Dear students –

Though we can’t stroll through campus in fresh Spring air amidst blossoming tulips, we can celebrate the achievements of the past academic year! Well done, everyone!

We are sending a friendly reminder to apply for graduation by this Friday, if you are completing your degree this Spring!

Important Dates

- **Friday, April 30**: Last day to apply for Spring graduation in SOLUS
- **Monday, May 10**: Summer Term classes (May-June/6W1 and May-July/12W sessions) begin

LAST CALL: APPLICATION FOR GRADUATION Spring 2021

Ready to Graduate?

Applications for Graduation for Spring 2021 are open in SOLUS until **April 30th, 2021**.

Note that if you are taking your last course(s) in Spring (May - June session), your degree can be conferred mid July and you don’t have to wait until Fall graduation.

If you have any questions, please contact Anja at ug.psvc@queensu.ca.

Not sure how to apply? Click HERE (scroll down to Apply for Graduation) for instructions.

QUEEN's SUBSTANCE USE AND HARM REDUCTION FORUM
The Queen’s Substance Use and Harm Reduction Forum is excited to host our sixth Virtual Speaker Series event! Dr. Akwasi Owusu-Bempah will present on Cannabis Legalization and Youth Contact with the Criminal Justice System in Canada.

This event will take place on Monday, May 3rd at 7:00PM EST.

To receive the link to this upcoming presentation, please sign up below:
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeRQRqD58k1JB_z-f1vKnBhXuyhUGox8b-YkqimV008YoKVhA/viewform?usp=sf_link

Looking forward to seeing you there!

Abstract Call - 51st Annual Ontario Psychology Undergraduate Thesis Conference

This year McMaster University has the honour of hosting the 51st Annual Ontario Psychology Undergraduate Thesis Conference as a virtual meeting on June 4th from 9 am to 5 pm. We are inviting all psychology undergraduate thesis students in Ontario to attend this conference and showcase their research. Anyone interested, such as supervisors, family, friends, are welcome to attend the conference by registering on EventBrite.

This conference is hosted each year as a way for students to showcase their research, interact with the academic community, and gain recognition for their hard work.
larger Psychology community in Ontario, and see the exciting new findings of other thesis students. We are thrilled to announce that Dr. Laurel Trainor will be the Keynote Speaker at this year’s conference! Also, new this year, we will be having a poster competition with prizes!

All abstracts can be submitted using this link: https://forms.gle/k6bs1GLWpcT8hqMm7

The deadline for abstract submissions is May 3rd at 11:59 pm EST.

To register, please visit https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/ontario-psychology-undergraduate-thesis-conference-tickets-147863193793.

For more information, please visit AOPUTC - Department of Psychology, Neuroscience & Behaviour | McMaster University

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**Call for papers - Building Better Financial Futures Challenge**

The Building Better Financial Futures Challenge is an undergraduate and graduate student paper competition launched by the Financial Consumer Agency of Canada (FCAC) — a Government of Canada agency.

We are inviting paper submissions from all disciplines and perspectives to provide actionable, evidence-based, solutions to current financial challenges faced by vulnerable communities.

Please share this message and the attached posters with others and let them know about the potential opportunity to have their work published on the Government of Canada website!

All papers must be submitted by email to Competition@fcac-acfc.gc.ca by April 30, 2021. Please see the Competition page for more details, and direct any inquiries to the FCAC at Competition@fcac-acfc.gc.ca.

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**GLOBAL UNDERGRADUATE AWARDS ACCEPTING ADMISSIONS**

The Global Undergraduate Awards is open and accepting admissions from Psychology!

**What is The Global Undergraduate Awards?**

The Global Undergraduate Awards (UA) is the world’s leading academic awards programme which recognises top undergraduate coursework, shares this work with a global audience, and connects students across cultures and disciplines. Students submit their work for free online and it is judged by a panel of international judges, consisting of leading academic experts and industry leaders.

**Why should you submit to The Global Undergraduate Awards?**

1. Earn international recognition for academic coursework that you have already completed.
2. Win a **FREE** trip to Dublin to attend the UA Global Summit.
3. Have your work published in The Undergraduate Library.
4. Network with undergraduates and academics from around the world.
5. Receive access to the exclusive UA Alumni Portal.

**How do I apply?**

Submitting is free, quick, and simple! Just follow these steps to #AwardYourWork. Don’t forget to check if your paper meets our submission criteria before submitting, otherwise your work may be disqualified!

The deadline for applications is **June 15, 2021**.

**Not ready to submit yet?**

No worries, you can still register to reserve your place in the competition.

If you have any queries relating to The Global Undergraduate Awards 2021 Programme, please contact the Office of the Vice-Provost, International.

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**WEBINAR ON PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT BY ROTARACT CLUB**

*Professional Development Webinar Series, hosted by the Rotaract Club of Kingston*

**TOPIC:** Navigating Next Steps: So You're about to Graduate - What Now?

**DATE:** Wednesday, May 12, 2021

**TIME:** 7:00 PM EDT

Will you be graduating soon? Are you thinking about staying in school but unsure what steps to follow to get started? Are you curious about what options even exist for continued education?

This month, our Speaker Series features a panel of esteemed guests as they lead us through their personal experiences with next steps following graduating from undergrad. All of the featured panelists are either current Graduate/Professional students or recent graduates, and therefore understand how hard it can be to discover, apply for, and be accepted to post-graduate opportunities. Our panelists offer a diverse and unique perspective into both traditional and non-traditional routes for development and success following graduation.

Please fill out the registration form below in order to access the Zoom link for this webinar panel. The questions you submit will be used to shape the session.

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScL1BYqIdIE_YIxSX5EEdcabKepZ8SWyP2A1adXjoYqPbjo8w/viewform?usp=pp_url](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScL1BYqIdIE_YIxSX5EEdcabKepZ8SWyP2A1adXjoYqPbjo8w/viewform?usp=pp_url)

For questions, concerns or feedback, please contact: kingstononrotaract@gmail.com

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**RESEARCH STUDY**

PhD Student Sarah Smith is conducting research on the experiences of people who self-harm and the way we are treated by psychiatry. The overarching goals of this study are to generate an understanding of how psychiatric knowledge impacts the lives of people who self-harm and to amplify the voices of those with lived experience. Your involvement in this research will help contribute to critical mental health research and will inform mental health policies and practices.

I am currently looking to recruit research participants who engage in self-harm to help inform this project. To qualify for this study, you must be 18+, living in Canada, and must have received treatment for self-harm at some point in your life.
I am particularly interested in speaking with people who are typically left out of research and other discussions on self-harm, including Black, Indigenous, and People of Colour, men, and LGBTQ2S+ people. As a white, queer woman, it is my priority to centre people with different experiences than my own in this work.

If you are interested in being a part of this research, please contact me at 18seks1@queensu.ca.

Please note that participation in this study is voluntary.