

## Calling all students!

Are you a graduate student in Ontario with an exciting project focussed on conservation, sustainability or climate change? **The 30th annual Latornell Conservation Symposium** is excited to invite you to take part in this year's event! Canada's largest gathering of environmental and conservation sector specialists will be returning for a 2-day, in-person event on Oct 23rd - 24th at the Royal Botanical Gardens in Burlington, Ontario – and we're looking for student moderators and poster submissions!

Under the theme of '**Changing Climates: Our Watershed Moment**', speakers from the public, private and academic sectors have been invited to lead sessions in areas related to Nature Based Solutions and Restoration, Program Transformation and Governance, BIPOC lead projects, and we're looking for **student moderators** to help guide and manage speakers, and **student poster** submissions to present alongside our speakers!

### *Poster Submissions*

Student Posters should outline current / ongoing, or completed research in the field of environmental conservation or natural heritage management, formatted as 1-page visual representations of your research project. 10 posters will be selected and displayed in-person at the conference, and posted on the Latornell website ahead of the event, offering presenters a forum to discuss their research with professionals, potential employers, and researchers in similar fields. Poster's will be reviewed and voted on by guests and panel members for a chance to win up to \$500 in cash prizes.

### *Moderator Submissions*

Student Moderators will help to manage workshops, sessions, ensure speakers stay within their time limits, mediate Q+As, and provide support throughout the event. Moderators will be assigned to 2 sessions (totalling a half a day of assistance) with the freedom to attend sessions and workshops throughout the remainder of the conference. In addition to public speaking and presentation experience, moderators will have the chance to meet academics and professionals in the field of conservation, environmentalism and public policy, growing their networks and learning from experts in their fields!

### **Pricing and Applications**

Student **poster** presenters will be offered a discounted student price of \$75 for registration. Student **moderators** will be offered free registration as compensation for their support.

For more information about Latornell and to apply, please visit **Latornell.ca and submit your application before Sept 13.**

### **Key Dates**

- Sept 13: Application closes
- Sept 20: Successful applicants notified
- Oct 11: Moderator pre-symposium training
- Oct 16: Digital copy of Posters due
- Oct 23-24: Latornell Conservation Symposium

Please contact Charlotte Potter (potterc@uoguelph.ca) with any questions prior to submitting your poster abstract presentation