#### 14<sup>th</sup> Annual

# CROSSROADS INTERDISCIPLINARY HEALTH RESEARCH CONFERENCE

Expanding the Horizons of Health

## March 11 & 12, 2016 Dalhousie University, Halifax NS

# Dalhousie University's School of Health and Human Performance Graduate Student Society formally invites you to the 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Crossroads Student Conference.

#### CONFERENCE DESCRIPTION

Designed as an adjudicated, peer-reviewed academic forum for undergraduate, graduate, and professional program students, Crossroads is a unique opportunity for students to showcase and engage in dialogue about their innovative health research. Emphasizing the importance of interdisciplinary exchange, the conference welcomes submissions from a wide range of health-related disciplines. The mission of the Crossroads Conference is to advance the understanding of health through interdisciplinary research. Crossroads provides workshops and networking opportunities on March 11<sup>th</sup> and adjudicated student presentations on the March 12<sup>th</sup>, with keynote speeches on both days.

#### CONFERENCE GOALS

- To showcase student research in a wide range of health-related disciplines
- To provide a forum for networking and collaboration among student health researchers
- To engage with and learn from health leaders throughout Canada

#### WHO SHOULD ATTEND

This conference will be of interest to <u>any student</u> who is studying <u>any aspect of health</u> at the undergraduate, Masters, and PhD (including Post-doctoral) level and interested in learning about and sharing health research including, <u>but not limited to</u>, the following disciplines:

Health promotion, kinesiology, recreation management, leisure, social work, nursing, health administration, nutrition, psychology, physical and occupational therapy, pharmacy, and medicine.

#### CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

As part of the learning process, students are invited to present at Crossroads. Oral presentations (<u>10 minutes with 5</u> <u>additional minutes for questions</u>) and poster presentations will be accepted.

Abstracts addressing three types of presentations will be considered:

- Presentations about research projects that involve <u>original data and/or analyses</u> (original contribution: databased)
- 2. Presentations of <u>original syntheses of the literature</u> (original contribution: literature review/synthesis, commentary)
- 3. Presentations of proposed research projects (original contribution: proposal)

### **GUIDELINES FOR SUBMISSION**

- Abstract summary (250 words or less not including title, authors, and section headings) must be submitted by email to hahpgss@gmail.com in Word Document format (.doc or .docx)
- Submission of the abstract constitutes permission for the conference organizers to publish the abstracts in either printed or electronic format.
- Please indicate at the bottom of your abstract whether you would like to present orally or with a poster. Those who are not chosen for oral presentations will be given the option of presenting a poster.
- Abstracts that do not meet the required format will not be considered.
- SUBMISSION DEADLINE: January 15, 2016.

#### ABSTRACT FORMATTING

- 1. Title of presentation
- 2. Author name(s), university name(s). List primary presenter's name first & underlined
- 3. Background: An introduction to the topic and the problem(s) being addressed
- 4. Purpose: Present main research questions, hypothesis, objectives for undertaking the investigation
- 5. Methods: Include descriptions of participants, procedures, instrumentation, data analysis, or the equivalent
- 6. Results: Results presented can be final or preliminary
- 7. Conclusions: Clearly present the "take home messages" from your investigation
- 8. Indicate your degree program and if you would like to present this submission as an oral or a poster presentation.

#### REGISTRATION

Registration is open to students and professionals who wish to attend.

The deadline for abstract submission will be January 15, 2016

The early bird registration is open from February 5-12, 2016

The final registration deadline is February 19, 2016

	Early Bird Registration (Feb 5-12)		Regular Registration (Feb 13-19)	
	Presenter	Non-Presenter*	Presenter	Non-Presenter*
Both Days	\$60	\$40	\$75	\$45
Friday Only	\$30	\$30	\$35	\$35
Saturday Only	\$40	\$15	\$45	\$15

\*Non-presenters are those who attend, but don't wish to present. This fee covers the cost of food, workshops, keynotes, etc.

The conference has reserved a block of rooms at the Lord Nelson Hotel for conference participants at rate of \$115.00 per room per night, based on single or double occupancy, plus applicable taxes/fees. Rooms are available from Thursday, March 10<sup>th</sup> to Saturday, March 12<sup>th</sup> at this special rate. Please contact <u>hahpgss@gmail.com</u> if you are interested in booking a room. In order to receive this rate, rooms must be booked by **February 11, 2016.** 

#### MORE INFORMATION

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