

# The Rise of Radicalism

**Radical  
Politics,  
Policies,  
Pedagogies &  
Innovations**

 PETER A. ALLARD SCHOOL OF LAW  
GRADUATE PROGRAM

**May 2 & 3, 2024**

## ***Call for Abstracts!***

Peter A. Allard School of Law at the University of British Columbia (UBC) is proud to invite graduate students from all disciplines to participate in the 25th UBC Interdisciplinary Legal Studies Graduate Conference to be held on May 2-3, 2024, in Vancouver, BC.

We extend our gratitude to the Musqueam, Tsleil-Waututh, and Squamish Nations, upon whose land we gather, learn, and exchange ideas. We recognize the enduring connection these Indigenous communities have to this territory, which precedes the establishment of this conference and the university itself.

The Conference provides graduate students and junior scholars with an opportunity to showcase their research, discuss ideas, receive feedback on works in progress, and network with peers.

The aftermath of COVID-19 has resulted in an increase in global turbulence. It is in that spirit that we invite abstracts from any discipline that aligns with the conference theme, *The Rise of Radicalism*. The theme should be interpreted broadly.

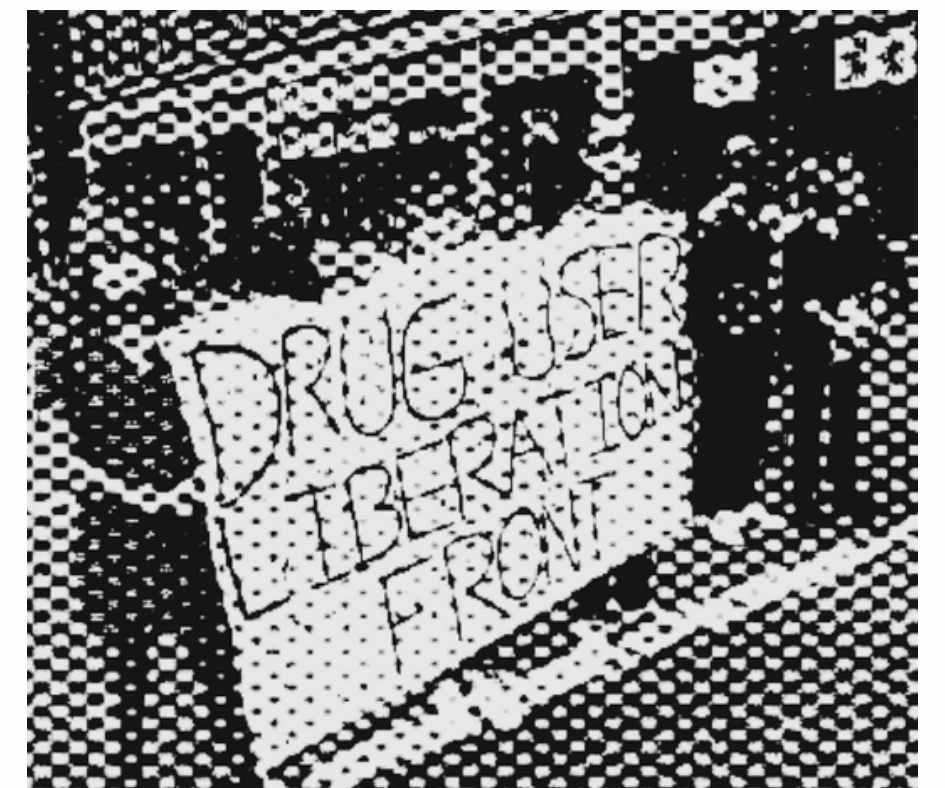
Globally, we continue to confront extremely complex challenges—ranging from political radicalism, substance abuse and addiction, to an increase in economic destabilization and ever-growing financial inequality—all of which have grave human implications.



Envisioning how radical interventions (in policy, pedagogy, and innovation) respond to global challenges will help us forge creative solutions to increasingly complex social problems.

Abstracts may be on any topic. We strongly encourage innovative thought and research. Read on for a non-exhaustive list of suggested topic areas, including:

- Criminal law, criminalization, criminal justice, abolition, penal reform
- Environmental law, climate justice, climate emergency, food resiliency
- Feminist theory, queer theory, critical race theory, intersectionalities, and coalitional spaces
- Indigenous law and theory, anti-colonial studies, TWAIL
- Law and economics
- Law and literature, law and the humanities, language and the law
- Law and public health
- Law and public policy
- Private law, ESG principles, business and human rights
- Public international law, transnational law, human rights
- Social justice, movement lawyering, advocacy and the law
- Socio-legal studies
- Technology and the law



We also welcome abstracts that engage with innovative research methods, such as visual methodologies, participatory approaches, arts-based methods, ethnographic fieldwork, online or digital research, mixed qualitative/quantitative approaches, comparative legal methods, and socio-legal methods.

Embracing the theme of *The Rise of Radicalism*, we also invite submissions from applicants who wish to present in a format other than a paper panel, such as through film, visual art, an interactive workshop, or a poster presentation. Please indicate along with your abstract how you intend to present your work.

We welcome submissions from current graduate students and junior scholars (no more than three years post-graduation). Submissions from JD or LLB students may also be considered.

## Submissions

Submissions should include:

- title of the paper or project,
- a 250-word abstract in English,
- the author's name,
- email address,
- institutional affiliation, and
- an up-to-date CV.

Please send submissions to [ILSconference@gss.ubc.ca](mailto:ILSconference@gss.ubc.ca) with the subject line "Submission\_[First Name]\_[Last Name]" by *February 1st, 2024*.

Please combine your paper abstract and CV into one file for submission.

Please ensure that your attached document conforms to the file name convention: "[First Name]\_[Last Name]."

Applicants will be notified via email if they have been offered a place at the conference by February 20, 2024. Successful applicants must register and pay the \$125 (CAD) conference registration fee by March 11, 2024. Those who wish to attend the optional welcome dinner on the evening of May 2, 2024, must also pay an additional \$75 (CAD) at the time of registration.

## Financial Support

We aspire to be in a position to offer limited financial support toward the conference registration fee to graduate students who would otherwise be unable to attend due to financial constraints. Resources are exceptionally limited; any offers of financial support will depend on available funding.

To be considered for the registration fee credit, please include a maximum 250-word personal statement explaining why you need this support. Funding statements should be included with your submission material and will be assessed based on financial need, conference contribution and available funding. Successful applicants will be notified by April 8, 2024.

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