

MISSING AND MARGINALIZED: ON ENDING THE ERASURE OF WOMEN'S LIVES AND EXPERIENCES

WOMEN ARE MISSING. From the missing and murdered aboriginal women in Canada, to the schoolgirls kidnapped by Boko Haram in Nigeria, to the women who are missing from the Chinese population due to the One Child policy, the vulnerability and expendability of women is an international scandal. Less tragic but just as ubiquitous is the absence of women internationally from political leadership and from full participation in economic life. Within academe too, women are starkly underrepresented in the STEM disciplines and in senior academic administration. Put simply, wherever you look, and at almost every level of analysis, in circumstances that range from quotidian to horrifying, women are missing out on the opportunity to flourish, and to support the flourishing of their communities.

The University of Waterloo in partnership with The Association of Commonwealth Universities (ACU) presents Missing and Marginalized: On Ending the Erasure of Women's Lives and Experiences. In collaboration with the ACU, this international, interdisciplinary conference focuses on the role that the Post Secondary Education (PSE) sector can play in ending the erasure of women's lives and experiences. The conference brings together scholars from all disciplines and Commonwealth nations, as well as administrators, industry leaders, and policy-makers.

The conference is organized around three pillars: Global and Aboriginal justice issues; leadership; and industry and the STEM disciplines.

Internationally renowned keynote speakers:

- » Phumzile Mlambo-Ngcuka, United Nations Under-Secretary-General, Executive Director, UN Women
- » Michèle Boutin, Executive Director, Canada Research Excellence Chairs

The conference will include submitted papers organized into concurrent

sessions, discussion panels and workshops, and a poster session.

» Barbara Birungi, Founder/Director, Women in Technology, Uganda

WHEN June 14-17, 2016

WHERE Federation Hall | University of Waterloo | Canada

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SUBMIT

CALL FOR PAPERS: We invite submissions for 25 minute talks, 40 minute workshops, 40 minute panels, and poster presentations on the topic of missing and marginalized, broadly construed. Submissions that focus on one or more of our three pillars are especially encouraged. Please upload a 500 word abstract of your proposed presentation in .doc, .docx, .rtf, or .pdf format by no later than 12 p.m. (EST) on December 1, 2015. Please prepare your submission for anonymous review by removing any identifying information both from the content of the document from the document meta-properties.

The organizers are eager to assemble a conference that benefits from a demographically diverse programme. If you are a woman or a member of an underrepresented group and wish to identify yourself as such, please note this information on your submission.

Authors can expect to receive a decision by March 30, 2016.

Please visit the **conference website** for additional details on the conference, the bursary program, and the program committee.

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