

## Media Advisory

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### Algonquin College Hosts Sixth-Annual ACCESS National Conference

Algonquin College will host the sixth-annual Association of College Educators in Social Service and Social Work Programs in Canada (ACCESS) national conference from May 13 to 15, at Code's Mill, in Perth Ontario. The conference theme will be Anti-oppressive Social Work Practice. Workshop titles include: *Infusing Aboriginal Worldview in Social Service Worker Curriculum, The Community Action Team and Youth in Power Group in Smiths Falls, and Make Poverty History.*

The Keynote Speakers will be:

The Honourable James Bartleman, former Lieutenant Governor of Ontario, best-selling author, former Canadian Ambassador to six countries, ambassador to NATO and the European Union and Foreign and Defence Policy Advisor to the Prime Minister, is renowned for his efforts to enhance aboriginal youth literacy, to combat anti-racism and to eliminate the stigma of mental illness.

Ben Carniol, Author of *Case Critical*, and Professor Emeritus, Ryerson University; whose forty-year career has focused on social justice, social change and social services.

**Who:** **Lisa Shaw-Verhoek**, Program Co-ordinator, Social Service Worker Program, Algonquin College Heritage Institute  
**James Bartleman**, Former Lieutenant Governor of Ontario  
**Ben Carniol**, Author of *Case Critical*, and Professor Emeritus, Ryerson University

**What:** Sixth-Annual National Conference for the Association of College Educators in Social Service and Social Work Programs

**When:** Tuesday, May 13 – 15 9:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

**Best times:**

**May 13**

9:30 a.m. – Keynote Speaker - Ben Carniol

4:00 p.m. – Walking Tour of Perth

**May 14**

9:00 a.m. – Panel Regarding Successes in Smiths Falls

**May 15**

9:00 a.m. – Keynote Speaker James Bartleman

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