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Peter A. Allard School of Law
University of British Columbia
Vancouver, BC

GRADUATE STUDENTS FROM ALL DISCIPLINES ARE INVITED to participate in the 22nd UBC Interdisciplinary Legal Studies Graduate Conference, to be held at the Peter A. Allard School of Law at the University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada, on **May 10-11, 2018**. This conference will offer graduate students a unique interdisciplinary opportunity to engage with contemporary perspectives in law and other disciplines.

CONFERENCE THEME: LAW AND CONTEMPORARY PROBLEMS

TODAY'S WORLD IS RAPIDLY BEING TRANSFORMED by technological, political, social, and environmental changes. Law must adapt. There are no easy answers, but disciplines outside of law can provide valuable tools and perspectives that law should engage with in order to meet these challenges.

THE WORLD FACES ISSUES such as the global rise of nationalism; refugee and migration crises; the rise and fall of world powers and the reimagining of North-South relations; the development and use—legal or otherwise—of cryptocurrencies such as Bitcoin and Ethereum; issues in business and human rights; income and wealth inequality; myriad environmental problems including the effects of a rapidly changing climate; the increasing ubiquity of digital technologies and the Internet; transitional justice; and even the potential exploitation of natural resources in outer space. Further, law and legal scholarship have changed, often in response to these same world issues: social care law; increased attention to law and the third world; corporate regulation and corporate social responsibility; global insurance regulation; trends in international and domestic tax policies; new regulation of carbon emissions; climate change litigation; transnational climate law; a reemergence of indigenous law; new dimensions in criminal justice; regulation of the urban space; contemporary feminism; and other new developments in legal theory. We look forward to receiving submissions on these and any related topics not listed here.

SUBMISSIONS

SUBMISSIONS SHOULD INCLUDE the title of the paper or project, a 250-word abstract in English, the author's name, email address, institutional affiliation and phone number. Presenters should be current graduate students or must have recently completed graduate studies. Exceptional proposals from undergraduate, LL.B. or J.D. students may be accepted. An up-to-date CV should be submitted along with the abstract.

PLEASE SUBMIT ABSTRACTS VIA EMAIL TO: ubclawgradconference2018@gmail.com with "Submission" included in the subject line by **February 2, 2018**. Please ensure all attached documents' file names begin with your last name.

SUCCESSFUL APPLICANTS WILL BE NOTIFIED via email by **February 16, 2018**. The completed papers will be due on **March 30, 2018**. Accepted participants must register and pay the \$100 (CAD) registration fee by **March 30, 2018**. An additional fee of \$50 (CAD) will be payable by conference participants who wish to attend the conference dinner on May 10, 2018. Accepted participants are responsible for their own travel and lodging arrangements.

PLEASE FEEL FREE TO ADDRESS ANY QUESTIONS, comments, or concerns to Godwin Dzah, Chair of the 2018 UBC Interdisciplinary Legal Studies Graduate Conference, at elidzah1@mail.ubc.ca (and cc: godwindzah@gmail.com).

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