Student Paper Competition Sponsorship

The Lake Between/Le lac qui nous unit: Champlain as an International Corridor
Monday, April 8, 2019
University of Vermont, Burlington Vermont

About The Lake Between Conference

The Lake Between/Le lac qui nous unit brings together leading academics, business leaders, and public servants from both sides of the U.S.-Canadian border to examine Lake Champlain -- an international body of water that links our histories, our economies and the shared management of our natural environment. The emphasis of this one-day conference is on a broad interdisciplinary discussion that is open to a lay audience, including students.

Lead Organizers of the conference are UVM’s Canadian Studies Program, the Center for Research on Vermont, and the Environmental Program. Collaborators include the Community College of Vermont, the Lake Champlain Basin Program, the Lake Champlain Maritime Museum, the Lake Champlain Regional Chamber of Commerce, Lake Champlain Sea Grant Program, Saint Michael's College, Vermont Agency of Commerce, Vermont Division of Historic Preservation, Vermont Folk Life Center, Vermont Historical Society, UVM Humanities Center, UVM History Department, UVM College of Arts & Sciences and the Vermont Historical Society.

In addition to the speaking program, the Conference is hosting a student paper/poster competition highlighting student research related to the lake.

Student Papers/Posters Overview

Up to ten student posters based on full papers will be displayed during the conference and highlighted at the luncheon. The papers can examine any aspect of the Lake Champlain watershed, past, present or future. Papers may be from any field, whether in the humanities, social sciences, natural sciences, technology, or business.

A call for student papers (undergraduate or graduate) will be issued about Oct. 15, 2018. The call will be widely distributed both in Vermont/New England and Quebec through multiple means, including emails, social media and websites, posters and direct contact with faculty, campus offices, government agencies, NGOs and student and professional groups in New England and Eastern Canada.

Solicited papers will be 3,000-5,000 words and focus on an aspect of the Lake. Faculty co-authors are allowed but the first author must be a student. Papers can be submitted to peer-reviewed journals or academic conferences simultaneously to submittal to this call,
but may not have been published elsewhere by April 8, 2019. Papers should be submitted by Feb. 1, 2019 in French or English.

**Posters & Awards**

Accepted students will be asked to present posters summarizing the paper. The posters will be on display during the conference and during the opening reception. All selected students will have lodging, food and conference fees funded. During the session, a panel of three judges will tour the posters, interview students and select three grand prize winners. Three awards totaling (about) $600 will be issued to the top three papers/posters.

**Sponsor**

The sponsor will be recognized as the lead sponsor for both the opening reception and the student poster and paper competition in all conference materials and the conference website. The sponsor’s logo will appear on all posters and on outreach materials related to the conference and the paper competition. In addition, the sponsor will be recognized in remarks by conference organizers and will be invited to display a banner at the opening reception.