



not your typical volunteer fair.

Overview and Invitation

Date: Tuesday, January 22nd, 2013

Time: 10:00am-3:00pm

Location: Courtyard, University Centre, University of Guelph

You and your organization have been cordially invited to Student Volunteer Connections' (SVC) Inter(act) & Micro-volunteer Fair at the University of Guelph. This free event showcases the excitement of volunteerism in an interactive zone that features a dynamic array of volunteer-based organizations offering meaningful volunteer placements for students that encourage self-development and provide opportunities to make a difference in the local community.

Organization Entitlement/ Benefits:

- 1 six-foot by three-foot (6' x 3') table (or area if table is not necessary)
- Complimentary light lunch, snacks, and hot/cold beverages
- Free parking at the University (day parking pass, accessible parking available)
- Assistance with carrying, set-up, take-down, and booth-coverage as requested
- Access to prime University campus space for interactive promotion and recruitment
- Access to electrical outlets (limited - first come first serve)
- Opportunity to network with other participating not-for-profit organizations

Organization Expectations:

- Have organization representative at booth from 10:00am-4:00pm (either staff or volunteer)
- Sign in between 9:00-9:45am and have booth set up by 9:45am
- Encourage and promote student volunteerism in an interactive setting
- 96-hour cancellation notice if organization cannot partake due to unforeseen obligations

The registration form must be submitted by **January 11th, 2013**. Registration is on a first come, first serve basis, as booths are limited due to rental costs. For further inquiries or questions please contact Ian Shaule, Projects Coordinator at projects@dosomuch.ca or 519-824-4120 ext. 58104.

We look forward to having you at this year's Inter(act) and Micro-volunteering Fair!

All the best,

Student Volunteer Connections (SVC) & Campus Ubuntu

This year the Inter(act) Fair will also have a **transferable skills** component.

For more information please go to *page 3*.



What is new at this year's Inter(act) Fair?

Campus Ubuntu and **SVC** are partnering to bring you this year's Inter(act) and Micro-volunteer Fair with help from **Co-operative Education and Career Services** because we love **collaboration!**

Campus Ubuntu

"A person is a person through other people." These words by Nelson Mandela describe a way of being called 'ubuntu' among the Zulu people of South Africa. Ubuntu is the recognition of our connectedness to each other and to all of the earth. It goes beyond existing as a community and instead goes deeper into understanding that we are all beings that need each other and need to learn from each other. At the heart of *Campus Ubuntu* is a deep and abiding care for each other, which is also at the heart of volunteerism.

Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/groups/campusubuntu/>



Student Volunteer Connections (SVC)

As Canada's first & only incorporated student volunteer centre, *Student Volunteer Connections* works to ignite, educate, & foster University of Guelph students through the world of volunteerism. *Student Volunteer Connections* strives to promote positive social action for the purpose of building skills, passions, and most of all, community.

Website: <http://dosomuch.ca>

Facebook: Student Volunteer Connections

Twitter: @svc_dosomuch





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Transferable Skills

Knowing that the student experience is constantly changing and they are now looking to their volunteer placements to help shape their personal and professional lives it is an important process for volunteers and volunteer organizations to recognize what skills they help develop through their volunteer opportunities. These transferable skills are an integral part of any volunteers' cycle of growth and can help your organization in volunteer recruitment. These skills can range from developing communication skills to building confidence to providing an opportunity for a volunteer to gain experience in event management. Transferable skills are characterized as either **hard** or **soft skills** and are an invaluable component in the emerging volunteer and employment markets. One thing that SVC would like each organization to do would be to compile a list of between 3-5 terms or skills that will then be displayed at each of your booths.

Do not hesitate to contact us if you need help creating this list! Have fun with it!

Hard skills are specific and sometimes technical skills that are typically discussed when talking about transferable skills. These include, but are not limited to, data monitoring and evaluation, homecare, public speaking, and driving vehicles.

Soft skills, or "people skills", are the qualities and strengths that are specific to an individual and are often complementary to the hard skills. These include, but are not limited to, time management, inter-personal communication, leadership, and stress management.

Do you want to **register** for the fair?

Please click the following link to access and submit your [application form](#).

Registration is on a first come, first serve basis as booths are limited...
so don't delay, **register today!**

The final date to submit an application is **January 11th at 4:30pm**.

We look forward to seeing you in January!