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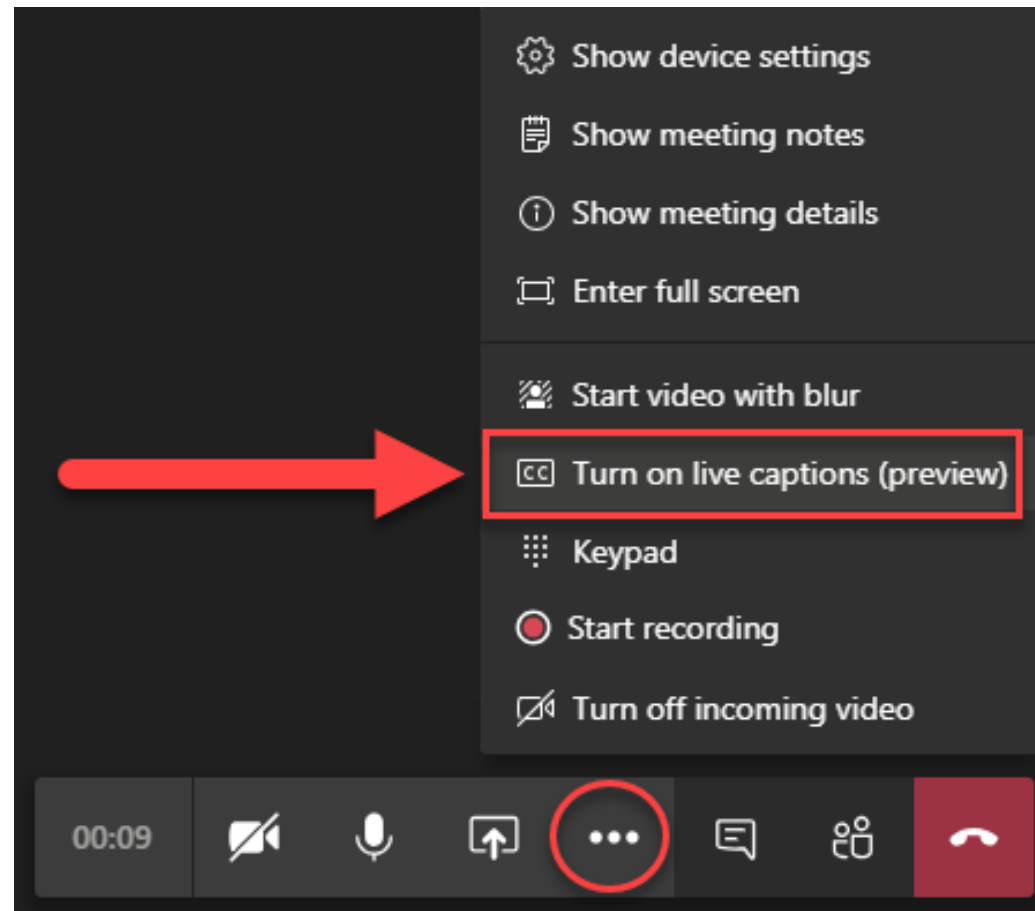
RSC College of New Scholars, Artists, and Scientists

October 29, 2020 10:30 – 11:30

WELCOME

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LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We wish to acknowledge this land on which the University of Toronto operates.

For thousands of years it has been the traditional land of the Huron-Wendat, the Seneca, and most recently, the Mississaugas of the Credit River.

Today, this meeting place is still the home to many Indigenous people from across Turtle Island and we are grateful to have the opportunity to work on this land.

Moderator

Daniel Harney

Manager, University Awards & Honours

Speakers

Bernie Kraatz

Professor & Vice-Principal Research UTSC
Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada

Mark Lautens

University Professor, Fellow Trinity College
Senior Fellow Massey College
J. Bryan Jones Distinguished Professor

Today's Session

Agenda:

- Opening Remarks from Moderator & Panelists

- Q & A Session with Audience

Learning Outcomes:

- Identify benefits of applying to become a member of the RSC College

- Learn tips on how to prepare a winning nomination package

- Understand how the adjudication process works, and how to make your nomination stand out

Components of an RSC College Nomination

- A cover letter from the nominator (1 page)

- Citation (maximum 70 words)

- Detailed Appraisal (maximum 1200 words)

- Candidate's Statement (maximum 500 words)

- Two letters of reference (maximum 750 words)

- A brief biography of each referee (maximum 250 words)

- A CV (maximum 10 pages)

Tips for Developing a Strong RSC College Nomination

- With your divisional awards coordinator, draft the **Detailed Appraisal** (1200 words max.) prior to sending it to your nominator.
  - Use structuring elements like bold and subheadings.
  - Write in non-technical language for a multidisciplinary audience.

- At least a month before the deadline, provide your writers with **two letters of reference** with your CV and bullet points for suggested achievements to include.
  - Use action/result statements: "She developed a new theory which resulted in XXX," or "She developed a product that changed XYZ.

- In the **Candidate's Statement** (500 words max.), discuss two outreach/impact activities resulting from your research
  - Use quantitative data to address your claims, if possible.

Reminder – Key Dates and Resources

- **December 1, 2020:** Deadline for submitting nominations to the RSC College of New Scholars, Artists, and Scientists.
- **Components of a Nomination:** https://rsc-src.ca/en/college-members/college-nominations
- **RSC Frequently Asked Questions:** https://rsc-src.ca/en/fellows/nominations-0/faq
- **U of T VPRI Award Nomination Tips:** https://research.utoronto.ca/honours-awards/award-nomination-tips-resources
- **Divisional Award Coordinators Contacts:** https://research.utoronto.ca/honours-awards/divisional-honours-awards-coordinators

Primary Nominator letter – from a FRSC

Co-nominator letters (form letter)

Citation (**70 words – two official languages**)

Detailed appraisal (**describe your achievements to a non-specialist audience of scholars**)

Referee letters (**max 3 pages – from well renowned scholars – need to use language of excellence)** - at UTSC, we are using an iterative process going back and forth between referee and OVPRI

biographical sketches (**1⁄ 4 page**)

CV (**max 50 pages – sell yourself**)

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Your package is received at the RSC office in Ottawa... then goes to evaluation committee...

An evaluation committee representing your academy reads and scores and compares to other nominations. Committee memberships are posted.

https://rsc-src.ca/en/academy-science-processes-and-2021-committees

Mathematical and Physical Sciences

	Member	Institution
Chair	Bruce Gaulin	McMaster University
	Christian Genest	McGill University
	Bernie Kraatz	University of Toronto
	Bruce Lennox	McGill University
	Renée Miller	Northwestern University
	Gail Murphy	The University of British Columbia
	Julio Navarro	University of Victoria
	Luc Vinet	Université de Montréal

broad range of expertise

The evaluation committee forwards the strongest nominations to all fellows of the specific academy for voting.

What sets you apart from other nominations?

Key are YOUR detailed appraisal, YOUR CV, and letters from referees.

Presenting information in your detailed appraisal that allow the committee to gauge your standing within your area of academic expertise is important.

Letters from referees need to be specific. The referee needs to be someone with a significant standing within your academic community – someone on the top of her game, major award winners, people of influence…)

Get started early…

Read the instructions / Know the rules and regulations (e.g. space/word limits)

Understand the pieces that are needed

There are undoubtedly people around you with different strengths and experiences. Use them!

Pass around drafts and solicit feedback/advice.

Talk to your research office in your division/campus.

Q & A – How to ask questions

Please use the Chat:

- Click on the icon in the bottom menu to bring up the Meeting Chat pop-out window.

- Type your question and hit Enter on your keyboard or click the button to submit.

- We will **not** be using the "Raise your hand" feature.

- *Please note: You may be asked to Unmute to clarify your question.*

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Creating an Engaging Online Research Conference Experience

Nov. 17, 2020 10:30am – 12pm

Making & Sustaining the Pivot

Adapting Your Reseach During COVID-19 and Beyond

Webinar Series

Tues. Nov. 17, 2020
10:30AM-12:00PM

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https://cris.eve.utoronto.ca/home/events/772

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UPCOMING EVENT:

Let's Talk International Partnerships

Next session:

Nov. 26, 2020 12 pm – 1 pm

https://cris.utoronto.ca/recurring/international-chats/