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Dr. Eileen Wood of Wilfrid Laurier University receives CPA Award for Distinguished Contributions to Education and Training in Psychology

Ottawa (July 19, 2018) – The Canadian Psychological Association (CPA) is pleased to announce that Dr. Eileen Wood has won this year’s CPA Award for Distinguished Contributions to Education and Training in Psychology.

This award is presented to a CPA member or Fellow whose has made significant contributions to education and training in psychology in Canada either through excellence in teaching, through scholarship to enhance the knowledge base in education and training, or by influencing education and training practices.

Dr. Eileen Wood is a full professor of Psychology at Wilfrid Laurier University and a 3M Teaching Fellow. Since completing her PhD in Educational Psychology at Simon Fraser in 1989, Dr. Wood has taught at Wilfred Laurier, and is one of the few people who have been awarded both Wilfred Laurier’s Research Professor Award and Teaching Excellence Award (2010). Dr. Wood has over 80 peer reviewed publications involving instructional psychology, cognition, learning, and the impact of technology. She has also supervised over 30 graduate students, many who have gone on to academic careers. But what stands out most about her work is the empirical approach that underlies her infectious enthusiasm for all aspects of the pedagogy of teaching.

Her interests and research range from working on the impact of technology across the lifespan and across different cultural contexts, to testing the impact of metacognitive training for students in university chemistry courses. Dr. Wood has developed an innovative online course to encourage professionalism of students who start a community service learning experience. Her empirical rigour and enthusiasm is something she transmits to her students and the many people she collaborates with at Wilfred Laurier University, across Canada, and around the globe.

Dr. Wood received her award at the CPA’s awards ceremony during the 29th International Congress of Applied Psychology in Montreal, QC last month.

About the Canadian Psychological Association

The Canadian Psychological Association (CPA) is the national association for the science, practice, and education of psychology in Canada. With nearly 7,000 members and affiliates, the CPA is Canada's largest association for psychology. To learn more about the association, visit: <https://cpa.ca/>

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