



Second Announcement

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ABSTRACT SUBMISSION DEADLINE: TUESDAY, APRIL 1

The Nuclear Structure 2014 conference will be hosted by TRIUMF, Canada's National Laboratory for Particle and Nuclear Physics, on July 20-25, 2014, on the campus of the University of British Columbia. This will be the 15th in this series of biennial conferences organized by North American national laboratories, returning to Canada for the first time since 1992.

The scientific program will be devoted to the latest research and development in experimental and theoretical nuclear structure physics, with emphasis on the properties of nuclei at the extremes of isospin, excitation energy, mass, and angular momentum.

The program will consist mostly of contributed talks selected from submitted abstracts, built upon a framework of invited speakers.

Web Page

All the information on this announcement can also be found on our web page, with updates, at <http://ns2014.triumf.ca>.

Important Dates

Some important upcoming dates:

- **April 1: Abstract submission and student financial assistance application deadline**
- May 1: Contributing speakers notified
- June 6: End of Early Registration
- June 20: Deadline for receiving Accommodations at Conference Rates
- July 20: Reception
- July 21-25: Conference

Abstract Submission

Abstracts are due **TUESDAY, APRIL 1** at 23:59 Vancouver time. Abstracts are to be no more than one page in length, with all text and any figures fitting within a portrait-oriented rectangle 4.25" wide and 7.25" high (108 mm wide, 184 mm high). Please e-mail the printer-ready PDF file to ns2014proc@conferences.triumf.ca. Template RevTeX and Word files are available at <http://ns2014.triumf.ca/abstracts.html>.

Registration

Register for the conference and pay at <http://ns2014.triumf.ca/registration.html>. You may register at any time, and submit payment later; however, if you pay after June 6, you will not be eligible for the reduced early registration rates of \$500 for regular delegates and \$300 for students.

Financial assistance is available for students. Details may be found at <http://ns2014.triumf.ca/students.html>. Deadline for applications is also April 1.

Accommodations

A limited number of rooms at the Gage Residences and West Coast Suites have been reserved at a special conference rate. Accommodations vary from shared suites to executive suites. The Gage residences are a flat 1 km walk from the conference venue. Please reserve your room at <http://ns2014.triumf.ca/accommodation.html> before June 20 to ensure that you receive the special conference rate.

Visas

Participants need to ensure that they have the proper travel documents and visas to enter Canada.

To visit Canada it may be required to get a Visitor Visa. It also has the required application forms available on-line. Visitors from countries listed on <http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/visit/visas.asp>, require a visa to visit Canada. At the bottom of the same page are listed and explained exceptions to visa requirements.

To request a visa letter, you must first be registered for the Nuclear Structure 2014 conference. On the registration form there is a place for you to request a visa letter. Please also send an email to ns2014@conferences.triumf.ca letting us know that you have indicated this request.

The Canadian Government website <http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/visit/index.asp> has a comprehensive guide to applying for a visa.

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IMPORTANT: Please contact your local visa office to ask about all their requirements. Some offices have specific requirements and applications that are not complete will not be accepted.

Processing times of visas can be quite long, so if you are a citizen of a country that requires a visa it is important to submit applications as soon as possible.

For more information for obtaining visa and about the process go to the Canadian government website or contact your local visa office.

Travel Hints

Vancouver International Airport (YVR) serves the greater Vancouver area. It is 11 km from the UBC campus. YVR is a hub for Star Alliance member Air Canada, with direct flights from major international destinations.

Seattle-Tacoma International Airport (SEA) is 251 km and one international border crossing from UBC. Travelers originating in the US may find it cost-effective to fly to SEA first and then drive to Vancouver from there. You will be crossing an international border at its busiest land crossing. Have your travel documents ready, fill up with gas, and be prepared for long waits. Two-hour lineups are not uncommon, especially at peak times on summer weekends. Bus and train service from Seattle to Vancouver is also available.

If you are arriving from outside of Canada, you will pass Customs & Immigration at your FIRST port of entry into Canada. If you are taking a connecting flight within Canada, you will be required to pick up your luggage and then clear security again before boarding your connection. You will be subject to the usual screening at that

point for liquids, etc. Toronto (YYZ) is the most common entry point for flights from Europe, Africa, South America and the Indian Subcontinent, but Montreal (YUL) and Calgary (YYC) are also options and are less busy.

Program

The scientific program will run from Monday morning July 21 to Friday noon July 25. All sessions will be held in the Life Sciences Centre on the UBC Campus.

A reception will be held on the evening of Sunday, July 20th. Monday evening, TRIUMF will host a laboratory tour. Tuesday will be the poster session. Wednesday afternoon there will be a choice of excursions with lunch; a boat tour along Burrard Inlet and Indian Arm or a trip to Grouse Mountain. The conference banquet will be held on Thursday.

Please note that the *3rd North American Workshop on Beta-Delayed Neutron Emission* will take place just after the NS2014 conference, on July 25 and 26. Please contact Iris Dillmann (dillmann@triumf.ca) or visit the website (<https://indico.triumf.ca/conferenceDisplay.py?confId=1726>) for further details.

We look forward to seeing you in July!

Greg Hackman, on behalf of the organizing committee