

6th Annual Roberts Graduate Conference

Canada on the Edge? Peoples, Places and Perspectives

May 2nd-3rd, 2019 | York University

Robarts Centre for Canadian Studies Graduate Conference Committee:

Sophie Bisson
Evangeline Kroon
Audrey Kwan
Megan O'Brien

Jean Michel Montsion | Acting Director, Robarts Centre for Canadian Studies
Laura Taman | Coordinator, Robarts Centre for Canadian Studies

With special thanks to....

York University's Faculty of Graduate Studies and
the Faculty of Liberal Arts and Faculty of Professional Studies

York University acknowledges its presence on the traditional territory of many Indigenous Nations. The area known as Tkaronto has been cared for by the Anishinabek Nation, the Haudenosaunee Confederacy, the Huron-Wendat, and the Métis. It is now home to many Indigenous Peoples. We acknowledge the current treaty holders, the Mississaugas of the New Credit First Nation. This territory is subject of the Dish With One Spoon Wampum Belt Covenant, an agreement to peaceably share and care for the Great Lakes region.

Robarts Centre for Canadian Studies
Seventh Floor, Kaneff Tower
York University
4700 Keele Street
Toronto, Ontario
M3J 1P3
CANADA



ROBARTS
CENTRE FOR CANADIAN STUDIES

6th Annual Robarts Centre Graduate Student Conference

CANADA ON THE EDGE?: PEOPLES, PLACES AND PERSPECTIVES

May 2-3, 2019

A Sessions: Room 749 | B Sessions: Room 764 | C Session: Room 626

THURSDAY, MAY 2, 2019

1:30PM-2:00PM REGISTRATION

Please visit the registration desk located in the Kaneff Tower 7th floor common area when you arrive for the conference to pick up your registration package. Registration will be open Thursday afternoon and Friday morning. There will be coffee and light refreshments.

2:00PM-3:30PM

Session 1A: PERSPECTIVES ON MENTAL HEALTH, CARE & WELLNESS

Moderator: Dr. Megan Davies

- "A Critical Examination of the Leadership Experiences of African Nova Scotian Nurses in Health Care Practice" (Keisha Jefferies, Dalhousie University)
- "Mental Health and Race: The Invisible Shadow of Afro-Caribbean Youth's Mental Health Needs" (Fiona Edwards, York University)
- "Decolonizing Human-Animal Relationships: Violence Against Women Shelters and Indigenous Studies" (Sarah Werner, University of Saskatchewan)
- "Free health care if you can get it: an autoethnographic approach to the abortion experience in Canada" (Anastasia Guerrero, York University)

Session 1B: IDENTITY FORMATION AND THE CANADIAN MOSAIC

Moderator: Dr. Audrey Pyée

- "'Newfoundlanders first, Canadians only after that': Negotiating Identity in Post-Confederation Newfoundland" (Shannon Conway, University of Ottawa)
- "Post 9/11 Under Surveillance: A Study of the Securitization of Somali Men in Canada" (Shukri Hilowle, University of Toronto)
- "Sense of Home: The Experience of Filipino Migrants in Newfoundland" (Marissa Farahbod, Memorial University of Newfoundland)
- "Japanese-Canadians: An Exploration of Factors Affecting the Diasporic Identity Formation of Japanese-Canadians" (Dan Maruya, York University)

3:30PM-4:00PM BREAK

4:00-5:30PM

Session 2A: POLITICAL AND POLITICISED DISCOURSE

Moderator: TBA

- "Common Sense and the Public Sphere: Telephony Rhetoric in the Doug Ford Administration" (Anthony Burton, Ryerson University/York University)
- "The impacts of dominant geopolitical discourses on the lived experiences of Iranian immigrant women within multicultural Canada" (Anahid Shirkhodaee, Wilfrid Laurier University)
- "Canada and Home-Grown Terrorism: A Comparative Study of Responses to the Extremist Threat" (Valérie Kindarji, University of Toronto)

Session 2B: CANADA'S FUTURE & THE SHAPING OF NEW GENERATIONS

Moderator: Dr. Peter Cumming

- "Inuit Youth Perceptions and Experiences with Learning their Indigenous Language: The Future of Inuktitut" (Maaïke Zeeman, York University)
- "Disability Studies in High School: Dare We Do Disability Studies?" (Michael Baker, University of Manitoba)
- "Gender Differences in Politicization and Participation from High School to Adulthood: The Case of Quebec" (Alexandre Fortier-Chouinard, University of Toronto)
- "Canadian Paediatric Hospice Care" (Emilie Hill-Smith, Carleton University)

5:30PM-6:30PM COCKTAILS

6:30PM-7:30PM ROBARTS LECTURE BY DR. MIRANDA CAMPBELL

A Collaborative Turn: Youth-led Organizing and Communities of Care

The challenges facing young Canadians are urgent, complex, and interdependent, crossing environmental, social, cultural, political, and economic streams. Increasingly, youth are tackling these challenges collectively, rejecting a siloed focus and a rhetoric of scarcity. Mobilizing the concept of communities of care, this lecture will give an overview of youth-led organizing, collaborative and community-oriented values, and emerging strategies to redressing inequity from the bottom up.

Dr. Miranda Campbell is an Assistant Professor in the School of Creative Industries at Ryerson University. Her research focuses on creative employment, youth culture, and small-scale and emerging forms of creative practice. Her book, *Out of the Basement: Youth Cultural Production in Practice and in Policy*, mapped the changing realities of youth self-employment in creative fields in the 21st century, and was shortlisted for the Donner Prize for the best public policy book by a Canadian. Her involvement with creative communities includes coordination and Board of Director roles with Rock Camp for Girls Montreal, a summer camp dedicated to empowerment for girls through music education, and with WhipperSnapper Gallery, an artist-run centre focusing on emerging artists in Toronto.

FRIDAY, MAY 3, 2019

8:30AM+ REGISTRATION + WELCOME There will be a brief kick off to the conference!

9:00AM-10:30AM

Session 3A: CANADA IN THE WORLD

Moderator: Dr. Jean Michel Montsion

- "A Wedged Middle Power: Canada's role during China's Rise" (James Anderson, Queen's University / Visiting Fulbright Research Fellow, Centre for International and Defence Policy)
- "Real and Imagined Borders: The US-Canada Relationship in Border Studies" (Aishwarya Javalgekar, Trent University)
- "Legal Personality and Indigenous Water Rights: Te Awa Tupua and Pikialasorsuaq" (Nicole Covey, University of Manitoba)
- "Bill C-262: Towards the Implementation of UNDRIP as the Framework for Reconciliation in Canada" (Julia St-Louis, University of Toronto)

Session 3B: WOMEN, GENDER, AND SEXUALITY

Moderator: Dr. Leah Vosko

- "Things Good on the Inside: Queer/Transgender Form in Anne Carson's Autobiography of Red" (Terrence Abrahams, Ryerson University)
- "Constructing Criminality: The Effects of The Gladue Principle on Aboriginal Women in Canada" (Arunita Das, York University)
- "A New System? An exploration into the Impact of the Inclusion of Law in Ontario Campus Sexual Violence Policies" (Samantha Rockbrune, York University)

10:30AM-11:00AM BREAK

11:00AM-12:30PM

Session 4A: HISTORIES AND SITES OF LIMINALITY

Moderator: Dr. Geoffrey Ewen

- "Ambivalence and Ambiguity: Canada's Record on South African Apartheid, 1961-1985" (Faisal Bhabha, McGill University)
- "Mr. Big Wood or Sawdust?: Perceptions of Joseph R. Smallwood Held by Loggers and their Families Throughout the 1959 International Woodworkers of America Strike" (Dana Campbell, Dalhousie University)

Session 4B: ARTS AND INFLUENCES OF CREATIVITY

Moderator: Dr. Colin Coates

- “‘We The North:’ On Hip Hop, Basketball, Community Building, and Drake” (Jordan Zalis, Memorial University)
- “A Survey through Canadian Children’s Opera” (Afarin Mansouri, York University)
- “An Examination of the Cutting Edge Hockey Songs of Canada” (Mark Newman, York University)
- « Le développement du théâtre francophone au Canada à la fin du XIXe siècle : le rôle de Louis-Honoré Fréchette (1839-1908) » (Umut Incesu, Western University)

12:30PM-2:00PM LUNCH

****This presentation will be a Q+A poster presentation in the main lobby space during the lunch hour.****

- “Barriers to Mental Health-Care Among Soldiers in the Canadian Armed Forces: The Impact of Contradictory PTSD Narratives” (Elle Reid, Carleton University)

2:00PM-3:30PM

Session 5A: (SUB)URBAN LANDSCAPES

Moderator: Dr. Laura Taylor

- “Host-Agent-Neighbourhood?: How Physical and Social Locations Influence Well-Being” (Sydney Chapados, University of Windsor)
- “Smart Cities, Smart Villages: analyzing smart community discourse in communities across Canada” (Nathan Olmstead, University of Toronto)
- “Points Further North: An Acoustemological Cartography of Suburban Space” (Michael Trommer, York University)
- “The Idea of North York: Glenn Gould’s Toronto and the cultural landscape of the Canadian suburb” (George Martin, York University)

Session 5B: TREATIES, LAW, AND THE LAND

Moderator: Dr. Victoria Freeman

- “Narrating Sovereignty: The Covenant Chain and its Implications for Indigenous Rights in the Canadian Context” (Heather Hatton, University of Hull)
- “Across the Great Divide: Anishinaabek Legal Traditions, Treaty 9 and Honorable Consent” (Andrew Costa, Carleton University)
- “Lessons from Algonquin Territory: Conceptualizing land claim agreements in land-use planning” (Jenna Davidson, York University)
- “Truth, Trespass & Treaties: An auto-ethnography on white settler colonialism” (Katie Saundercook, York University)

3:30PM-4:00PM BREAK

4:00-5:30PM

Session 6A: FOOD AND ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

Moderator: Dr. Jennifer Bonnell

- "Reframing Food as a Commons in Canada: Learning from Customary and Contemporary Indigenous Food Initiatives that Reflect a Normative Shift (Jodi Koberinski, University of Waterloo)
- "Planning for Collective Fisheries Management in Canada's Northwest Coast: The case of Prince Rupert, B.C." (Rabia Ahmed, York University)
- "Planning for Food in the City" (Jerrica Gilbert, York University)

Session 6B: RACIALISED TENSIONS AND MOBILITIES

Moderator: Dr. Gilberto Fernandes

- "Water Metaphors, Illegalized Migrants, and Border Control: A Critical Discourse Analysis of Canadian Media Coverage of Asylum Seekers in August 2017" (Madison Gateman, Dalhousie University)
- "Mobilizations of "Integration": Rhetorical Motivations Behind the Term Across Canadian Regions and Municipalities, as Exemplified by Local Immigration Partnerships" (Justine Hamilton-Arvisais, University of Toronto)
- "Surviving Farmwork: Of Black Jamaican Transnational Masculinities and Canada's Seasonal Agricultural Workers' Program" (Edward Thomas, York University)
- "I Don't look and Sound Like the Regular 'Canadian': The Labour Market Integration of Student Migrants in Ontario, Canada" (Everton Ellis; OISE, University of Toronto)

Session 6C: ANISHINABEK RATIONALITY

Moderator: Dr. Elaine Coburn

- Kristi Leora Gansworth, Ogamauh annag qwe (Sue Chiblow), and Jayce Chiblow (York University)

THANK YOU!
