

# GIS in Education and Research Conference

October 16, 2025 | Hart House, University of Toronto

## Call for Submissions – Virtual Map Gallery

We welcome submissions from students, instructors, researchers and support staff for display during and after the sixth biennial **GIS in Education and Research Conference**.

The theme for this year's conference is **GIS Across Disciplines**, recognizing that GIS and associated geospatial technologies have expanded beyond their traditional fields and are being used to help address some of society's most important issues. We encourage submissions related to education, environment, health, hazards, transportation, urban planning, and other themes.

## Eligible Formats and Format Requirements

- **Static maps and research posters**
  - **Landscape** orientation, **16:9 ratio**
  - Must include **title, legend, scale bar, credits and north arrow** (if relevant)
  - Files may be **.pdf, .png, or .jpg**
  - Maximum file size **20 MB**
- **ArcGIS StoryMap**
  - Must include **at least one map**
  - Sharing level must be **Everyone (public)**
  - Item overview page must include summary, description and terms of use
- **ArcGIS Dashboard**
  - Must include **a map**
  - Sharing level must be **Everyone (public)**
  - Item overview page must include summary, description and terms of use

Videos, animations and interactive 3D scenes are not eligible for submission.

## Submission Process

All submissions must be received through the survey form <https://arcg.is/1Gezji0> by **11:59 p.m. EDT Wednesday, October 8, 2025**.

## Required Information

- **Name, education institution or organization, and email address**
- **Brief description**, approximately 100-150 words/maximum 1000 characters including spaces
- **File upload or application link**
- **Type of submission** (Analytical Map, Thematic Map, Reference Map, Story Map, Dashboard, or Poster)
- **Technologies used** to produce the submission (ArcGIS, other commercial software, open source software)
- **Theme** (Education, Environment, Health, Hazards, Transportation, Urban Planning, or Other)
- **Consent for Esri Canada to display the submission** at and after the conference in a virtual map gallery and to keep a copy of the submission in the conference archive.

## Review Process

Submissions will be checked for format compliance only.

No review of the research methodology or results will be conducted. However, participants may request to receive feedback on the cartographic and design aspects of their submission through the submission form.

## Display and Archiving

The virtual map gallery will be displayed on monitors and screens at Hart House during the conference on October 16, accessible by conference attendees through QR codes, and will be shared after the conference through the conference proceedings page.

Copies of static maps and posters will be archived with other conference documents in Esri Canada's internal network. Story maps may be exported as pdfs for archiving purposes.

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