

## Editorial

It is with great pleasure that I present the Volume 8, Number 1, 2009 issue of the Canadian Journal of Career Development/ Revue canadienne de développement de carrière.

This issue is a wonderful overview of the varied and fascinating research that is occurring around the world. In this issue, we have an article written by Linda Manning and Catherine Elliott entitled, *Effective Career Services Practices: The Case of Canadian Business Schools*. While this article has at its core business schools in Canada, its findings are relevant for business schools around the world and will provide a richness to the literature.

Given the recent downturn in the economy, there is a renewed focus on the importance of career development to help individuals navigate the world of work. The article *New Realities in the Work World: The Impact on Workers and on the Professional Practice of Career Counsellors* is both timely and instructive for career practitioners as we help our clients navigate the new landscape. This article written by Michaël Dussault, Bruno Bourassa, Geneviève Fournier, Armelle Spain, Lise Lachance, and Lilian Negura will help guide us in our work and research as we move forward in this challenging new economy.

Included in this issue is a thought provoking article on *Career Practitioners' Views of Social Justice and Barriers for Practice* by Nancy Arthur, Sandra Collins, Mary McMahon, and Catherine Marshall. I believe this article will allow the profession to sit back and reflect on the importance of social justice as a foundation for our profession. From helping the marginalized in society to advocating for increased support for unemployed workers - ours is a profession steeped in social justice. This article is a scintillating and reflective piece that will challenge the reader to think about the role of social justice in our practice.

A. Dennis Dahl in his article entitled *Self-assessed intelligence in adults: The role of gender, cognitive intelligence and emotional intelligence* will allow the reader insight into a topic that is rarely assessed. The article has significant implications for our practice as career professionals in multiple sectors of the economy.

Satoris S. Culbertson, Pedro I. Leiva, Jaime B. Henning, and Shawn Post-Priller in their article entitled *The Role of Personality and Goal Orientation in Student Preferences for Job Attributes* discuss issues related to secondary and post secondary youth. The transition to the world of work for many youth is a tumultuous experience – an experience full of twists and turns. This article will allow both researchers and practitioners insight into the importance of personality and goal orientation in those transitions.

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the authors for their time and expertise. Without these significant and well written pieces of research our work as practitioners would be significantly limited.

To my Associate Editor Ms. Lisa Russell and Administrative Assistant Ms. Yvonne Abbott I want to publicly say thank you for your many years of commitment to ensuring each and every issue is delivered to the printers in a timely and efficient manner. Producing two issues a year requires commitment and organizational skills and both of these wonderful people have those qualities in abundance.

I hope you enjoy this issue!

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