The English Department at University College London is pleased to announce this year’s graduate conference, to be held on **Thursday 5th July** at the Gustave Tuck Lecture Theatre.

We welcome proposals from Masters students, PhD students, and recent graduates in response to any aspect of the theme *(In)Human(E)*. What does it mean today, and in the past, to be human? And what ways may the category of the human, its exceptionalism, and its relationship to other life-forms, ecology, and technology be questioned or complicated? What might literary and critical responses to contemporary human rights and environmental issues entail? And what future might we conceive of for the ontological, ethical and political status of the “human”?

Papers might address topics including:

- the intersecting categories of the (non)human
- humanism and post-humanism
- biopolitics
- robotics, cybernetics and AI
- the politics of empathy and apathy
- (non)human rights
- the (in)humanities

**Keynote:** Dr. Emily Critchley, University of Greenwich.  
[https://www.gre.ac.uk/ach/study/lit/staff/dr-emily-critchley](https://www.gre.ac.uk/ach/study/lit/staff/dr-emily-critchley)

Papers should be no longer than 20 minutes, with time for questions at the end. Proposals are due on **Tuesday 15th May**, and should comprise a title, a brief abstract (no more than 300 words), and a short biography, including university and department affiliation. This is an interdisciplinary conference, and welcomes submissions from across both the humanities and the sciences. Second keynote TBA. Please direct proposals or any questions to inhumaneconferenceucl@gmail.com