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## **Call for Proposals & Papers**

### **Canadian Peace Research Association (CPRA - ACRP)**

[Congress 2025 of the Humanities and Social Sciences](#)

**Wednesday June 4 to Friday June 6, 2025**

CPRA Staff can be reached at: [General Correspondence](#)

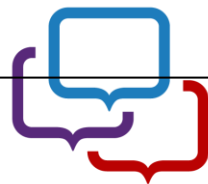
CPRA President and Program Chair: Professor [Erika Simpson at the University of Western Ontario](#)

Local Arrangements Coordinator: Professor [William Payne at George Brown College](#)

### **A Cordial Invitation from the Program Committee:**

We are pleased to invite you to the 2025 Annual Conference of the [Canadian Peace Research Association - Association canadienne de recherche pour la paix \(CPRA - ACRP\)](#). The CPRA – ACRP Conference is part of the [Federation for the Humanities and Social Sciences](#), which promotes research, and teaching for “the advancement of an inclusive, democratic, and progressive society.” With a membership now comprising over 160 universities, colleges, and scholarly associations, the Federation and Congress 2025 represents a diverse community of 91,000 researchers and graduate students across Canada.

The Federation organizes Canada’s largest academic gathering, the Congress of the Humanities and Social Sciences, bringing together each year more than 8,000 participants. In 2025, it is expected that thousands of scholars will gather at George Brown College in Toronto, Ontario, Canada in person and under the aegis of a virtual platform using Zoom showcasing approximately 70 academic associations representing a rich spectrum



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of disciplines in education, social sciences, social work, peace research and other academic disciplines. Congress represents a unique showcase of scholarly excellence, creativity, and leadership.

The CPRA - ACRP Conference, as a constituent of Congress 2025, hopes to offer a welcoming milieu for peace researchers, social scientists, teachers, as well as activists and advocates, to present their research as well as influence peace studies.

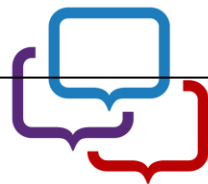
### **Congress Theme:**

Through its **Congress 2025 Theme– Reframing togetherness** –the Congress proposes to open a hybrid (in-person and virtual) space for dialogue. We are hoping to embrace this theme in the CPRA - ACRP's programming, collaborate with other associations, and make many of our sessions open to all Congress participants and to the public.

In the next six months, let's work together to make the CPRA - ACRP Conference at the 2025 Congress our best yet! Our goal is to deliver a positive hybrid experience for our association's members and attendees. The Federation team and the CPRA - ACRP team are here to support you. We look forward to providing you with all you need to make Congress 2025 a memorable experience for all involved.

**We encourage researchers to consider different ways of becoming involved in the conference either by Zoom or in person:**

- **Single papers**, which will be assigned by the Program Committee to panels with other papers on related issues;
- **Multiple paper panels**, which are pre-organized by Co-Chairs/Co-Convenors/ who will also serve as the Discussants/Coprésidents/Co-convocateurs/Discussants and which include 3 papers on a single theme;
- **Roundtables** usually with 3 participants who each present their ideas on a single theme; each roundtable is pre-organized by Co-Chairs/Co-Convenors
- **Graduate Student Roundtables**, a discussion in which participants present their graduate research in 15 minutes or less to a panel of experienced Co-Chairs/Co-Convenors. Students who participate in the graduate student roundtables should have made substantial progress on their graduate research and analysis.



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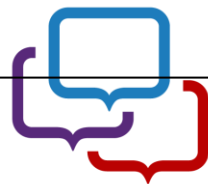
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- **Discussing or chairing a panel.** Individuals wishing to serve in the role of Co-Chair/Co-Convenor and/or Discussants/Coprésidents/Co-convocateurs/Discussants should contact the Program Chair Professor Erika Simpson

### Additional Conference Events and Panels

Beyond paper submissions, the conference features a variety of events and discussions aimed at fostering interdisciplinary collaboration and global engagement:

- **Ethics of Volunteering in International Development.** Ever wondered how to make sure your volunteer work truly matters? This session dives into the complexities of international development, offering practical advice on advancing justice, equality, and sustainability. Perfect for anyone curious about how to make a real difference in the world.
- **The Humanitarian Face in War.** Conflicts leave deep scars, but they also show us the power of resilience. This hybrid session shines a light on the efforts of humanitarian organizations working in war-torn regions and explores what it takes to bring hope to some of the world's toughest places.
- **Decolonizing Monitoring, Evaluation, and Learning (MEL).** Let's rethink the way we measure success. This workshop focuses on feminist and decolonial approaches to MEL, giving you tools and insights to disrupt traditional, extractive practices and create more equitable systems.
- **Climate Action and Youth Voices.** Youth have a powerful vision for a better, greener future. This session highlights their perspectives on what's missing from current climate policies and what's needed to create real change.
- **Storytelling and Cultural Exchange.** Join us for an inspiring evening where stories come alive, weaving together culture, history, and human connection. This session celebrates the power of storytelling to bridge divides and spark understanding, featuring captivating narratives from around the world, ranging from cherished folklore to personal journeys of resilience.



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### Online Session formats

As the CPRA Program Committee starts to look at submissions, the committee will determine how many sessions will fall into the following three categories. All associations are being encouraged to consider 45-minute session lengths, and **we will have a mix of in-person, hybrid, and virtual (Zoom) sessions.** We will need to be mindful of accounting for technical checks ahead of sessions and ensuring our attendees have adequate time to take breaks, socialize and recalibrate.

#### **1. Keynote Invited On Demand sessions Proposals due 11:59 pm Wednesday, January 15, 2025 [closed]**

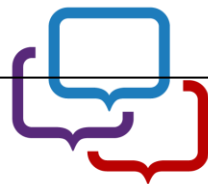
These will be pre-recorded presentations created by invited speakers and uploaded to the virtual event platform. These sessions will be open to Congress's registered attendees once Congress begins, and they will continue to be available to paid Congress attendees. [We are pleased to announce we will co-sponsor a special panel on Digital Trafficking and Child Exploitation with the Canadian Sociological Association featuring prominent members of the two scholarly associations. We are also featuring another session on Artificial Intelligence and Peace. And on Friday June 6<sup>th</sup>, we will host a new professor from France speaking in French and English on Ethiopia and war in the Horn of Africa](#)

#### **2. Simu-live session (pre-recording with live Q&A) The deadline for submitting is 11:59 PM Saturday, March 15, 2025**

Pre-recorded presentations created and uploaded to the virtual event platform by presenters. These sessions will start with a live introduction by the chair/moderator, followed by the activation of the pre-recorded presentations. Following those presentations, the chair/moderator and the presenters take time to engage in a live Q&A discussion in a break-out room. There are a few variations of this format that can be used. On the day of the event, an event technician and/or room monitor will be online to ensure that all our technical needs are taken care of. A recording of the entire event will then be generated and uploaded to our conference agenda as a raw recording a few weeks later. If we wish to have editing done to our recordings, this cannot be done due to the high costs involved. Moreover, copyright concerns by one single panellist or attendee during a session will prevent distribution.

#### **3. Live session The deadline for submitting is 11:59 PM Saturday, March 15, 2025**

Our programming committee's decisions will determine how many sessions we would like to present in a live setting, based on the topic or the presenters. A live presentation will require a rehearsal and some additional technical support. An events technician will be available to support us and the presenters through a rehearsal. On the day of the event, an event technician and room monitor will be online to ensure that all our



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technical needs are taken care of. A recording of the entire event will then be generated and uploaded to our conference agenda as a raw recording the next day.

**All proposals must be submitted to the General Correspondence Email address with copies to the President/Program Chair or they will not be considered. Please ensure you have copied your proposal to the following two email addresses:**

1. **Professor Erika Simpson at the University of Western Ontario. Email address: [simpson@uwo.ca](mailto:simpson@uwo.ca)**
2. **General Correspondence Email Address: [CPRAMail@gmail.com](mailto:CPRAMail@gmail.com)**

**The Program Committee welcomes submissions and presentations in both official languages.** A preliminary program of Program Chairs, Panel Topics, and Confirmed Speakers can be downloaded from the Congress and/or CPRA website by March 21, 2025. Subsequently it will be regularly updated, and the Final Program will be made available in May 2025.

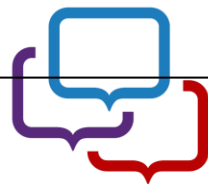
**For various deadlines for submissions, presentations, abstracts, posters and papers, see the deadlines described below or go to the deadlines on the website.**

### **Keynote Speakers, Confirmed Speakers and Graduate Student Roundtables**

We expect attendance from many academics, notable speakers, peace experts, and graduate students. You will be able to read more about them in the latest version of our Program that will be made available on our website. Please take a look at the confirmed attendees and encourage your colleagues and friends to think about joining the CPRA – ACRP.

All the information you need to join is available on the CPRA - ACRP website.

In order to be considered as an advertised keynote speaker **by the Congress**, the CPRA must apply for funding from the *International Keynote Speaker Support Fund* and the *Aid for Interdisciplinary Sessions Fund* by January 31, 2025.



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In order to possibly win a **graduate award from the CPRA**, the CPRA program committee will award **three Graduate Merit Awards** worth \$150 each by early June 2025. Graduate students must pay the 2025 student fee for Congress & the CPRA annual membership fee in order to receive the *Graduate Merit Award*.

**To ensure a positive conference experience, please read the next section before submitting your proposal.**

**Who can Submit:** We welcome submissions from faculty members, non-academics and graduate students. Normally student members proposing papers will have had their PhD thesis proposals approved before submission (in other words, be ABD). Those at earlier stages of their studies who wish to present their own work are encouraged to submit a poster proposal or participate in the Graduate Student roundtable. Submissions from Masters level students will be considered so long as they are made in conjunction with an academic supervisor. All Master's and undergraduate student proposals require sponsorship by a faculty member (to be indicated on the proposal form).



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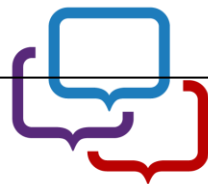
The CPRA seeks to bring together academics, researchers, educators, and peace advocates from Canada and abroad to examine and discuss current and emerging issues and challenges in the field of Peace Research. Individual papers and panels in Peace Research, especially those that have international significance are invited from **all disciplines and professions** including:

Anthropology	Peace and Conflict Studies
Communications and Journalism	Philosophy
Economics	Political Science
Education	Psychology
Environment and Society	Science for Peace
Ethics and Law	Science, Technology and Global Peace
Indigenous Studies	Social Justice
Global Studies	Social Work
History	Sociology
Human Rights	Theatre and Film, and
International Relations	Women's Studies
Law/International Law	Or related Interdisciplinary Studies

**Number of Submissions:** Individuals including chairs/discussants will be limited to a maximum of 1 presentation. More than two submissions can be made but the Program Committee will choose between them in order to follow this rule.

### Types of Submissions:

**Single Paper:** A single paper proposal must include the title of the paper and an approximately 150-word abstract. The abstract should outline the argument or inquiry to be developed, identify the method of analysis to be used (if applicable), and show the theoretical significance of what is proposed in relation to existing scholarship in the field. Once the title and abstract has been submitted, the submitter will be able to refine the



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research paper until May 2025. To make any necessary changes to the Abstract and Title, the submitter must email the revised proposal to the co-chairs/co-convenors and to the General Correspondence Email with copies to the CPRA President. If the paper proposal is accepted, the speaker's biography and their abstract will be made available on the CPRA website with a link to the abstract in the final CPRA program.

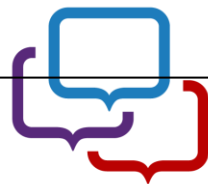
**Multiple Paper Panel:** The panel proposal must include the title of the panel, an approximately 150-word abstract providing an overview of the panel, the name, e-mail, affiliation, rank, paper title and approximately 250-word abstract for each presenter and the name, e-mail, affiliation and rank for the chair and discussant(s). The abstract for each paper should outline the argument or inquiry to be developed, identify the method of analysis to be used (if applicable), and show the theoretical significance of what is proposed in relation to existing scholarship in the field. Once the panel proposal has been submitted, the submitter will be able to revise the research paper until May 2025. To make any necessary changes to the Abstract and Title, the submitter must email the revised proposal to the co-chairs/co-convenors and to the General Correspondence Email with copies to the CPRA President. If the paper proposal is accepted, the speaker's biography and their abstract will be made available on the CPRA website with a link to the abstract in the final CPRA program.

**Graduate Student roundtable:** A Graduate Student proposal to be included in a roundtable must include a title and a 150-word abstract. The abstract should outline the main argument, method of inquiry, method of analysis (if applicable) and theoretical significance of the MA thesis, MRP, or doctoral thesis that will form the content of the presentation. Once the proposal has been submitted, and to make any necessary changes, the submitter must resubmit the proposal to all the emails including the President and General Correspondence. If the paper proposal is accepted, the speaker's biography and their abstract will be made available on the CPRA website with a link to the abstract in the final CPRA program.

### Session Chairs

Faculty members presenting papers may be asked to serve as co-chairs and co-discussants. The chair's biography will be made available on the CPRA website with a link to the abstract in the final CPRA program.

### Important Checklist: Items you must include in your submission:



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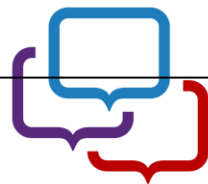




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We are seeking all types of submissions, for more information about what types of submissions, see the information above and this checklist.

1. Title of your paper (as you wish it to appear in the Final Program)
2. Your full name (first name, last name), with your title if applicable.
3. A 200-word biographical note about each presenter. The biographical note will be included in the Final Program. You may make changes to the Biographical note until March 21, 2025 and the Program Chair will resend the Biographical note to you if it is shortened or changed in any way.
4. We welcome submissions from faculty members, non-academics and graduate students. Normally student members proposing papers will have had their PhD thesis proposal approved before submission (in other words, be ABD). Those at earlier stages of their studies who wish to present their own work are encouraged to request to participate in a roundtable discussion. Submissions from Masters level and Undergraduate level students will not be considered unless they are made in conjunction with an academic supervisor. All student proposals require sponsorship by a faculty member to be indicated on the proposal form under item 4. Please ensure your faculty supervisor has approved your submission.
5. Abstract of your Research Paper (sole or co-authored). Your Abstract and your Research Paper will not have any stipulations regarding the number of page or its wordcount. You may use whatever academic style you prefer (e.g. APA, Chicago, MLA, etc.). Your abstract can be 150-words with its principal argument and conclusion, or it can be longer.
6. If you will be submitting a proposal to make a keynote submission, please note we can accept proposals from and on behalf of prominent speakers, such as Canada Research Chairs or Professors who will possibly be featured by Congress and who will be speaking with 3-person panels or roundtables. If you have a suggestion for a Keynote speaker, please send your suggestions, but keep in mind we are operating on **Eastern Standard Time (Est) at George Brown College in Ontario**. We do not have a travel or accommodation or technical budget that covers costs. Each speaker - including Keynote Speakers - must pay the Congress and Association fee. If a Keynote Speaker neglects to pay the Congress and Association Fee, the Virtual Congress online system will prevent entry into the Virtual Environment, including the Networking Lounge, Virtual Auditorium, Virtual Workshop Rooms, etc.
7. Panels – your suggestions for sole- or co-authored Research Paper or Roundtable Submission or Panel topic are welcome under item 7. Due to time and space constraints, however, most panelists must be scheduled to present between 9:00 AM and 4:00 PM (EST). If you so request the Discussant and members of the audience can meet with panelists in a Zoom break-out room after the presentation.
8. Requests for refereeing: Your submission can be refereed by the Co-Chairs/Co-Convenors if you abide by the deadlines described below. If you must request a blind refereeing process by two referees, we can contact the Co-Chairs and Co-Convenors of another panel, but you must abide by the deadlines.



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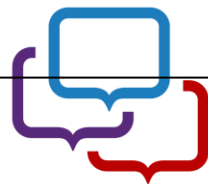


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9. Workshops – you could propose to co-lead a Workshop in the early afternoon or late afternoon (not the early morning which is reserved for the larger On Demand plenary sessions). During a Workshop, you and another Workshop Leader can offer to teach the attendees special skills relevant to peace research, such as how to become a successful peace researcher. Due to high demand, we have so far set aside 2 virtual rooms for 4 Workshops in 2025.
  10. Finally, please specify any extra equipment required for your presentation. The Congress staff will provide us with technical assistance including a “Command Centre” and a “Virtual Greeting Room.” Requests for particular types of AV equipment (e.g. microphones) must accompany the paper abstract/panel proposal. Late requests for equipment will not be considered.
- a) The President’s Address and the Annual General Meeting (AGM) has moved from Day 1 (Wednesday) to Day 3 (Friday).
  - b) The AGM and Election has moved to Day 3 (Friday). The Congress staff will help us to set up the AGM and Election using Zoom.
  - c) Authors are responsible for organizing their own on-site book launches and completing the **Application to exhibit at Congress 2025** and for reviewing the Expo Terms and Conditions (PDF). Books must be available for purchase from the **Book Expo** from among the available Exhibitors. Authors may not sell copies of their books online or in the booked virtual rooms, due to Congress restrictions.

Like in previous years, panels and keynote addresses will be recorded over three days. If you cannot view an event because you are concurrently booked, Congress will download the Zoom recordings later in July/August using a secure system and Congress will allow paid members of Congress and the CPRA to view recordings after **June 15, 2025**. This means ‘live’ in-person audiences for sessions will be smaller than you are used to – we cannot change this as it is a Congress regulation. Zoom recordings are not made available for free later, as Congress would eventually collapse from lack of attendance and from having to charge higher membership dues. The CPRA Programming Committee will sponsor a few “On Demand” pre-recorded Keynote Speeches that will be made available for free to all Congress attendees after June 15, 2025, to showcase CPRA research themes.

Please be aware that time and space considerations are tight so if you have special requests – for instance, you want to move your presentation as you are co-booked for another association - **we can only consider those requests before March 21, 2025**. If you are double-booked by another association, you must choose which panel you will present upon because the CPRA cannot change the time of the Zoom recordings.



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Your submission must contain the items explained in our new Checklist or it cannot be considered. Please see our Checklist before you email your submission.

### Deadlines for Submission

Please send the entire body of your submission by email <mailto:CPRAMail@gmail.com> by the deadlines explained below:

#### 1. 11:59 PM Saturday, March 15, 2025

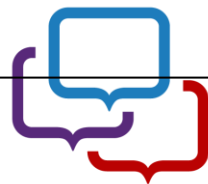
Final deadline for your submission of your Panel or roundtable proposal. Your Panel or roundtable proposal entails your offer to Co-chair and Co-convene a 3-person Panel or Roundtable. **During a 3-person Panel, each person is accorded 15 minutes maximum for a total of 45 minutes.** Due to technical requirements to set up Zoom, no panels can host more than 3 speakers including the Co-chair. Each panelist is expected to present a Research Paper with an Abstract. **During a 3-person Roundtable, the speakers interact before an audience**, addressing the Panel's theme, for a **maximum of 45 minutes**. A 15-minute Question & Answer (Q & A) with audience members can be held in a Zoom break-out room outside of the regular classroom. The Q & A is *not* recorded by Congress.

Notably your panel topic must be approved, in consultation with the CPRA - ACRP Program Committee by January 15, 2025 before it can be included in the Preliminary Program, due to Congress's Organizer's Portal later in January 2025.

#### 2. Saturday, March 15, 2025

Final deadline for the submission of your Abstract. Notably the Abstract for your panel topic must be approved, in consultation with the CPRA - ACRP Program Committee by May 15, 2025 before it can be included in the Preliminary Program.

This is not the deadline if you are seeking to be a Keynote speaker or be considered for Interdisciplinary or Graduate funding. This is the 'First deadline' for your submission of your research paper's Abstract. In order to be considered as an advertised keynote speaker **by the Congress**, the CPRA must apply for funding from the *International Keynote Speaker Support Fund* and the *Aid for Interdisciplinary Sessions Fund* by January 31, 2025. In order to possibly win a **graduate award from the CPRA**, graduate students must have paid for the Congress and CPRA fees by June 4, 2025.



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### May 15, 2025

Deadline for your request to have your Research Paper refereed by your Panel's Co-chairs. If you would like it to be blind-refereed by another panel's Co-chairs, you must contact and receive the permission of the Program Chair by December 1, 2025, Professor Erika Simpson: [simpson@uwo.ca](mailto:simpson@uwo.ca) Due to space and time constraints, the discussant's comments must be hosted in a Zoom room after the official session.

### May 15, 2025

Deadline for your submission of your complete Research Paper. We will resend your Research Paper to your Panel's Co-chairs. Please do not email your Co-Chair separately requesting your Research Paper be refereed as the April 1, 2025 deadline will have passed.

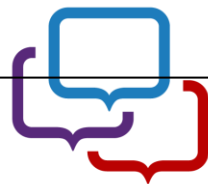
### May 30-June 6, 2025

Deadline for your Co-Chairs' written comments and discussion of your paper is during Congress and the Association's conference which takes place **Wednesday-Friday June 4 -June 6, 2025**. Please note that the Co-Chairs are responsible for emailing their commentary to their Panelists' separately.

### Congress and CPRA - ACRP Registration Fees:

The payment of the Congress 2025 registration fee **and** the CPRA - ACRP association fee is compulsory for all attendees, including:

1. Audience Members;
2. Co-Chairs/Co-Convenors;
3. Panellists;
4. Roundtable Participants;
5. Workshop Leaders and Workshop Participants;
6. Volunteers, including student volunteers.



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### CPRA and Congress Registration Fees:

The Congress has reminded the CPRA that the payment of 1) the Congress 2025 registration fee plus 2) the CPRA association's separate annual membership fee is compulsory for every delegate's online entry including all attendees, invited keynote speakers, presenters of papers/panelists, and those chairing or attending a session. The Congress 2025 registration fee will not be reduced, although the Congress will be hybrid. Due to many associated costs with going hybrid, such as increased technical support, paid technical support time, and virtual room rental, the CPRA will *not* reduce its fees for Zoom attendees. The CPRA will reduce, however, the fee for BIPOC students, and similarly to Congress, the CPRA will not charge registration fees for students who self-identify as Black/Indigenous/Person of Colour (BIPOC).

### CPRA Association Fees:

*\$135 for Regular Members/Delegates/Participants* or \$165 if received by Congress 2025 after **March 21 "Early Bird"** deadline. **Note the NEW DEADLINE set by Congress is 10 days earlier than normal. You will receive three reminders to pay before March 21 by email.**

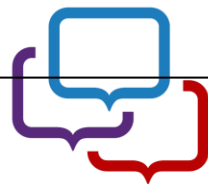
*\$75 for Students, Retired and Unwaged Delegates* or \$100 if received by Congress 2025 after **March 21 "Early Bird"** Deadline.

*Complimentary (\$0) Black & Indigenous students.* The Federation offers this Congress student fee category for free. To learn more on what the Federation is doing for Equity, Diversity, Inclusion and Decolonization, see here: <https://www.federationhss.ca/en/programs-policy/equity-diversity-inclusion-and-decolonization-edid>

### CPRA Annual Membership:

The CPRA meeting fee entitles participants to one-year membership in the CPRA.

Please note that those whose abstracts/proposals are accepted should register with both the Congress **and the** CPRA *before* 21 March 2025 so that the online purchase of your registration is recorded by the Canadian Federation of the Humanities and Social Sciences by March 21, 2025.



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Please note that the biographies and abstracts of student presenters that fail to registrar before **May 15, 2025**, or cancel their presentation based on a valid or invalid reason will be *deleted* from the Final Program of the CPRA annual meeting. If necessary, the Program Committee will also email thesis supervisors (who must approve of their participation) and advise supervisors of unexpected cancellations.

### How to Register beginning in mid-January 2025:

**Online:** At [Congress 2025 Registration](#). This system is secure and easy to use beginning in mid-January.

All attendees, including organizers, speakers, presenters, panelists and those chairing or attending a session, **must** pay the Congress fee. The revenue collected from the Congress fee supports the long-term development of Congress, and keeps the annual meeting format viable by ensuring that infrastructure and services are in place from year to year. The following are some of the activities covered:

- Managing the online registration software and the registration process including pre, onsite and post Congress registration labour, as well as the staffing of the onsite Information Centre Planning and coordinating logistical services for attendees
- Supporting the associations through the planning process including staffing over 100 student contractors to support virtual Congress activities. The CPRA must pay for the student contractors with our fees.
- Managing and administering three funds including evaluating, awarding and distributing monetary funds to member associations
- Soliciting, managing and coordinating the Congress Expo and related programming
- Promoting Congress and association activities via social media, website and documentation development and distribution
- Financially supporting all complimentary Congress registrations from approximately 70 member associations

### **Association conference fees**

You are welcome to attend any association conference at Congress regardless of membership status if you pay the corresponding association member or non-member fees. The Federation for the Humanities and Social Sciences collects these fees on behalf of associations. Generally, the associations use these funds to cover the cost of planning and holding their conferences at Congress.

### **Regular and Associate (Retired/Unwaged/Student and BIPOC Student) Member Information:**



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1. CPRA - ACRP Regular members (who are also called 'voting delegates') include full-time, retired or part-time faculty members, researchers, and staff members in universities, colleges, research centres and other similar educational-, governmental- or professional institutions. These CPRA - ACRP regular members pay the Regular Congress and Association fees. The Congress's higher Regular fees can be avoided by choosing to pay the **Early Bird fee before March 21**. **Please note the date has changed from March 31 to March 21<sup>st</sup>.**
2. CPRA - ACRP Associate members (who are also called 'non-voting delegates') generally include postdoctoral students and candidates for the doctoral or master's degree (e.g. 'ABDs', MAs, PhDs, BAs) and other part-time students and others (e.g. volunteers, interns) with a similar standing in educational institutions and research organizations. The CPRA includes post-doctoral students as students (and non-voting delegates); however, if they so choose, post-doctoral students can elect to become Regular members ('voting delegates')
3. At this time, the CPRA - ACRP Associate member category (or 'non-voting delegates') also includes retired and low-waged attendees so this means a retired *professor emeritus/emerita* can pay the lower fee (and does not lose their voting rights). We do not stipulate low-waged so low-waged persons can self-identify as low-waged and choose the Associate member fee structure (and not lose their right to vote).
4. Black and Indigenous students are being offered by the Federation *and* the CPRA, the Congress student fee category for free. To learn more on what the Federation is doing for Equity, Diversity, Inclusion and Decolonization, see here: <https://www.federationhss.ca/edid>. Students can self-identify as BIPOC and choose the Associate member fee structure (as students are non-voting delegates).

### International Participants

International attendees may participate, however, before applying, registering, and paying their fees they must confirm how and whether their online participation in a different time zone could be affected. Although Citizenship and Immigration Canada (CIC) provides a list of countries for which visa restrictions apply, as well as other pertinent information attendees may require before making travel plans, international attendees must pursue their own visa requirements and follow their location's administrative regulations. If you need a visa, a letter of invitation does not guarantee that a visa will be issued. The CPRA Program Committee cannot provide participants with letters and invitations to assist the process of obtaining visas.

### Accommodation:



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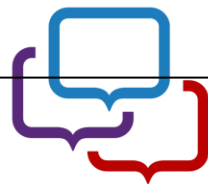
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There will be several thousand in-person attendees at Congress, therefore it is highly recommended that you reserve your accommodation as soon as possible – or you can accessibly join Congress from the comfort of your own home office. Please keep in mind that each year Congress uses the host university's time zone. **In 2025, at George Brown College, we will use Eastern Standard Time in Toronto.**



This means the Congress and CPRA events will begin later than you are used to if you live in Europe or Eastern Canada and earlier if you live in Asia or Western Canada.

**Big Thinking Events**



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Please make sure to attend the Big Thinking events which are scheduled at lunchtime (EST). More information is forthcoming.

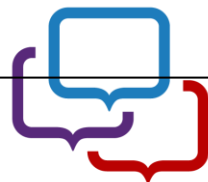
#### **Hybrid Subsidies:**

The CPRA - ACRP is a registration fees-generated conference therefore it is unable to financially assist attendees for hybrid, Zoom or other conference-related expenses (e.g. access to wider broad-bands, microphones, Wi-fi, PowerPoint subscriptions, etc.).

#### **CPRA - ACRP 2025 General Council and Board of Directors meetings:**

A notice is hereby given to all attendees of the CPRA - ACRP conference who paid their regular (full) membership fees by June 4, 2025 or who intend to pay their regular (full) membership fees by next June that the CPRA - ACRP General Council will meet virtually and in-person at the site of the CPRA - ACRP conference and the CPRA - ACRP Board of Directors will meet at the virtual and in-person site of the CPRA - ACRP conference. Each year, a provisional agenda of the CPRA - ACRP General Council will be emailed to the CPRA - ACRP membership. All regular and associate delegates of the CPRA - ACRP are invited to submit agenda items for the General Council and the Board of Directors by **May 15** to the CPRA General Correspondence Address. Please send to: [cpramail@gmail.com](mailto:cpramail@gmail.com)

The next election for the CPRA - ACRP executive positions will be held at during the Congress in June 2025. Our elections are held biennially every two years. Notably, if there is a resignation or death, in that case, the CPRA - ACRP Board nominates, and votes, for an interim executive



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member who holds office until the next election. We do not offer proxy voting or pre-voting. Voting takes place during the General Council meeting every two years by a show of hands in-person and on Zoom. Beginning in June 2021, the Congress staff assisted us to hold the General Council meeting so that a hybrid election could be held on Day 3 (Friday) of the CPRA conference.

### **Contacts for CPRA - ACRP Conference:**

CPRA - ACRP President and Program Chair Dr. Erika Simpson at [simpson@uwo.ca](mailto:simpson@uwo.ca) [with a copy to [cpramail@gmail.com](mailto:cpramail@gmail.com)]

Our local arrangements coordinator is Professor William Payne at George Brown College

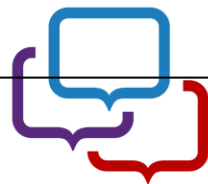
I look forward to welcoming you to the Congress and the CPRA - ACRP Conference.

In Peace,



Erika Simpson

President, CPRA – ACRP



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