

**CALL FOR ABSTRACTS
DUE: 8 FEBRUARY 2013**



PEOPLE PLACE & POLICY

A conference at the University of British Columbia in Vancouver, Canada hosted by the Master of Arts in Asia Pacific Policy Studies (MAAPPS) Program of the Institute of Asian Research on April 5 and 6, 2013

Graduate students with research interests relevant to the Asia Pacific region are encouraged to participate. See the following page for further details.

The Master of Arts in Asia Pacific Policy Studies (MAAPPS) at the University of British Columbia is inviting all graduate students in all disciplines to submit an abstract for their annual departmental conference to be held at the C.K. Choi Building on the UBC campus Friday, April 5 and Saturday, April 6. MAAPPS, recipient of the Peter Larkin Award for outstanding contribution to graduate student life and development at UBC, is a program that offers academic and applied policy training focused on the Asia Pacific region. It is affiliated with the Institute of Asian Research and is a hub on the UBC campus for all policy-related matters in the Asia Pacific.

This two-day academic conference hosted by MAAPPS is titled '*People, Place and Policy*' and will explore the relationship between the people of the Asia Pacific region, the spaces – both physical and imagined – in which they inhabit, and the policies which govern those relationships. Example topics within this theme may include, but are not limited to, migration, the impact of borders, urban planning, resource development, conceptions of national identity, territorial disputes, environmental degradation, or indigenous rights.

The conference will feature 20-minute research presentations from selected graduate students and guests, panel discussions, and social events.

If you are interested in presenting at the conference, please submit a brief abstract of your research. Submissions from any academic background which meet the below guidelines are welcome.

Eligibility and Academic Guidelines:

1. Applicants must be currently enrolled in a program of graduate study.
2. Submissions must relate to the Asia Pacific region (East, South, Southeast, Central, or Western Asia, Oceania, or the Pacific Rim).
3. Abstracts must be no longer than 300 words and should be submitted with the applicant's name, institutional and departmental affiliation, and presentation title to maappsconference@gmail.com by February 8.
4. Applicants will be notified of the conference committee's selections for participation by Monday, February 18, 2013.
5. Selected applicants must submit either a research paper or presentation outline by March 15, 2013.

Please feel free to forward this call for abstracts to others who may be interested. If you have any questions regarding submissions or the conference in April, please contact maappsconference@gmail.com.