

Department of Environment and Geography Graduate Seminar Guidelines

Preamble

The Department of Environment and Geography requires all graduate students to give a departmental sponsored seminar as part of their program (i.e., one seminar for M.Sc., M.A., and M.Env. students, and two seminars for Ph.D. students). Students that do not complete this requirement will not be able to graduate. Seminars are conducted once in the fall semester and once in the winter semester. The purpose of the seminar series is to:

- provide a training opportunity for students in the creation and delivery of formal presentations
- enhance interactions and collegiality between all departmental members

Seminar Content

Your seminar is not to be a practice run for your thesis defence nor a summary of your research to date. You may discuss and elaborate on topics related to and relevant to your research program. Ideally, the content would be geared towards a general audience. A discussion on the current knowledge or understanding in an area of interest to you and your advisor is encouraged. The Graduate Program Chair must approve the submitted abstract and title.

Specific Seminar Guidance

- 1) You will need to provide a **title** and **short abstract** (200 words max) to the Graduate Program Coordinator by email to riddell.graduate@umanitoba.ca two weeks before the scheduled date. Both must be reviewed and approved by your advisor prior to submission. The title and short abstract will be circulated to faculty and graduate students prior to the seminar.
- 2) Your presentation will be around 20 minutes in length with a total of with 5-10 minutes for a moderated question/discussion period.
- 3) Presentation will be in PowerPoint or other suitable medium. All presentations will be given online using the share screen function on Zoom software.
- 4) No mark or grade is assigned for these seminars.