UNIVERSITY
OF MANITOBA

28th Annual
Plant Science
Graduate Student
Symposium

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MARCH 23-24, 2012
University of Manitoba
Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada

Growing Perspectives:

CHALLENGES FOR

CHANGE

University of Saskatchewan

North Dakota State University

University of Minnesota

University of Manitoba

28th Plant Science Graduate Student Symposium (PSGSS)

- The PSGSS is a two day event designed to bring graduate students together from across border Universities and expose them to new **plant science research initiatives** taking place in other regions. Through collaborative efforts, we are preparing to **meet the world's agricultural challenges** of today by sharing our research and discussing new approaches to advance plant science progress in the following areas: *Agronomy, Ecology, Molecular Biology, Plant Breeding and Genetics, Plant Genomics, Plant Pathology, Plant Physiology & Weed Science*.

- The Symposium provides a comfortable setting for **professional development** of scientific knowledge and interpersonal communication skills including networking and oral presentation.

- Historically the PSGSS has been a joint effort between the University of Manitoba, University of Saskatchewan and North Dakota State University. For the first time this year, we are excited to be extending our reach to the University of Minnesota.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- **Registration and Abstract deadline: January 31st, 2012**
    - Online registration forms, abstract guidelines and further details will be available on our website in January.
- **Hotel booking deadline: February 29th, 2012**
    - A block of rooms have been reserved at the Canad Inns Fort Garry (1-888-332-2623) at a rate of $99 per night + taxes. Booking reference #178217.
- **Contact:** psgsa.uofm@gmail.com with questions or concerns

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2012 Symposium Preliminary Agenda

Friday, March 23

Designed to promote networking and conversation among students

- **1 p.m.** Welcome address and registration
- Tours and Social activities
- Evening dinner

Saturday, March 24

A full day of concurrent student presentations.

- Morning presentation sessions
- Lunch
- Afternoon presentation sessions
- Banquet and Awards
- Closing remarks: Keynote speaker

*"Collaborative advancement of agricultural **Plant Science** research since 1984"*