



Call for Proposals

ACSUS 2022 26th Biennial Conference

Canada: Near and Far

March 24-27, 2022

Hyatt Regency Crystal City, Washington, D.C.

In celebration of the 50th anniversary of the Association for Canadian Studies in the United States (ACSUS), the Association will host its 26th biennial conference, March 24-27, 2022, in Washington, D.C. The conference is open to all proposals with a significant Canadian focus. We welcome papers and panel proposals from graduate students, professors, independent scholars, and practitioners on all diverse and critical perspectives related to the theme, **'Canada: Near and Far'**. ACSUS encourages panels and papers addressing subjects in the following categories:

- Border Issues, Integration, Trade, and Economics
- Communication and Media Studies
- Critical Cultural Studies
- Energy and the Environment
- Foreign Policy and Defense
- Gender, Identities, Minorities, and Diversity
- History
- Indigenous and Settler Colonial Studies
- International Relations
- Law, the Constitution, and Land Claims
- Literature, Film, Music and the Arts in English
- Literature, Film, Music and the Arts in French
- Philosophy
- Politics and Public Policy
- Quebec Studies and the Francophone Presence in North America
- Teaching of Canada and Education Through Diverse Perspectives
- The North and Arctic Studies Through Diverse Perspectives
- The Role and Responsibilities of ACSUS

Canada: Near and Far. How is Canada perceived and portrayed from outside its borders, and by the international community? How is Canada understood by its expatriates? What role does the border have in creating or working against familiarity, or belonging? How has the coronavirus pandemic shaped Canadian relationships both locally and with the rest of the world? In recognition of ACSUS's 50 years work, what role do non-governmental agencies around the world play in shaping Canada's relationships with the world? Finally, as a professional organization dedicated to the promotion of Canadian Studies, what is ACSUS's role in these larger questions? Proposals that touch on these themes through diverse and critical perspectives are especially encouraged, though, as always, submissions on all subjects addressing Canada and Canadian-American relations are welcome.

The conference venue is the Hyatt Regency Crystal City, an upscale hotel located minutes from Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport and 4 miles from the White House. Washington D.C. offers a broad range of cultural and social experiences, including some of the nation's most iconic landmarks and museums just a short train ride away. Accommodations are provided at the special ACSUS conference rate of **\$149** (single or double occupancy). For a detailed overview of this property, please see the [Hyatt Regency Crystal City's main website](#).

The conference proposal schedule and registration fees, *which includes a required 2-year ACSUS membership valued at \$120 USD*, are as follows:

- (1) The final date to submit a conference proposal to the [ACSUS website](#) is **November 1, 2021**.
- (2) Confirmations will be sent out to participants by **November 15th, 2021**.
- (3) For individuals who stay at the [Hyatt Regency Crystal City](#), the early conference registration fee is **\$359 before December 1, 2021**. To receive this discounted members' registration rate, individuals must first make a hotel reservation with the Hyatt Regency Crystal City. At the time of [on-line registration](#) for the conference, you will need to enter your assigned hotel confirmation number to secure the reduced registration rate.
- (4) For individuals who stay at the [Hyatt Regency Crystal City](#) and who register **after December 1, 2021**, the registration fee is **\$399**.
- (5) For individuals who opt to stay at a non-conference hotel, registration fees are **\$459**.
- (6) For individuals residing in the greater Washington D.C. region, registration fees are **\$359** before December 1, 2021, and **\$399** after December 1, 2021.
- (7) A one-day registration fee is available at **\$150** for non-members. Accepted presenters who register at the one day rate will be also required to purchase an ACSUS membership at the appropriate fee.

(8) Registration for undergraduate and graduate students is sharply discounted at a rate of **\$125**, which includes a 2-year ACSUS membership.

(9) For individuals who are retired and stay at the Hyatt Regency Crystal City, the registration fees are **\$299 before December 1, 2021**, and **\$339 after December 1, 2021**. For retirees who do not stay at the conference hotel, the registration rate is **\$399**.

NOTE: all registration fees and room rates listed above are in USD. All presenters must register for the conference by **February 21, 2022**; individuals not registered by this date will not be listed in the printed and on-line conference program.

Conference registration refunds will be honored until **March 3, 2022**.

ACSUS has recently added an online access platform to our redesigned website. This platform allows for conference paper/panel submissions and membership registrations. Scholars interested in submitting a proposal for the conference should forward an abstract of not more than 300 words (including a working title), along with a brief vitae (2 pages maximum), to www.acsus.org no later than **November 1, 2021**. Paper presenters must be current ACSUS members in good standing, and submissions from graduate students and exceptional undergraduates are warmly welcomed. Confirmations regarding participation at the conference will be sent out to participants by **November 15, 2021**.

Please see the [ACSUS conference website](#) for up-to-date information on Covid-19 and vaccination requirements.

If you have inquiries, kindly send your questions to the ACSUS conference program chair, Dr. Christina Keppie – keppiec@wwu.edu.

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Washington DC sits on the ancestral lands of the Anacostan (Nacotchtank), Piscataway and Pamunkey peoples. ACSUS is an organization committed to the principles of equity, justice, and diversity and works to ensure meaningful inclusion.