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### In Memoriam: Dr. Jerome Barkow

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The Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences wishes to share the sad news of the passing of Dr. Jerome Barkow, Professor Emeritus in the Department of Sociology & Social Anthropology (SOSA).

Dr. Jerome Barkow joined SOSA as Assistant Professor in 1971; he was promoted to full Professor just nine years later. As an anthropologist, Jerry conducted fieldwork among the Hausa speakers in Nigeria and Niger and the Bugis of Indonesia, and he was part of a team that founded the Canadian Ethnology Society. He is perhaps best known internationally for his remarkable, interdisciplinary scholarship on the evolution of human behaviour. He retired from teaching in 2008 but was appointed Professor Emeritus and continued to be a prolific writer, distinguished scholar (including an Honorary Professorship at Queen's University Belfast and a Visiting Professorship at the University of South Africa), world traveller, and green-thumbed provider of garlic to his SOSA colleagues for many years. In SOSA, he will be remembered fondly as a passionate, accomplished social scientist and a warm supporter to his junior colleagues and students.

We extend our sincerest condolences to his family and friends.

[Read Dr. Barkow's obituary.](#)

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