

## **CAGONT Annual Report 2021**

The Canadian Association of Geographers - Ontario Division (CAGONT) held its Annual Meeting at Western University from November 12-13, 2021.

## Numbers of note:

- 3 Special Panels
- 1 Workshop
- 1 Trivia Event
- 9 Regular Sessions based on submitted abstracts
- 5 Special Sessions organized by individuals
- 2 Thesis proposal sessions
- 7 posters
- Submissions: 64 oral presentations, 13 thesis proposal presentations
- Conference Registrants: 174 (93 students)
- Special Panel 'public' registrants: 57
- Workshop 'public' registrants: 70

A huge thank you on behalf of the CAGONT Executive to Haley Everitt, James Voogt, David Goldblum and the entire Geography & Environment department at Western University that made the conference a tremendous success.

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Student Awards - the CAGONT Executive has decided to replace the Student Paper Awards with Student Presentation Awards starting at CAGONT 2022.

The Executive Committee would like to encourage members to consider nominating individuals for the <u>Service to Ontario Geography Award</u>. The recipient this year was **Wayne Forsythe** (Toronto Metropolitan University). Please consider making a nomination for the 2022 award.

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The CAGONT Annual General Meeting (AGM) was held on October 26, 2019. Some terms on the Executive Committee came to an end and elections were held. The executive currently consists of the following members:

- Joseph Aversa, Toronto Metropolitan University, President (2021-2023)
- Evan Cleave, Toronto Metropolitan University, Vice President (2021-2023)
- Susan Elliot, University of Waterloo, Past-President (2021-2022)
- Francesca Cardwell, University of Waterloo, Treasurer (2021-2023)
- Jesse Sutton, Western University, Secretary (2021-2023)
- Haley Everitt, Western University, Student Representative (2021-2023)
- **James Voogt, Western University,** Representative from the department that held the previous CAGONT Annual Meeting (2021-2022)

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The former Treasurer, **Evan Cleave, Toronto Metropolitan University** provided the following financial information.

 Total balance from previous year (October 2020): \$11447.47; end of year (October 2021) balance of \$12072.47

Expenses incurred included:

- 12 students x \$50 in CAGONT travel support 2019
- 15 x \$25 student travel support for CAG 2020
- 3 students x \$200 in poster winners at CAGONT 2019
- 1078.83 in executive travel for CAGONT 2019

For the CAGONT 2022 Annual Meeting, funding will be made available for students from Ontario educational institutions to defer the costs associated with attending (normally \$50 per student). Guidelines are established each year and are published on the pertinent Annual Meeting website. To be eligible, students must be members of the Canadian Association of Geographers in the year that the meeting is held and must present at the Annual Meeting.

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The CAGONT 2022 Annual Meeting was never held, due to difficulty finding a venue.

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Thank you to the membership for another great year.

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