



Call for Presenters

"Indigenous Thought" Conference

"iyiniw mamitonêyitamowin" "denesųfine ch'anję"



Conference Dates: May 1 - 3, 2019

University nuhelot'ine thaiyots'i nistameyimakanak Blue Quills (UnBQ) is seeking dynamic, engaging, and knowledgeable presenters for the 2019 Indigenous Thought Conference to take place on campus at St. Paul, AB.

The conference focuses on Indigenous thought and being. It is about celebrating Indigenous people's reclamation of their own systems and knowledge, and the Indigenous thought regarding present day relationships and **Indigenous social work practice**.

Audiences: people interested in; social work, human services, Indigenous healing, education, social justice, and academic researchers.

Themes:

- Indigenous world-view;
- Relationships with all things;
- Effects of colonization (and resulting lateral violence);
- Decolonizing the mind and developing respectful relationships;
- Traditional and cultural knowledge towards strong self-identity.

kiskêyitamowin – **Knowledge** - *eneredi*
Indigenous Worldviews & Development of Methodologies.

miyomahcihowin – **Health and Well-Being** - *hotié eghenay xel suwéts'eghenay*
Indigenous perspectives on Health and Well-Being.

kiskinwahamâtowin – **Education** - *halonelten*
Best practices on social work education; traditional epistemology, and the significance of ceremony and land based programs.

mînastâwîn- **Social Justice**- *tqt'u elth'I dene xel ho?qi*
Righting a wrong; restoring a truth.

Interweaving all the above themes is iyiniw isihcikewin – **Ceremony, Culture, and Ways of Being**. Opportunity will be provided to bring forward Indigenous knowledge holders to present.

Formats:

pikiskwewina/BQ Talks: 15 minute presentation with 5 min Question & Answer	Panels: 20 minutes per speaker; 3 speakers per panel; 15 minutes Q&A. 75 minutes per panel.
Poster Presentations: displays in informal setting	Workshops: 75 minutes. Training/ Transferring Skills

Presentation Guidelines:

- Proposal to consist of no more than 200 words
- All material should be original; otherwise, sources must be referenced. Presentations, with a brief session for questions and answers, must be kept within the time limit.
- You have sole responsibility for accommodation and travel, and any additional costs related to your presentation, however, your registration fee will be waived.
- UnBQ reserves the right to request edits to titles, descriptions, and biographies to make final presentation selections; and request additional proposals as applicable.
- Copyright. You attest that the material in your presentation is created and owned by you, and will not infringe the copyright of others.
- Session Material; you agree to provide your own handouts if required.
- Presenter Image. Please provide a high resolution (300ppi) RGB J Peg with your submission
- Choose: more than one may be selected
 - Workshop
 - Panel
 - 15 min. *pikiskwewin*
 - Poster Presentation

Deadline for Submissions: February 15th, 2019 – Only those selected will be contacted. Presenter confirmation is required by March 7th, 2019.

Submit to:

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