

# **Noreen Golfman**

**Provost and Vice-President (Academic) at Memorial University**

St. John's, NF, CA

Dr. Golfman is an experienced, multi-dimensional scholar and academic leader who is actively engaged in cultural issues.

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## **Biography**

Dr. Noreen Golfman is provost and vice-president (academic) of Memorial University. She served as dean of the School of Graduate Studies at Memorial from June 2008 to September 2014, when she was appointed provost and vice-president (academic) pro tempore. Under Dr. Golfman's leadership, the School of Graduate Studies experienced tremendous growth. In the last decade alone, the number of graduate students has doubled and continues to grow, with more than 3,600 graduate students enrolled today.

Dr. Golfman is a professor of English and holds a PhD from the University of Western Ontario. She recently served two terms as president of the Canadian Federation of Social Sciences and Humanities, a national education advocacy group, and she is past president of both the Canadian Association of Graduate Studies and the Northeastern Association of Graduate Schools. She is currently a member of the advisory committee to the Canadian studies program at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

Active in Canadian cultural issues and experienced with the media, Dr. Golfman is the founding director and chair of the St. John's International Women's Film Festival, vice-chair of the Newfoundland and Labrador Film Development Corporation and chair of the board of the Friends of Canadian Broadcasting. Since 2011 she has co-chaired the board of directors of Business and the Arts NL, an organization that brokers relationships and funding between the arts and the corporate/private sectors.

In addition to publications in scholarly journals, Dr. Golfman writes on the arts and culture in popular venues, and she has worked as a commentator, reviewer and performer for CBC radio and television.

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## **Industry Expertise**

Education/Learning, Performing Arts, Writing and Editing, Media - Broadcast, Media - Print, Motion Pictures and Film, Program Development, Research, Public Policy

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## **Areas of Expertise**

Film, Graduate Studies, Academic & Administrative Leadership, Arts and Culture, Teaching and Learning in Higher Education , Program and Curriculum Development, English Literature, English

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## **Affiliations**

MUN Cinema Series - Director, St. John's International Film Festival - Chair Board of Directors, Business and Arts Newfoundland and Labrador - Co-Chair, Friends of Canadian Broadcasting - Steering Committee Chair, Advisory Committee to the Halbert Centre for Canadian Studies Hebrew University of Jerusalem - Member, Atlantic ICE (Independent Cinema Exhibitors) - Founding Director, SHAD Valley - Lecturer, Winterset in Summer Literary Festival - Board Member, Graduate Record Examination (GRE) - Board Member

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## **Education**

**Western University**  
PhD English literature

**Western University**  
Master of Arts English literature

**University of Alberta**  
Bachelor of Arts English literature

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## **Accomplishments**

### **WAVE Award, Women in Arts and Television Atlantic**

The WAVE Awards are presented annually to honor deserving women in the film and television industry.

### **Newfoundland and Labrador Arts Council Hall of Honour Award Recipient**

The ArtsNL Hall of Honour citation is awarded to artists and arts organizations that have made distinguished lifetime contributions to the cultural life of Newfoundland and Labrador.

### **Memorial University President's Award for Exceptional Community Service**

This award recognize employees who have demonstrated outstanding community service.

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