

Final Agenda
Theme: “Connections (and Disconnections)”

ANNUAL MEETING

NORTHEASTERN ASSOCIATION OF GRADUATE SCHOOLS

Westin Nova Scotian, Halifax, Nova Scotia

Thursday, April 19, 2012

- 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. **Pre-Meeting Workshop on Professional Science Master’s Degrees**
Presenters: Sally Francis, Council of Graduate Schools; Susan Horton, University of Waterloo; David King, SUNY/Oswego
- 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. **Registration**
Scott Delcourt, Secretary-Treasurer
- 1:00 p.m. **Welcome**
Kevin Vessey, President
- 1:15 p.m. - 2:45 p.m. **Plenary Session I – “Connections and Disconnections in Interdisciplinary Graduate Studies”**
Presenters: Edward Biden, University of New Brunswick; Richard Vogel, Tufts University; W. Jeffrey Welsh, University of Scranton
Moderator: Cari Moorhead and Lynne Pepall
- 3:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. **Plenary Session II – “Added Value: Professional Skills Development for Graduate Students and Postdocs”**
Presenters: Laurie Lamoureux-Scholes, Concordia University; Laura Lindenfeld, University of Maine; Jesse Vincent-Herscovici, MITACS
Moderator: Graham Carr
- 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. **Reception/ Opening Banquet**

Friday, April 20, 2012

- 8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. **Sponsored Informational Breakfast – Educational Testing Service**
- 8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. **Executive Committee Breakfast**
- 9:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. **Plenary Session III – “Opportunities and Challenges of Increased International Graduate Student Enrollments”**
Presenters: Ellen Badger, Binghamton University; Blanca Ramos, University of Albany
Moderators: Jon Bartow and Harvey Waterman

- 10:30 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. **Plenary Session IV** – “Re-drawing the Graduate School Circle to Include Postdocs”
Presenters: Lisa Kozlowski, Thomas Jefferson University; Joan Norris, Wilfrid Laurier University; Christopher So, Thomas Jefferson University
Moderator: Carol Beck
- 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. **Awards Luncheon**
Graduate Teaching Award (Masters-level)
Presented by: James Schaefer
Graduate Teaching Award (Doctoral-level)
Presented by:
Geoffrey Marshall Mentoring Award
Presented by:
Dissertation Award
Presented by:
Master’s Thesis Award
Presented by: Elizabeth Kenney
ETS Graduate Innovation Award
Presented by: Bernadette Donovan
- 2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. **Plenary Session V** – “Blog This, Tweet That, and, Facebook too !?&?*!\$: A Strategic, Hands-on Look at New Communication Tools for Graduate Schools” *(We would invite participants to bring a laptop/iPad, cell phone or equivalent to the session so that we can do some live tweeting and browsing.)*
Presenter: Caitlin Kealey, Carleton University
Moderator: Noreen Golfman
- 3:45 p.m. – 5:15 p.m. **Plenary Session VI** – "Bridging the Disconnect: First Generation Graduate Students and Academic Culture"
Presenters: Jan Allen, Columbia University; Darice Birge, Columbia University
Moderator: Elizabeth Kenney
- 7:00 p.m. **Evening on the Town**
- Saturday, April 21, 2012**
- 8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. **Continental Breakfast**
- 9:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. **NAGS Business Meeting**
- 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. **Finding the Answers – World Café (focus on issues raised at meeting)**
- 11:30 a.m. **Closing Remarks**
Harvey Waterman, President-Elect