



2017 NAACLCT Montréal Meeting 2-4 June 2017

At the AGM in June 2016, in Albany, NY it was decided that we would not run a conference this year (2017). We decided instead to adopt, on a trial basis, a policy of bi-annual conferences. That policy will be pursued for two years and will be revisited in 2018, at the conference in Newfoundland.

While the "Montréal Meeting" is not being advertised as a conference, it will have many of the trappings of a conference.

Everything will be extremely informal and low overhead. The reception will be simply a matter of getting together in a local pub. The "Banquet" will be "à la carte" at a local restaurant. People will be left at liberty to arrange their own accommodations.

The panel on Brexit should be particularly interesting. The implications of Brexit for the Celtic languages is enormous. The Irish language was a central issue precipitating the recent election in the north of Ireland, and it appears that no power-sharing administration will be re-established until agreement is reached about an Irish Language Act. Brexit has brought the cause of Scottish independence closer to fruition than any time in the past 250 years. This carries huge implications for Scottish identity and language. Wales, faced with leaving the EU, stands to lose substantial language funding and research support. The Cornish language is under attack by British nationalists as an example of the extravagances of EU language policies. Manx also depends upon EU protections, and the status of Manx in the EU is contingent upon the UK's membership.

Meeting venue: [School of Irish Studies](https://www.concordia.ca/arts/irish-studies.html) – Concordia University

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Henry F. Hall Building
Room H 1001
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Campus map: <https://www.concordia.ca/maps/sgw-campus.html>

H = Henry F Hall Building

Building Map

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COST:

Can\$100 for the entire conference

or

Can\$40/session

Reception Friday, 2 June 2017

7:00 – 9:00 PM

[Mckibbin's Bishop Irish Pub](#)

1426 Bishop St,
Montreal, QC H3G 2E6

Saturday, 3 June 2017

AM: Panel – Implications of Brexit for the Celtic Languages

PM: Panel – Promotion of the Celtic Languages in North America

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Late Afternoon/ Evening – Field Trip/ Banquet

Sunday 4 June 2017

AM: Invited Papers on Sundry Topics