



Changing Conversations: Canada in a Shifting Landscape

Conference dates: 16-17 April 2020

Deadline for submissions: Friday, 7 February 2020

As Canada moves into the new decade, 2020 sees the country navigating a shifting landscape that is reflected in the changing conversations taking place in both the domestic and global context. So, what are the conversations Canada and Canadians are having? Locally? Nationally? Internationally? How are these conversations changing? Where are they taking place? Who is changing them? What kinds of changes are occurring and/or what changes need to occur? Where is the conversation headed—and where should/could it be going?

The Robarts Centre for Canadian Studies welcomes exploration of these topics from multiple and competing perspectives at the Annual Graduate Conference taking place on 16-17 April 2020 at York University in Toronto. Papers that engage with the theme of a changing Canada are encouraged from a myriad of approaches, disciplines, perspectives and lenses, not limited to but including:

- Indigenous studies
- Law and legal practices
- Health, well-being, and mental health
- Canadian politics
- History and Humanities
- Structures of society
- Gender and sexuality
- Religion, beliefs and spirituality
- Identity, culture, race, and ethnicity
- Space, geography, and environmental studies

- Canadian studies
- Technology studies, Internet, and social media
- Art, theatre, film, music (history, performance, theory), and creative practices
- Literature and languages

Graduate students are invited to submit proposals for presentations that examine these themes considering Canada in a national and global context. The goal of this two-day conference is to provide a space for discussions surrounding Canada's changing dynamic broadly defined; we thus encourage students from a wide variety of disciplines to interpret this theme. Presenters may be invited to submit their work to the Robarts Center for Canadian Studies' online publication [Canada Watch](#).

Potential topics may include, but are not limited to, the legacies, experiences, or expressions of Canadians whose social locations vary on the basis of gender, sexuality, race, Indigeneity, ability, socioeconomic situation, region, migration, status and difference. Individual papers, panels and roundtables on other related topics will also be considered.

Reimbursement of some travel costs will be made available for students attending the entire conference from outside the Greater Toronto and Hamilton Area.

Please submit proposals (max. 250 words) for papers, panels, or roundtables at <https://form.jotform.com/RobartsConference/submissions> by **Friday, 7 February 2020**.

Please contact robartsconference@gmail.com should you have any questions.

