knowledge...

... find it!

If you see an important new trend...

... check it out!

Keep learning and...

... take your own ODL courses



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**Distance Learning post covid-19:
A Brave New World of Online Education
- or Repeating the Mistakes of the Past?**

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Impact of COVID-19

Good:

Millions more teachers and students have experience of distance learning

Bad:

Remote teaching has taken the OPEN out of OPEN and distance learning



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Canada's distance teaching universities
Les universités à distance du Canada



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From
Emergency Remote Teaching
to
Open Distance Learning

Independence & Interaction: Getting the mixture right

Live video lectures not enough

Students need asynchronous activities



Sir John Daniel O.C.

Thank you

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