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Local post-secondary institutions host Canada's largest career fair

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WATERLOO – Nearly 300 employers and 3,000 students and recent graduates of Wilfrid Laurier University, Conestoga College and the universities of Guelph and Waterloo will discuss careers and employment prospects on Wednesday, September 24 at Canada's largest post-secondary career fair of its kind.

The annual event, which is running for the 15th year, is being held at RIM Park in Waterloo from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. The fair is open to students and alumni from the participating universities and college, and a shuttle bus service will be available at all four institutions throughout the day.

"Although economic news in recent months has not always been positive, we are particularly encouraged by the record employer attendance at our upcoming fair, something we definitely attribute to the strength of our graduates and academic programs at the four local institutions," says Jan Basso, director of co-operative education & career development at Laurier.

Students and alumni will have the opportunity to meet with hundreds of Canadian and international employers and gather vital information on careers. In turn, employers get an opportunity to promote their organization to future employees and reduce recruitment costs by connecting with many highly skilled candidates on the same day in one location.

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Among the participating employers are: Babcock & Wilcox Canada, Canadian Security Intelligence Service, Canadian Tire, Christie Digital Systems, Danone Canada, Expedia Inc., Foreign Affairs and International Trade, Hudson's Bay Company, Manulife Financial, Microsoft Corporation, Molson, Ontario Public Service, RCMP, TD Canada Trust, Sherwin-Williams, Stantec Consulting and Syncrude Canada.

Admission is free with a valid student/alumni card from any one of the four participating institutions. For additional information about upcoming fairs, registration procedures or a complete list of participating organizations, visit www.partners4employment.ca.