

School of Public Policy and Administration

Weekly Newsletter

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Important Reminders

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 LAPS Advisor, you may request an appointment through the main SPPA Office at lapssppa@yorku.ca.

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

Open Forum on Campus Safety

Tuesday Nov. 12th
4:00pm - 5:30pm
105 Life Sciences Building

Campus Lighting Tour

Tuesday Nov. 12th
5:30pm
105 Life Sciences Building

The Community Safety Council (CSC) has organized an open forum on campus safety to update and inform the York community about safety initiatives that are underway on campus.

the open forum offers an opportunity for dialogue among the members of the York community to discuss current challenges and opportunities regarding campus safety. The Community Safety Council invites faculty, staff and students to attend. The tour will depart from 105 Life Sciences. The walking tour offers an opportunity for the community to share any concerns they may have over lighting. As part of the tour, University representatives will provide background information on lighting at York University, showcase areas of success, review areas currently being upgraded and areas of concern.

For more information, visit:

<http://safety.yorku.ca/communitysafetycouncil/>

<http://safety.yorku.ca/lightingtour/>

Fullbright Canada

On Tuesday October 22nd, at 1:00pm EDT, Fulbright Canada held a Webinar that provided Canadian advisors, Canadian graduate students, and Canadian scholars with information about the Fulbright Program. We have recorded the webinar for anyone who was unable to attend, and have posted it online at the link below. Please encourage anyone that might be interested to listen to it and learn more about the opportunities that are available to them through Fulbright Canada. The webinar provides details on our eligibility requirements, programs for students and scholars, the timeline for application, enrichment opportunities, and how to prepare a competitive application.

Please note that the current competition is for the 2014-15 academic year, and the applications are to be submitted on or before **November 15th**.

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For more information, visit:

<http://www.fulbright.ca/news/49/489/Watch-the-WEBINAR-for-Canadian-Students-and-Scholars.html>

SPARK Student Papers & Academic Research Kit 

<http://www.yorku.ca/spark/>

SPARK is your guide to successful academic papers.

SPARK modules are:

- 8 - 10 minutes each
- Focus on research, writing and learning
- Include examples, templates, videos and more

SPARK can help at any point in the preparation of your paper.

YorkU Farmers' Market

**Grand Opening Celebration Event on Thursday
November 7th**

Regenesis@York and York University Food Services
present: YUMI York University Market

Every Thursday afternoon from 12-4pm starting Thursday October 24th until December 5th Inside the **Technology Enhanced Learning (TEL) Building** on the South end of campus. Fresh produce, prepared vegetarian/vegan goodies, raw snacks. Locally sourced, Sustainably Produced, All Delicious.

*Closed during holidays and reading weeks.

For more information, please email:

regenesis.yorku@gmail.com

Seminars/Workshops

Applying to MSW (Masters in Social Work) Program Workshop

Thursday November 7th
12:00-1:30pm OR 5:00-6:30pm
S802 Ross Bldg.

Interested in becoming a Social Worker? Join us for an information session with representative/s from the School of Social Work to learn about the MSW program. Leave with an understanding of what to do next and how to get there. Part of the LA&PS Centre for Student Success Career Development Series.

Register online:

<https://apps2.sis.yorku.ca/Apps/WebObjects/SAB.woa/wa/sab?param=cssmsw>

Scholarly Communications Series 2013-14:

Writing a Thesis/Dissertation Proposal in the Social Sciences and Humanities

Thursday, November 7, 2013
10:00am-11:30am in 280N York Lanes

Mapping the Library of Babel--Strategies for Constructing Literature Reviews

Friday, November 8, 2013
10:00am-11:30am in 280N York Lanes

Organize Your Research with Zotero

Monday, November 11, 2013
10:00am-11:30am in S236 Seymour
Schulich Building

Communicating Your Research: *Journal Publications*

Scholarly publications are not just a way to demonstrate your research proficiency and gain status in your field, they're a way to enter the scholarly conversation, and to communicate your knowledge to the wider world. Join us and find out from our panel how and why students publish their research, and how to create an effective publication plan that will serve you well now and when you're searching for a job. Our panel of experienced professors and student advisors will tackle the big questions: Why publish? When should I publish my work? How do I know what

journal to submit to? Are edited collections equal to refereed journals? How does peer review work? Come with your own questions, and we'll demystify the world of scholarly publication.

Monday, November 11th, 2013
10:00 ~ 11:30 am
280N York Lanes

Speakers:

Marcel Martel - Avie Bennett Historica-Dominion Institute Chair, Professor, Chair, Department of History (LAPS)

Darren Gobert - Professor, Graduate Program in English, Editorial Board, Modern Drama

Applying to Graduate School?

Tips from the Department of Political Science:

-MA Co-ordinator Gabrielle Slowey and Professor Tom Klassen will be sharing information.

-Some of our current Grad students will be in attendance to answer any questions.

Monday November 11, 2013
2:30-4:30pm
S674 Ross Bldg.

For more information, contact:
Dennis Pilon at dpilon@yorku.ca

Upcoming Workshops for Graduate Students

Hosted by the Teaching Commons

‘Classroom Strategies for when they haven’t done the readings’: **November 13th**
1:00-2:00pm
1014 TEL Bldg.

‘Course Design for Graduate Students’:
November 12th
10:00am-4:00pm
1014 TEL Bldg.

Time Management for Neuroscience Students:
(This session is targeted for Graduate Students in Neuroscience).

January 16th
1:00-2:00pm
163 Brain Science Building (BSB)

Please remember all our courses are **free of charge and are open to all Graduate Students**

For more information, visit:
<http://teachingcommons.yorku.ca/for-all-graduate-students/>

Open Government Conference and Workshop
Hosted by MaRS Discovery District

I am reaching out to the academic community, namely the departments of public policy/administration and political science, to invite both faculty and students to an open government conference and workshop hosted by MaRS Discovery District in partnership with the City of Toronto, City of Guelph, and the Government of Ontario. We're bringing together public servants from all levels of government along with open government champions and change-makers from civil society, academia, and the private sector. To that end, please share this invitation with your colleagues who are involved with/interested in the areas of civic engagement, open data, access to information, public policy research, participatory budgeting, journalism, etc. A limited number of discounted spots are available for students at \$20 on a first-come, first serve basis with the promo code "POSTSEC".

Friday, November 22nd at 8:30 am
101 College Street
Toronto, ON M5G 1L7

For the agenda, speakers, and registration info., visit: <https://govmakerday.eventbrite.com/>

SPPA Events

MPPAL Info 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.

McLaughlin College, Room 140
York University, 4700 Keele Street, Toronto
[Map & Directions](#)

Thursday, Nov. 7 - 5:30 - 7:30 pm
Saturday, Nov 16 - 12:00 - 2:00 pm
Thursday, Nov 21 - 5:30 - 7:30 pm
Saturday, Nov 23 - 12:00 - 2:00 pm

Osgoode Professional Development Centre
1 Dundas St. West, Toronto
26th. Floor

[Map & Directions](#)
Wednesday, Nov 13 - 5:30 - 7:30pm
Wednesday, Nov. 27 - 5:30 - 7:30pm
Wednesday, Dec. 4 - 5:30 - 7:30pm

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

Other Events

CREATIVE WRITING ~ Reading Series PRESENTS: DAVE BIDINI

Memoirist, creative non-fiction writer, and famous musician Dave Bidini will read from his newest book *Keon and Me* and tell tales of Toronto, sport, and rock 'n roll.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8th at 11:30am
ROOM 305 FOUNDERS COLLEGE
Book signing by the author after the event
Light refreshments will be served.

Ontario Ministry of the Environment (MOE) Second Annual "Best in Science" Symposium

This symposium will present and celebrate the important environmental science research that has been supported by the "Best in Science" research grant program. This year, we will have eight speakers – three senior scientists from MOE's Environmental Sciences and Standards Division, the Ontario Genomics Institute's Vice-President of Corporate Development and three researchers from Ontario universities who have received support from the BIS grant program in recent years.

November 28th, 2013 – 9:00 am to 3:30 pm
Laboratory Services Branch Auditorium
125 Resources Road, Toronto

There is no registration fee but registration is required as space is limited.

RSVP by November 8th to: adam.socha@ontario.ca



Trouble and Turmoil What happens to public trust when government seems beset by problems – of its own doing or created by others?

When: November 25, 2013, 9:00 -10:30 AM.
(Registration opens at 8:30 AM)

Where: South Dining Room. Hart House. 7 Hart House Circle, University of Toronto

Featuring: Joan Andrew, Public Servant in Residence, Department of Politics and Public Administration, Ryerson University; Michael Fenn, Senior Advisor, Strategy Corp; John Michael McGrath, Reporter, Queen's Park Briefing. Moderated by: Michael Kurts Assistant Vice-President, Strategic Communications and Marketing, University of Toronto

What: Since the start of 2013, a number of governments in Canada have stewed in a sorcerer's

brew of various kinds of trouble and turmoil. Please join our panel members, who bring experience and advice from a broad range of backgrounds, in an interactive discussion of this important issue.

ONLINE registration ONLY! Register early as this event is expected to sell out! To register, visit:
<https://www.ipac.ca/Toronto/registration-nov25>

For all event details, visit:
<http://www.ipac.ca/documents/Nov%2025th%20Flyer.pdf>

Mark your calendars:
Elinor Caplan

Former MPP (1985-1997) and Minister of Health, Government of Ontario; former MP (1997-2004) and Minister of Citizenship and Immigration (1999-2002) and Minister of National Revenue (2002-2003), Government of Canada

Friday, November 22nd
10:30-11:45am
York Hall B213, Glendon campus

LGBT Equality Litigation in the Caribbean
Panel presentation

Hosted by Envisioning Global LGBT Human Rights

Thursday, November 21st
12:30 - 2:30 pm
Osgoode Hall Law School
Ignat Kaneff Building, Room 1014
Helliwell Cntr for Innovation in Dispute Resolution, 1st floor

Today, same-gender intimacy is criminalized in 11 of the 12 Commonwealth countries of the Caribbean under laws introduced by British colonialism. Join us for this panel of Caribbean leaders who are working to advance LGBT rights in the Caribbean. The panelists will discuss the work and history of LGBT activism in Jamaica and Belize as well as current litigation to advance LGBT rights.

For more information, contact: envision@yorku.ca or visit: www.envisioninglgbt.com

Lunch Talks Fall 2013
Hosted by McLaughlin College

Presenter: STEPHEN DUNNETT (ANNUAL PUBLIC POLICY LECTURE)

“Competition for Global Talent: Is the U.S. Losing to Other Markets for International Students?”

WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 6, 2013 at 5:30pm
(PLEASE NOTE THE TIME)

McLaughlin 014 - Junior Common Room
Co-sponsored by Office of the Master, McLaughlin, School of Public Policy and Administration (SPPA) and (MPPAL)

Presenter: PUBLIC PANEL SESSION

“Ezokola: The Test of Complicity in War Crimes and Crimes “Against Humanity”

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 8 2013

1:30pm – 3:30pm (PLEASE NOTE THE TIME)

McLaughlin Junior Common Room (McLaughlin 014)

Presenter: JENNIFER MENDOZA

“South India -- Defining an International Experience”

WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 13, 2013

12pm – 1:30pm, McLaughlin Senior Common Room (McLaughlin 140)

Presenter: GEORGE FALLIS

“Canada’s One Percent”

TUESDAY NOVEMBER 19, 2013

3:30pm – 5pm, Vanier Senior Common Room (Vanier 010)

Co-sponsored by Office of the Master, McLaughlin and Office of the Master, Vanier College

“Ezokola: The Test of Complicity in War Crimes and Crimes Against Humanity”

Presented by – A Panel of Speakers

Moderator:

Professor James Simeon - Director, School of Public Policy and Administration, Faculty of Liberal Arts & Professional Studies

Panelists:

Nancy Weisman, Senior Legal Counsel - Refugee Appeal Division, Immigration and Refugee Board of Canada (IRB)

Dr. Joseph Rikhof, Justice Canada - Crimes Against Humanity and War Crimes Unit

Lorne Waldman, Barrister and Solicitor - President of the Canadian Association of Refugee Lawyers (CARL)

Justice James O'Reilly - Federal Court Canada

The Supreme Court of Canada, in its recent judgement in Ezokola, set a new legal standard for excluding persons from Convention refugee status when there are serious reasons for considering that the person has committed a war crime, a crime against peace or a crime against humanity. This distinguished special panel of some of the world's leading authorities on the application and interpretation of Article 1F (a) will examine and assess the Supreme Court of Canada's ruling in Ezokola from a number of perspectives. This special panel session will feature Justice James O'Reilly, Federal Court Canada; Lorne Waldman, one of the most influential lawyers in Canada and the President of CARL; Dr. Joseph Rikhof, Senior Counsel and Manager of the Law, Crimes Against Humanity and War Crimes Unit, Justice Canada; and Nancy Weisman, Senior Legal Counsel, with the new Refugee Appeal Division, Immigration and Refugee Board of Canada (IRB).

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 8th

1:30 – 3:30 PM

014 McLAUGHLIN COLLEGE, JUNIOR COMMON RM.

Light refreshments provided.

Everyone welcome.

Call for Papers/Proposals

The York-Ryerson Joint Graduate Program in Communication & Culture

Invites submissions for participation in Future Communications

A one-day symposium and open house for current and prospective grad students

Friday, December 13, 2013

Morning & Afternoon at York University

Evening at Ryerson University

The York-Ryerson Joint Graduate Program in Communication & Culture welcomes proposals for paper presentations, poster presentations, roundtable discussions, workshops, and creative artwork. Both ongoing and completed research is welcome.

The theme "Future Communications" can be interpreted broadly to include investigations of all aspects of culture, media, politics, policy, technology, and creative practice.

For information/registration, please visit:
<http://cmct.gradstudies.yorku.ca/events/>

Canadian Public Administration Call for Papers

Performance Evaluation in Canadian Public Organizations: How Far Have We Come?

Submission deadline: November 30, 2013

Submitting government programs to evaluation is one way to inform elected officials and the public about whether programs are achieving touted goals in a fair and efficient manner. Several factors—legislative, political, organizational and scientific—can explain the inclusion of performance evaluation in the political agenda and its implementation in public organizations. Calls for innovative practices, marginal changes and continuity in programs can emerge from performance evaluations. There are, however, potential negative consequences to performance evaluation, such as (a) feelings of inability to develop performance management, approaches and measurement; (b) cynicism and apathy in the public service regarding the concept of "performance" and the prospect of improving organizational performance; (c) unease about stronger accountability relationships; and (d) lack of concordance between the political and legislative discourses that promote performance, and actual administrative practices.

Knowledge of performance-evaluation practice in the public sector is widely dispersed across fields like municipal affairs, health care and education. In Canada, as elsewhere, performance evaluation

is a complex topic of interest fed by various scientific disciplines (e.g., public administration, management, economics and political science). Areas of investigation include rationale, theory, modeling, management, measurement, implementation, utilization and performance value. In recent years, Canadian Public Administration, the refereed scholarly publication of the Institute of Public Administration of Canada, has communicated findings on performance evaluation practices, focusing specifically on management, accountability and human resources. However, there have been few in-depth, critical analyses of related factors such as complexity, innovation, change and the role of discourse in developing and integrating these practices into decision-making processes.

Canadian Public Administration invites academics and practitioners from Canada and abroad to submit papers in English or French, which explore the development, practice and consequences of performance evaluation in various sectors in Canada (e.g., health administration, education administration, municipal management, social services). The goal is to generate a dialogue among researchers, decision makers and professionals about the state of practice with performance evaluation in public administration. Submitted papers should document practice in one or more program areas in public administration in Canada and explain 1) how performance evaluation is used; and 2) the effects of performance evaluation on interventions, organizations and governance.

Potential contributors could choose to respond to the following questions:

- a) At the international level, what is the state of the art of performance evaluation?
 - b) What are the current practices of performance evaluation in Canadian public organizations and what are the challenges for practitioners?
 - c) What is the gold standard, if there is one, for performance evaluation in Canada and Quebec?
- The guest editors will also consider other relevant topics (examples include performance management, performance measurement, and related topics).

To submit a paper

Papers should be submitted to Canadian Public Administration via the journal's online manuscript tracking system at <http://mc.manuscriptcentral.com/capa> no later than **November 30, 2013**.

All submissions will undergo peer review by leading experts in the field prior to final acceptance.

Accepted papers will be published in September 2014 (Volume 57, issue 3). For information on the submission process, please contact Christy Paddick, Managing Editor at cpaddick@ipac.ca. To discuss ideas for potential papers, please contact Nathalie

Dubois, a guest editor of this theme issue at ndubois@santepub-mtl.qc.ca

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

Transnational Migration and Changing Citizenship Regimes:

Workshop at the University of Ottawa,
March 21, 2014

Citizenship regimes are shifting insignificant ways in response to the global movement of people, in

ways that serve to encourage some migrants and discourage others. This workshop will consider the ways in which citizenship regimes have shifted – in particular, whether they have become more or less compatible with democratic principles (understood as a commitment to inclusive equality) – in response to the transnational movement of people. We will consider a range of examples of changing citizenship regimes, including (but not limited to):

- a) the changes in developed states who are competing for skilled migrants to such an extent that they shift their citizenship regimes to make it easier for skilled migrants (but not unskilled migrants who are, equally, needed to fill acute labour shortages in developed states) to earn citizenship;
- b) the changes in developed states to make it more difficult for even genuine refugees to both claim asylum and, where their claims are recognized as legitimate, to gain permanent resettlement outside of their country of origin;
- c) the imposition of citizenship tests and other pre-naturalization demands, often directed at particular immigrant groups, intended to make the acquisition of citizenship more challenging.

Confirmed speakers:

Avigail Eisenberg, University of Victoria, Canada
Peter Niesen, Hamburg University, Germany
Steven On, National Sun Yat-sen University, Kaohsiung, Taiwan
David Owen, University of Southampton, UK

Abstracts (250 words) should be sent by **Nov 30, 2013** to the following addresses:

Patti T Lenard (Patti.Lenard@Uottawa.ca)

Christine Straehle (christine.straehle@uottawa.ca)

Funding/Scholarships



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.

For further information, visit:

Sangster Award:

<http://www.codata.org/canada/sangster>

CNC/CODATA: <http://www.codata.org/canada>

CODATA: <http://www.codata.org>

Canada Graduate Scholarships- Master's Program

Tri-agency (SSHRC, NSERC, CIHR) CGS M (Master's scholarship)- Frequently Asked Questions

An updated « Frequently Asked Questions for University Administrators » and a new « Frequently Asked Questions for Students » are now available on the [Tri-agency Harmonization of the Canada Graduate Scholarships](#) web page and on the [Canada Graduate Scholarships-Master's Program](#) web page.



2014 John Peters Humphrey Fellowship In International Human Rights or International Organization

Open to students at Canadian Institutions studying in Law OR at an advanced level in Political Science (OR its equivalent)

Awarded to outstanding students to support them in the pursuit of full-time graduate studies in the fields of international human rights or international organization at leading institutions in Canada or worldwide. Each year, at least one fellowship may be set aside for students entering a Masters level programme.

Honouring John Peters Humphrey, a renowned Canadian international lawyer who worked to promote wide ratification of the major international and regional human rights instruments.

(More information available at www.ccil-ccdi.ca)

Value of each scholarship

- Up to CDN\$35,000
- A maximum of CDN\$25,000 for tuition and fees
- A stipend for living expenses of CDN\$10,000
- Awards will be for a one-year period of study

Eligibility criteria and the 2014 Application are available as of September 20, 2013 at www.ccil-ccdi.ca

Closing Date is November 22, 2013



WiDS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

The application deadline is November 15, 2013.

Women in Defence and Security (WiDS) has established the Memorial Scholarship to encourage women to pursue careers related to the national

defence and security interests of Canada. Awards will be based on academic achievement, participation in defence and national security activities, field of study, work experience, statements of objectives, and recommendations.

Applicants must meet the following criteria:

1. be currently enrolled at an accredited university or college, either full-time or part-time;
2. undergraduate and graduate students are eligible; undergraduates must have attained at least 3rd year university;
3. demonstrate interest in pursuing a career related to national security or defence;
4. have a minimum grade point average of 70%;
5. provide evidence of community, education or professional leadership;
6. be a woman; and
7. be a citizen of Canada.

NOTE:

1. Students who are already fully subsidized (i.e. ROTP) or in receipt of more than \$10,000 in other academic scholarships/awards/bursaries for the academic year 2013-2014 (September 2013-August 2014) are not eligible to apply.
2. Reservists (including RETP) and other students paying their way through RMC are eligible. Coupled with an emphasis in national security, the preferred fields of study include:
 - security studies

- military history
- government relations, government policy
- engineering, computer science
- physics
- mathematics
- medical
- business (as it relates to national security or defence)
- law (as it relates to national security or defense)
- international relations
- political science
- economics.

Others will be considered if the applicant can successfully demonstrate relevance to a career in the areas of national security or defense.

For further information, visit:

<https://www.wids.ca/UserFiles/File/pdfs/Scholarship/2014%20WiDS%20Memorial%20Scholarship%20Application%20Form%20%28Eng%29.pdf>

Volunteer Opportunities

Exchange Program Information Sessions for Graduate Students

It is possible to add an exchange to your graduate degree. For either course work or research, one of York's 100+ exchange partners might be right for you. Come to one of the Exchange Information Sessions listed below to get details on the process and how to apply.

**Monday November 18, 2013
10:00am - 11:30am
305 York Lanes**

Check out the list of partners at the link below. Some programs have funding from the host, many destinations offer instruction in English.
<http://international.yorku.ca/exchange/agreements.htm>

Staff from the Faculty of Graduate Studies and York International will be on hand to answer questions and help guide you to make this a real possibility.

Opportunity for undergraduate students to become co-editors of an e-Journal

Good Morning,

I am a student currently in my 4th year at the Royal Military College in Canada and enrolled in the Political Sciences Program.

I, as well as a colleague, would like to respectfully request your cooperation in an endeavor of ours. We are currently co-editors in an undergraduate publication called Federalism-e. This publication aims to regroup essays made by undergraduate level students regarding federalism, federal politics in Canada, or federal politics abroad. Our publication aims to be fully bilingual so texts in both official languages (French and English) are accepted.

We thus require submissions from undergraduate students from all around the country and the World. The process is as follows: After constituting an editorial board, we solicit submission from different universities. The submissions can be original work or can be essays produced by the students for a class as long as the main theme is federalism. These submissions are then handed over to the editorial board (with names removed, following a double blind system) and extensively reviewed. Drafts are then sent back to the students for corrections and so on until a satisfactory article has been submitted.

We need both contributors as well as students to act as members of the editorial board. Note that students can act as both (they will of course not be given their own work to review).

Thus, taking into account your position, we humbly ask that you pass on the message to your students and have them contact me if they are interested. I would ask you to encourage your students to undertake such an endeavor as it is an excellent exercise in academic journal writing and a good opportunity to get work published at the national level.

I thank you for reading this. Do not hesitate to pass my email address directly to your students and know that I remain available for any questions you

or anyone else might have through this email address s26181@rmc.ca or by phone at 289-456-1890.

Regards, Travis Lane

Internship Opportunities

See next week's announcements...

Contests

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

Vacancies at the Refugee Law Project “A Centre for Justice and Forced Migrants”

The Refugee Law Project (RLP) is an outreach project of the School of Law, Makerere University. Our Mission is to empower asylum seekers, refugees, deportees, IDPs and host communities to enjoy their human rights and lead dignified lives.

RLP is currently seeking to appoint staff to fill the vacancies listed below to be based in the Kampala office and the various satellite offices

- 1) SGBV OFFICER(S)
- 2) LEGAL OFFICER (S)

Application deadline is November 15, 2013

For complete job descriptions and information on how to apply, visit:

http://www.refugeelawproject.org/vacancies/13_11_03_job_advert.pdf

The Refugee Law Project website:

<http://www.refugeelawproject.org/>

Department of Finance Canada: University Recruitment campaign for 2013-14

The Department of Finance Canada has launched its annual University Recruitment campaign for 2013-14. As one of the 2013 top employers in the National Capital Region, we are encouraging all university students that are graduating this year with a Master's degree in economics, finance, public policy/administration, or international studies to apply to the Economist and Policy Analyst stream. We would greatly appreciate your help in maximizing the number of qualified applicants that we receive for this year's campaign. As you may be aware, at Finance Canada we provide leadership in helping the Government of Canada develop the economic and social policies that will improve the standard of living and quality of life of Canadians, their families and their communities. Our six policy branches provide unparalleled opportunities to work on issues like

economic and fiscal forecasting, the federal budget, G-20 and G-7 meetings, federal transfers to the provinces and territories, tax policy, and financial sector regulation. We work on challenging policy issues and are able to influence important public policy decisions. We believe that diverse backgrounds, perspectives and approaches are essential to the development of the best public policies. As such, we encourage applications from Aboriginal people, women, persons with disabilities, and members of visible minorities.

Individuals can apply to the Economist and Policy Analyst stream through the Department of Finance website between October 2 and November 7, 2013. Applications submitted after this deadline or by other means (e.g., mail, fax) will not be considered.

For more information on Finance Canada and on how to apply, please visit:

www.fin.gc.ca/recruit-recrutement/masters-maitrise-eng.asp

Please help us by circulating the contents of this email to as many qualified graduating students as possible. This may entail posting on course websites, sending out emails via a distribution list and/or reminding students about the Finance Canada UR campaign in classrooms. You may also wish to post messages promoting the recruitment campaign (see attachment) on the University's Twitter account.

Other

NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR 2014!

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

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/>

NOVEMBER EVENTS AT THE CAREER CENTRE

The Career Centre is pleased to provide you with a PDF of the calendar of activities for the month of November 2013. Alternatively, you may refer to our [online calendar](#).

The annual [Volunteer Fair](#) is taking place on November 14th from 10am-3pm in Vari Hall. This is a great opportunity for students to get involved, build career-related skills, gain experience, and meet people who share their interest in making a difference. Students can find out which

organizations are attending and read about their volunteer opportunities on the [Volunteer Fair website](#).

Immediately following the Volunteer Fair, the Career Centre will be hosting a Career Conversations panel discussion with York alumni entitled, [Discovering Careers in NGOs, Human Rights and Social Justice Organizations](#). This panel, taking place from 3:30-5:30pm in the Harry Crowe Room, 109 Atkinson College, is a great opportunity for students to connect with professionals and get the inside scoop on what it's really like to work in this field.

The Career Centre will be co-hosting two more Career Conversations panels in November: [Discovering Careers in Technology](#) (in partnership with the Centre for Student Success, LAPS) on November 5th and [What Can I Do with a Degree in Humanities?](#) (in partnership with the Department of Humanities, LAPS) on November 13th. These panels will feature York alumni working in various roles within organizations as diverse as IBM, Metrolinx, Maclean's and Rinx Entertainment.

The Environmental Studies Internship Program (ESIP) will also be hosting a panel discussion on November 14th from 2:00-4:00 pm in 248 HNES. During this panel discussion, [Unearthing Green Internships](#), students will hear inspiring stories and learn from the experiences of former ESIP interns.

This time of year, many students are applying to further studies. The Career Centre's [Further Education Workshop Series](#) will be offered throughout the month of November. These five, highly targeted, one-hour workshops, are designed to address the unique issues and concerns that students might have about their applications to further studies.

Students can register for these activities through the [Career Centre's online system](#).

CAREER CONVERSATIONS PANEL SERIES PRESENTS:

Hosted by the Career Centre

The **Career Conversations** Series, sponsored by [York Alumni Relations](#), is a series of panel and webinar discussions that focus on various fields of interest and are designed to provide students with an opportunity to connect with employers and alumni; gain insight into areas of interest to them; and get advice from professionals currently working in the field. During these sessions Employer and Alumni participants will address and discuss questions from a Career Centre moderator, students and new graduates on topics such as:

- 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

[Discovering Careers in Technology](#)

Tuesday, November 5, 2013

3:00 – 5:00 pm

103 McLaughlin College

(Career Centre Presentation Room)

[What Can I Do With a Degree in Humanities?](#)

Wednesday, November 13, 2013

3:00 – 5:00 pm

Michaelangelo's Restaurant, Atkinson Building

[Discovering Careers in NGOs, Human Rights and Social Justice Organizations](#)

Thursday, November 14, 2013

3:30 – 5:30 pm

Harry Crowe Room, 109 Atkinson College

Register and see the full list of panels at:

yorku.ca/careers/conversations

Station Contractor Begins Work for York University Station November 2013

Work will soon begin on the next phase of station construction with the mobilization by the York University Subway Station contractor EllisDon. EllisDon will begin bringing equipment and forces onto the York University Station construction site as they gear up for full mobilization and the next number of years of subway station construction. The site is located between York Boulevard and the Kaneff Tower/Archives Building and Ian Macdonald Boulevard near the Seymour Schulich Building. Work will take place in the Contractor Work Zones and Station construction areas on the map below.

Early mobilization work includes:

- Starting on November 2, 2013, water will be pumped out of the station box. There will be some construction related noise related to the pumping.
- Contractor site preparation which includes extending the construction site fencing on Ian Macdonald Boulevard across from the Archives of Ontario.
- Mobilization of heavy equipment on to the site.

The erection of two (2) tower cranes on the east and west ends of the construction site (red circles on map).

For all subway related construction notices and updates, visit: <http://subway.news.yorku.ca/>