

WATERLOO

UNIVERSITY OF WATERLOO POLITICAL SCIENCE GRADUATE STUDENT CONFERENCE

POLITICS OF CHANGE

SHIFTING DEMOCRATIC PRIORITIES IN THE 21ST CENTURY

On behalf of the Political Science Graduate Students of the University of Waterloo, we would like to invite you to our annual graduate conference. This year's theme will be ***Politics of Change: Shifting Democratic Priorities in the 21st Century***. The conference is organized and hosted by the Political Science Department of the University of Waterloo.

Beginning in 2012, this conference has hosted a variety of exciting speakers, with topics ranging from revolution to international relations and the rise of emerging world powers. This year's theme will focus on the shifting priorities within and between democracies as they struggle to adapt to both internal and external pressures.

This one day conference will consist of 3 panels, as well as a special panel for our distinguished keynote speaker, Joseph Wong. Any papers that are accepted will also be considered for admission into ***Inquiry & Insight***, the peer-reviewed University of Waterloo Graduate Student Journal of Political Science.

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Joseph Wong, *MUNK School of Global Affairs*

TOPICS OF INTEREST

The conference is designed to appeal to topics ranging from local to international democracies. Areas of interest might include: security, foreign policy, constitutional conflict and reform, elections, international trade agreements, and models of democracy/democratic innovations.

GUIDE FOR AUTHORS

Date of conference: **March 10**

Deadline to submit abstracts: **January 22**

Notification of Acceptance: **February 1**

Paper submission deadline: **February 26**

Please submit your abstracts to:

uw2016psciconference@gmail.com

We request that your abstract be limited to 250 words and submitted as a Word document.

Please include: the title of the paper, the primary research question you hope to answer, concepts and themes you might include, how your paper will contribute to the literature, and your methodological structure.

The word count for the final paper should be between 4,000 to 6,000 words.

We look forward to seeing you at ***Politics of Change: Shifting Democratic Priorities in the 21st Century!***

Sincerely,

The Organizing Committee,
Graduate Conference on Shifting Democratic Priorities

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