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Important Reminders

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SPPA Events / News

Latest Update: Important Dates

Exam Period 1: April 19 – May 3
Exam Period 2: May 13 – May 17
Grade Input Window: April 11 – May 25

Make-up date for Good Friday, April 3, 2015 will be held on Monday, April 13, 2015.

AP/PPAS 1110 3.0 A – S1 term 2015
Introduction to Public Administration
Bureaucracy and Western Liberal Capitalist Democracy
Presented by the School of Public Policy & Administration

A comparative introduction to public administration which explores the ways in which the key institutions of western civilization impact on the work of public servants and the ways in which these institutions are, in turn, reshaped by their interaction with the primary institution of the public service, bureaucracy.

Instructor: Professor Daniel F. Cohn of Faculty of LA&PS

Schedule: The course runs from May 19 - June 29
Tuesday & Thursday: 7pm to 10pm

Enroll: Enrolment is now open. Please use code D66Z01
This course also counts towards a minor in Public Administration & the Professional Certificate in Public Policy Analysis.

AP/PPAS 2110 3.0 M – S2 term 2015
Canadian Government
Presented by the School of Public Policy & Administration

Provides a systematic introduction to Canadian government and politics with a particular focus on political institutions. Topics will include the executive, the legislature, the judiciary, federalism, the policy process, electoral behavior, and group politics. Course credit exclusions: AP/POLS 2110 6.00 (prior to Fall 2013), AP/POLS 2910 6.00, GL/POLS 2600 6.00. PRIOR TO FALL 2009: Course credit exclusion: AS/POLS 2910 6.00.

Instructor: Professor Daniel F. Cohn of Faculty of LA&PS

Schedule: The course runs from July 6 – August 21
Tuesday & Thursday: 7pm to 10pm

Enroll: Enrolment is now open. Please use code U13W01

AP/PPAS 3160 6.0 A – SU term 2015
Refugee Policy in Canada
Presented by the School of Public Policy & Administration

Using a variety of different approaches and perspectives this course will examine the formulation, ratification and implementation of refugee policies and their administration in Canada. It will emphasize refugee status determination processes and practices in Canada and whether they lead to just outcomes for asylum applicants and Canadian society at large. It will also seek to provide insights into how refugee policies and practices have helped to shape Canadian society that prides itself on being open, inclusive, and multicultural, with a deeply rooted humanitarian tradition. Prerequisites: None..

Schedule: The course runs from May 19 – August 19
Tuesday & Thursday: 4pm to 7pm

Enroll: Enrolment is now open. Please use code N61G01
Seminars / Workshops
Canadian Association of Programs in Public Administration (CAPPA conference at Glendon College)

Please note that CAPPA registration is now open. All conference participants must register, whether they are presenting or just attending. Registration takes place online and can be accessed via the conference website, http://www.glendon.yorku.ca/cappa2015/.

The conference early bird registration rate is $275 prior to May 1st. The registration rate after May 1st is $325. There is a special early bird rate for graduate students of $175. Conference registration includes all conference meals including breakfast, lunch and dinner on Monday, and breakfast and lunch on Tuesday. There is a registration fee of $75 for the conference dinner only (for anyone not attending the rest of the conference or for a guest).

The keynote speaker at dinner is Greg Sorbara, York University's Chancellor and the former Minister of Finance of Ontario.

"Aesthetic Migrations: African Writers and the Cold War Literary Maps"
The Department of English presents
Dr. Monica Popescu

Date: Monday, April 13th, 2015
Time: 3:00pm - 4:30pm
Location: Room S674 Ross

Light refreshments will be available

Opportunities
Opportunities for Graduate Research on Forced Migration CARE Research Associates

In November 2014, CARE Canada, Carleton University and York University agreed to cooperate in the design, implementation and management of initiatives to build research capacity to better understand the impact of global policies relating to protection, assistance and solutions for refugees and other forced migrants, and to build from this understanding to advocate for better responses to the needs of the forcibly displaced.

One element of this agreement is the development of opportunities for graduate students working on issues relating to refugee and forced migration studies to conduct fieldwork in locations where CARE manages programs for displaced populations.

Further to this agreement, CARE, Carleton University and York University will be identifying a limited number of graduate students interested in participating in this initiative. Successful applicants will become a CARE Research Associate and be supported in the process of planning and undertaking fieldwork relevant to CARE's operations relating to refugees and forced migration.

Final decisions rest with the relevant CARE Country Office and will be subject to the capacity of the Office and the security environment at the time of the proposed fieldwork. Contact crs@yorku.ca for a full application form.

Submission and deadlines
Students at York University should send their completed application to Prof. Jennifer Hyndman at the Centre for Refugee Studies (jhyndman@yorku.ca)

A first round of applications will be considered from 15 April 2015. A second round of applications will be considered from 15 October 2015.

South Africa Summer Program

Bridge Education Abroad Institute (BEAI) plans short programs all across the world, provide students with unique opportunities to experience different political cultures while strengthening their leadership and diplomacy skills. Our programs draw a diverse group of students together from all over the world to discuss pressing global issues while exchange cultural values. In a rapidly globalizing world, we believe these experiences are invaluable to the success of students in the global job market.
For the summer of 2015, we have programs scheduled in Cape Town and Johannesburg for the months of June, July and August. This program will include lectures from experienced professors and guest speakers from all over the globe, including the United States of America and South Africa. A few of our professors include:

Professor Dr. Paul Joseph (Tufts University, USA)- Author and Previous Director of the Peace and Justice Studies Program

Professor Dr. Solava Ibrahim (University of Cambridge, UK) – Director of MA in Poverty and Development a the institute for development policy and management

Service Learning Day with Educo Africa (Local NGO) – Vision- Young people understanding their roles as powerful agents of change – actively, confidently and positively contributing towards a better global community.

To find more information about our program, you may visit http://www.beainstitute.org/beai/south-africa/

Internships

Spring/Summer Internship: Deadline April 13th
Student Co-op Position: Research Analyst with The Canadian Council for Public-Private Partnerships

The Opportunity
Are you considering a career in public-private partnerships and are you interested in undertaking research to advance knowledge and best practices? The Canadian Council for Public-Private Partnerships (CCPPP) is offering up to two full-time paid internship positions from May 4th to September 4th for a college, upper year undergraduate or graduate university student, or a recently graduated student that has not yet entered into employment.

As a student research analyst, you will contribute to two initiatives described below as well as to other CCPPP activities as required. Through your internship you will learn more about the role of public-private partnerships (P3s) and their contribution to Canada’s infrastructure and service delivery. The position requires strong analytical, research, writing and interpersonal skills as well as a working knowledge of Excel. Knowledge and/or experience with P3s will be considered an asset as will previous experience working with databases and bilingualism. While relocation costs are not included, a competitive hourly rate will be offered.

Interested students should send a covering letter highlighting their relevant skills and interest in the P3 industry as well as a CV to Mr. Steven Hobbs at shobbs@p4pcouncil.ca no later than Monday, April 13, 2015.

April events at the Career Centre

April is the last chance, until September, for students to attend our Further Education workshop series. These five, highly targeted, 1-hour workshops are designed to address the unique issues and concerns that students might have about their applications at each stage of the process. After attending these workshops, students will be well on their way to developing strong, persuasive application packages for the next steps of their education.

· Writing a CV or Resumé for Your Post-Grad Application (103 McLaughlin) – April 10 @3pm

The Career Centre is also offering several Career Exploration workshops this month including:
· Transferring Skills from Academe to the Workplace (103 McLaughlin) – April 13 @ 2pm
· What Can I Do With My Degree? (103 McLaughlin) – April 14 @ 1:30pm
· Who Am I? Self Assessment Game for PhD students (103 McLaughlin) – April 15 @ 1pm
· Suit Yourself: Personality and Career Choice (103 McLaughlin) – April 21 @ 10am