

Nomination Committee  
SAMPLE BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES

The following sketches are intended as sample formats only. They may be of use for candidates who choose to write and provide their own bio or by those members who write and put forward the bio for a candidate they are nominating. These samples fall within the limitation of 300 words and include the following:

- Educational background
- Work experience (place of employment, areas of practice/expertise, research)
- Committee experience (related volunteer work)
- Other relevant information (professional memberships)
- Answers to questions, "Why do you want to be on Council? How do you think you can contribute to Council?"

A. **Sample Nominee:** MEMBER-AT-LARGE Nominee: Melody Dunlop, M.A., R. Psych.

Work Experience & Education

I obtained a Master's Degree in Psychology from the U. of A. in Clinical Psychology (1989). Since May 2001, I have worked as a Senior Psychologist at the Child & Youth program of the P.A. Mental Health Centre. Previously I was employed as a psychologist in Adult services at Swift Current (SK) and in Red Deer (AB).

At my workplace I have periodically given supervision to individuals seeking clinical registration; taken part in interdisciplinary responsibilities; provided representation on union-management projects, including the local Health Region's Ethics panel.

Professional & Community Involvement

Memberships in the Canadian Psychological Association, Psychological Assoc. of Alberta, Psychological Society of Sask. /Saskatchewan Educational Psychology Association (Dual), and frequently taken part in professional workshops offered in both Saskatchewan and Alberta.

Served on the provincial executive of PSS for 2 years as Member-at-Large (2005-07); Working in varied positions, most recently as Chairperson, on board of local Boys & Girls Club (2004-10).

I especially valued being a member of the SCP, Professional Practice & Ethics Committee (2007-09). Learning much from this experience, I am very interested in offering my time and energies to contribute to the deliberations, decision-making and activities required as part of the SCP Executive Council. I hope to assist in strengthening SCP member involvement and consultation on critical issues before our organization provincially and nationally.

Melody Dunlop, M.A., R. Psych.

B. **Sample Nominee:** PRESIDENT-ELECT – Jeremy Smuckers, Ph.D., R.D. Psych.

Educational & Work Experience

Jeremy completed a Doctor of Philosophy in the Clinical Psychology program at the University of Bennington, Timbuktu. It offered both an APA and CPA accredited program with provision of a one-year supervised rotation that he completed at Auckland's University Hospital Mental Health Unit. His research focus was specific to aging and its influence on physical and mental health conditions.

Jeremy has been published in a number of peer-reviewed journals and various university texts that support graduate level study programs. Jeremy has worked in Saskatchewan for the last ten years,

being registered at the Doctoral Psychologist level with the SCP since 2000, and has an Authorized Practice Endorsement. He works at Royal University Hospital in Saskatoon in conjunction with the neurology and geriatric departments.

Jeremy practices primarily in clinical assessment and treatment in the aging population. He also teaches at Saskatchewan University Hospital to upcoming medical residents. Additionally he has a strong background in management and appreciates the need for future focus and team work in leading organizations.

Memberships & Committee Experience

Jeremy has been an active member of the SCP sitting on the Registration Committee and supporting the Oral Examinations as a chair for several exam panels over the last two years.

Professional Memberships & Appointments include:

- Saskatchewan College of Psychologists, Registered Doctoral Psychologist, 1999 -present
- United Kingdom Practicing Psychologist Union, Registered Doctoral Psychologist, 1980 -present
- European Psychology Panel, Discipline Reviewer, 2003 -present
- Canadian Psychology Association
- American Psychological Association
- Editor in Chief, UK Psychology Magazine, 2008-2009
- Peer Reviewer, British Psychological Journal, 2007-2009

Jeremy would be pleased to facilitate leadership should he be selected in the role of President-Elect. He has a passion for supporting development in all of the organizations in which he has served and believes that he can be a positive and forward-thinking leader for the SCP.

Jiminy Crickets, R.D. Psych.  
Nominating member