GSA January By-Election:

There are still 22 vacant seats on our GSA Board of Directors! If your department is un- or underrepresented, consider nominating yourself in our upcoming January By-election. More information on the election and your role as a General Director can be found [here](#).

Science to Business Network (S2BN) Event:

The UofG Science to Business Network is hosting its first event, From Science to Business: Communicating your Value to Industry, on Wednesday, January 23rd at The Fifth! Please click [here](#) for more details and to meet the Guelph S2BN Team!

Research On Tap:

Come share your research at The Fifth in the NEW Graduate Student Speaker Series starting in Winter 2019! Please click [here](#) for more information and how to apply.

Highlights:

**Winter 2019 Bus Pass Distribution:**

Winter 2019 Bus Pass Stickers will be available January, 10th, 11th and 14th from 9:00 am – 1:00 pm OR 2:00 – 5:00 pm. Please click [here](#) for more details. *Note: Fall 2018 Bus Pass Stickers will expire Friday, January 11th at 11:59 pm.*

**A Call for Abstracts on Mental Health Research:**

Is your research related to mental health? Submit an abstract for your chance to present at the 2nd annual Graduate Student Mental Health Conference on Saturday, January 19th! Click [here](#) for more details.
Bus Pass Distribution

Winter 2019 Bus Pass Sticker Distribution:

When: Thursday, January 10th, 2019
  Friday, January 11th, 2019
  Monday, January 14th, 2019

* Please note, the Fall 2018 Bus Passes will expire January 11th, 2019 at 11:59 pm.

Time: 9:00 am – 1:00 pm OR 2:00 – 5:00 pm

Where: UC Rm 529 (GSA Board Room), North Tower

SAS is Hiring Proctors!

With the first week of classes underway, Student Accessibility Services (SAS) is already making plans for the busy semester ahead. They will be hiring a team of proctors to help invigilate exams for students with disabilities. If you are interested in applying, or know someone who might be interested, please click here for more information. Resumes can be sent to sas.proctor@uoguelph.ca.

GSA Activities Grants

Are you planning an academic or social event on Campus? Apply for a PDR Activities Grant!

Download and complete an application to submit to the GSA (gsa@uoguelph.ca and cc: Erin Angus, eangus@uoguelph.ca) by the 1st of each month for consideration. ***Please note that we CANNOT support off-campus events.

Travel Grants

Students who have presented at conferences, workshops, or seminars in their previous semester may be eligible to receive a travel grant up to $500.00! The student must have been registered as a graduate student at the time of the presentation.

**Please book an appointment to review completed applications with Erin Angus (eangus@uoguelph.ca) to ensure your application is complete and be prepared to submit receipts for expenses incurred, flight boarding passes, etc.

Child Care Bursaries

The GSA can provide the opportunity for accessible child care. A child care bursary is available for graduate students who are supporting a child or children and demonstrate financial need. Please be prepared to submit receipts from a licensed day care facility/provider.

Download the Travel Grant and Child Care applications and submit a completed hard copy to the GSA Office Manager, Erin Angus (U.C. 530). If the Office is closed, please slide applications under the office door.

Any questions regarding these applications can be directed to Keely Kavcic, VP Finance (gsavpfin@uoguelph.ca), or Erin Angus, Office Manager (eangus@uoguelph.ca).

Applications for Winter 2019 are due by Tuesday, April 30th, 2019.

GSA Fall 2018 Board Meeting Schedule:

Wednesdays at 5:30 pm (food served at 5:15 pm):
January 23rd, 2019 (UC Rm 441), February 13th, 2019 (UC Rm 430), March 27th, 2019 (AGM, The Fifth), April 17th, 2019 (UC Rm 441)

Please send all newsletter submissions to the GSA email at gsa@uoguelph.ca by the 1st
Join the Graduate Students’ Association!
A call for Nominations

About:
The GSA is the sole official representative body of graduate students at the University of Guelph. The GSA acts as a liaison between graduate students and University Administration, with GSA representatives sitting on most University Committees, presidential task forces & boards. For more information please visit our website.

The GSA is operated by a Board of Directors, which consists of an elected Executive Committee and up to two (2) elected General Directors from each department.

Responsibilities:
1. Attend monthly Board Meetings (held on Wednesday's from 5:30 - 7:30 pm).
2. Communicate GSA news back to your department via:
   a. Board Meeting Update Newsletter
   b. Monthly Newsletter
   c. (Rare) communication from the GSA outside of Board Meetings
3. Sit on 1 university-level committee and report important points back to the GSA at monthly Board Meetings.

Dates & Deadlines
Call for Nominations: January 10th, 2019
Nomination Deadline: January 25th, 2019
Campaign Period: January 26th & 27th, 2019
Voting Period: January 29th & 30th, 2019

*Please note: only students who did not run in the Fall 2018 elections are eligible to run in the January 2019 By-Elections.

Questions?
Please contact the GSA Chief Returning Officer: gsacro@uoguelph.ca with any questions you may have.

Nominations:
Submit by email:
1. Your name
2. Student ID
3. ~100-150 words about yourself
*Students in your department will vote for their top choice(s).

Vacant Seats:
Clinical Studies (1)
Computing & Information (1)
Economics (1)
English & Theatre Studies (2)
Environmental Design & Rural Development (2)
Fine Art & Music (2)
Food, Agriculture & Resource Economics (2)
Hospitality & Tourism (2)
Human Health & Nutritional Science (2)
Integrative Biology (1)
Marketing & Consumer Studies (2)
Pathobiology (1)
Philosophy (2)
Physics (1)
Counselling Services at the GSA

The GSA is pleased to have Kathy Waltner-Toews, a Counselor/Therapist from Counselling Services on Campus, at the GSA every Tuesday! Click here for more information and how to book an appointment.

Couple and Family Therapy Centre

The Couple and Family Therapy Centre (CFTC) offers counselling to all students! The CFTC hosts walk-in hours every Friday from 10:00 am - 3:00 pm and is located in the Macdonald Hall Annex.

Students interested in seeing a counselor can reach the centre at 519-824-4120 x56426.

Graduate Student Support Circle

The Graduate Student Support Circle (GSSC) invites you to take part in a peer support circle for graduate students for the Winter 2019 semester! The GSSC provides peer support to graduate students in both providing and receiving emotional support in a group setting. For more information, please click here.

Student Support Network

• Drop-in Peer Support
• Located in Raithby House (across from the Cannon on-campus)
• Fall/Winter Semesters:
  • Mon - Fri, 12:00 - 10:00 pm
• Exam Weeks of Fall/Winter Semesters:
  • Mon - Fri, 12:00 - 8:00 pm

Good2Talk: Help is Just a Text Away

Good2Talk is a new, toll-free post-secondary student mental health helpline created as part of the Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities’ (MTCU) Mental Health Innovation Fund. Free, bilingual and confidential, Good2Talk offers professional counselling and information and referrals for mental health, addictions and well-being to post-secondary students in Ontario 24/7/365.

Help is just a text away. Connect to someone who can help with anything on your mind through free, 24/7 text-based support.

To start your conversation, text UofG to 686868.

For more information, please visit the Kids Help Phone website.

Need Help More Urgently?

Students who are in crisis and/or feeling unsafe should continue to use the Drop-in services at either Counselling Services or Health Services as they will be seen and appropriately assessed.

• Drop-in Service at Counselling Services
  • Mon - Fri, 12:30 - 3:30 pm
  • For students dealing with urgent or crisis situations on a first come, first served basis
• Drop-in Service at Health Services
  • Mon - Fri, 8:30 am - 4:00 pm

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Mental health affects your performance, your relationships, every aspect of your life. Science proves if you ignore your mental health, even your brain anatomy can change. With FeelingBetterNow, you can assess your mental health in 5-10 minutes and immediately access tools for stress reduction and for managing your symptoms. It’s FREE and anonymous!

Your Customized Tool Box
- Stress Reduction
- Helping Yourself
- Helping Others
- Mental Health Essentials
- Mental Health Problems
- Care Providers & Therapies

Online Video Counselling

Mywellness and Inkblot have partnered to bring you an unmatched online counselling service.

Everyone needs someone to talk to. Secure and confidential video counselling anytime, anywhere, with a practitioner matched to your needs.

As part of your student benefits, you get an 80% discount on 10 one-on-one counselling sessions ($500.00). On average, students use five sessions.

All subsequent sessions are $37.50/thirty minutes. That’s roughly 50% less than the national average. Plus, with Inkblot, you’ll be able to keep seeing your counsellor after you graduate.
TRIVIA!
Weekly TRIVIA is back start this Thursday, January 10th, from 7:00 – 9:00 pm at The Fifth!

Upcoming GSA Events:
To stay up to date on all upcoming events, follow us on social media!

Daily Lunch Specials:
(*HST included)
- Monday: Grilled Cheese Sandwiches - $8.55
- Tuesday: Sandwich Wrap - $10.25
- Wednesday: Flat Bread - $10.50
- Thursday: Quesadilla - $7.85
- Friday: Pizza with 3 toppings & free pop - $10.50

Menu:
Check-out our menu online!
NEW: We are now serving gluten-free bread and offering take-out! Please ask our staff for more details.

15% Off Sticker
The GSA and The Fifth have launched the first ever discount sticker for graduate students for 15% off your entire food order every time you go to The Fifth!
Pick-up your discount sticker with your Bus Pass. You can find sticker distribution times here.

Winter 2019 Hours:
- Monday - Wednesday: 11:30 - 7:30 pm
- Thursday: 11:30 - 9:00 pm
- Friday: 11:30 - 7:30 pm

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Call for Abstracts

Graduate Student Mental Health Conference
Submission Deadline: January 14th, 2019

Is Your Research Related to Mental Health?

Submit an abstract for the opportunity to present your research at the 2nd annual Graduate Student Mental Health Conference!

All abstracts can be submitted to gradmhconf@uoguelph.ca.

Conference Information:

When? Saturday, January 19th, 2019
Time? 9:00 am – 5:00 pm
Where? University Centre, 4th Floor

Questions? Please contact gradmhconf@uoguelph.ca.

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NEW: Science to Business Network (S2BN)

Bridging the Gap Between Science and Business

Join the S2BN at their FIRST event on Wednesday, January 23rd!

Where?
The Fifth: GSA Rooftop Patio & Lounge

When?
January 23rd, 6:00 – 9:00 pm

What?
How to Communicate Your Value to Industry

More Info?
Visit our website!

S2BN

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Have questions? Email us at guelphs2bn@gmail.com.

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RESEARCH ON TAP

Graduate Student Speaker Series

What is Research on Tap?
Simply put, it’s a Graduate Student Speaker Series at The Fifth: GSA Rooftop Patio & Lounge to talk about your research with graduate students across campus!

The presentations are purposed for knowledge translation and idea generation, so make sure to have a broad, “big picture” focus. Don’t want to create presentation slides? No problem! You can also opt for a “discussion-style” – no slides required.

For more information on the presentation styles and how to apply, please contact the GSA Activities & Communications Coordinator, Lukas Linde (gsaact@uoguelph.ca).

WANT TO BE A SPEAKER?
ABSTRACT SUBMISSIONS FOR PRESENTATIONS ARE OPEN!

PLEASE REQUEST:
GSAACT@UOGUELPH.CA
Opportunities & Resources

UofG Writing Room

The Writing Room provides faculty, staff and students with a quiet, focused space to work on writing projects. Reserve your desk now on WC Online for the Winter 2019 semester!

Writing Programs & Workshops for Graduate Students

Writing in the Sciences: This is a six-part series designed to assist graduate students in improving their writing for assignments and graduate theses in the sciences. Attend one session or attend them all. Click here for more information.

Academic Writing Style: this workshop is designed to help graduate students improve their ability to write academically. Click here for more information.

Brainfood Thesis and Dissertation Workshops: offers sessions on literature reviews, time management, research, presentation skills, and much more to accommodate students at the various stages of graduate school and the thesis process. Attend one session or attend them all. You’ll find out more about how to approach your research and writing with confidence. Click here for more information.

Dissertation Bootcamp: this is a one-week program designed to help students develop effective writing skills and habits to help them finish their graduate theses in a timely manner. We encourage students to apply for this program in the earlier stages of their writing process. NOTE: this program runs once per semester, every semester. Your application can be submitted, here.

English Language Support

English Language Appointments: are effective for helping non-native English speakers to clarify their ideas and structure their documents before submitting drafts. Appointments can also focus on skill development for reading, listening, and oral communication. Book an appointment by clicking here.

Pronunciation Group: provides oral communication practice for non-native English speakers. For more information, please click here.

Talk like an Academic: this is a 7-week program providing academic oral communication support for non-native English Speakers. Please click here for more details.

You can register for all Library Workshops and Events by clicking here.

Graduate Writing Appointments

25- and 50-minute Writing Appointments, starting January 14th, are available Monday – Friday in the Library Learning Commons. Faculty, staff and graduate students can meet with a Writing Services’ professional staff or TA in person (or online, if available) to get feedback, ask questions, map out writing projects, plan for research leaves or sabbaticals, or talk through ideas. Register for appointments here.
Opportunities & Resources

ENGAGE 2019: A Call for Abstracts

We invite all graduate and upper year undergraduate students from the fields of the social and applied human sciences to participate in ENGAGE, the Department of Sociology and Anthropology’s 19th Annual Graduate Student Conference at the University of Guelph. Our theme for this year’s conference is Power, Privilege & (In)equality: Re-thinking Social Change from the Margins.

If you are working to understand the ways in which we engage in the social world and how we enact change through doing so, send us your abstract! Deadline for abstract submissions is Wednesday, February 6th, 2019.

For more information, please click here.

Graduate Student Learning Initiative

Each month the Graduate Student Learning Initiative (GSLI) committee sends out a newsletter with lots of information and opportunities for graduate students. Please see below for this month’s newsletter items and click here to see the newsletter!

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SAS Proctor

Student Accessibility Services Exam Centre

The role of a Proctor is to supervise students who are writing exams in order to ensure the integrity of the assessment. This includes ensuring that students start and finish their exams on time, exam procedures are followed, and that students do not have an opportunity to engage in academic misconduct.

As a part of Student Accessibility Services (SAS), our students all experience disabilities, some of which are not evident. Our Exam Centre exists to provide academic accommodations in order to ensure students with disabilities have equitable access to education. For example, a student with a broken arm or who is blind should have a fair opportunity to show what they have learned, not be penalized because they can’t read what’s on a paper or write out answers. Our students have all types of disabilities, including medical conditions, learning disabilities, and mental health concerns—it is our role to ensure they have an experience that is respectful and supportive.

New proctors typically work in the main SAS Exam Centre until they are comfortable with procedures, then during busy periods may be asked to work in one of our satellite locations. Back-up support from an Exam Assistant is always available.

General Responsibilities

- Work collaboratively with the SAS Exam Centre staff team
- Distribute and invigilate exams according to established policies and procedures
- Monitor students throughout the exam with particular vigilance for potential cheating
- Warn students when they are running out of time, and collect exams when done
- Track anything unusual that has occurred in relation to the exam
- Work with the team to troubleshoot problems
- Support students who are upset or feeling unwell in order to ensure they get the help required
- Other duties as assigned to assist with the logistics of administering exams

Qualifications

- Knowledgeable about university exams
- Good communication, problem-solving and customer service skills
- Respect for diversity with particular sensitivity to students with disabilities
- Ability to protect confidentiality
- Ability to demonstrate vigilance over the course of several hours
- Flexibility to adapt to unusual situations

Due to the risk for a conflict of interest, undergraduate students are not eligible to be proctors.
Additional Information

Period of Employment: Proctor positions are renewed each semester. There are fluctuations in demand for work, with peak times during the middle of the semester and the final exam period.

Rate of Pay: $17.97/hour

Scheduling: The work is scheduled in shifts of two hours or more (as needed) and Proctors sign up for shifts based on their availability. Maximum of 21 hours per week, or 9 hours per week for full-time U of G employees.

How to Apply

Please submit a cover letter and resume to sas.proctor@uoguelph.ca and include “Job Application” in the subject line. Applications will be considered on a rolling basis.
Counselling Services at the GSA!

The GSA is pleased to have Kathy Waltner-Toews, a Counselor/Therapist from Counselling Services on Campus, at the GSA.

WHAT?
• Individual counselling

WHERE?
• GSA Board Room:
  UC, Level 5, Room 529 (North Tower)

WHEN?
• Tuesdays

*NOTE: Counselling Services are FREE to all full- and part-time graduate students! Contact Counselling Services for more information, and to book an appointment:

U.C. South Tower, Level 3  519-824-4120 x53244  counsell@uoguelph.ca
Interested in meeting other graduate students?

The Graduate Student Support Circle (GSSC) provides peer support to graduate students in both providing and receiving emotional support in a group setting. You are invited to join our circle this Winter 2019!

**What:** Confidential peer support circle for graduate students.

**When:** 60 minutes weekly. Circle time TBD.

**Who:** 7-10 graduate student participants and 1 graduate student facilitator.

**How:** Participants are expected to attend weekly throughout the semester.

**Why:** Meet an unfulfilled need for peer support among graduate students.

Registration is REQUIRED to participate. Deadline is January 18, 2019.

For more information or to register, please contact us at:

**guelphgradcircle@gmail.com**

“Like” our page on Facebook:

[www.facebook.com/UOG.GSSC](http://www.facebook.com/UOG.GSSC)

University of Guelph Graduate Student Support Circle
This workshop series is designed to help you improve your scientific writing skills. If you’re a graduate student working on a thesis or an undergraduate student interested in graduate-level research, these workshops are for you. Register for one session or register for all.

**WRITING RESEARCH ARTICLES**
**MONDAY, JANUARY 7, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**
This session focuses on the purpose, organization, and style of academic research articles in the sciences. With reference to principles of genre and move structure analysis, we discuss strategies for writing effective introduction, method, results, and discussion sections.

**STRENGTHENING YOUR SCIENTIFIC WRITING STYLE**
**MONDAY, JANUARY 7, 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.**
In this session, we discuss strategies for writing clearly and concisely. We practice revising individual sentences to reduce wordiness, improve word choice, and increase clarity. For this session, you can practice on excerpts from your own scientific writing or work with our examples.

**WRITING LITERATURE REVIEWS**
**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 9, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**
This session focuses on strategies for organizing, drafting, and revising literature reviews. We discuss how to connect your literature review to your research question, how to build the structure of your review, and how to avoid some common challenges when writing in this scientific genre.

**IMPROVING GRAMMAR, PUNCTUATION, AND MECHANICS**
**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 9, 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.**
This session focuses on principles of grammar, punctuation, and mechanics that are of interest to students in the sciences. We discuss how to identify and correct common grammar errors, how to use punctuation more effectively, and how to avoid mechanical errors and inconsistencies.

**PARAPHRASING EFFECTIVELY AND WRITING ABOUT TABLES AND FIGURES**
**FRIDAY, JANUARY 11, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**
This session focuses on working with visuals and sources in your writing. We discuss how to integrate sources effectively without plagiarizing and how to use visuals appropriately and ethically.

**SPECIAL GUEST PRESENTATION: CHRISTOPHER GREYSON-GAITO**
**FRIDAY, JANUARY 11, 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.**
When you play the game of thrones, you publish or you perish. In this session, Chris will discuss how to use script-writing techniques to write engaging scientific papers.
ACADEMIC WRITING STYLE

Improve your ability to write academically

Thursday, January 17 | 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Topics include:
- Writing cohesive paragraphs
- Crafting and connecting effective sentences
- Eliminating wordiness
- Improving clarity

Register online at lib.uoguelph.ca
Thesis writing doesn’t have to be scary or lonely. At Brain Food workshops, you’ll find out more about how to approach your research and writing with confidence – and you’ll meet other students who are also experiencing the trials and tribulations of thesis writing.

For more information and to register for sessions, please visit lib.uoguelph.ca and go to the Workshops & Events section. Each of the five workshops in the series is 3 hours in length and is offered one or more times each semester every semester. These workshops are free for U of G students.

**BRAIN FOOD: GETTING STARTED ON YOUR THESIS**

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 25 - 9 A.M. TO 12 P.M. | LIB 384**

In this workshop session, we provide foundational skills and strategies that will carry you through the thesis or dissertation process. Topics covered will include:

**Managing the Thesis Process:** We discuss goal setting and time management strategies to keep you motivated throughout your graduate degree.

**Formulating Your Research Question:** Your research question forms the basis of your research project. In this session, we discuss how to formulate an effective research question and how to use it to guide and inform your thesis or dissertation from start to finish.

**Working with Data:** With so many ways to obtain data it’s difficult to make sense of it sometimes. Come to this workshop to learn techniques on how to start working with your data and better answer your research question.

**BRAIN FOOD: WRITING THE LITERATURE REVIEW**

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 25 - 1 P.M. TO 4 P.M. | LIB 384**

In this workshop session, we focus on one of the most difficult parts to write: the Literature Review.

**Gathering and Reading Literature:** A good thesis demands a good literature review, and that means finding and critically analyzing the key literature in your field. In this session, learn some methods for finding and evaluating the literature in order to select relevant and authoritative sources. We’ll also be discussing the use of Zotero for citation management.

**Writing the Literature Review:** Your literature review is a key component of your thesis or dissertation. This session will discuss how to connect the literature review to your argument, build the structure for your review, and avoid some of the common traps when writing.
Graduate students with English as an additional language are invited to learn and practice important features of English pronunciation in order to improve both listening and speaking skills.

These programs are free of charge. Join anytime and attend when you can.

**WORDS**
Learn and practice word-level pronunciation features such as syllables, consonants, vowels and vowel rules, word stress, vowel length and clarity, and word stress patterns.

**TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS**
10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
January 15 to January 29
McLaughlin Library, Room 384

**SENTENCES**
Learn and practice sentence-level pronunciation features such as sentence stress, sentence focus, emphasis of content words, de-emphasis of structure words, and thought groups.

**TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS**
10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
January 31 to February 14
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Register at lib.uoguelph.ca under Workshop & Events
Talk like an Academic
For Graduate Students with English as an Additional Language

Develop your oral communication skills for the following scenarios:

- Summarizing and discussing research in brief interactions with fellow academics
- Interacting with professors and/or advisors
- Interacting as TAs with students
- Participating in classroom and group work discussions
- Communicating in job interviews
- Conducting presentations and thesis defenses

When: Thursdays from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
January 24 to March 14, 2019
(no class February 21)

Where: McLaughlin Library

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Call for Abstracts

We invite all graduate and upper year undergraduate students from fields of the social and applied human sciences to participate in ENGAGE, the 19th Annual Graduate Student Conference at the University of Guelph. This event celebrates the diversity and vitality of student research by encouraging students from various social science backgrounds to come together and ENGAGE with peers over critical issues and cultural debates.

Our theme for this year’s conference is **Power, Privilege and (In)equality: Re-thinking Social Change from the Margins**. If you are working to understand the ways in which we engage in the social world and how we enact change through doing so, send us your abstract!

**DEADLINE FOR ABSTRACT SUBMISSIONS: Wednesday, February 6th, 2019.**

The goals for ENGAGE 2019 include:

- Provide students with a collegial environment in which to present and receive feedback on both completed works and/or projects in progress;
- Foster communication and engagement between scholars with diverse research interests and perspectives;
- Challenge and critically examine our understanding of the social and cultural worlds, as well as the impact our research has on the individuals and/or communities we partner with and/or study.

**Abstract Submissions**

In fulfilling our mission to develop a supportive and inclusive environment for students to conduct and present their research, the ENGAGE conference accepts submissions on an array of topics within the social and applied human sciences. Moreover, both paper and poster proposals are welcome!
We will be accepting undergraduate and graduate student presentations which focus broadly on the following areas of research:

- Community engaged scholarship
- Environment, food and communities
- Work and organization in local and global contexts
- Urban and rural studies
- Community and development studies
- Identities and social inclusion
- Gender, diversity and social (in)equality
- Race, ethnicity and identity politics
- Criminology and social control
- Social justice and criminal justice
- Family development, ageing and the life course

Abstracts for submission must be between 150-250 words in length. Abstract Submissions will not be accepted after Wednesday, February 6th, 2019. Please submit your abstract to soanconf@uoguelph.ca

**Awards**

Five monetary awards will be presented at the ENGAGE conference this year:

- ENGAGE Original Outstanding Research Award ($100)
- ENGAGE Best Community Engaged Research Award ($100)
- ENGAGE Best Graduate Research Presentation Award ($100)
- ENGAGE Best Undergraduate Research Presentation Award ($50)
- ENGAGE Best Poster Presentation Award ($50)

**Conference Format**

Paper and poster presentations will be presented throughout the day. Information regarding the theme and time of each session, as well as the length of each presentation will be provided closer to the date of the conference. A light breakfast and lunch will be provided.

**Cost and Accommodation**

There is no fee to participate in this conference. Participants are responsible for their travel and accommodation expenses. Unfortunately, we are not able to offer funding for participants’ costs. We are happy to provide information about local accommodation options. Inquiries can be sent to soanconf@uoguelph.ca.

We look forward to seeing you at ENGAGE 2019!