





Map the System Info Session 2025





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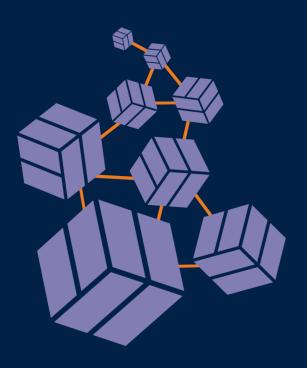
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UWaterloo's 7th year of participating!

Overview

From its inception in 2015, Map the System was designed by University of Oxford to focus on a deep understanding of complex problems as the foundation for driving transformational change. In 2016, Map the System was brought to Canada. In 2019, Map the System was brought to UWaterloo to provide an opportunity for students to participate in this renowned global competition.

What is Map the System?





Spearheaded internationally by the Skoll Centre for Social Entrepreneurship in partnership with educational institutions around the world.



Systems Thinking

Uses systems thinking as a guiding approach for understanding some of the most complex issues facing the world today.



Deep Exploration

Employs a learning first approach that emphasizes deep, integrated knowledge of a particular social or environmental problem.



Value Proposition













Join

A global movement committed to systems change.

Compete

For cash prizes and an opportunity to present to a global audience.

Learn

New skills to address the world's most pressing issues.

Raise

Awareness for an issue you are passionate about.

Collaborate

Meet and collaborate with people from other disciplines.

Connect

With socially conscious students, researchers, and practitioners.

Eligibility



Student Status

Participants must be current students or recent alumni from registered Canadian partner institutions.



Academic Level

Participants may be at undergraduate, diploma, postgraduate, or doctoral levels of tuition.

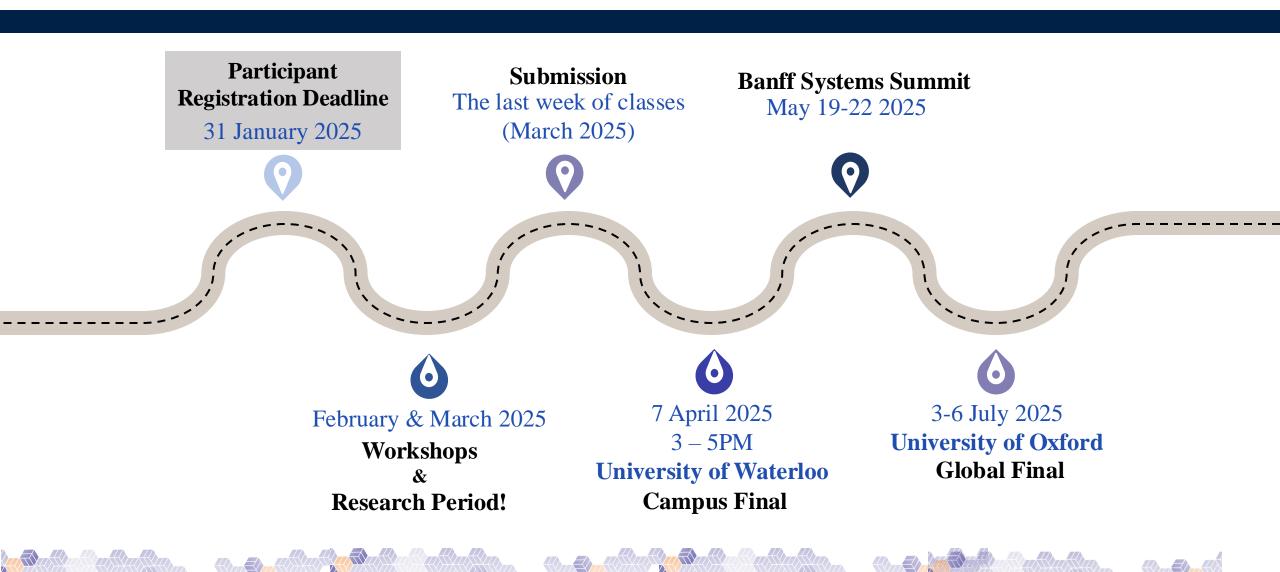


Team Size

Participants can enter the competition as lone individuals or in teams of up to five



Key Dates and Deadlines





Community Partners

HELPING

Food security for international students

Supporting marginalized communities living with addiction to navigate the legal system

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Waterloo
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purpose • action • impact



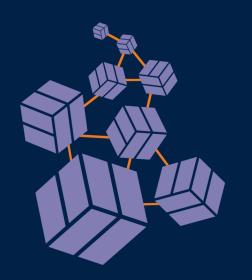
How can the University of Waterloo encourage people to make more sustainable food choices?



What is holding racialized elementary school students from academic success in Waterloo Region?



How do communities fill the gap left by the steady diminution of local/regional **media**?

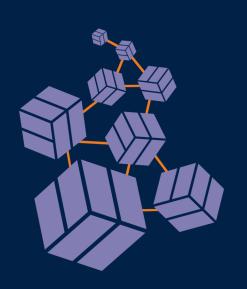


Community Partners

Apply to work with a community partner!



Applications Due Jan 29th





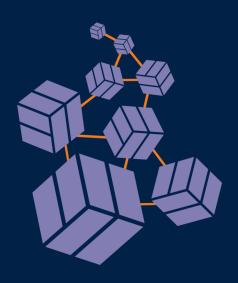








Map the System Waterloo



Participating Institutes 2024

























Courses which will include Map the System projects

| Professor | Faculty | Course no. | Course title | |
|-----------------|--------------------------------------|------------|--|--|
| Sean Geobey | Environment | ECDEV 605 | Innovation, Entrepreneurship & Sustainable Business Development | |
| | | ENBUS 314 | Sustainable Business Models | |
| Simron Singh | Environment | INDEV 607 | Methods for Sustainable Development Practice: A Systems Approach | |
| James Nugent | Environment | ENVS 131 | Communication for Environmental Professionals | |
| Jennifer Yessis | Health | HLTH 480 | Advanced Seminar on Tourism Development | |
| Dustin Garrick | All (Collaborative Water Program) | WATER 601 | Integrated Water Management | |
| Joy Hutchinson | Health | HLTH 355 | Public Health Nutrition | |

January 2025

| Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat | Sun | |
|--|--|-----|-----|----------------------------------|--|-----|--|
| Ask me Anything! Session 1 Registration CLOSES | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | |
| 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | |
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| 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 Ask me Anything! Session 1 Registration CLOSES | 26 | |
| 27 | 28 Ask me Anything! Session 1: Competition Basics (1:00-2:00 PM) | 29 | 30 | 31 MTS Team Registration CLOSES! | | | |

Where to start from?



Topic

Choose your topic of interest



Team Members

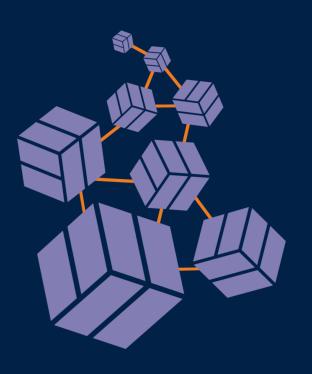
Look for Teammates



Courses

Participate as part of a course or independently

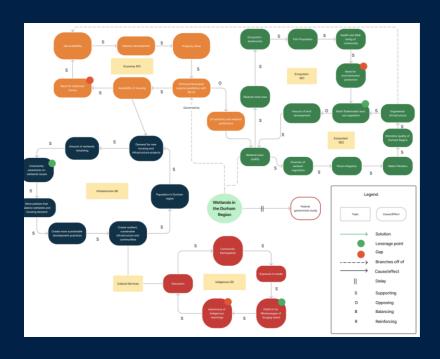


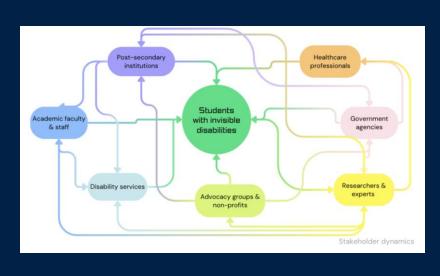


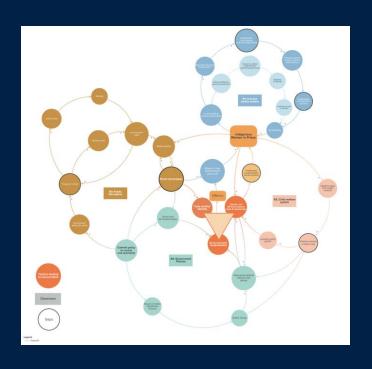
Deliverables

- 1. Visual Systems Map(s)
- 2. Written System Analysis (max 3000)
- 3. Detailed Bibliography
- 4. Verbal Presentation (for finalists)

Past Waterloo Submissions







Wetlands in Durham Ontario

Students with Invisible Disabilities

Criminalization of Indigenous Women in Canada

Further Info





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