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Popular U of L Spooky Science Weekend 2017 opens for registration Saturday

Ghost rockets, mysterious floating coffins and supernatural slime are just a few of the ghoulish activities that await youngsters at this year's Spooky Science Weekend at the University of Lethbridge.



Registration for the Spooky Science Weekend opens Saturday, October 7 at noon on a first-come, first-served basis at <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/lets-talk-science-spooky-science-night-2017-tickets-38603352667>.

Spooky Science Weekend provides Halloween-themed, hands-on science activities for children aged five to 12. Three sessions are available:

Friday, Oct. 20, 6 to 8 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 21, 2 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m.

Registration is free but mandatory. Children, who are encouraged to come in costume, must be accompanied by an adult but only children need to be registered. For safety reasons, no more than 100 children can attend a single session. The Spooky Science Weekend sessions will be held in the University Hall Atrium.

The event is organized each year by science graduate and undergraduate students at the U of L who volunteer for the national Let's Talk Science Outreach program. Their goal is to share their passion for science with children of all ages, to increase public accessibility of science and inspire students to pursue careers in science. More than 20 student volunteers will assist at the Spooky Science sessions to ensure everyone has a fun and inspiring experience.

More information about Spooky Science Weekend and other science outreach activities is available on the [Let's Talk Science](http://www.letstalkscience.ca/) webpage.

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ABOUT LET'S TALK SCIENCE:

The Let's Talk Science Outreach program at the University of Lethbridge targets the local high schools and is managed by graduate student volunteers in the sciences. This program enhances the science experience of students, in particular in high schools, and provides graduate students with the opportunity to grow their skills in science communication, thereby strengthening the connection between the University and the local schools. In the last years, the Let's Talk Science Outreach program at the University of Lethbridge has conducted numerous school visits to high school, middle school and elementary school classes in Lethbridge and southern Alberta; has offered teachers' workshops at the Teachers Convention; and has added to the scientific program at the Lethbridge Science Fairs by offering tours of research laboratories and offering numerous hands-on activities for participants.

The Let's Talk Science Outreach program at the University of Lethbridge is supported by the national Let's Talk Science organization. Let's Talk Science is an award-winning, national, non-profit, science outreach organization. Let's Talk Science creates and delivers science learning programs and services that turn children and youth on to science, keep them engaged in learning and develop their potential to become 21st century citizens, innovators and stewards. For more information about Let's Talk Science, please visit <http://www.letstalkscience.ca/>