

BUILDING BRIDGES, PUTTING UP WALLS

2nd Graduate Student Conference

University of Alberta (Edmonton)

General informations:

The graduate students of the Dept. of Modern Languages and Cultural Studies: Germanic, Romanic, Slavic at the Univ. of Alberta in Edmonton, Canada, invite proposals for their 2nd Graduate Student Conference. Conference theme is *Building Bridges, Putting up Walls* in language teaching, literature, translation studies, cultural studies and communication, folklore, linguistics, anthropology, political science, sociology, and other applicable fields.

Date: March 7-8, 2003.

Place: Univ. of Alberta, 200 Arts Building, Edmonton, AB, T6G 2E6, Canada.

Deadline for submission: January 10, 2003.

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The last few decades have seen significant political, social and cultural changes throughout the world. New information technology has facilitated contact between distant peoples and cultures and provided for a more accessible medium for exchanging thoughts and ideas. In some situations, however, the decreased distance between cultures has also given way to tension and misunderstanding. This conference invites papers that deal with the question of how recent changes have affected different intercultural relations and whether these changes are influential in the bridging or distancing of peoples and cultures.

Papers may be given in English or French and should be no longer than 20 minutes (approximately 10 pages double-spaced). Proposals should be sent to the conference committee by e-mail or by regular mail by January 10, 2003. Proposals should be no more than 250 words in length, single-spaced.

Anna Chilewska – Conference Chair

Christine Delling, Robin Coogan, Diana Rattai – Conference Committee