

School of Public Policy and Administration

Weekly Newsletter

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Important Reminders

Please note: Operational hours for the SPPA office (119 McL) during Reading Week (Feb 18-21) will be 8:30am-4:30pm.

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. *Please note: advising appointments will not be held on February 11th & 13th.*

Announcements

The Faculty of Liberal Arts & Professional Studies is moving to an on-line submission system for all petitions. Starting Monday, February 10, 2014, students will no longer be able to submit petitions in paper format, or in person. Students will access the Petitions System from our website (<http://www.yorku.ca/laps/council/students/petitions.html>) using their PASSPORT YORK account.

Appeals of refused petitions will continue to be submitted in person at the Petitions Office in N 926

Ross, and to require completion of an Appeal Form, which they will download from our website.

Supporting documentation for petitions entered online also will continue to be submitted in hardcopy format to N 926 Ross, in accordance with the directions available to the student on the petitions system.

Message from the Undergraduate Program Director:

Dear Students,

In the next few weeks you may be asked to participate in two different student surveys.

The first one that has been announced is the University-wide Student Engagement Survey - for this one only 1st year and 4th year undergraduate students in all programs will be asked to participate.

The second survey is specific to students who are majoring in our Bachelor of Public Administration (BPA) program. This survey is part of a cyclical program review that takes place typically every 7 years and this is the first one for the BPA given that the program with the new curriculum was launched in 2010.

I would like to urge you to participate in this survey to provide feedback on the various aspects of the program and help us in our constant efforts aimed at improving the education and services you receive at the School of Public Policy and Administration (SPPA). *Please note that students who minor in Public Administration or are completing one of our Certificates at SPPA, are not eligible to participate in this survey.*

Thank for your attention and we look forward to receiving your feedback.

Regards,

Dr. Alena Kimakova, Associate Professor & Undergraduate Program Director, School of Public Policy and Administration, York University

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 134, York University
4700 Keele Street, Toronto

[Map & Directions](#)

Thursday, Feb. 27 - 12:00 - 1:00pm

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

[Map & Directions](#)

Wednesday, Feb. 12 - 5:30 - 7:30pm

Wednesday, Feb. 19 - 12:00 - 1:00pm

Wednesday, Feb. 19 - 5:30 - 7:30pm

To register for a session please visit http://www.yorku.ca/gradppal/info_sessions.html

Other Events / News

Career Centre February Activities

This February we are excited to be offering the following unique events for students:

- The Career Conversations series is in full swing this February with three exciting panel discussions with York alumni
- **Making Degree Choices: The Other People Factor** webinar offered on **Friday, February 21st** is designed for students who feel that their career decisions are being influenced by family, cultur-

al or external expectations and want to discover how others may be influencing their career choices.

- **Career Success: Employment Supports for York Students with Disabilities** is taking place on **Wednesday, February 26, 2014 from 9:00 am – 12:00 pm at The Underground**. Complementary continental breakfast (9:00am); round-table discussions (10:00am-12:00pm). Presented by the Career Centre, in partnership with Counselling and Disability Services (CDS), this session is an opportunity for students to connect with and hear from employers, community service providers and employees with disabilities about workplace disclosure and accommodations for persons with various disabilities (e.g. physical, learning, mental health). This event is book-marked by two workshops: the **Who Am I? Workshop for Students with Disabilities** on Feb. 24th and **To Disclose or Not to Disclose? Interview Skills for Students with Disabilities** on February 28th in the Bennett Centre.

Students are encouraged to register for these events through the Career Centre's online system. A full listing of the February Activities at the Career Centre can be found here: <http://www.yorku.ca/careers/calender/events.asp?date=2/28/2014>

Her Excellency Marie-Anne Coninx

Thursday February 13, 10:00-11:15
Senate Chamber, York Hall C123
Glendon campus (2275 Bayview Avenue)

Marie-Anne Coninx is the Ambassador of the European Union to Canada. She began her posting as the European Union's top diplomat in Canada in September 2013, after serving four years as Ambassador of the European Union to Mexico. She has been an official of the European Union since 1984. Ambassador Coninx has extensive experience dealing with multilateral issues, having served as Minister-Counsellor at the Delegation of the European Union in New York (US) from 1996 to 2000 and as Minister-Counsellor at the Delegation of the European Union in Geneva (CH) from 2000 to 2004. Ambassador

Coninsx studied law at Gent University in Belgium and did postgraduate studies specialising in international law and European law respectively at Cambridge University (UK) and at European University Centre in Nancy (France).

The event is free and open to the public.

"Lex and the City: Urban Issues in Law, Business and Policy" - the 17th Annual Conference of the JD/MBA Students Association.

February 28th, Courtyard Marriott Hotel

The conference will feature prominent speakers including Former Mayor David Miller, Councillor Karen Stintz, City Manager Joe Pennachetti, Former Chief City Planner Paul Bedford, and the Director of the Institute on Municipal Finance and Governance Dr. Enid Slack. In addition to these speakers there will be interactive breakout sessions with industry leaders in various aspects of urban development, governance and growth.

This is a fantastic opportunity for students in SPPA to network with these professionals, expand their knowledge and perspectives, and engage with the themes of public policy on a municipal level. Student tickets are only \$30, which includes a hot lunch. We encourage students to register as soon as possible as our annual conference has historically always sold out before the event!

Students can register at www.thejdmba.ca/registration-2 More details are also available at www.thejdmba.ca/2014-conference

Faculty of Graduate Studies: Scholarly Communications Series 2013-2014

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 con-

versation, and to communicate your knowledge to the wide 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.

Speakers: Marcel Martel, Avie Bennett Historical-Dominion Institute Chair Professor, Chair, Department of History (LAPS), and Darren Gobert, Professor, Graduate Program in English Editorial Board, Modern Drama.

March 10 2014 | 10-11:30am | 280N York Lanes

AMCTO's Municipal Leaders' Forum

Attention Ontario Public Policy/Administration Program Students!

AMCTO - the Municipal Experts is excited to offer Ontario's Public Policy/Administration Students a special one-time discounted rate to attend the 4th Annual AMCTO Municipal Leaders Forum held on **March 28th, 2014.**

This dynamic leadership event provides students and future public sector professionals with a full day to learn from and engage with renowned experts from the local government sector. The focus of this year's Municipal Leaders Forum is – Leading & Managing in a Politicized Environment.

The student discounted rate is \$149 + HST marked down from \$349 + HST. For more information: <http://iz4.me/WFmp1zNbSIV1> or contact Rick Johal rjohal@amcto.com.

Knowledge Mobilization Sessions

The Knowledge Mobilization (KMB) Unit at York will be providing the following learning sessions for York University researchers, staff and graduate students to help make their research relevant to professional practice and policy development throughout the Winter 2014 semester:

Impact and Accountability in KMb – NEW As KMb has emerged as an important component of publicly funded research, issues of impact and accountability are closely related. This session will unpack these two terms in a KMb context and share experiences from York’s KMb Unit to help researchers understand, articulate and sufficiently resource KMb activity. **April 16 9:30-noon York Lanes 280A**

KMb Strategy Building Granting councils are asking more and more for research teams to identify their KMb strategy. In this hands on session, learn about strategic elements, create a draft strategy for your project, and tips on how to present your strategy. **March 25 1:30-4:00 York Lanes 280A**

Clear Language Writing and Design Sessions designed to introduce the principles and practical tips on writing for the reader, including diverse audiences. **Session date TBA**

Social Media Sessions

Social Media for Research: Tips, Tricks and Analytics – NEW This session will provide more detailed information on the strategies and tools for social media tools and their relevance to collaborative research projects, such as analytics and partnering strategies. **March 4 9:30-noon York Lanes 280A**

Social Media Strategy Building Want to start using social media tools but don’t want to fall victim to “shiny object syndrome”? This hands-on session will focus on getting a plan together and planning steps to implement it. **February 24 1:30-4:00 York Lanes 280N**

Wordpress Blogging is emerging as a popular medium to share information and express ideas. Researchers are finding interesting uses for blogs to complement their scholarship. Join us and learn what blogging can do to enhance your KMb efforts. **March 20 1:30-4:00 York Lanes 280A**

To register for any of the sessions, please visit <http://bit.ly/KMbLearning> or contact Krista Jensen, KMb Officer, at kejensen@yorku.ca or 416-736-2100 ext 88847

Graham White Conference

On Friday 30 May 2014, there will be a day-long conference in honour of Dr. Graham White, Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Toronto. This conference will be held at the University of Toronto, St. George campus, 3rd Floor of Sidney Smith (SS 3130) and will feature a number of his colleagues, friends, and former students reflecting on his contributions to the discipline and beyond. Below is a tentative schedule and list of speakers.

Conference Schedule:

Friday 30 May 2014, Sidney Smith Hall, St. George Campus

- 08:30 – 09:00 Welcome (SS 3130)
- 09:00 – 10:30 Session 1: Aboriginal Politics
 - Frances Abele (Carleton University)
 - Gabrielle Slowey (York University)
 - Annis May Timpson (University of Edinburgh)
- 10:30 – 10:45 Break
- 10:45 – 12:30pm Session 2: Provincial and Territorial Politics
 - Cheryl Collier (University of Windsor)
 - Jack Hicks (Nunavut)
 - Jack Lucas (University of Toronto)
- 12:30 – 13:30 Lunch
- 13:30 – 15:00 Session 3 Executives and Legislatures
 - Michael Atkinson (University of Saskatchewan)
 - Jonathan Malloy (Carleton University)
 - Paul Thomas (University of Toronto)
- 15:00 – 15:15 Break
- 15:15 – 16:45 Session 4: Roundtable on Graham’s Impact within and beyond the Discipline
 - David Cameron (University of Toronto)
 - Sean Conway (Gowlings and Ryerson University)
 - David Docherty (Mt. Royal University)
 - Peter Russell (University of Toronto)
- 16:45 – 17:00 Closing Remarks: Graham responds
- 17:00 – ? Dinner at the Music Room (Hart House)

We hope that you can join us for this important event. If you plan to attend, please email Sari Sherman (sari.sherman@utoronto.ca) and Chris Alcantara (calcantara@wlu.ca) to let us know.

Call for Papers/Proposals

European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR) General Conference

As Europe's biggest political science conference, the ECPR's General Conference gathers scholars from across the world to discuss key areas of this discipline. The conference follows a traditional format with the Academic Programme consisting of lectures, Roundtables and themed Sections and Panels on topical subjects. Each Panel will include 4 – 5 Papers to be presented and discussed. The Programme will be very broad with Sections covering all the main areas of political science, political theory, international relations and European studies. You can present and discuss your work or simply observe and become involved in other elements of the programme.

Final call for Full Panels and individual Papers

The call for Panels and individual Papers is now open. This stage of the process is open to all participants, but please note that all participants must have a MyECPR. Individuals can propose a Panel including 4 – 5 Papers or propose individual Papers to a particular Section. Further information explaining the stages in detail can be found here: <http://www.ecpr.eu/Events/EventDetails.aspx?EventID=14>

Submissions must be sent by **15 February 2014**. If you have any further queries about the General Conference, please email Jenna Barnard at generalconference@ecpr.eu.

EDULEARN: 6th International Conference on Education and New Learning Technologies

Submit your abstracts and participate in the 6th International Conference on Education and New Learning Technologies, EDULEARN14, that will be held in Barcelona (SPAIN), on the **7th, 8th and 9th of July, 2014**.

Abstract submission due: April 3, 2014

EDULEARN14 provides the ideal opportunity to present and share your experiences and projects in the fields of learning and teaching methodologies, educational innovations, e-learning, and new technologies applied to Education.

Every year, EDULEARN brings together over 700 delegates from 75 different countries. After 6 years, EDULEARN has become an annual meeting point for lecturers, researchers, professors, educational scientists and technologists.

For more information: <http://edulearn14.org> or edulearn14@iated.org

Challenges, Disconnects, and Clashes in Political Studies

The Department of Political Science's 3rd Annual Graduate Student Conference, Concordia University, **Friday April 25, 2014**

Concordia University's Political Science Graduate Students' Association and the Department of Political Science invite graduate students from different disciplines to submit paper proposals for our third annual Graduate Student conference. This year's theme is on the topic of Challenges, Disconnects, and Clashes in Political Studies. Potential paper subjects include:

- Relevance of Academia: the ivory tower vs. practical implications
- Contesting Borders: Conventional vs. transnational conceptions
- Humanitarian Intervention: Western tradition vs. rising players
- Security: New era of peace vs. new 'war on terror'
- Democracy revisited
- Bringing the 'public' into public policy
- Methodological disconnects

The aim of the conference is to foster dialogue and academic exchange between graduate students of different disciplines on subjects in public policy, public administration, political theory, comparative

politics, international relations, Canadian politics, security studies, and border studies.

The Political Science Graduate Students' Association and the Department of Political Science at Concordia University invite submissions to these and related themes. Papers from an interdisciplinary perspective are accepted and encouraged. Papers presented at the conference may also be considered for inclusion in our 3rd annual graduate student journal.

All submissions should include a short biography with contact information, institutional affiliation, and an abstract of no more than 300 words. All abstracts should be sent to concordia.psgsa.conference@gmail.com by **Feb. 15th, 2014**.

2nd St Andrews Graduate Conference in International Political Theory: Political Evil

Hosted by the School of International Relations, University of St Andrews, Scotland, UK

On **22-23 May 2014** the School of International Relations, University of St Andrews, is hosting the 2nd St Andrews Graduate Conference in International Political Theory. The theme of the Conference is political evil. We aim to provide a forum for a fruitful exchange between a range of perspectives, interests and concerns oriented towards the rubric of international political theory that seek to contribute to this challenging, yet intriguing arena of inquiry. We welcome paper proposals from various disciplinary backgrounds and wish to offer an opportunity for postgraduate students to present and discuss their work in a stimulating and friendly academic environment.

Keynote speaker: Professor Patrick Hayden (University of St Andrews)

The deadline for the submission of abstracts: 28 February 2014. For further information and the complete call for papers please visit the Conference website at www.ipt-conference.net. For any further queries please contact us at iptconf@st-andrews.ac.uk.

2014 IASIA Annual Conference: "Good Governance: the position of students, scholars, and practitioners"

Call for papers

The International Association of Schools and Institutes of Administration (IASIA) in close collaboration with the Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University (NMMU) is organizing the 2014 Annual Conference of IASIA to be held from **30 June to 4 July** in Port Elizabeth, South Africa.

The conference will bring together academics and practitioners, PhD students and young researchers in public administration and management, as well as contributors from any other disciplines and you will be invited to present your current research and studies examining public management and in particular on the following main theme ***Good Governance: the position of students, scholars and practitioners***

The call for papers is available on the website www.ias-iisa.org/iasia/conference2014 Please upload your paper proposals via the link and browsing through the Registration-Submission tab.

The deadline for receiving the proposals has been fixed to **28 February 2014!**

57th Annual Meeting of the African Studies Association

RETHINKING VIOLENCE, RECONSTRUCTION, AND RECONCILIATION

CALL FOR PROPOSALS

November 20-23, 2014

JW Marriott Indianapolis Hotel

DEADLINE FOR PROPOSAL SUBMISSION: March 15, 2014 PROGRAM CHAIRS: Odile Cazenave, Boston University; Clifton Crais, Emory University

We are soliciting proposals for papers, panels, and roundtables. Presentations may focus on the theme of "Rethinking Violence, Reconstruction, and Reconciliation" or on broader social science, humanities,

and applied themes relating to Africa. We strongly encourage the submission of formed panels. You can find more information on the theme and the call for proposals at the ASA website.

International Society of Public Law Conference: Call for Papers

Rethinking the Boundaries of Public Law and Public Space

Those who are interested in international law or comparative public law may be interested in this call for papers & panels for the inaugural event of the newly established International Society of Public Law (<http://icon-society.org/site/index>). The conference is entitled "Rethinking the Boundaries of Public Law and Public Space." The event will take place at the EUI, Florence (**June 26-28, '14**) and will feature some major luminaries, Jeremy Waldron, Robert Keohane, Seila Benhabib, and Joseph Weiler among others. Proposal submission deadline is **March 30, '14**. More details are available here: <http://icon-society.org/site/conference>

Theoria and Praxis: International Journal of Interdisciplinary Thought

Call for Submissions: **Deadline: April 30, 2014**
The Idea of Human Rights

Human rights have become a dominant political discourse in the 21st century. Its impact has been felt across the globe and has become irretrievably bound up with issues of development, social justice, racial and gender equality, and sexual orientation. The purpose of this Theoria and Praxis issue is to ask a series of questions meant to interrogate the very foundations of the notion of human rights.

Manuscripts shall be subject to a double-blind reading, ensuring the integrity of the peer-review process. All submissions should be between 6,000 and 12,000 words, and include abstracts of no more than 200 words (in Microsoft Word file format).

We welcome those interested to please submit their papers and proposals, and all relevant inquiries, to Theoria and Praxis at: theoriapraxis@yorku.ca

Theoria and Praxis is edited by Paul A. Brienza and Yasar Bukan. For further information please visit <http://theoriapraxis.yorku.ca>

Funding/Scholarships

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.

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

Mitacs Globalink Research Award

The Mitacs Globalink Research Award is an exciting new initiative that provides the opportunity for faculty members and students at Canadian universities to build an international research network and undertake research abroad.

The Globalink Research Award offers senior undergraduate and graduate students at Mitacs full and associate partner universities the opportunity to participate in 12- to 24-week research projects supervised by professors at accredited universities in the following Mitacs partner countries: Brazil, China, India, Mexico, Turkey and Vietnam.

Up to \$5,000 in research award to Canadian supervisor for student travel expenses

For joint projects with academic collaborators

Partner countries: Brazil, China, India, Mexico, Turkey and Vietnam

Open to senior undergraduate and graduate students. **Applications accepted any time.**

This award helps faculty and students in Canada expand their research networks through international collaborations. To learn more about the award, visit: [#https://www.mitacs.ca/globalink/globalink-research-award](https://www.mitacs.ca/globalink/globalink-research-award)

CIHR-IHSPR Rising Star Award

Every year, CIHR-IHSPR celebrates the research excellence and knowledge translation (KT) initiatives of graduate students and post-doctoral fellows through the CIHR-IHSPR Rising Star Award. IHSPR will recognize up to three individuals studying in all fields and disciplines related to health services and policy research.
APPLY NOW Application Deadline: February 14, 2014

Visit our CIHR-IHSPR Rising Star Award page (<http://www.cihr.ca/e/34949.html>) to apply.

Muskoka Summit on the Environment Graduate Research Grant

We are pleased to announce the Muskoka Summit on the Environment Research Grant.



The Muskoka Summit on the Environment (MSE) is a biennial event that provides a forum for the public to explore and debate pressing environmental issues with leading thinkers in the field. The purpose of the MSE Research Grant is to support graduate student environmental research within the Muskoka River Watershed, in the fields of environmental science, resource studies and/or policy. **Deadline: February 28, 2014.** Further information can be found at <http://muskokasummit.org/mse-research-grant/>

Research Opportunities in International Law at The Centre for International Governance Innovation (CIGI)

Based at the CIGI Campus in Waterloo, Ontario, the International Law Research Program at CIGI is an integrated multi-disciplinary research and teaching program that will provide leading academics, graduate students and legal experts from Canada and abroad with the opportunity to contribute to ad-

vancements in international law.

As a vital information resource for policy makers, government leaders and for the business community, the program's research areas will focus on three core areas:

- Intellectual property law
- International economic, financial and investment law, regulation and governance
- Environmental law and treaties

CIGI invites leading practitioners and scholars, industry professionals, senior researchers and graduate students to join its new International Law Research Program. Applications are currently being accepted for:

- Fellowships
- Post-Doctoral Researchers
- Graduate Scholarships

Applicants are judged on the basis of their demonstrated excellence in academic/professional achievement, independent research and their potential for making substantial contributions to one or more the three core streams of the ILRP. For more information, including the online application process, please visit: www.cigionline.org/careers.

Call for Nominations for the Annual National Student and Thought Leadership Awards in Public Administration

Canadian Association of Programs in Public Administration, Institute of Public Administration of Canada

The National Student and Thought Leadership Awards in Public Administration, a joint initiative of the Institute of Public Administration of Canada (IPAC) and the Canadian Association of Programs in Public Administration (CAPP), aims to recognize talent in Canadian schools at the regional level and at the national level. It will promote excellence in public administration and showcase the top talent emerging from Canadian programs each year.

Criteria and Procedures

1. Selecting winners:

CAPP members will solicit and judge entries (best

paper, best professional report, or best graduating student, however defined) from their students, and select a winner in the undergraduate and/or graduate levels (as applicable to each department).

Representatives from the IPAC regional groups will be asked to help with the adjudication. Together, the students from each institution are the National Student Award winners.

2. Giving local recognition:

We encourage programs, departments and schools to hold recognition events for the winners. Again, you may want to approach your local IPAC group to provide recognition. In some cases the local regional group may have more than one university in their catchment area, so the range of winners will be broader.

3. National recognition on web sites:

The winning entries will be celebrated by IPAC and CAPPa on their respective websites. The names, contact information, brief bios, and synopsis of the accomplishment of the top graduate and/or undergraduate students will be forwarded to CAPPa at the contact point noted below. The deadline for receiving these packages is April 1, 2014.

4. The IPAC National Conference, June 1st – 4th, 2014, Edmonton, Alberta:

The winners from every program will receive an invitation to the IPAC national conference. The IPAC Endowment Fund has committed to paying the registration fees for the winners. Each program would be responsible for securing funding for winners to the IPAC conference (travel and hotel). We are hopeful that funding can be solicited from multiple sources: university travel funds for students, student societies, your program resources, local and provincial governments, IPAC regional groups, and local sponsors.

All of the National Student Award winners will be asked to participate in an E-poster session describing their best piece of research or analysis.

A jury will select and rank the three best E-poster presentations for the Thought Leadership Awards. The Gold winner will receive \$1000, the Silver winner will receive \$500, and the Bronze winner will receive \$250. The winners will also be recognized on the IPAC and CAPPa web sites.

A social event will be jointly organized to honour all the participants and the National Student and Thought Leadership Award winners. In 2014 the winners will be announced at the Celebration of Excellence Reception on Monday, June 2 in Edmonton.

We look forward to receiving notification of your top students by April 1, 2014.

For each nomination, please include:

- nominator's name and contact information
- nominee's name and contact information;
- a brief bio (no more than 100 words); and
- synopsis of accomplishment (i.e., top student, best, paper, project or research, etc.)

Please forward all nominations to youngb@uvic.ca. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Belle Young at youngb@uvic.ca; 250-721-8056, or Gabriella Ciampini at gciampini@ipac.ca; 416-924-8787 x223.

Internship Opportunities

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

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 sub-

mitting 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, 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

Jim Hume Internship

Applications are currently being accepted for the Jim Hume Student Internships for summer 2014. The program is open to students and recent graduates of post-secondary institutions and interns will provide research assistance to a variety of public policy projects at the Canada West Foundation, a public policy think tank. The full posting can be viewed here: http://cwf.ca/about-us/student-internship_summer2014

Study English Lit, British History, Theology, and Visual Arts at Cambridge University

BlueBridge Education and Cambridge University offer a unique opportunity to take courses for one month in the UK. Cost is approximately British Pounds 1500 for the month or 375 per week (which includes tuition, accommodations in the home of a local family as well as breakfast and dinner). For students also requiring ESL courses, a similar program is available at a slightly higher fee.

For more information please contact :

Dr Michael Robson, St Edmund's College, Cambridge, CB3 0BN, <mjpr100@cam.ac.uk>

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. 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

Contest closes March 3, 2014

Other News

Attention all first-year students and those in the final year of a four-year program!

You're invited to participate in the National Survey of Student Engagement!

Watch for your email invitation from President Shoukri on **February 11, 2014**. Then, take 20 to 30 minutes to complete the NSSE survey and help improve your campus culture and university experience. Once you've finished, you can relax with a FREE latte on us.

You could also win one of the following prizes:

- 5 x \$500 Tuition Waivers
- 10 x \$25 YU-Card "Top-Ups"
- 10 x \$25 Keele/Glendon Bookstore Coupons

The Faculty with the highest participation rate will WIN the NSSE Championship Cup.

yorku.ca/nsse | Survey opens: **February 11, 2014**

Y-File Features SPPA Part-time Instructor - Professor Radha Persaud

Glendon prof embarks on Nelson Mandela pilgrimage to South Africa.

Glendon College political science Professor Radha-krishnan Persaud flew to South Africa for the viewing and funeral of that country's former president, Nelson Mandela, a man that has inspired Persaud.

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