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University of Lethbridge to present web-link live conversation with whistleblower Edward Snowden

The University of Lethbridge is pleased to present a special live conversation via web-link with former American intelligence officer and whistleblower Edward Snowden. The U of L is joining with the University of Winnipeg and Brandon University to present this unique and engaging opportunity.

The University of Lethbridge School of Liberal Education presents Edward Snowden takes place Tuesday, May 9, 2017 at 4:30 p.m. in the University Theatre. The doors will open at 4:30 p.m., with the program to begin at 4:45 p.m. The evening will consist of a one-hour presentation by Snowden via live web-link from Russia, where he is currently living with asylum status, featuring a question and answer segment from select audience members at all three participating universities.



“Edward Snowden is one of the defining figures of the decade. This is an incredible opportunity for people in Lethbridge to hear directly from him,” says Dr. Harold Jansen, a U of L political science professor and the moderator for the evening.

Snowden, a United States citizen, is a former intelligence officer who served the CIA, NSA and DIA for nearly a decade as a subject matter expert on technology and cybersecurity. In 2013, he revealed that the NSA was seizing the private records of billions of individuals who had not been suspected of any wrongdoing, resulting in the most significant reforms to US surveillance policy since 1978.

He has received awards for courage, integrity and public service, and was named the top global thinker of 2013 by Foreign Policy magazine. Today, he works on methods of enforcing human rights through the application and development of new technologies. He joined the board of Freedom of the Press Foundation in February 2014.

Tickets for this event are priced at \$22.50 each, with student tickets priced at \$12.50, and are available at ulethbridge.ca/tickets. At the conclusion of the presentation, all are welcomed to a reception sponsored by the Southern Alberta Council on Public Affairs (SACPA). Appetizers will be served and a cash bar will be available.

To view online: <http://www.uleth.ca/unews/article/u-l-present-web-link-live-conversation-whistleblower-edward-snowden>

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