Carleton University's Faculty of Engineering and Design is pleased to announce it will host a FIRST Robotics Competition District Event, in partnership with FIRST Robotics Canada.
SCHEDULED TO RUN FROM MARCH 13-15, 2020, MORE THAN 800 HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS, PARENTS, VOLUNTEERS, JUDGES AND MENTORS ARE EXPECTED TO VISIT CARLETON UNIVERSITY.

Never before has a FIRST Robotics Competition District Event been held in Eastern Ontario.

We invite you to join us as we rise to the challenge and begin to grow this network of talented, engaged youth who are passionate leaders, problem solvers, and team players. Teams of high school students from across Ontario, along with their robots, will compete in an epic challenge that combines sport, science, and teamwork while providing real-world engineering experience.

INSPRING A NEW GENERATION OF INNOVATORS

This 2019-2020 season, Lucasfilm and parent company Disney are excited to team up with FIRST to inspire the next generation of heroes and innovators as part of the Star Wars: Force for Change philanthropic initiative.

FIRST RISE℠, powered by Star Wars: Force for Change, is setting out to inspire citizens of the galaxy to work together, strengthening and protecting the Force that binds us and creating a place where collaboration and collective wisdom can elevate new ideas and foster growth.
WHAT’S IN IT FOR YOUR ORGANIZATION?

Participation in FIRST Robotics competitions has been shown to significantly increase students’ understanding of science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) and interest in STEM careers.

• **MEET YOUR ORGANIZATION’S GOALS** for community engagement by investing in tomorrow’s leaders

• **INCREASE EMPLOYEE SATISFACTION** through judging and volunteer opportunities

• **BUILD BRAND AWARENESS** through naming opportunities, logo placement, interactions with participants, social media, and distribution of promotional products

• **SHARE YOUR VISION AND INSPIRE YOUR FUTURE WORKFORCE** through speaking opportunities
ABOUT FIRST

FIRST (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology) is a non-profit organization encouraging kids in science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM).

FIRST is More Than RobotsSM. FIRST participation is proven to encourage students to pursue education and careers in STEM-related fields and inspire them to become leaders and innovators.

Through FIRST, students develop valuable, real-world skills in problem solving, innovation, leadership and teamwork as well as design, manufacturing, programming and testing, applicable to all career choices and outcomes.

FIRST’s programs reach 300,000 students in 70 countries. FIRST Robotics Canada, a Canadian non-profit started in 2002, now reaches 20,000 Canadian students.

ABOUT CARLETON’S FACULTY OF ENGINEERING AND DESIGN

Carleton University’s Faculty of Engineering and Design is highly dedicated to the support of youth learning initiatives in STEM and is strongly committed to fostering innovation and creativity among youths of all ages. Over the past 25 years, we have helped equip more than 30,000 youths in the National Capital Region with the skills needed to shape the future through specialized programming offered by our nationally acclaimed not-for-profit outreach organization, Virtual Ventures.

Recognized as a leader in Canada and beyond and offering one of the most diverse ranges of engineering, architecture, industrial design, and information technology programs in the country, Carleton’s Faculty of Engineering and Design emphasizes the value of real-world experiential learning – providing unique opportunities that help prepare the leaders of tomorrow for rewarding careers in STEM.

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