

The challenges of interdisciplinary integration

FHSS Research Symposium, sponsored by the MA-IS Program
Wednesday, September 23 – 9am until 4pm
Athabasca University Edmonton, Peace Hills Trust Tower, Room 1222

Lunch will be available onsite.

There will be a post-symposium social with food and cash bar at Sorrentino's Café on 109 Street, just north of Athabasca University Edmonton.

Teleconference and Adobe Connect will be made available for those who cannot attend physically.

Interdisciplinarity has been a hallmark of FHSS graduate studies since its inception. But our graduate program carries the notion of "integration" in its title. The concept of integration invokes a sense of the socially-embedded nature of research and the results of the learning process – the integration of knowledge production within the academy and between the academy and society at large. We will try to enlarge our understanding of the integrative nature of research and learning at this symposium.

This will be an opportunity to:

- Present research that is ongoing
- Engage in discussion with colleagues on that research
- Reflect upon the meaning of integration in research, both across and within disciplines



I plan to attend the Sept. 23 Research Symposium

First Name

Last Name

Affiliation

E-mail

Phone

Please indicate any dietary restrictions



Submit an abstract

The potential topic areas are open, including but not limited to our focus areas:

*Educational Studies • Community Studies • Work, Organization, and Leadership • Literary Studies
• Global Change • Heritage and Social History • Equity Studies • Canada, the North and the Globe
• Adult Education • Writing and New Media • Cultural Studies*

*Complete descriptions are available on the MA-IS website,
<http://mais.athabascau.ca/specialization/>*

As we collect abstracts, we will create panels on related themes. You should think of the presentation as being roughly 15 minutes in length, so that we have lots of time for discussion. If you have a finished paper, we will make that available to participants, but it is not mandatory to have a paper in order to present. As with our symposium in 2010, this doesn't have to be "finished research". If you are opening up an area of inquiry, this can be an excellent venue for research that is still in the planning stages.

Presentation Title

Name(s) of presenter(s)

Short abstract (150 words maximum)



Participate in our Mini-Lecture

We are going to take volunteers – and recruit – to a panel which will kick-start the symposium with a series of rapid-fire presentations. These can be either:

*a 3-minute mini-lecture or
a “half-PechaKucha” – 10 Powerpoint slides, 20 seconds each*

The topic

INTEGRATE THIS ... An integrated approach suggests that academic research must be integrated with socially-driven questions and concerns. How do we combine this (or can we combine this) with the need for "pure" research, whose social applicability might not be apparent for decades?

I would like to participate in the "mini-lecture"

Yes

No

If you answered "yes", indicate your choice of formats

3-minute mini-lecture

"half-PechaKucha" - 10 powerpoint slides, 20 seconds each



Attend the MA-IS Program Advisory Meeting, Sept. 24

September 24, 9am until 4pm, there will be a MA-IS Program Advisory Meeting. It will also be held at Athabasca University, Edmonton in Room 1222. Lunch will be available onsite. Teleconference and Adobe Connect will be made available for those who cannot attend physically. Let us know if you plan to attend so we can know how much lunch to order.

I plan to attend the MA-IS Program Advisory Meeting, Sept. 24

Yes

No



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by July 31st, 2015*