

DRAFT CITATION - EDWARD OSBORNE WILSON

No man is an island; but islands have been the

enchanted island of Shakespeare's Tempest, Miranda had a vision
of the brave new world of men; on the islands of Galapagos

origin of species; on an archipelago in the South Pacific, you,
Edward Wilson, discovered in ant colonies the link that would
tie insect and human communities together.

It has been your endeavour, through patient research and
deep reflection, to develop theories of social behaviour in the

Born and educated in the American South and then at Harvard, you have achieved eminence as Frank Baird Professor of Science at your alma mater and curator of entomology at Harvard's Museum of Comparative Zoology. In addition to over one hundred articles on scientific subjects, you have published many books, including The Insect Societies, Sociobiology: the New Synthesis, Genes, Mind and Culture, and On Human Nature, for which you received the Pulitzer Prize for non-fiction in 1979. You have taught and lectured all over North America, at Berkeley, Cornell, John Hopkins, Dartmouth and McGill, and in England at King's College, Cambridge.

Many honours have also come your way as a result of your masterly contributions to science, including the presidency of the Society for the Study of Evolution, the National Medal of Science, and honorary degrees from Duke University and the

College. We are pleased to welcome you to Simon Fraser as Distinguished Visitor, and to add to your collection of degrees with our Doctor of Laws, Honoris Causa.