



IUS Canada 2018 Call for Papers

Beyond Tokenism: How Diversity Can Strengthen The Armed Forces

The 2018 IUS Canada Conference will be held at the Lord Elgin Hotel in Ottawa, Ontario from the October 19-21. The conference theme is on understanding how the Armed Forces can harness the potential of the diversity that exists across society. What are benefits of having a more diverse military – and what are the challenges of including those with different backgrounds, experiences, worldviews and values? Moving beyond how the military can attract more individuals from under-represented groups, how much difference is too much and, conversely, how much can or should the dominant military culture and prototype ideal service member evolve? IUS Canada 2018 will provide an opportunity to consider diversity from different perspectives and seeks to attract a range of scholarly work on the subject.

Papers aligned with the conference theme are eagerly solicited. Papers in all areas touching on defence and security in national and international contexts are also welcome. As per IUS Canada tradition, panel submissions (3-4 papers) are very welcome, and every effort will be made to group individually submitted papers into relevant panels. Submissions from graduate students who wish to be considered for the Frank Pinch Award for best Graduate Student Paper should be clearly identified as such.

DEADLINE: Proposals (250 word abstracts, complete contact information for presenting authors) must be received no later than June 30, 2018. Selection decisions will be communicated to presenting authors on or before August 1, 2018. Final papers must be received by the programme chair (Dr. Sarah Hill; sarah.hill@rmc.ca) on or before 5 October, 2018 or they may be dropped from the conference agenda.

SUBMISSIONS: All submissions must be made using our on-line system (<http://www.cimvhr.ca/iuscan/iuscfa.php>). Email submissions to the programme chair will NOT be considered.

Unfortunately, ongoing fiscal realities mean that IUS Canada is not in a position to subsidize travel or accommodation again this year. We are making every effort to maintain the low cost of the conference, however, to facilitate maximum participation. Registration details are currently being finalized, and information will be posted on this site as soon as it becomes available (estimated publication window – the latter half of June).

We look forward to seeing you in Ottawa in October!