# School of Public Policy and Administration Weekly Newsletter

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### **Important Reminders**

#### SPPA Summer Hours of Operation

Please note that as of June 1, 2013 the hours of operation for the SPPA will change to 8:30am-4:30pm Monday-Thursday and 9:30am-3:30pm on Friday. This change will be in effect until August 31, 2013.

### Announcements

### SPPA Hours of Operation Change F/W 2013-2014

Effective September 2013, the hours of operation for the School of Public Policy and Administration will change to 8:30am-4:30pm, Monday through Friday.

### Faculty Features

## All Ottawa police start collecting race data during traffic stops

Ottawa police are beginning a controversial twoyear project documenting the race of drivers during traffic stops, reported cbc.ca June 27. The Traffic Stop Race Data Collection Project is designed to find out how much race influences the decisions police make when they pull someone over. **Les Jacobs**, a political science professor at York University, developed the new system with Ottawa police and said that since officers won't be identified, it won't reveal "bad apples." <u>Read full</u> story. In a related story June 28, the <u>Ottawa</u> <u>Citizen</u> reports that Jacobs, lead researcher for the study, has made the argument that bias, when it comes to policing, begins at perception, which is why stopped drivers will not be asked their race. What matters for the study is how Ottawa police officers perceive people and whether they perceived them before the decision to pull them over. <u>Read full story</u>.

#### Figuring out who to call can be confusing

When there's something wrong in your neighbourhood, who you gonna call? asks the *Aurora Banner* June 26. With four different levels of government serving York Region residents, it is not always a simple task to determine who is responsible for a particular problem. If you are a little mystified by the workings of the municipal, provincial and/or federal levels of government don't worry, you are not alone, says York University political science professor **Bob Drummond.** <u>Read full story</u>.

### Seminars/Workshops

See next week's announcements...



### **SPPA Events**

#### SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER

Mr. Clint Davis VP of Aboriginal Affairs, TD Bank, Canada

Friday, July 5, 2013 140 McLaughlin College, Senior Common Room 3:30pm

Clint Davis joined TD in 2012 to help the bank's efforts to attract Aboriginal business. He is an Inuk from Nunatsiavut, Labrador, and before joining the bank was president and CEO of the Canadian Council for Aboriginal Business. We asked Clint for his thoughts on Aboriginal relationships with the financial services industry, and he will be speaking on the following.

#### TD Bank's Role in Improving the Well-being of Aboriginal Communities in Canada

When armed with appropriate resources, Aboriginal peoples hold the capacity and ingenuity to ensure the sustainable, economic, spiritual, and cultural well-being of their communities. Mr. Davis will discuss some of the following issues:

- What does economic development mean for Aboriginal communities? Does it mean applying Western economic systems into Aboriginal communities and nations? Does it mean transforming economic tools to match Indigenous culture? Is it a blend of these approaches?
- How do Aboriginal communities define success or wealth or prosperity? What constitutes "economic activity"? How does sustainability or tourism play into this?
- It is estimated that the Aboriginal community contributes \$24 B in the Canadian economy. TD is a strong

supporter and partner with the Aboriginal community because it has identified gaps in:

- 1. Ensuring Aboriginal communities have access to equity/funding to participate in economic development opportunities;
- 2. Strengthening the capacity of workforce development from front line to management;
- 3. The economic fortunes of many Aboriginal communities received a major shot in the arm with the 2004 Supreme Court decisions, which established that governments have a legal obligation to consult Aboriginal people about possible resource development projects where required and to accommodate potential adverse impacts. This will ensure engagement of the Aboriginal community with respect to resource development with other traditional territories.

This guest lecture would be enriched with your insight on how TD is creating a partnership with the Aboriginal community and its future role in economic prosperity.

### **Other Events**

See next week's announcements...

### Call for Papers/Proposals

### Call for Proposals - Dupont Summit 2013

December 6, 2013 Historic Whittemore House 1526 New Hampshire Ave NW Washington, DC 20036 9:00 a.m. ~ 5:00 p.m. Proposals Due September 30, 2013 Call for Proposals: Dupont Summit on Science, Technology and Environmental Policy

The Policy Studies Organization (PSO) invites you to submit a proposal for the Dupont Summit 2013, to be held at the Historic Whittemore House in Washington, DC on Friday, December 6. The purpose of the conference is to promote dialogue about current science, technology and environmental policy concerns, and to provide a civil space for discussion across the political spectrum. We welcome proposals for panel discussions, round tables, individual talks, poster sessions, along with other types of presentations.

Proposals should be sent to PSO executive director Daniel Gutierrez-Sandoval at <u>dgutierrezs@ipsonet.org</u>. A one-page summary/abstract of your topic and speaker/panelists (if applicable) is requested. Proposals will be accepted until **September 30**, **2013** the final deadline. Please visit our <u>website</u> for more information.

The PSO disseminates policy scholarship through its numerous academic journals, book series, conferences, and programs.

Please contact me with any questions.

Regards,

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### Contests

See next week's announcements...

### **Employment Opportunities**

See next week's announcements...

### Volunteer Opportunities

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Internship Opportunities

#### REGIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OFFICER

YOUTH INTERNSHIP (1 year contract)

#### Who is Eligible?

Unemployed or underemployed youth (under the age of 30) who have graduated with a degree or diploma from a post-secondary institution within the last three years, are legally entitled to work in Canada, and have not been previously employed under a FedNor Youth Internship funding agreement, or other federal or provincial internship with pay for a period of six (6) months or more. Candidates must have reliable transportation.

#### Salary

\$27,500 per annum. This one (1) year full-time position is partially funded by FedNor's Northern Ontario Development Program.

#### Job Description

The intern will work on initiatives that will strengthen regional economic development in the Sudbury East region. A coordinated approach involving small business, municipalities, and economic development organizations will create partnerships that will help stimulate economic activity in the area. As a result, the main responsibility and purpose of the intern will be to focus specifically on regional interests and regional goals. The intern will help make SEBOT a viable platform for business development and growth, strengthening the business community and making it investment-ready.

The intern will work at the offices of the Municipality of French River and will receive fulltime daily supervision and guidance form the Economic Development Manager. The intern will report to the SEBOT Board of Directors on a monthly basis.

#### Responsibilities

The intern will assist with the following project activities:

- Identify regional priorities, goals, and needs in terms of economic development
- Develop a database of Sudbury East community assets and small businesses, inclusive of products and services available, to coordinate sector marketing
- Assist the economic development personnel of the member municipalities to identify opportunities and actions to be taken
- Make the SEBOT website a useful tool for resident information, for tourist attraction, and for business investment
- Increase awareness about SEBOT through promotional initiatives and outreach
- Make SEBOT a resource for current and future business by promoting the benefits of membership
- Update the member database
- Host at least five business networking activities

#### Qualifications and Skills

- Relevant experience would be an asset
- Excellent communication skills (spoken and written)
- Fluent in both official languages would be an asset
- Excellent computer skills

- Excellent reporting skills
- Project development skills
- Knowledge of Community Economic Development
- Capable of working with minimal supervision
- Analytical skills
- Knowledge of not-for-profit organizations, government agencies, and businesses

**Deadline for Applications:** July 26th, 2013, at 4:30 p.m.

Submit resume with covering letter (in PDF format) by email to:

Marika Jeziorek Management Consultant Sudbury East Board of Trade marika@sebot.ca

### Other

#### July activities at the Career Centre

This year we have more internship students out on summer work terms than ever before! As a means of facilitating reflection on what students are learning during their internships and engaging them in discussions with their peers, the Career Centre created a Moodle. So far the Moodle has prompted discussions about how to handle management changes in the workplace and asking for reference letters. Students have also shared the challenges and successes they've had in transitioning from school to the work place and shared how their internship experiences have helped them confirm or change their career goals. Our Moodle facilitator, Stacey Verhaeghe, engages students in a variety of discussion topics every week and has recently asked students how they think their work experiences will affect their academic courses when they return to school.

Did you know that the Career Centre has a number of online career planning tools to assist students who can't make it to campus in person? • Our <u>Career Exploration & Job Search Tools</u> include multimedia resources designed to help students research and explore career options and educational programs, keep abreast of Canadian labour market and employment news, track details of job search activities and provide weekly summaries of job search goals and accomplishments, and so much more!

• The Job Posting Sites section includes links to a number of popular Canadian job posting sites that are searchable by key word, city, industry, and employer as well as sites targeted to specific fields of interest and areas of study and international jobs.

• The <u>Career Centre Video & Audio</u> section includes recordings of our popular panel discussions with alumni and industry representatives who provide insider information on what it's really like to work in a specific industry and tips on securing a job within a field of interest.

The Career Centre is open for business all summer long and it's a great time for students to avail themselves of our <u>one-on-one appointments</u> (shorter wait times!) and/or take in one of our <u>Career Exploration</u>, Job Search, or <u>Professional</u> <u>Etiquette</u> workshops taking place almost every day throughout July. Feel free to share this information broadly with students, new graduates and colleagues.

Alternatively, you may refer to our <u>online</u> <u>calendar</u>.