

## **Douglas House**

***Current Positions:*** Honorary Research Professor, Department of Sociology, Memorial University of Newfoundland  
  
Chair, Strategic Partnership Council (Labour, Business and Government)  
  
Principal, DH Consultants

***Education:*** PhD, Sociology, McGill University, 1972  
  
MA, Politics, Philosophy and Economics, Oxford University, 1967  
  
BA (Honours), Sociology, Memorial University of Newfoundland, 1964

### **Public Service, Government of Newfoundland and Labrador**

2006-2008 Deputy Minister, Provincial Development Planning, Executive Council  
  
2004-2006 Deputy Minister, Department of Innovation, Trade and Rural Development  
  
1989-1996 Chairperson, Economic Recovery Commission  
  
1995-1996 Provincial Co-Chair, Regional Diversification Agreement  
  
1994-1995 Provincial Co-Chair, Federal/Provincial Task Force on Community Economic Development  
  
1989-1993 Chairperson, Board of Directors, Enterprise Newfoundland and Labrador Corporation  
  
1985-1986 Chairperson, Royal Commission on Employment and Unemployment

### **University**

2001-2004 Chair, Recruitment Committee, Department of Sociology, Memorial University  
  
1999-2000 Faculty of Arts Representative, Council of the Faculty of Graduate Studies, Memorial University

- 1997-2000     Coordinator of Graduate Studies, Department of Sociology, Memorial University
- 1984-1989     Research Director, Institute of Social and Economic Research, Memorial University
- 1987-1989     Member of Senate, Memorial University
- 1986-1987     President, Atlantic Association of Sociologists and Anthropologists
- 1978-1981     Head, Department of Sociology, Memorial University
- 1973-1975     Member, Committee on Appointments, Promotion and Increments, Department of Sociology, University of Calgary
- 1972-1974     Chair, Graduate Program Committee, Department of Sociology, University of Calgary
- 1969-1971     Member of Caucus, Department of Sociology, McGill University

***Honours and Awards***

Honourary Member, Department of Sociology, University of Calgary, 2003

Member, Order of Canada, 2001

Newfoundland and Labrador Sports Hall of Fame, 1998

Rhodes Scholarship, 1965-67

Governor General's Gold Medal, Highest Marks in Graduating Year, Memorial University of Newfoundland, 1964

John Lewis Paton Honour Society, Memorial University, 1964

St. John's Athlete of the Year, 1961

## ***Boards and Committees***

Co-Chair, Advisory Committee, Community-University Research for Recovery Alliance, 2007-

Member, The Leslie Harris Centre of Regional Policy Development Advisory Board, 2005-

Member, C-CORE Board of Directors, 2004-2007

Chair, Advisory Panel, Community Economic Technical Assistance Program, Carleton University, 2002-04 (Member of Advisory Panel 1997-2002)

Committee to Review the Proposed Master's Programme in Oil and Gas Studies, Memorial University of Newfoundland, 2002-2004

Advisory Board, Chair of Youth Focussed High Technology Entrepreneurship, Memorial University of Newfoundland, 2000-2005

Advisory Board, Coasts Under Stress, MCRI Project, University of Victoria and Memorial University of Newfoundland, 2000-2004

Advisory Board, The Knowledge Economy and Community Economic Development, SSHRCC Project, Tompkins Institute, 2000-2005

Advisor, Canadian Policy Research Network's "Future of the Public Service in Canada" Project, 1996-97

External Advisor, Economic Council of Canada's "Directions for Regional Development" Project, 1987-88.

Advisory Board, Centre for Constitutional Studies, University of Alberta, 1988-

Board of Directors, Gorsebrook Institute, St. Mary's University, 1984-89

Board of Directors, Ocean Ranger Foundation, 1983-87.

Rhodes Scholars' Selection Committee, 1981-87.

Offshore Petroleum Impact Committee, 1979-81.

Economic Development Committee, City of St. John's, 1977-80

### ***University Teaching and Research Positions***

Professor of Sociology, Memorial University, 1984-2009

Visiting Professor of Sociology, University of Aberdeen, 1981-82

Associate Professor, Memorial University, 1977-84

Joint Appointment, Institute of Social and Economic Research, Memorial University, 1977, 1984

Assistant Professor, Memorial University, 1975-77

Visiting Research Fellow, University of Aberdeen, 1975

Assistant Professor, University of Calgary, 1971-75

Teaching Assistant, McGill University, 1968-1971

Sessional Lecturer (Sociology and Psychology), Memorial University, 1967-68

### ***Publications***

- Six books including *The Last of the Free Enterprisers: The Oilmen of Calgary*; *The Challenge of Oil: Newfoundland's Quest for Controlled Development*; *The Tragedy of the Ocean Ranger*; and *Against the Tide: Battling for Economic Development in Newfoundland and Labrador*.
- Many journal articles and published papers. Recent articles include:
  - 2005 "Change from Within the Corridors of Power: A Reflective Essay of a Sociologist in Government." *The Canadian Journal of Sociology* 30 (4):471-490. Also published electronically as a CJS Feature Article in the Canadian Journal of Sociology Online, May-June, 2006.
  - 2004 "Innovative Governance and Development in the New Ireland: Social Partnership and the Integrated Approach." *Governance*. 17 (1):29-57. [with Kyla McGrath]
  - 2003 "Does Community *Really* Matter in Newfoundland and Labrador? The Need for Supportive Capacity in the New Regional Economic Development" *Retrenchment and Regeneration in Rural Newfoundland*. Edited by Reginald Byron. Toronto: University of Toronto Press, pp. 226-267.
  - 2002 "Myths and Realities about Petroleum-Related Development: Lessons for

British Columbia from Atlantic Canada and the North Sea.” *Journal of Canadian Studies* 37(4): 9-32.

- Contributing author to several major reports including:

2003 *Our Vision for the Future* [Contributing Author]

1995 *Community Matters: The New Regional Economic Development*. Report of the Task Force on Community Economic Development in Newfoundland and Labrador. [Co-Chair; Contributing Author; Editor]

1992 *Change and Challenge: A Strategic Economic Plan for Newfoundland and Labrador*. Government of Newfoundland and Labrador. [Committee Member; Contributing Author]

1986 Royal Commission on Employment and Unemployment Reports, Queen’s Printer:

*Building on Our Strengths*. Final Report [Chairperson; Principal Author]

*Building on Our Strengths*, Summary Report [Chairperson; Principal Author]

*Education for Self-Reliance: A Report on Education and Training in Newfoundland*. Education Report [With Cathy Horan, Wayne Humphries and Chris Palmer]

- A complete list of Dr House’s publications is available on request or can be accessed on his website at <http://www.ucs.mun.ca/~dhouse/index.html>

### ***Current Work***

- I.** Research for a book about the Premiers of Newfoundland and Labrador since Confederation with Canada in 1949, with a particular focus on their economic and social development policies.
- II.** Completion of a biography about the life and times of Edgar House, a prominent educator and health administrator in Newfoundland and Labrador (with Adrian House)

### ***Fellowships and Research Involvement***

Institute of Social and Economic Research Research Grant, 2009-2010

J.R. Smallwood Centre Research Grant, 2008-2009

Co-Chair, Community-University Research for Recovery Alliance (CURRA) Advisory Committee, 2008-

Coasts Under Stress, 2000-2004, Member of National Advisory Board

Ocean Management Research Network, Co-Investigator, 2001-2004

J.R. Smallwood Centre Research Grant, 1999

Publications Subvention, Memorial University, 1998

Vice-President's Research Grant, Memorial University, 1998

Research Grant, Institute of Social and Economic Research, Memorial University, 1996-97

Career Award, Department of Career Development and Advanced Studies, Government of Newfoundland and Labrador, 1988-89

Research Grant, Review of Demography, Phase II, Health and Welfare Canada, 1987-88

Research Grant and Time Stipend, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, 1983

Leave Fellowship, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, 1981-82

Northern Science Training Grant, 1978-79, 1979-80

Energy, Mines and Resources Research Agreement, 1975-78

Imperial Oil Limited Research Grant, 1973-74, 1974-75

Central Mortgage and Housing Doctoral Fellowship, 1969-70

Canada Council Doctoral Fellowship, 1968-69, 1970-71

### ***Journalism:***

1998 *The Irish Tiger: Lessons for Newfoundland and Labrador.* Eleven-part series of columns in the St. John's *Evening Telegram*. Several other guest columns and letters to the editor.

***Speeches and Media Interviews:***

Numerous speeches and interviews over the years, both locally and nationally, on topics such as the new economy, oil and gas impacts, social and economic development, employment and unemployment, education and training, income security reform and aspects of Newfoundland and Labrador society and culture.

***Consulting:***

Consulting work on topics such as oil and gas, fisheries, employment and unemployment, education and income security reform for agencies such as the Office of the Official Opposition, the Atlantic Canada Petroleum Institute, Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency, Human Resources Development Canada, Indian and Northern Affairs, Petro-Canada and Voisey's Bay Nickel Company.