

McMASTER UNIVERSITY GRADUATE CONFERENCE: RELIGION AND LAW

Celebrating the 50th Anniversary
of the Religious Studies Graduate Program at
McMaster University

The topic of the conference will be “**Religion and Law**,” the study of which has long been a strength of the department. Religion and law are often considered to be distinct subjects of academic inquiry, yet religious communities attest to a continuing dialogue between the two spheres.

We invite papers that will help us to explore the various dynamics of this interaction as they present themselves within communities of disparate eras and locales.

We invite both individual papers and panel submissions. Papers may address, but need not be limited to, the following sub-topics:

- law and morality
- human rights
- reception and the history of interpretation
- secularity and secularization
- material culture
- law and sexuality
- natural law, natural right
- law and identity-formation
- ritual law
- jurisprudence
- coercion and disobedience
- law and gender
- canon law
- monastic law

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Current graduate students and post-doctoral fellows are invited to submit a 350-word abstract and an academic CV by July 1, 2015 to rsgradconf@mcmaster.ca

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