



CALL FOR PROPOSALS

Mapping the Global Dimension of Policy 13

ALTERNATIVE APPROACHES TO PRESSING ISSUES

McMaster University, March 8-9 2023

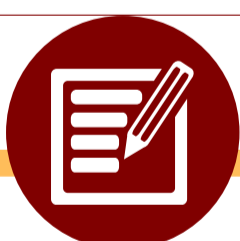
We are living through an era of intersecting crises that have revealed the shortcomings and contradictions of many mainstream and entrenched policy perspectives. For example, geopolitical struggles, environmental issues, energy pressures, new technologies like AI, and health emergencies, to name a few, place pressure on already buckling policy systems. When examined across times and scales, especially when situated in the global context, the criticality and complexity of such issues become even more evident. Social science research has a vital role in revealing and understanding the world's pressing issues, the shortcomings of current policies, and in advancing just alternatives.

MGDP 13: *Alternative Approaches to Pressing Issues* aims to provide a collaborative venue for such work. We especially welcome contributions speaking to this year's theme and are situated at the intersections of globalization and policy studies. We invite PhD and master's students from any university and all relevant disciplines with original research ideas to submit paper proposals. This includes, but is not limited to, the disciplines of Political Science, International Development Studies, Public Policy, Sociology, Geography, Environmental Studies, History, Labour Studies, Law, Economics, Philosophy, Cultural Studies, Psychology, and Health Studies. Panels will be organized thematically to advance critical analysis of research on related topics.

The Four Main Goals of MGDP 13 are:

- To bolster graduate students' research by providing a platform for new work.
- To provide in-depth feedback. The conference draws upon McMaster's expertise across the disciplines of international relations and international political economy as well as international and comparative public policy.
- To create the space for graduate students to connect with fellow graduate students and professors and learn from each other in a collaborative environment.
- To create opportunities to advance graduate student careers – both academic and non-academic – by hosting development panels.

HOW TO APPLY



WRITE AN ABSTRACT

- Abstracts should include:
 - Title
 - Thesis statement and plan of development
 - Types of evidence to be presented
 - How your paper is related (1) the global orientation of the conference; and (2) the overall conference theme
- No more than 250 words
- Identify 2-3 keywords (i.e. climate change; austerity; security)



SUBMIT HERE BY DECEMBER 11, 2023

For a chance to receive an early-bird acceptance by mid December

OR

BY JANUARY 8, 2024

For our final abstract deadline



AN OPPORTUNITY TO RECEIVE AN ESTEEMED ACADEMIC PRIZE

Discussants and the Canada Research Chair in Public Policy and Globalization will reflect on the best papers and presentations, and award the participant a \$250 prize



Requests for financial assistance will be considered for graduate student presenters travelling from outside the Greater Toronto and Hamilton Area