



# GAC-MAC London 2021

May 17–19, 2021

FIRST CIRCULAR

Exploring Geosciences through Time and Space

Explorer les géosciences à travers le temps et l'espace

## Meeting Location and Dates

The 2021 Joint Annual Meeting of the Geological Association of Canada and the Mineralogical Association of Canada will be held May 17<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> on the campus of The University of Western Ontario (Western) in London, Ontario, Canada.

Established in 1878, Western is considered one of Canada's most beautiful campuses, with large expanses of trees and green space and historic buildings. Join us in London in springtime for this unforgettable experience. An opening reception will be held on the evening of May 16<sup>th</sup> and a variety of short courses and field trips are planned for both before and after the conference.

## Conference Themes

The overall theme for the 2021 GAC-MAC is ***Exploring Geosciences Through Time and Space :: Explorer les géosciences à travers le temps et l'espace***, recognizing the four dimensions of geosciences. Special Sessions, Symposia, Field Trips and Short Courses will be organized around the following 4 themes:

- **Earth and Planetary Systems**
- **Life, Climate and the Environment**
- **Tectonic Processes and Geohazards**
- **Resource Geoscience**

## **Meeting Format and Call for Proposals**

The conference will consist mainly of oral and poster contributions, arranged in thematic special sessions and symposia as well as in General topical sessions. A small number of invited presentations and lectures will also be featured, reflecting the conference themes. The schedule will be organized to promote discussion among meeting participants.

The call for Special Sessions and Symposia along with Field Trips and Short Courses is now open, with the proposal deadline of **September 15, 2020**. In the meantime, please direct preliminary meeting Special Session and Symposia questions and proposals to the Scientific Program Chair (Phil McCausland) and questions and proposals on Field Trips and Short Courses or Workshops to the respective Chairs (Patricia Corcoran and Roberta Flemming), through [gacmac2021@uwo.ca](mailto:gacmac2021@uwo.ca)

## **Local Organizing Committee**

Chair (GAC) Gordon Osinski

Co-Chair (MAC) Roberta Flemming

Finance - Catherine Neish

Communications and Website - Cindy Mora Stock

Science Program - Phil McCausland

Field Trips - Patricia Corcoran

Workshops / Short Courses - Roberta Flemming

Exhibits, Sponsors, Fundraising - Bob Linnen

Venue, Technical Services - Eric Pilles

Abstracts and Registration – Nigel Blamey

Publications and Abstract Volume - Phil McCausland

Outreach and Education - Alysha McNeil

LOC Recording Secretary - Erika Gongora

## **Important Upcoming Dates**

Deadline for Session, Short Course, and Field Trip Proposals	Sept. 15 2020
Call for Abstracts	October 15 2020
Abstract Submission Deadline	January 18 2021
Conference	May 17-19 2021