



Join the Global Conversation

Call for Submissions for the 2017 Munk Graduate Student Conference

On behalf of the Munk Graduate Students Conference Committee we wish to invite you to participate in our upcoming conference, *The New Nature of Democracy*.

This conference will be held on March 17th 2017 on St. George Campus and will be hosted by Munk students from the MGA, MAPS and CERES programs. In order to participate we ask that you submit a piece of original written work on populism, youth and politics or any closely related subject. Between four to five graduate students will be chosen for a special panel created specifically for students to voice their opinions, raise concerns and discuss the topic of populism and current trends in democracy. The Munk Graduate Student Conference Committee will review these works and contact you if your proposal has been accepted. As a fellow member of the University of Toronto graduate academic community we believe this is a great opportunity to gain experience in the academic environment and discuss a topic that we believe is important for our future roles in academia, politics and governance.

The New Nature of Democracy will explore recent populist trends in democratic states. As we have seen with recent events, democracy is a dynamic system, negotiated on a daily basis. We as both scholars and active participants in our political system believe that it is important to investigate recent trends on this subject on a global, and regional level. The conference will consist of three panels: populism and illiberal democracy in elections, populist and illiberal governance and a student panel. This student panel will be led by a moderator experienced with youth politics and will allow graduate students to voice their concerns and opinions in an academic environment.

Please submit all works, questions and concerns to our official email which can be found at the end of the invitation. All submissions should be made by February 15th 2017. If accepted, you will receive an email at the soonest possible time with more details about the upcoming conference and your role in it.

Sincerely,

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