

RESUME
Robert James Williams



Personal:

Born: Windsor, Ontario, 1944
Canadian citizen
Home: Waterloo, Ontario

Education: Honours B.A. and M.A., McMaster University
Ph.D., University of Toronto

Employment: Faculty Member, Department of Political Science,
University of Waterloo, 1971 – 2006; Professor Emeritus,
2007 to present

Community Activities

- Board of Directors, Waterloo Regional Arts Council, 1987-92 (President 1988-91)
- Kitchener-Waterloo Symphony Volunteer Committee Executive, 1999 – 2003, 2011 to present
- Waterloo Voter Support Committee, 2003 – 2010 (Chair, 2010)
- Board of Directors, Canadian Clay and Glass Gallery, 2004-2011 (Chair, 2008–2010)
- City of Waterloo Advisory Committee on Culture, 2007 to present (Chair 2010 to present)
- Region of Waterloo Municipal Elections Compliance Audit Committee, 2006-2014

Additional Professional Activities

- Academic Director, Ontario Legislature Internship Programme, 1994–2003
- Ontario Municipal Cultural Planning Incorporated (Steering Group/Executive), 2003 to present
- Member, Academic Reference Group, Ontario Citizens' Assembly on Electoral Reform, 2006-2007
- Consultant on municipal ward boundary reviews 2008–2013:
 - Ajax, Barrie, Bradford West Gwillimbury, Brantford, Clearview, Georgian Bay, Gravenhurst, Kingston, Kitchener, Markham, Milton,

New Tecumseth, Oakville, Pelham, Whitchurch-Stouffville, Wilmot, Windsor

- Municipal Integrity Commissioner
 - Township of Wilmot, March 2013
 - Town of Erin, January 2014

Selected University Service Activities

- Chairman, Department of Political Science (1979-85)
- Member, Faculty Grievance Panel (1994-96), (Chair 1996-99)
- Arts Faculty Representative, University Committee on Student Appeals (2002–2006)
- Mediator, Conflict Intervention Programme (1994–2006)
- Resource Person, Resolution Support Programme (1994–2006)
- Chair, Arts Faculty Council (1997-99)
- University of Waterloo Senate, 1995–2001 (Member, Senate Executive Committee 1995-97)
- University of Waterloo Board of Governors (1998–2000)
- Director, Centre for Election Studies (2003–2006)

Selected Publications and Scholarly Papers

- (with T.J. Downey) "Governance: Report to the Working Group on Local Government Reform", Regional Municipality of Waterloo, June 1996.
- (with T.J. Downey) "Provincial agendas, local responses: the 'common sense' restructuring of Ontario's municipal governments," *Canadian Public Administration*, 41:2 (Spring 1998), 210 - 238.
- (with T.J. Downey) "Reforming Ontario's county government in the 1990s: Trading Tradition for 'Common Sense'," *Governing Ontario Conference*, University of Western Ontario, November 1998 and *Canadian Political Science Association*, Université de Sherbrooke, June 1999.
- (with T.J. Downey) "Reforming Rural Ontario," *Canadian Public Administration*, 42:2 (Spring 1999), 160 - 192.
- "Democratic Renewal: Time to start taking municipal elections seriously," *Municipal World*, March 2005, 31 - 33, 44.
- "The Problem of 'Future Population Trends' in Designing Ward Systems in Ontario," *Municipal Monitor* (Association of Municipal Managers, Clerks and Treasurers of Ontario), Fall 2012, 16 - 19.
- ". . . we think it is the last time" *Municipal World*, November 2012, 39 - 42.