

School of Public Policy and Administration

Weekly Newsletter

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Important Reminders

Study Days and End of Fall Term

There are two days designated as Study Days this Fall term, **December 3 and December 9, 2013** during which classes, examinations and tests will **not** be held. The University itself will be open and administrative services available.

The last day of Fall term classes is **December 6, 2013**.

Exam Period

The Fall term exam period will take place from **December 10 to December 23, 2013**

University Closure

The University will be closed for the holidays from **December 24, 2013 to January 1, 2014**. Note that the SPPA administrative office will be closed and classes and exams will **not** be held during this time.

The University and administrative offices will re-open on **January 2, 2014**

Winter classes begin and Year term classes will resume on **January 6, 2014**

Student Advising

We are pleased to announce that a LAPS Student Advisor is now available at the School of Public Policy & Administration (SPPA) in McLaughlin College on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8.30am-4.30pm.

While drop-ins and all majors (including non-SPPA majors/minors) are welcome by the Rotating

In your email please include your full name, York student ID number and a brief description of your questions to be addressed.

If the rotating advisor will not be able to hold office hours, you will receive an email notification.

Announcements

Honours and accolades for York President Emeritus H. Ian Macdonald



During three events this fall, York University President Emeritus H Ian Macdonald was recognized for his contributions to the Ontario Public Service, hockey and as one of 10 alumni of distinction by the University of Toronto.

The Quarter Century Club of the Ontario Public Service (OPS) has created a celebratory quilt, known as the Legends of the OPS Quilt. Eight “legendary figures” of the Ontario Public Service have been honoured with blocks on the quilt, including Macdonald, in recognition of his years as Deputy Treasurer of Ontario. His award was presented at a ceremony on Oct. 22, and the quilt is now on display in the Macdonald Block at Queen’s Park.

Always known for his interest and participation in sports, Macdonald was at the Hockey Hall of Fame

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on Nov. 6 for a ceremony recognizing his contribution to York hockey and Hockey Canada.

On Nov. 14, Macdonald was honoured by the University of Toronto, as one of 10 Alumni of Influence at a gala event and dinner in the Fermenting Cellar in the Distillery District in Toronto.

An economist and academic who has held senior posts in the Ontario government, Macdonald was York University's third president & vice-chancellor, serving from 1974 to 1984. Currently, he is the program director of the Master of Public Administration Program at York's Schulich School of Business.

Among his many honours and awards, Macdonald has received a Rhodes Scholarship, Vanier Medal for Public Service, Citation of Merit from the Court of Canadian Citizenship, Award of Merit from the Canadian Bureau for International Education, Governor General's Medal, the President's Award of Recognition from the Simcoe Chapter of Lambda Alpha International: The Honorary Society for the Advancement of Land Economics, the Commemorative Medal for the 125th Anniversary of Canadian Confederation and Queen's Golden Jubilee Medal. In addition, Macdonald is an officer of the Order of Canada and a Knight of Grace of the Order of St. Lazarus of Jerusalem.

Seminars/Workshops

Are you interested in learning about the Ontario Internship Program and the opportunities it provides?

Please join us:

Tuesday, December 10, 2013
from 6:00-9:00pm
140 McLaughlin College
Senior Common Room

Corey Davidson and Mike Glinka from Service Ontario will provide you with a program overview, tips on filling out your application and

best practices to help you deliver a strong interview.

Essentials of Productive Teams

When: Friday December 13, 2013

Time: 8:30am-4:30pm
(Registration begins at 8:00am SHARP)

Where: 305 York Lanes

Cost: This workshop, as with all Mitacs Step workshops, is free for graduate students. However, the preauthorization of a valid credit card is required as part of the registration process.

A \$50 penalty will be applied to all late cancellations (cancellations that are not made 5 days or more before the workshop date), no shows, or incomplete attendance.

These penalties are only charged after the completion of a workshop and no charges are ever made to students who participate in full.

Are you currently working in a team and looking for ways to produce results? Have you ever been a leader of a team and wondered how to motivate your members? Ever wondered how successful companies and businesses retain their workforce?

This workshop is an insightful and interactive session designed to introduce you to the idea of a successful team and dispel the myths surrounding effective team management. Participants are introduced to concepts and theories early in the day which is then put into practice through high-energy activities.

Learning Outcomes

- Establishing expectations and understanding within a newly formed team
- Barriers to maintaining effective teams
- Introduction to difficult conversations and dealing with crises
- Communication strategies within and between teams/departments
- Leadership styles and motivating others

For answers to some frequently asked questions, please visit our help page:

<http://step.mitacs.ca/faq>

To register for this workshop, please visit:

<https://step.mitacs.ca/workshop/2013/12/essentials-productive-teams-toronto-december-13-2013>

SPPA Events

MPPAL Information Sessions

The Masters of Public Policy, Administration and Law information sessions provide an overview of the MPPAL program. Topics covered include admission requirements and procedures, course content, career paths, financial aid, and the Graduate Diplomas in Democratic Administration and Justice System Administration.

Potential students can meet with some faculty members, and program officers for the MPPAL Program.

Osgoode Professional Development Centre
1 Dundas St. West, Toronto
26th. Floor
[Map & Directions](#)

TODAY:

Wednesday, December 4th ~ 5:30 ~ 7:30pm

To register for a session please email mppal@yorku.ca with the session date and your contact information.

Other Events

International Human Rights Day Ceremonies at York University

Tuesday, December 10th
1:00 pm to 3:00 pm
014 McLaughlin College
Junior Common Room

All are welcome to attend these ceremonies

The principal guest speakers will be:

Barbara Jackman - Barrister & Solicitor, Jackman & Associates, one of the foremost legal counsel in Canada

Loly Rico - President of the Canadian Council of Refugees (CCR), the most important umbrella organization for all of the NGOs who work on behalf of refugees in Canada

Hasti Almasi - YorkU student and President of the York University Model United Nations

David Leyton-Brown - Master of McLaughlin College

James C. Simeon - Director, School of Public Policy and Administration

Co-sponsors:

School of Public Policy and Administration and the Centre for Refugee Studies.

ESL Open Learning Centre (OLC): OPEN HOUSE

COME AND SEE THE MANY
SERVICES THE OLC OFFERS!!

- Need to improve your English language and writing skills?
- Do you require academic assistance?
- Are you a registered York student (grad/undergrad)?

We provide FREE assistance with:
Writing, Reading, Speaking, and Listening

ALL REGISTERED YORK STUDENTS WELCOME
SNACKS, DRINKS ACTIVITIES!!
Meet other ESL students

TODAY!

Wednesday December 4th
After 5:00 PM in 116 Atkinson College

For more information, visit: www.yorku.ca/eslolc

Summer-School in “Political Philosophy & Public Policy: Predistribution and Property-Owning Democracy”

By Professor Stuart White (Oxford) and Professor Martin O’Neill (York)

Description: In recent years there has been a resurgence of interest in issues at the intersection of political philosophy and public policy. In particular, attention has increasingly turned to the question of what kind of institutions and policies would be needed in order to create a significantly more just society.

Contemporary circumstances of rising inequality and severe austerity add to the urgency of thinking creatively, in a philosophically informed way, about alternative economic arrangements. Initiatives such as Occupy have protested the apparent lack of political imagination in response to the financial crisis and its consequences, underscoring the need to consider and explore alternatives.

This summer-school will examine one broad current of thinking about alternatives associated with the idea of “predistribution”. It will look in particular at John Rawls’s idea of a “property-owning democracy”; at the relationship between strategies of “predistribution” and “redistribution”; and at specific policy proposals such as universal basic income, basic capital, and models of “high road” capitalism. A key issue to consider will be whether predistribution strategy can be thought of primarily in terms of ‘human capital’, jobs and wages or needs also to encompass productive and financial assets (and, if so, in what ways). A further issue to be explored is the trade off between equality and efficiency in the different social arrangements of a property-owning democracy, a basic income guarantee, and the traditional welfare state.

Lectures by Stuart White and Martin O’Neill will be followed by presentations from participants.

When: 14-18 July 2014

Where: Auditório novo do Instituto de Letras e Ciências Humanas (ILCH), University of Minho, Braga (Portugal)

Inscription: Please send a short letter of motivation and CV by e-mail to Roberto Merrill (nrbmerrill@gmail.com) Michele Loi (loimichele@gmail.com) by 1 April 2014. If you also wish to give a talk during the School, please send us an abstract between 300 and 500 words.

Fee: 70 euros

Contacts: Roberto Merrill (nrbmerrill@gmail.com) or Michele Loi (loimichele@gmail.com)

This event is organized by the Political Theory Group of CEHUM, University of Minho (Braga)

For more information, visit:

<http://predistributionschool.weebly.com/>

**Supporting Newcomer Health Together:
A City-Wide Learning and
Networking Symposium**

Funded by Citizenship and Immigration Canada

This event will bring together frontline staff and other professionals from the fields of Health, Settlement and Community Services to share knowledge and build relationships across sectors, with the goal of enhancing capacity to support newcomer health.

**Tuesday January 28, 2014
North York Civic Centre
5100 Yonge Street**

Registration and workshop information to follow.

Call for Papers/Proposals

**CALL FOR ABSTRACTS:
2014 YIHR Research Symposium**

The Crossroads of Health

The York Institute for Health Research (YIHR) is currently accepting abstracts for its annual Symposium tentatively set for **Thursday March 6th - Friday March 7th, 2014**. This year’s Symposium

has a distinct emphasis in recognizing *innovative cross-disciplinary* papers and ideas that demonstrate multifactorial dimensions of health. Researchers from all disciplines engaged in health-related investigations are invited to submit an abstract to present at the symposium. Both undergraduate and graduate papers will be accepted.

The theme this year is innovation and research at the crossroads of health. The health sector is increasingly incorporating concepts, applications, and technologies from multiple disciplines and this event is geared towards highlighting these emerging innovations. Students presenting will have the opportunity to submit their papers for publication to an online YIHR journal, *Health Tomorrow*
(<http://pi.library.yorku.ca/ojs/index.php/ht>)

Past presentations have included research on:

- Mathematical modeling of disease
- Health policy and equity
- Using GIS to map health indicators
- Ethical issues in health research
- Social, cultural, and economic determinants of health
- engineering/physics and medicine
- the future of health
- new approaches to dealing with health

Submission Guidelines:

1. Include your name, program and area of study
2. E-mail address
3. Title of Abstract
4. Abstracts should not exceed 300 words
5. Presentations will be approximately 15-30 minutes, including Q and A sessions
6. Please send presentation abstracts to Emanuel Ebrahim emanuel15@yorku.ca or Rahat Hossain rahath.rh@gmail.com no later than **January 16, 2013**

A symposium schedule and location will be posted on the YIHR website: <http://www.yorku.ca/yihr/>

An e-mail will be sent to all those who have submitted an abstract.

Accommodations can be made for those travelling from far distances as well as for those requiring specific accommodations during the symposium. Anyone requiring accommodations must e-mail details to Emanuel Ebrahim or Rahat Hossain.

**14th International Symposium
on Public Sector Management:**

Public Governance for Public Services
Call for papers

July 3, and July 5, 2014
SRH Hochschule Berlin ~ Campus Dresden

We cordially invite you to present empirical, quantitative, theoretical and qualitative papers with a focus on the topic “Public Governance for Public Services”.

Conference subtopics are:

- Public Governance – definition and conceptions from an international comparative perspective
- Public Governance: An approach for more democracy?
- Public Governance and Public Service Motivation
- Regional Governance and managing of regions: Theory and practice
- Public Services Networks: Can they deliver?
- Hybrid structure: Silver bullet or dead-end?

- Governance in Government and Administration
- Public Governance in times of austerity
- Multilevel Governance and accountability
- Collaborative partnerships in the wake of the contracting state
- Public Governance regimens in state-owned enterprises and public agencies
- Public Governance – good practices

Please submit your abstract (max. two pages) by **January, 15, 2014** to baerbel.held@stw.de

The abstract should include the title of the paper, the line of arguments of the paper, the research questions and the research method of your contribution, and – if applicable – a short description of the empirical results. Please give the name, affiliation, and contact information of the author(s) on an additional page. Notes of acceptance will be sent out by **15 February, 2014** and the authors of the accepted papers are requested to submit the full paper by **June 1, 2014**.

It is envisaged that the conference contributions will be published in 2014.

Registration forms are available until **15 February, 2014**

**Accepting Graduate Student essays
for the Queen's Policy Review
Winter 2014 Issue**

The Queen's Policy Review is a peer-reviewed, faculty advised publication affiliated with the Queen's School of Policy Studies. Submissions are welcome from graduate students working on a wide variety of Canadian and international public policy issues.

The deadline for submissions is **January 20, 2014**. Papers submitted by the deadline will be considered for our Winter 2014 publication.

Submissions must:

- 1) Be between 2000 and 5000 words.
 - 2) Include a 100 to 200 word abstract.
 - 3) Use Chicago citation format.
 - 4) Discuss a **current Canadian domestic and/or international policy issue**.
- Please note that only one submission per person (either individually or as part of a group) will be considered. Submissions must be in a “.doc,” “.docx” or “.rtf” format and include an abstract.

Submissions and inquiries should be sent to:
qpr@queensu.ca

For further information, please see:
www.queensu.ca/sps/qpr

Sincerely,
The Queen's Policy Review Editorial Team

**World Social Science Prizes
Stein Rokkan Prize**

The Stein Rokkan Prize for Comparative Social Science Research is awarded for very substantial and original contributions in comparative social science research. Submissions can be either an unpublished manuscript of book length, or a printed book, or collected works published no more than two years before the award year. Laureates receive a diploma and a cash prize, awarded every year and awarded during an ISSC Executive Committee or General Assembly meeting, or at a World Social Science Forum, where laureates are usually asked to deliver a public lecture.

The Stein Rokkan Prize was first awarded in 1981 in honour of Stein Rokkan (1921-1979), who pioneered this type of research. Rokkan was a Norwegian political scientist and sociologist. The Prize was instituted jointly by the ISSC and the Conjunto Universitario Candido Mendes in Brazil,

and until 2002 the Prize was awarded jointly by both institutions.

Since 2008, and thanks to the generous support of the University of Bergen, where Stein Rokkan was professor of comparative politics, the Stein Rokkan Prize amounts to \$US 5000 and is awarded on an annual basis with and is presented jointly with the European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR).

For more information, visit:

<http://www.worldsocialscience.org/activities/scientific-prizes/stein-rokkan/>

Nomination Procedure

The prize is open to candidates from all social science disciplines; however ECPR Executive Committee members, the Director and ECPR editors are excluded from being nominated.

The work should be a very substantial and original contribution in comparative social science research. The work can be an unpublished manuscript of book length, a printed book, or collected works published within the two years preceding the award ceremony. Edited volumes are not eligible. The work should preferably be in English; however a submission written in another language can be nominated as long as it is accompanied by an English summary of the work.

Submissions must include: the author's name; book title; year of publication (if published); and the name of the person who makes the nomination. This must be sent together with a formal letter in support of the nomination from the head of a research institution, university department or research centre. This letter must include information on the nominee, for example an outline of their work, research interests, etc. and support of their candidacy for this award.

Submissions should be sent by email to Louise Soper (lhawk@essex.ac.uk) at the ECPR before the **deadline of 15 February 2014**. After 15 February 2014 all nominees will be informed and required to forward four hard copies of their manuscript to the Jury for consideration. Please note that electronic versions will not be accepted and submissions unfortunately cannot be returned.

Submissions should be received by all four members of the jury **by 15 March 2014**.

The 2014 prize jury comprises:

- Klaus Goetz, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München (Chair)
- Ingrid van Biezen, Universiteit Leiden
- Stein Kuhnle, University of Bergen and Hertie School of Governance
- Manfred Schmidt, Universität Heidelberg

Funding/Scholarships



Transportation Association of Canada Foundation scholarships to students

The Transportation Association of Canada (TAC) Foundation is pleased to once again offer its Scholarship Program to support and encourage bright, young students pursuing a career in transportation. In 2013, the program offered 49 scholarships with a total value of \$181,000. Since its inception over 321 scholarships worth more than \$1.3 million have been awarded.

A new and exciting feature has been added to the TAC Foundation Scholarship program. **Employment Connections** will provide a way for the Foundation's major donors to connect with top scholarship applicants (recipients and finalists) about future employment opportunities in their organization. TAC Foundation scholarships now BOTH support education in transportation-related disciplines AND connect transportation and roadways sector employers with the best and brightest young professionals entering the field.

The application deadline is February 17, 2014

Full details and application forms for the 2014 TAC Foundation Scholarship Program are online. For more information, visit: <http://tac-atc.ca/en/about-us/tac-foundation/scholarships>

**Access York is pleased to announce:
The York University Accessibility Fund
(YUAF)**

A York University-wide fund has been established to make the York community (at both the Keele and Glendon campuses) more accessible to persons with disabilities. This fund is administered by the Office of the Vice-President Finance & Administration.

Who Can Apply

- All members of the York University community - individual students, faculty and staff members; academic and administrative units; clubs, associations, organizations, and college councils – are eligible to apply.

Application Process

- For an application to be advanced, it must be sponsored by the Administrative Head of the relevant Academic and Non-academic Units or Organization (or designate). [1] Note that administrative heads are not being asked to evaluate the merit of the application.
- Applications for funding shall be submitted in writing by the sponsoring organization, Faculty or office, via the YUAF Application Form, and shall outline in detail the nature of the request and the approximate costs.
- Applications submitted will be reviewed by an Adjudication committee comprised of the following participants or their designates: Senior Executive Officer, Vice-President Finance and Administration (Chair); Vice-Provost Students; AODA Coordinator; Access York Vice-Chair Faculty/Staff; Access York Student Representative; other members when request-specific advice is required.
- Time frame for responses: Typical turnaround time: 4-6 weeks; however, shorter response intervals will be considered for time-sensitive applications.

Applications for the first round of this year's adjudication will be **accepted until January 31, 2014.**

1. Categories of Expenditures

- This central fund should be seen as a means of supplementing costs, rather than covering all costs, whenever possible.

- Requests will be considered only after all other avenues for funding have been explored.
- All and any equipment purchased remains the property of York University, normally under the auspices of the sponsoring office/department/unit.

a. Applications may include requests for:

- Classroom and Practicum Technological Equipment and Supports (e.g., assistive devices, software, or other equipment purchased by an Administrative Unit and provided on a loaner basis).
- Disability Awareness and Education (e.g., activities to promote and support on-going education within the York Community, such as funding to create an online awareness guide for course instructors)
- Supplemented Support for Extra/Co-curricular and Other Out-of-Class Activities (i.e., support services for participants attending these activities)
- Supplemented Support for Conferences Hosted by the University (i.e., support services for participants)
- Support for York students with disabilities presenting at conferences hosted elsewhere.
- Other requests

b. Applications may not include requests for:

- Expenses that should be otherwise supported through MTCU funding for students with disabilities.
- Renovations and retrofits to the built environment (e.g., classrooms, washrooms, residences) Note: On rare occasions, physical access requests will be considered, dependent on funds.

2. Criteria for Assessing Funding Requests:

- Does the request eliminate a barrier?
- Does the request result in greater participation by persons with disabilities?
- Does the request promote awareness of disability related issues?
- Will the request result in education that is more accessible?
- Will the request have a lasting effect on the University?
- Have all other avenues for funding been sufficiently explored?

Requests that relate to student accessibility, both on and off campus, shall be given priority.

For Further Information and Application forms please visit: www.yorku.ca/vpfa/yuaf.html

For Questions, Clarifications, or Assistance with the Application Process, please contact:

AODA Office: 416.736.2100 ext. 20512

OR

Counselling & Disability Services:

- Learning Disability Services 416.736.5383
- Mental Health Disability Services 416.736.5297
- Physical, Sensory and Medical Disability Services 416.736.5140

OR

Office of the Vice-President Finance and Administration: 416.736.5282

Submit Applications To:

YUAF, c/o Senior Executive Officer
Office of the Vice-President Finance and Administration,
950 Kanef Tower



CNC/CODATA's Sangster Award for Graduate students (or recent grads)

The award was established by Dr. James Sangster of Sangster Research Laboratories, who has been a long time member and supporter of CODATA at both national and international levels. It is targeted at graduate students whose field of study supports the goals and activities of CODATA, namely to help foster and advance science and technology through developing and sharing knowledge about data and the activities that work with data. Applications for the award were received from graduate students attending universities across

Canada and highlighted that data activities within Canada are in a very healthy shape for the future.

This award, valued at Can. \$3000, will enable a graduate student enrolled in a Canadian University, or a graduate who has completed his or her graduate degree within 3 years of the application deadline, to attend and present their work at the 24th International CODATA Conference, Data Challenges for Global Sustainability / Future Earth, 2 - 5 November, 2014, New Delhi, India. It is expected that the award winner's field of study will support the general objectives of CODATA, namely, to help foster and advance science and technology through developing and sharing knowledge about data and the activities that work with data.

The deadline for applications will be set for the last day of March in the year of the conference and the announcement of the award winner will be made by the end of April.

For further information, visit: Sangster Award: <http://www.codata.org/canada/sangster>
CNC/CODATA: <http://www.codata.org/canada>
CODATA: <http://www.codata.org>

Volunteer Opportunities

See next week's announcements...

Internship Opportunities

York Career Centre information sessions covering all York Internship Programs

Please attend this session if you are interested in applying to the Bachelor of Public Administration Internship Program (BPAIP), which is a paid internship program.

Before applying to an Internship Program, students must attend a mandatory Internship Information Session, which is offered throughout the year. During this session, the Internship Coordinator provides an overview of the program, academic eligibility requirements, application and job search processes, program expectations and non-

refundable fees. **Students must have attended an Internship Information Session within a year of applying to the program.** Students who attended an Internship Information Session more than a year prior to submitting their application are required to attend another session to ensure they receive the most up-to-date information about the Internship Programs.

Upcoming information sessions:

- Thursday, Dec. 5, 2013, 2:00 - 3:30pm in 109 Atkinson College
- Thursday, Jan. 9, 2014, 10:00 - 11:30am in 109 Atkinson College
- Tuesday, Jan. 14, 2014, 10:00 - 11:30am in 3033 Lassonde Building
- Wednesday, Jan. 22, 2014, 10:00-11:30am in 109 Atkinson College
- Tuesday, Jan. 28, 2014, 2:00 - 3:30pm in 3033 Lassonde Building
- Tuesday, Feb. 4, 2014, 10:00 - 11:30am in 109 Atkinson College
- Thursday, Feb. 13, 2014, 2:00 - 3:30pm in 3033 Lassonde Building
- Wednesday, Feb. 19, 2014, 10:00-11:30am in 109 Atkinson College
- Thursday, March 6, 2014, 2:00 - 3:30pm in 3033 Lassonde Building
- Wednesday, March 19, 2014, 10:00-11:30am in 109 Atkinson College

Parliamentary Internship Programme

**See Parliament from the inside...as a
Parliamentary Intern**

Work for Members of Parliament
Study with colleagues from across Canada

**A paid non-partisan internship from
September 2014 to June 2015**

The Parliamentary Internship Programme is an initiative of the Canadian Political Science Association (CPSA) that gives interns the chance to:

- Work with a Government and an Opposition MP

- Study Parliament and politics in an interdisciplinary environment
- Undertake comparative study tours in Canada and abroad
- Discuss with leading thinkers and political decision-makers
- Join outstanding colleagues
- Build public knowledge of Parliament

Ten positions available for Canadian professionals under 35 years old with a university degree.

Applicants from all disciplines are encouraged

Stipend of \$22,000 for a ten month internship from September 2014 to June 2015

It is an unforgettable year and provides invaluable practical experience for students seeking either academic or professional careers.

Apply Online now: www.pip-psp.org

Application Deadline is January 31, 2014

Fast Track Your Municipal Career Today!

**Apply for the 2014-2015
Ontario Municipal Management
Internship Program**

AMCTO is accepting applications from candidates interested in participating in the Ontario Municipal Management Internship Program for 2014-2015.

After 7 years of the program, past Management Interns are now plying their trade successfully in various senior management roles across Ontario and contributing positively to building strong city government. Ontario's Municipal Management Internship Program was developed by AMCTO with funding support from the Ontario Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing and FedNor to address the critical need to attract and train the

next generation of municipal leaders. Throughout the program year, Management Interns can expect to gain hands-on experience in municipal business lines under the supervision of a municipal Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) or similar designate. In addition, interns will be engaged in a suite of learning and skill development while receiving up to \$5,000 for training opportunities (i.e. conferences, workshops etc.) in addition to their salary.

The 2014-2015 program commences in June 2014. The **application instructions and materials** for prospective Interns are now available, at: http://www.amcto.com/imis15/content/Careers/Internship_Program/To_Apply/content/Careers_Pages/Internship_Pages/To_Apply.aspx?hkey=9a35683e-f7ee-49bd-9ac9-164b74b8a5c2

For additional information, please visit the **AMCTO Municipal Management Internship Program** webpage, at:

http://www.amcto.com/imis15/content/Careers/Internship_Program/content/Careers_Pages/Internship_Pages/About_the_Program.aspx?hkey=6eb58829-0ed8-4d52-ba7d-ff2f9ec18a5b

So if you are motivated to pursue a career as a municipal management professional, we invite you to submit your application today!

The submission deadline for candidate applications is February 26th, 2014

For any questions related to the program and/or applying, please contact Rick Johal, Director of Government Relations and Legislative Services. Rjohal@amcto.com

Contests

University and College students can write their way to a \$1,000 award

Ontario students who are passionate about engineering and public policy are encouraged to

enter the Ontario Centre for Engineering and Public Policy's (OCEPP) 2014 Student Essay Competition.

This year, eligibility has been expanded to include community college students. Students may write on one of the five provided topics and will compete in the college/undergraduate university or university graduate category. The winner in each category will receive a \$1,000 award and registration to the centre's 2014 Public Policy Conference, to be held in Toronto on **May 30, 2014**.

To view competition criteria, submission requirements or essay questions, please visit: http://members.peo.on.ca/index.cfm/document/1/ci_id/97162/la_id/1

Winning papers from past competitions can be viewed from the **For Students** page of the OCEPP website, at:

http://members.peo.on.ca/index.cfm/ci_id/32340/la_id/1.htm

Contest closes March 3, 2014

STUDENT ESSAY CONTEST 2014 **Fraser Institute**

Topic:

The rise of crony capitalism: how government and business gain at the taxpayers' expense

Categories and Prizes:

High School

1st Prize: \$1,500
2nd Prize: \$1,000
3rd Prize: \$500

Undergraduate

1st Prize: \$1,500
2nd Prize: \$1,000
3rd Prize: \$500

Graduate

1st Prize: \$1,500
2nd Prize: \$1,000
3rd Prize: \$500

SUBMISSION DEADLINE: May 30, 2014

For more information, visit:

Studentessaycontest.org

<http://www.fraserinstitute.org/education-programs/students/essay-contest-entry-form.aspx>

Employment Opportunities

See next week's announcements...

Other

Prague Summer Schools 2014

The Prague Summer Schools are seven-day academic programs designed to bring together undergraduate and graduate students of various nationalities and academic backgrounds to enjoy their summer holidays in the unique academic and cultural environment.

The Prague's Center for Public Policy is pleased to announce the forthcoming **Prague Summer Schools** on the following topics:

- European Summer Institute on the Future of Europe: Lobbying in Brussels
- Summer School on Crime, Law and Psychology
- Summer School on European Politics: Interests versus Culture?
- Summer School on China: A World Superpower - Myth or Reality?
- Summer School on New Development Cooperation: Breaking the Chains of Poverty
- Summer School on Education: The Future of School
- Summer School on Globalization: The End of Consumption as we Know it

When: July 5-12, 2014

Where: Summer Schools will take place in Prague, Czech Republic

We invite you to visit our website, at www.praguesummerschools.org to discover the details about the upcoming programs. The website will direct you to the individual page of each summer program containing information on academics, logistics, photos, alumni feedback, guidelines to application process, and online application.

We also encourage students to submit their applications to Prague Summer Schools 2014 by Early Bird Application Deadline of **January 31, 2014**. The Final Deadline is **February 15, 2014**.

Should you have any questions regarding the Prague Summer Schools or application process, please do not hesitate to contact us at:

Center for Public Policy, e-mail: cpvp@cpvp.cz
OR

Lucia Bugajova, e-mail: lbugajova@cpvp.cz

*****Please note that these courses cannot be taken on a Letter of Permission for credit towards your York degree program due to the fact that there is no formal evaluation in these courses*****

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Summer Course on Refugee and Forced Migration Issues by The Centre for Refugee Studies

The Summer Course on Refugee and Forced Migration Issues is an internationally acclaimed seven-day, non-credit course for academic and field-based practitioners working in the area of forced migration. It serves as a hub for researchers, students, practitioners, service providers and policy makers to share information and ideas. The Summer Course is housed within the Centre for Refugee Studies (CRS), York University. All participants who complete the full course receive a York University Centre for Refugee Studies Summer Course Certificate.

2014 Summer Course topics will include:

- Forced displacement: International case studies
- Legal approaches to refugee studies

- UNHCR, the Convention and the international refugee regime
- UNRWA and Palestinian refugees
- Refugee resettlement policy
- Urban refugees
- Internally displaced populations
- Age, gender and diversity mainstreaming in forced migration
- Sexual minority claims
- Environmentally-induced displacement
- Externalization of asylum
- Transitional justice
- Detention practices

- their personal career paths
- how their university education is relevant to their particular position
- the realities of the sectors they work in
- strategies for entering the sector
- opportunities within their fields
- resources for connecting with professionals in that field

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Registration Deadlines:

Course registration deadline for visa applicants:
January 31st, 2014

Non-visa applicants registration deadline:
April 1st, 2014

Dates: May 12-18, 2014

Location: York University, Toronto

Course Fee: \$975 CAD +13% HST
 (by February 1st, 2014)

Late Registration Fee: \$1400 CAD +13%HST (after
 February 1 until April 1, 2014)

For more information, and to apply, please visit
<http://crs.yorku.ca/summer/>

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