



DeGroote School of Business

# Partnership Package

Careers & Certifications 25/26

### WHO WE ARE



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## MESSAGE FROM OUR FACULTY DIRECTOR



#### Dr. Nick Bontis

#### **Dear Potential Partner.**

The McMaster World Congress is Canada's longest running, student-led conference. It has taken place for the last 46 years in Hamilton, Ontario. Since 1978, thousands of attendees have collaborated, innovated and socialized.

We are excited to welcome you to the 47th annual conference which will take place on February 5-6, **2026.** This year's event promises to be bigger than ever bringing together university students, academic researchers and business professionals to McMaster.



The conference theme is "Careers and Certifications". We hope that this exciting topic will spark important conversations about the current professional landscape and bridge the gap between academia and the professional world. Through informative, inspirational, and interactive speaker sessions, the McMaster World Congress provides students with knowledgeable information that helps them better understand how to adapt to real-world situations.

As a partner to the McMaster World Congress, you can contribute directly to an unmatched historical legacy and connect with McMaster students who are ready to take on the role of future business leaders. We invite you to consider partnering with us, not only to benefit from increased visibility and community engagement, but also to position your organization as a leader committed to fostering student excellence and future success.

Thank you in advance for your support!

Sincerely,

Dr. Nick Bontis **Faculty Director McMaster World Congress** 

#### **TESTIMONIALS**



#### Discover the value of MWC through the voices of those who know it best.



#### **Rod White**

CIM. Senior Wealth Advisor & Portfolio Manager at Escarpment **Advisory Group** 

"I think the event provides a ton of value for the attendees. There is a great variety of speakers and content, making it appealing to a wide audience."



#### Jennifer Mazzarolo

CPA, President at Maverick Consulting Group and CEO of CPA Hamilton

"The team of organizers was awesome! Very organized, thorough and the event went off without a hitch from my perspective as a speaker. Communication was clear and timely. The event overall seemed to be very professionally run and the lineup of speakers appeared to be high quality and diverse. Student audience was engaging and had some great auestions."



#### **Emily Nichols**

P.Eng, President & Founder, Connect Better Inc.

"Highly recommend!! The McMaster World Congress team runs this conference with the energy and dedication you'd expect from seasoned event professionals. For audience members, speakers and sponsors alike, they deliver a high-value experience that truly connects better."

## BENEFITS OF PARTNERING 47 WC

#### Shape the Future

- Show your dedication to empowering the next generation of leaders.
- Associate your brand with a prestigious event focused on knowledge sharing.
- **Highlight** your organization's values through visible support for community engagement.





#### **Networking Opportunities**

- Engage with ambitious potential recruits who are driven and career-focused.
- Benefit from structured networking sessions, designed to foster meaningful conversations.

#### **On-Campus Presence**

- Gain direct exposure to an engaged student audience.
- Create lasting positive associations that encourage students to consider your organization for future opportunities.



## PARTNERSHIP BREAKDOWN 47 WC



#### Join the Legacy. Partner With Us.

	Price	What's Included	What You Gain
Silver Plan	\$750	<ul> <li>Booth on both days</li> <li>Acknowledgement during opening and closing ceremonies</li> <li>Logo on website &amp; all promotional materials</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Direct exposure to all event attendees</li> <li>Increased brand visibility through pre-event promotions and day-of-marketing</li> </ul>
Gold Plan	\$1500	<ul> <li>All benefits from Silver Plan</li> <li>Exclusive opportunity to be a speaker for the conference</li> <li>Dedicated social media campaign</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Chance to connect with students directly through a speaking session</li> <li>Amplify your brand in a way of your choosing across our social media</li> <li>Enhanced recognition before, during, and after the event</li> </ul>
Custom Plan	We offer tailoured options designed around your priorities	<ul> <li>We will work together to decide what is most beneficial. This can include, and is not limited to:</li> <li>Silver and Gold Plan specific offerings</li> <li>Potential for other collaborative events (e.g. case competitions, office tours, networking dinner)</li> <li>Giveaway in your name</li> <li>Naming rights</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>We aim to deliver the value you seek</li> <li>A fully custom partnership designed to meet your unique brand goals and engagement strategy</li> <li>Long-term value beyond the event through collaborative initiatives</li> </ul>

### **ONLY MADE POSSIBLE** THROUGH YOUR SUPPORT





















#### Thank You to Our Previous Partners

Your continued support has played a vital role in helping students make meaningful strides toward their futures. Because of your generosity, we've been able to offer valuable opportunities, resources, and experiences that empower tomorrow's leaders. Interested in joining the list? Your partnership can make a lasting impact. Join us in shaping the legacy.

