



CALL FOR PAPERS
The 21st International Baltic Conference on Canadian Studies

CANADA: DIVERSITY, INCLUSION, EQUITY

**Latvian Association for Canadian Studies
Centre for Applied Linguistics
Faculty of Humanities, University of Latvia**

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Canada's unwavering commitment to policies of equity, diversity and inclusion (EDI) in the fields of governance, education, research and culture has been enshrined in numerous legal documents and provides an outstanding example for responding to global human rights, political and environmental challenges. Canadian heritage is one of diversity, inclusion, democracy and multiculturalism.

The conference aims at exploring diverse approaches to Canadian experience past and present, to stimulate a broad interdisciplinary scholarly dialogue covering a variety of subject areas – from literature, language, film, culture, arts and media to education, history, socio-political and economic studies.

Contributions may focus on the following suggested topics, as well as other related relevant issues:

- EDI representations in art, literature, history and the media
- National identity stereotypes, minority and group identities
- Race, ethnicity, nationality, gender and intersectionality
- Aboriginal cultural heritage and modern development
- Interacting cultures, multicultural diversity and the role of the media
- Celebrating multicultural diversity in poetry, fiction and film
- Language change
- Governing diversity
- Challenges of demographic change
- Environmental issues

LENGTH OF PRESENTATIONS: 20 minutes, followed by 10 minutes of discussion.

LANGUAGE OF PRESENTATIONS: while the working language of the conference is English, presentations in French are equally welcome.

The conference will convene entirely online. This virtual format will provide for live and recorded conference sessions.

ORGANIZING COMMITTEE:

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DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF ABSTRACTS (200 words) and SHORT CVs:

September 5, 2021

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