

Faculty of Graduate Studies

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Ashmeet Singh presents at the 2016 Three Minute Thesis Competition. See Page 2 to read about this year's competition and how you can cheer on your peers! Photo Credit University of Winnipeg

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4th Annual Three Minute Thesis Competition

Tuesday, April 11th 1:00 p.m.— 4:00 p.m. (EG Hall)

Cheer on your friends as they present their thesis research in only three minutes!

Audience members select the People's Choice winner—come out and

vote for your favourite presenter!

The 3MT competition winner will have the opportunity to participate in the Western Regional Competition at the University of Saskatchewan on April 28th.

For more information: http://www.uwinnipeg.ca/graduate-studies/research/3mt-competition.html

Program: http://www.uwinnipeg.ca/graduate-studies/docs/3MT%20Website%20Program%202017.pdf

The Faculty of Graduate Studies Research Week April 11-13th, 2017

Join us for the first University of Winnipeg Graduate Studies Research Week featuring students from seven graduate programs sharing their research.

Support your peers.

Learn about the diverse academic and research possibilities in graduate studies.

Program faculty will be available to answer questions.

Tuesday, April 11th

9:00 a.m.—1:15 p.m.

Indigenous Governance and Development Practice (3D01)

1:00 p.m.—4:00 p.m.

4th Annual Three Minute Thesis Competition (EG Hall)

Wednesday, April 12th

9:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.

Religion & Culture (1L06)

Cultural Studies (1L08)

Thursday, April 13th

9:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.

Bioscience, Technology and Public Policy (Richardson Atrium)

Public Administration (1L06)

1:00 p.m.—4:00 p.m.

Applied Computer Science and Society (1L06)

4:00 p.m.—6:00 p.m.

Alumni Reception Arabesque Hookah Cafe and Restaurant 659 Corydon Ave 4th Annual Three Minute Thesis Competition Tuesday, April 11th 1:00 p.m.— 4:00 p.m. (EG Hall)

Three Minute Thesis (3MTTM) is a research communication competition developed by The University of Queensland which challenges research higher degree students to present a compelling oration on their thesis and its significance in just three minutes in language appropriate to a non-specialist audience.

Detailed program information at: http://uwinnipeg.ca/graduate-studies/research/research-week-.html

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Website: http://www.uwinnipeg.ca/graduate-studies/research/research-week-.html

Effective Visual Presentations Workshop

Thu. Apr. 6 12:30 PM—1:30 PM

Contact: Deanna England

Location: 3M60

This workshop, hosted by Dr. Tracy Whalen from the Department of Rhetoric, Writing and Communications, will focus on visual composition and design as these relate to a three-minute thesis slide. We will discuss the following topics:

- * the purpose and function of a 3MT slide
- * possible audiences for the visual representation of your research
- * composition and layout
- *visual salience, colour, spacing, etc.
- *accessible complexity
- *engagement with visual evidence while presenting

With the help of example slides, students will explore how they might communicate their research in a clear, aesthetically pleasing, and rhetorically sensitive way.

Questions? Contact Deanna England, Graduate Studies Officer at d.england@uwinnipeg.ca

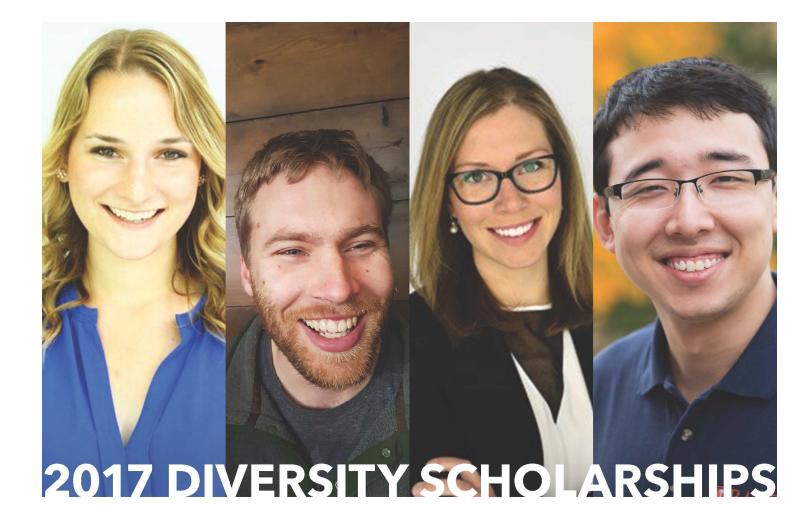
What's happening in Graduate Studies...

New Master's degree in Criminal Justice starting at UWinnipeg

Dylan Jones talks about being a grad student and publishing his work in Crossings

Thesis Exam: Bioscience Technology and Public Policy student Brett Vahkal

If you know about great work happening in your program, let us know about it at gradstudies@uwinnipeg.ca. We would love to feature you on the Grad Studies website and newsletter.



CN is proud to recognize and encourage educational excellence. Through its Diversity Scholarships, CN will offer \$3,000 grants to support the post-secondary education of students enrolled in programs relevant to CN's core business.

AM | ELIGIBLE?

The following **FOUR** criteria must **ALL** be met to be an eligible CN Diversity Scholarship applicant:

- Women, persons with disabilities, visible minorities, military veterans or members of an Aboriginal community
- Who are enrolled in a technical, undergraduate or graduate degree for the 2017-2018 academic year, in one of the following fields of study:
 - Engineering
 - Transportation
 - Sales & Marketing
 - Human Resources, Aboriginal Studies & Law
 - Accounting and Finance
- Who are best-in-class (average of 80% or above over the last three semesters of studies)
- Who are interested in and available for a summer internship at CN

HOW CAN I APPLY?

Make sure you also include the following documents in your application:

- · Your resume
- A reference letter endorsed by a community or academic leader
- A copy of your most recent Academic Transcript
- Your Plan of Study (details online)
- Applicable proof of eligibility (details online)

DEADLINE EXTENDED!

Apply no later than April 15, 2017, at jobs.cn.ca/en/CanadianScholarships.



Website: jobs.cn.ca/en/CanadianScholarships

MITACS WORKSHOP

From aerospace systems to childhood literacy rates, Mitacs helps to strengthen connections, improve economic performance, and create jobs. Over the past 15 years, Mitacs has supported more than 10,000 research internships, trained more than 19,000 student and postdoc participants in career skills, and supported more than 1,300 international research collaborations.

Practical Tips on Growing Your Network (Online Workshop Starting June 8, 2017)

Approximately 2 – 3 hours, can be completed any time between June 8th—22nd.

To register: https://step.mitacs.ca/en/workshop/2017/06/practical-tips-growing-your-network-online-workshop-starting-june-8-2017

Get the knowledge you need to build your network! Your time at graduate school will be filled with opportunities to make connections in and outside of your field. This short online workshop will give you the information you'll need to make the most of each opportunity.

Building a strong personal and professional network may be one of the single most important things you can do for your career. Learn how to plan, prepare, build and foster your network and watch opportunities unfold in front of you.

Learning Outcomes:

At the end of the session, you will:

Have learned the importance of building a strong network

Techniques on tapping into the existing network around you

Have learned practical tips on identifying and planning networking opportunities

Learn to strategically prepare for an upcoming event

Have a better understanding of social networking tools available and tips on how and when to use them

Cost: This workshop, as with all Mitacs Step workshops, is free for graduate students and postdoctoral fellows. However, the preauthorization of a valid credit card is required as part of the registration process. A \$50 penalty will be applied to all late cancellations (cancellations that are not made 5 days or more before the workshop date), no shows, or incomplete attendance. These penalties are only charged after the completion of a workshop and no charges are ever made to interns who participate in full. For answers to some frequently asked questions, please visit our help page: http://step.mitacs.ca/faq.

If you do not have access to a credit card for the deposit, please contact Deanna England, Graduate Studies Officer at d.england@uwinnipeg.ca.

Important Dates:

April 7 - 21 — Exam Period for Winter Term

April 14 — Good Friday: University Closed

May 1 — Spring Term Lectures Begin

May 22 — Victoria Day: University Closed

June 15 —
DEADLINE to submit
Graduate Student Travel
Grant applications

August 15 — DEADLINE to apply for October Graduation

AGES FOUNDATION RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP & BURSARIES

Application Deadline: April 24, 2017

The rare Charitable Research Reserve has partnered with Cambridge & North Dumfries Community Foundation, Ages Foundation Fund to financially assist students in pursuit of higher education as they tackle important environmental issues. The Research Fellowship & Bursaries program will allow students to study in a relatively undisturbed, yet highly accessible site in the Waterloo Region. The monetary awards will help ensure successful candidates have the necessary resources to conduct and report on their research. It will also allow the student to give an oral presentation at a conference in their discipline.

Four recipients will be selected and awarded amounts of: \$4,000, \$2,000, and two \$1,000 awards.

Eligibility:

- Canadian or International graduate student who will conduct field research on the rare Charitable Research Reserve property between May 2017 and April 2018.
- Research is environment focused, and takes a landscape-scale approach to this year's theme:
 CONSERVING, RESTORING, & ENHANCING NATURAL AREAS IN A DEVELOPED WORLD

For information on submission details, visit <u>raresites.org/research/scholarship/</u>

If you have any further questions or you would like a tour of the reserve, please contact Jenna Quinn at PH 519-650-9336 x111 or jenna.quinn@raresites.org

Call For Papers Children's and YA Literature at Midwest Modern Language Association 2017 November 9-12 in Cincinnati, OH

In recognition of this year's conference theme, "Artists and Activists," we welcome papers that explore issues in children's and young adult literature broadly, but especially invite those that explore the ways that writers of literature for young people have addressed issues of politics, advocacy, and social justice. In our conversations, we hope to think about the place of literature and activism in the lives of young people.

Topics could include, but are by no means limited to:

- the role of the child in society
- · satire as social commentary
- the place of education in society
- · environmental literature
- · gender identities, trans- identities, and activism
- ethnic identities and activism
- digital literacies and digital citizenship

Please send 250-word abstracts to Megan Musgrave at memusgra@iupui.edu by April 5, 2017.

Your abstract should include your name, rank, institutional affiliation, and email. *If you are interested in proposing a complete panel, please contact me about including it in our Children's and YA Literature cohort this year.



Scholarship Amount: \$2500

Deadline:
Extended to May 7, 2017

The Pradeep Khare Memorial Scholarship is awarded in memory of Pradeep Khare, an immigrant to Canada in 1972, who worked hard to establish a fulfilling life in Canada, give back to the community, and move up to senior positions within the Canadian government.

If you are an international graduate student from India studying at a Canadian institution, you may be eligible to apply for this scholarship!



For more information and to apply, please visit:

khare.ic-impacts.com

For any inquiries, please contact: info@pradeepmemorial.com

Website: khare.ic-impacts.com
Email: info@pradeepmemorial.com

Study Abroad Opportunity

Would you like to spend an academic term in Queensland, Australia?

The Centre for Interfaith & Cultural Dialogue (ICD), at Griffith University, Brisbane, Australia, in partnership with the Faculty of Graduate Studies of The University of Winnipeg, is providing opportunities for internships, research and scholarship in politics, development practice, economics, religion & culture, theology, and business.

These opportunities will be available from the Spring-Summer term of 2017 through to the Spring-Summer term in 2018 and will be developed with students according to their program.

Students interested in taking part in the partnership should also apply for a <u>Queen Elizabeth II Diamond</u> <u>Jubilee Scholarship</u>. The Canadian Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Scholarships (QES) is managed through a unique partnership of Universities Canada, the Rideau Hall Foundation (RHF), Community Foundations of Canada (CFC) and Canadian Universities. This program is made possible with the financial support from the Government of Canada, provincial governments and the private sector. The deadlines for applications are February 15th (Spring); June 1st (Fall); October 15th (Winter).

For more information on these opportunities, please contact Dr. James Christie, <u>i.christie@uwinnipeg.ca</u> or Sandy Peterson, <u>s.peterson@winnipeg.ca</u>.

Call for Papers—*Crossings*, issue 2 Submission Deadline: April 24, 2017

FROM 1867 TO 2017: RESTORYING CANADA – THE 150TH ANNIVERSARY

The 150th anniversary of Confederation is an ideal moment to re--examine stories, ideas and notions of identity/diversity, political decisions and transformations that shaped modern Canada. Restorying Canada inspires bold challenges to conventions of how we remember, invites critique, and alternative narratives. What constitutes creativity, critical thinking, experimentation and community when it comes to "storying" Canada? What kinds of cultural, historical, religious and aesthetic discourses can criticism and creative writing perform to represent transformations in Canadian society since 1867? How does the landmark Truth and Reconciliation Commission cross colonial national myths and the founding narratives of Confederation? In what ways does Canada remain tied to a colonial story that marginalizes Indigenous peoples and exploits the resources of this land? How have immigration and refugee settlement challenged conceptions of Canadian identity? What sources exist within Canadian multiculturalism, languages and pluralism, which might lead us better to understand the country's sesquicentennial?

We invite undergraduate and graduate student work in the humanities and social sciences, creative arts, or interdisciplinary studies that engage these areas to reflect on the topic of the 150th anniversary of the Canadian Confederation.

We accept articles in all languages taught at The University of Winnipeg. They should be 10-14 pages long (Times New Roman, Font 12, double--spaced). Editors of the journal will work closely with authors, guiding and helping them throughout the revision process.

Interested students can contact the Chief Editor, Dr. Jane Barter at j.barter@uwinnipeg.ca.



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Writing Retreat April 19th & 20th, 2017 9 a.m.—1 p.m. both days

Location: 1L08

The Thesis Writing Retreat will give graduate students a chance to concentrate on their thesis writing processes. The retreat will include group discussions of our writing, workshops on specific aspects of the thesis process, and plenty of time to write.

Professor Helen Lepp Friesen and Graduate Student Tutor Max Bledstein will be available for individual consultation throughout the retreat.

Cole, a registered yoga instructor, will be holding daily yoga sessions, and coffee and pastries from Diversity will be served.

Students who are interested in attending should RSVP with Max at maxbledstein.uwinnipeg@gmail.com.