

# CALL FOR PAPERS

## 2012 ALTERNATIVE ACCOUNTS CONFERENCE

École de comptabilité, Université Laval, Québec City  
Friday April 27<sup>th</sup> and Saturday April 28<sup>th</sup> 2012

Since the beginning of the 1980s, the field of accounting research has become increasingly diverse. A range of research epistemologies and methodologies have developed to provide new insights into accounting, auditing, governance, and risk management. Sometimes designated as “alternative” or “interdisciplinary”, this eclectic and diverse body of research is characterized by the overarching objectives of developing better understandings of accounting (from behavioural, organizational, and sociological angles), and of encouraging better accounting and accountability practices.

The Alternative Accounts Conference brings together accounting faculty and doctoral students who are interested in alternative accounting research. The Conference especially aims to increase accounting researchers’ awareness of the diverse areas of research belonging to the “alternative” paradigm of accounting research, and to provide a forum to discuss these studies from a variety of viewpoints – in a constructive environment. It rotates between Alberta, Ontario and Québec.

Academic papers are sought for the 2012 Alternative Accounts Conference to be held on April 27-28, 2012 at Université Laval in Québec City. All research methodologies (qualitative or quantitative) are welcome within the alternative paradigm of accounting research; papers will be selected on the basis of their substance and quality. Papers in progress (at a relatively advanced stage of completion), or already submitted to journals – but not yet accepted for publication – are welcome.

The deadline for submission of papers is February 1, 2012. Papers should be submitted as an e-mail attachment to Ms. Christianne Patoine, at [christianne.patoine@fsa.ulaval.ca](mailto:christianne.patoine@fsa.ulaval.ca). All papers will be assessed via a double-blind review process by members of an evaluation committee made up of the following members of the École de comptabilité:

- Marion Brivot
- Tiphaine Compennolle
- Yves Gendron
- Maurice Gosselin
- Henri Guénin-Paracini
- Michelle Rodrigue
- Mélanie Roussy

Selected authors will be notified by February 15, 2012. Selected authors will need to provide the complete version of their paper by March 25, 2012. The conference program, as well as full-paper submissions, will be e-mailed to all participants by March 31, 2012.

The Conference fee is \$150. For questions on the Conference, please contact Yves Gendron, at [yves.gendron@fsa.ulaval.ca](mailto:yves.gendron@fsa.ulaval.ca).

## APPENDIX

### **Emerging Scholars Colloquium**

The Emerging Scholars Colloquium is a one-day event (April 26, 2012) which precedes the main conference. In particular, the Colloquium aims to provide doctoral students and emerging researchers with the opportunity to discuss their work with established scholars in the field.

The Colloquium will consist of two parts. The first part involves a panel of established scholars providing their thoughts on themes such as:

- What is alternative and critical research? How do we do it? How do we publish it? Where should we publish it?

- How to deal with journals and editors? How to address reviewer comments?

Participants will be invited to ask questions or comment on the matters being discussed. The second part involves participants discussing their research with peers and established scholars, in a small-group format.

The Colloquium is organized by Yves Gendron (Université Laval) and brings together the following scholars:

- To be identified
- To be identified

### **Participation**

Doctoral students and emerging researchers should send a CV and a 3-page document in which they outline their doctoral research project. Documents should be sent to Yves Gendron ([yves.gendron@fsa.ulaval.ca](mailto:yves.gendron@fsa.ulaval.ca)) before February 1, 2012. Notification of acceptance will be given by February 15, 2012.

It should be noted that preference will be given to doctoral students who are beyond the first year of their PhD studies. The number of participants will be limited to 15.

Accepted participants must send by April 1, 2012 a research paper for which they would like to get input from one of the established scholars. Papers should normally not exceed 40 pages of text (double space), excluding tables and references. Papers should be sent to Yves Gendron ([yves.gendron@fsa.ulaval.ca](mailto:yves.gendron@fsa.ulaval.ca)).

Doctoral students and emerging researchers are allowed to submit papers to the main conference. However, papers submitted to the main conference need to be different from papers submitted to the Colloquium.

### **Fees**

The École de comptabilité of the Faculté des sciences de l'administration of Université Laval has agreed to waive all fees (Colloquium and main conference) for doctoral students who are selected as participants to the Emerging Scholars Colloquium. Once budget details are finalized, some partial funding might also be offered to doctoral students in order to cover partially their travel costs.