

YOU'RE INVITED!

Expand and Enhance your Skills at the Graduate Teaching Assistant Professional Development Event

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2017

Social Science Centre, Room 2050 (SSC 2050)

Choose ONE of:

- Morning session (**includes breakfast**): 8:30 a.m. – 12 noon
- Afternoon session (**includes lunch**): 12:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Please note sessions are identical. Registration is required.

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

➤ **Conflict Happens!**

Dr. Robyn Jacobson, Conflict Management Consultant/Owner of *Managing Conflict in Education*

In higher education, where diversity of opinion and reasoned discourse are encouraged, TAs may experience conflict with students, colleagues, professors, and supervisors. In this presentation, TAs will develop skills to prevent disputes occurring and, when disputes do (inevitably) happen, resolve disputes in the most effective way.



➤ **Writing Yourself into Being as an Academic: The Affordances of Social Media**

Dr. Anabel Quan-Haase, *Professor of Information and Media Studies and Sociology, Western University*

The work of academics has radically changed since the introduction of social media tools such as [Academia.edu](https://www.academia.edu/), ResearchGate, Twitter, and even Facebook. This opens up new possibilities to create social and symbolic capital across disciplinary and hierarchical boundaries, but also raises many fundamental questions about the work of academics including issues of copyright, expectations for tenure, and commitments to open access. This talk will draw on insights provided by the sociology of science, use the experiences of scholars to inform our understandings of their digital work, and discuss best practices.



TO REGISTER

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- Select "Enroll in Internal Training Courses", Search by Course Name and type in "GTA Professional Development"
- Select "View Available Sessions" and choose your preferred session
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As a GTA you play an important role in contributing to the learning and overall student experience at Western.

We hope you are able to attend!



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