



CIRQUE

Conference on Industry and Resource

Queen's University Engineering

SPEAKERS PACKAGE



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It is our pleasure to invite you to the annual Conference on Industry and Resources: Queen's University Engineering (CIRQUE), taking place in Kingston,

Now in its 35th year, CIRQUE has upheld a tradition of connecting motivated and intelligent engineering students with compelling speakers representing a broad spectrum of modern industry and business. In this package you will find information about the goals and ambitions of this year's conference.

CIRQUE 2018 has chosen the theme "Limitless: Exploring Your Passions Through Diverse Career Paths" to both show delegates the endless possibilities an engineering degree can bring, while also helping participants expand themselves professionally. Following the tradition of past CIRQUE conferences, we are attempting to find the most diverse group of speakers possible. This is done in an effort to demonstrate the versatility of the engineering degree, and allow current engineering students to explore the broad range of possible careers. CIRQUE will take place on February 2nd and 3rd, 2018 in Kingston, Ontario.



CIRQUE'S GOALS

- Expose current engineering students to a variety of career options
- Help delegates grow professionally through interactive workshops
- Stimulate discussion and exploration of current issues in the engineering profession
- Provide networking and career possibilities to current engineering students
- Connect engineering companies with motivated and intelligent engineering students
- Promote the Queen's University Engineering program in the professional community

If you have any questions, concerns or need further information about the conference, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Thank you,
The CIRQUE Team

CIRQUE seeks to help tomorrow's leaders understand opportunities for engineers beyond traditional roles. The theme for this year's conference is "Limitless: Exploring Your Passions Through Diverse Career Paths."

ABOUT US



CIRQUE is a student-orchestrated conference that provides a unique experience for intellectual and motivated student delegates to gain valuable insight from engineering graduates on the multitude of career options available in the industry. By way of personal interaction, workshops, and presentations given by dynamic professionals, engineering students are able to broaden their view on postgraduate opportunities.

CIRQUE presents the optimal platform for undergraduate engineering students to discuss with engineering graduates their potential in open forum. This is done by providing a wide array of industry leaders as speakers in a variety of specializations such as consulting, research and design, entrepreneurial work, finance, politics, medicine, law and teaching.

The networking opportunities, speaker sessions, workshops and specialized career fair will benefit many student delegates at CIRQUE 2018. Simultaneously, the conference promotes discussion on current topics of interest within the engineering industry and their relation to upcoming job opportunities.

OUR VISION

CIRQUE focuses on the adaptability and responsibility associated with an engineering degree, while also exposing students to a variety of career options. CIRQUE also seeks to help tomorrow's leaders understand issues and fields above and beyond traditional roles, showing them how an engineering degree opens doors to opportunities outside the engineering world. Fittingly, the theme for this year's conference is "Limitless: Exploring Your Passions Through Diverse Career Paths". This theme is two-fold in that CIRQUE 2018 has the goal of exposing delegates to the multitude of opportunities available upon graduation, while also giving participants the chance to learn and grow through interactive workshops.



THE EVENT

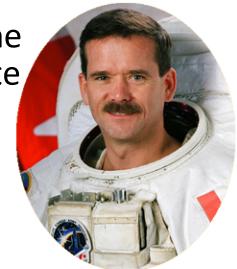
CIRQUE 2018 will take place on the weekend on February 2nd and 3rd, beginning on Friday evening and continuing all day Saturday. The weekend will include presentations from speakers as well as workshops during smaller seminar breakouts. There will also be an interactive career fair, where sponsors can send products or personnel to promote their companies. Delegates will have many opportunities to ask questions and exchange ideas over the duration of the conference. Networking is highly encouraged among delegates, sponsors and speakers during formal question periods, social events and the two formal dinners.



PAST SPEAKERS

Col. Chris Hadfield (Astronaut, Canadian Space Agency)

Col. Chris Hadfield received a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering at the Royal Military College in Kingston, Ontario in 1982 and conducted post-graduate research at the University of Waterloo, Ontario in 1982. He later received a Master of Science in aviation systems at the University of Tennessee in 1992. By the early 1990s, Hadfield had flown more than 70 different kinds of aircraft and earned a name for himself within both Canadian and American military circles.



In 1992, Hadfield was chosen from 5330 applicants to become one of four new Canadian astronauts. Stationed at NASA's Johnson Space Agency in Houston, Texas, by the Canadian Space Agency, Hadfield quickly became an integral member of both countries' space programs. In 1995, he was the first Canadian to operate the Canadarm, the first Canadian to walk in space, and in December of 2012, Hadfield became the first Canadian to command the International Space Station. In June of 2013, he announced he would retire from the CSA to take up new challenges.

Stephen Gunn (Co-founder, Chairman and CEO of Sleep Country Canada)



Stephen Gunn is the co-founder, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Sleep Country Canada. Prior to founding Sleep Country in 1994, he co-founded and was the President of Kenrick Capital, a private equity firm. He was a management consultant with McKinsey & Co. from 1981 to 1987. Mr. Gunn is a member of the Board of Directors of Dollarama, Golf Town, Cara Operations and Mastermind Toys. He obtained an honours Bachelor of Science degree in Electrical Engineering from Queen's University and an MBA from the University of Western Ontario.

David Wallace (MIT Professor)

Professor Wallace has a background in both engineering and industrial design. He is both a researcher and teacher, focusing on innovative, socially responsible product design ranging from computational tools and processes that increase the likelihood of successful innovation, to skills and techniques for improving creativity. His goals are to develop new methods for product development as well as help to inspire the next generation of engineering innovators.



CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

The schedule for CIRQUE 2018 is still being finalized but will follow a similar format to the one below.

Time	Event	Location
Friday Evening 4:00 - 5:30 5:30 - 5:45 5:45 - 6:45 6:45 - 8:00 8:00 - 9:15 9:15 - 9:45 9:45 - 11:00	Friday Evening Registration, Networking Opening Remarks Opening Speaker Dinner Friday Keynote Speaker Closing Remarks Social	Friday Evening Lobby Area Conference Hall Conference Hall Conference Hall Location TBD
Saturday 8:30 - 9:30 9:30 - 10:30 10:45 - 11:30 11:30 - 12:30 12:30 - 1:30 1:30 - 2:15 2:15- 3:15 3:30- 4:30 4:30 - 5:30 5:30 - 6:45 6:45 - 8:00 8:00 - 9:15 9:45 - 11:00	Saturday Breakfast Speaker Workshop A Workshop B Lunch Speaker Panel / Q&A Workshop C Dynamic Workshop Saturday Keynote Speaker Dinner Closing Speaker Social	Saturday Conference Hall Conference Hall Conference Hall Conference Hall Conference Hall Conference Hall Conference Hall Conference Hall Conference Hall Conference Hall Location TBD



CONTACT US

CIRQUE 2018 is looking for interesting speakers with experience in various fields, such as consulting, politics, research and design, entrepreneurial work, finance, medicine, law and teaching, to demonstrate to students the versatility of an engineering degree. Thanks to your unique career path and past experiences, we believe you would be a great speaker for CIRQUE 2018. Please contact us if you have any questions or comments. We look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards,

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