QUEEN'S CONFERENCE ON PHILANTHROPY



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WHO WE ARE

Since 2008, Queen's Conference on Philanthropy has brought students together from across Canada to educate, inspire, and empower delegates to take action in philanthropy. QCOP, Canada's premier undergraduate philanthropic conference, was started by two Queen's undergraduate students who wanted to help other students realize that everyone is capable of making a difference.

The Conference Theme for QCOP 2018 is: Come Together: United in Change

Change is difficult without the necessary support. Very few individuals can effectively institute change without the help others. Hence, we believe that it is necessary to come together and unite in change. Every small positive change can ripple out and have lasting effects on the outside world. Each change counts and each one forms a chapter in one's own philanthropic journey.

At QCOP, we help delegates discover their philanthropic passion and equip them with tools and resources to help pave their way and in turn, those of others. This year's theme captures the ever changing nature of philanthropy and its function in society. Only through collective action and support will it be possible to effectively drive change and bring innovation to an area so critical to aiding other individuals. Accordingly, delegates will learn to adopt a comprehensive, critical, and reflective lens with which to continue their path in the vast world of philanthropy.

We have the ability to affect and create a meaningful impact, so let's come together and unite in change!

Thank you,
The QCOP 2018 Speakers Team

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WHY BECOME A QCOP SPEAKER

The first undergraduate conference of its type, the Queen's Conference on Philanthropy welcomes a variety of philanthropic individuals each year from various universities across Eastern Canada. Our roster of speakers always includes various professionals who are at the top of their field and making significant contributions to the community at large.

Delegates come from diverse backgrounds and fields, representing faculties such as Commerce, Engineering, Global Development, and Computer Science. Each of them has varying degrees of engagement with philanthropy, from occasional volunteers to founders of successful non-profit organizations. All of them are attending because of their love for humanity and helping others.



QCOP 2017 brought together a distinguished group of individuals in the philanthropic community who shared their ideas and experiences with the next generation of leaders. For QCOP 2018 we would like to invite you to become part of a conference that fosters creative ideas, insightful conversation, and seeks to create an impact. As a speaker you will play a crucial role in defining the memories and inspirations of the delegates for the upcoming Queen's Conference on Philanthropy.

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QCOP SPEAKERS TRAITS



Inspiring

In a room of like-minded individuals it is difficult to not feel amped up. We want to continue this positive energy throughout the conference and by sharing your story we believe this to be possible.

Challenging

Delegates are incredible and talented individuals that are looking to create solutions. By challenging them to step out of their comfort zone and by presenting different perspectives they will be inspired to take action.





Forward-thinking

Reflecting this year's theme of Come Together: United in Change, we hope to create connections between delegates and speakers to show them that it is possible to use their passion to create a better future.



PAST SPEAKERS

Michel Chikwanine

Former Child Soldier / Inspirational Speaker

Michel was raised in the Democratic Republic of Congo during the time of the Great War of Africa. Like many of the children that grew up there during this time, Michel was forced into becoming a child soldier. Today, he is an accomplished inspirational speaker who has shared his story with over 100 000 people across North America. He uses his story to inspire audiences to make a difference in the world through social responsibility and action.





Niels Billou
Co-founder of The Humanos Institute

Neils is an expert on design thinking and innovation in a variety of contexts, including large corporations as well as new ventures. He was part of the founding faculty of the Hasso Plattner Institute School of Design Thinking, helping establish the Schools as one of the leading D-Schools in the world. In 2015, he co-founded The Humanos Institute which is a non profit organization dedicated trying to solve problems faced by the poorest people from around the world.

Alex Deans

Inventor / Artist / Public Speaker / Student

Alex is an 20-year-old serial inventor, artist, and public speaker who has an addiction to all things creative. At age 12, his chance encounter with a visually impaired woman inspired him to develop the iAid, a novel navigation device for the blind. His work on the iAid has taken him from visually impaired communities to winning second place at the Intel International Science and Engineering Fair as a member of Team Canada. The Organization of American States named



the iAid one of the "Top 50 Ideas Worldwide for Technology in Health, Energy, and Medicine". He has been recognised as one of "Canada's Future Leaders under 25" by Maclean's magazine and profiled as a "Top 50 Emerging Leader" by Gen Y Inc.

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WORKSHOPS

Workshops are an integral part of the conference and allow Delegates to enrich their conference experience through hands on involvement. We are seeking workshop leaders with drive and passion that can inspire Delegates based on new outlooks and perspectives in philanthropy.

Previous QCOP workshops have covered topics ranging from personal financial planning to the innovative impact of technology in philanthropy.

Interactive

Our Delegates seek an active role in the conference through their input, participation and contributions. Workshops are designed for Delegates to cater their learning experience by being able to participate, ask questions, and work together with fellow students to stimulate learning.

Applicable

Workshops are meaningful and relate to student involvement. They are applicable to students and allow them to use the tools and lessons learnt during the workshop and apply them to aspects of their daily lives.

Impactful

Workshops invoke and inspire. We hope that the Delegates walk away feeling passionate with the desire to further pursue philanthropy and change their lives for the better. The workshops are meant to be used as an enabler to produce a real life impact, allowing for Delegates to leave an impact on the community.



TESTIMONIALS

Lexi Ewing, past OCOP Exec Member

QCOP holds a very special place in my heart, and has consistently been the weekend where I have learned the most about world issues, innovative solutions, and the power of working towards a common goal. But more than that, QCOP has been the weekend where I have learned the most about myself – which is arguably what makes the conference so special. QCOP provides a space for delegates to explore new passions and discuss issues that may be outside of their comfort zone. The supportive and motivating atmosphere encourages Delegates to enter each conversation with an open-mind, effectively allowing them to learn more, challenge more, and flourish. I have been lucky enough to be a member of the executive for my entire university career, and I have grown to appreciate the conference for its ability to touch the hearts and minds of Delegates. QCOP is the only outlet in Canada for undergraduate students to engage in the world of philanthropy, and to hear speakers who indicate that philanthropy is so much more than giving money – it is giving time, energy, ideas, and passion. QCOP fosters an environment for future leaders to learn that a better world starts with challenging the status quo by considering the impact on others in all you do.

Joanna Perkin, past OCOP Delegate

During my second year of university, I started receiving emails about QCOP. Living in New Brunswick, I wasn't sure how likely it was that I would be able to go. At the last minute, I registered and bought plane tickets, and I haven't regretted it since! For the last three years, I have made irreplaceable friends and heard from absolutely outstanding keynote speakers. Each year, there is a variety of speakers who have shared their stories about how they have succeeded while also making a positive impact in the world. For me, this conference is unlike any other, and the experiences that I have had with other participants, workshop leaders, and even speakers have been truly life-changing.

Michael Bazzocchi, past OCOP workshop speaker

The most impressive aspect of QCOP was that I was able to present to so many passionate young Delegates. Speakers will be pleasantly surprised to find youth interested and engaged in philanthropy and charitable initiatives. Moreover, the conference provides an opportunity for Delegates to learn and engage with the information they receive from the presenters. Through interacting with the delegates at meals and breaks, it was clear that they were engaged by the presentations and were keen to learn more, reflect, and discuss the nuances of various issues - a truly rewarding experience for speakers and Delegates alike.



FAQ

Does OCOP cover accommodation and transportation?

QCOP is a non-profit organization that is completely student-run. All of our funds come from generous sponsors, grants, and other forms of financial aid. We are able to cover transportation and accommodation up to a reasonable level. However, due to our limited budget, we are unable to cover honoraria speaking fees.



How much time do I have to speak as a Keynote Speaker?

The type of presentation that you are allotted will determine the specific speaking timeframe. Keynote Speakers will have approximately 45 to 60 minutes to speak and answer questions. The exact timeframe will be confirmed between you and our Speakers Team.

How much time do I have to speak as a Workshop Facilitator?

All workshops are between 45 to 60 minutes in duration, including speaking and any interactive activities. The exact timeframe will be confirmed between you and our Workshops Team.

Do I have to stay for the full duration of the conference?

While we encourage speakers to stay for the conference, it is not required. We would love for speakers to stay as long as they can, allowing greater opportunities to connect with our passionate delegates, as well as other speakers and sponsors.

Can I bring a guest?

All speakers are welcome to bring a guest!

Are meals included?

All meals will be covered during the conference.

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Is there time available to interact with delegates outside of the speaking time?

There will be ample opportunity to interact with Delegates throughout the conference. Each speaker will be allotted time for any audience questions, but speakers are encouraged to connect with Delegates before and after their speech, during meals, networking slots, or breaks in between activities.

Can my organization be part of the sponsors if I speak?

There are many opportunities to become a QCOP 2018 Sponsor by providing either financial support or in-kind sponsorship such as items for the delegate bags. In order to be classified as a sponsor and receive all the sponsorship benefits your company will need to coordinate with our Sponsorship team (Michael Molnar - Sponsorship Director: michael.molnar@queensu.ca.

What kind of media coverage is happening at OCOP?

Designated photographers will be taking pictures and filming presentations throughout the conference. Photos, videos and delegate testimonials will be available to speakers following the conference.

What technology is available?

Computers can be provided for presentations. Microphones and LCD projectors will be available for presentations throughout the duration of the conference.

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