



Greetings from the President and Chairs

Welcome to fall—or as some say in Canada, “autumn”. It marks the beginning of a new academic year for many; it also means that our annual meeting is imminent. As you may have noted, registration for PACRAO 2010 in Calgary is now open. Thanks to the hard work of our organizing committees and volunteers, the annual conference is shaping up to be a good one with a strong program and extensive complement of activities for your Calgary experience.

To register now or get more information, [visit our conference website](#) or give us a “tweet” on our [PACRAO Twitter](#).

We look forward to seeing you soon in Calgary.

David Johnston
President

Lora Fong
LAC Chair

Jody Gordon
Program Chair

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Make note of your cool ideas and bring them to Calgary this

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November.

Our conference agenda is now available at [our website](#)—take a look and start building your conference experience today. While you're here, you'll be able to enjoy Calgary: a bold, dynamic city located one hour east of the majestic Rocky Mountains. During the conference, you'll be sure to learn something new from this year's program and be able to connect with new and familiar colleagues. You'll also be able to learn more about products and services offered by a wide variety of companies who will be exhibiting and presenting throughout the conference.

Registration for the full conference is only \$295. Register today at the [PACRAO website](#).

Quick links:

- [PACRAO.org](#)
- [Calgary 10 Conference Website](#)
- [Travel.state.gov](#) (passport information)
- [Our LAC Blog](#) for ideas on things to do in Calgary



Your Calgary To-do List

With less than 2 months to go until our Calgary conference, it's time to start getting ready to attend. There are a few things you should be aware of:

1. **Register for the conference!** [Visit our conference website](#) to learn more about the conference and complete your registration.
2. **Get your passport.** Our visitors from the United States and international destinations will require a passport for entry into and exit from Canada. For those without a passport (or if your passport is within six months of expiration), learn how you can apply for one at [travel.state.gov](#). **Apply now to avoid last minute rushing, as you need 2 - 4 weeks to obtain your passport.**
3. **Book your flight early to score a deal!** Check websites such as [Expedia](#) or [Travelocity](#) to compare current deals. You will be

flying into the Calgary International Airport (YYC).

4. **Secure your room at the Hyatt Regency, the conference hotel.** Did you know you can [book your stay online](#)? Under "Who are you?" simply select "General Block" in order to book your room. Rooms are \$170.00 for a single or double, \$205 for a triple and \$240 for a quadruple.

5. **Exchange your cash.** American and international travelers are reminded to exchange for Canadian currency before you leave, as you may get a better rate by exchanging at home. You can see what the current exchange rate is at [XE.com](#).

6. **Pack a sweater!** November is usually fairly mild in Calgary, but you'll want to bring a few warm layers for your journey. Besides, you never know where your journey will take you... perhaps on a daytrip to our beautiful Rocky Mountains!

Have some fun... Calgary style!

Now that you have your conference schedule planned out, you're probably looking for things to do during your free time. Your Local Arrangements Committee has a few ideas:

- Enjoy the festival-like atmosphere of [Stephen Avenue](#). Have some dinner, take a stroll and enjoy your evening!
- Visit the [Glenbow Museum](#) to see their permanent exhibits on Canadian art and culture as well as special exhibit "The Baroque World of Fernando Botero", featuring the internationally renowned Colombian artist.
- Shop until you drop! In downtown Calgary there are [several malls](#) located close to the Hyatt, all within easy walking distance.

- For classical music lovers: on Saturday, November 6, the Calgary Philharmonic Orchestra presents [“Mozart at the Opera”](#) at the Jack Singer Concert Hall—minutes from the Hyatt.

Want some more ideas? Visit our [PACRAO conference website](#) or read our [PACRAO blog](#). Your LAC will be posting ideas there up until the conference!

2010 Nominations and Elections Committee Update

Voting for the 2010 Nominations and Elections Committee has closed and I am pleased to announce those who will serve you as members of this esteemed committee at the Calgary conference in November. They are:

Joyce Allen	Seattle University
Becky Bitter	Washington State University
Ryan Burton	Utah Valley University
Teresa Church	Boise State University
Ann Gillen	Pacific University
Chris Masterson	Bastyr University

We will be working prior to the conference to solicit nominations for the 2011 Nominations and Elections Committee nominees as well as the following Board positions: President Elect; Treasurer; and Vice President for Publications and Information Technology.

The nomination forms are now available online from the [PACRAO website](#).

Two forms are available:

1. The nomination form; so you can nominate a fellow PACRAO member, or self nominate, for a Board position or to serve on

the nominations & elections committee, and

2. The nominee activity report; to be completed by the nominee regarding his/her qualifications for the position and confirms interest in moving forward in the process.

Please complete the forms and submit them to the N&E Chair, Past-President Mary Neary Morley, by the start of the Calgary conference on November 7, 2010 for full consideration. The committee will also accept nominations at the Conference itself.

Look forward to seeing you all in Calgary!

Mary Neary Morley
PACRAO Past-President
N&E Chair 2010

Need some financial support? Conference Participation Grant

The PACRAO Professional Development Committee is pleased to announce we are continuing to offer Conference Participation Grants for the Annual Conference. The process is outlined below.

As one means of serving the membership, PACRAO makes funds available to support participation in the Annual Conference. Grants are generally \$500, but may be as high as \$1000.

Grants are awarded to assist active members who attend the PACRAO annual conference. Special consideration is given to applicants who are first-time attendees, persons from under-represented groups or institution types, and members of

institutions whose funds are especially limited. Grant funds are issued on Dec. 15, after the Dec. 1 deadline when appropriate documentation of expenses are received by Ruth Adams.

The deadline for Grant applications has been extended to October 1, 2010 for travel to the 2010 PACRAO Annual Meeting in Calgary Alberta (November 7-10).

Those who are interested are should visit the [PACRAO website](#) for the application details.

Contact Ruth Adams (radams@spu.edu) with any questions. Submit applications to the following address:

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