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Important Reminders

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SPPA Events / News

2015 President's University-Wide Teaching Award goes to Professor Peter Constantinou

We are very pleased to inform that our colleague Professor Constantinou has been awarded the President's University-Wide Teaching Award in the Contract and Adjunct Faculty category.

Professor Constantinou's award letter states, "You are clearly a creative teacher who develops in students a capacity for critical thinking and a passion for public service".... and that ... "It is evident that the concepts that your philosophy of teaching rests on - respect, enthusiasm and experiential education - are successfully implemented in your teaching practice."

Please join us in congratulating Professor Constantinou in this major accomplishment.

This is another tangible sign of the dedication and commitment of the faculty in our School to teaching and to our students, our discipline, and to the profession of public service.

Congratulations Professor Constantinou on this outstanding achievement and thank you all for your commitment and dedication to our students' higher education. " - James Simeon, Director, School of Public Policy and Administration

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

Notices

Paramount Studios Final Graduate Portraits

New Paramount Studios is presently photographing graduate portraits for those students who graduate Fall 2014 Spring 2015, ending the last week of April in Room 001-Screening Room McLaughlin College.

To appear on the College wall composite you must have your graduate portrait taken by New Paramount Studios.

Visit www.newparamount.com/lifestyle
Graduate must book appointment at least 12 hours before requested appointment time. If there are Q & A the grad may email nps@look.ca or call 416-653-5103

If there are Faculty members or non-graduating student council members who need to have their photo taken to appear on the composite please have them come to the camera, they do not need an apt.
Times 9:00 – 3:45 except lunch noon 1:00pm

Graduates: This is Your Own Photograph Time!

Obituary: Civil servant Max Yalden was a fierce defender of human rights

By Ron Csillag
Special to The Globe and Mail

Intellectually rigorous and unflappable, Ottawa mandarin Max Yalden helped shape some of the most important policies in Canada, advancing acceptance of bilingualism and furthering the protection of human rights. He later took his expertise in human rights to the international stage.

In a 50-year career, Mr. Yalden excelled in diplomacy, international brinksmanship and protecting the vulnerable, while patiently explaining to English Canada that French was not being forced on anyone.

He was the rare civil servant to have headed two top government agencies. Mr. Yalden was the second commissioner of official languages, appointed the same month Quebec’s French language charter, Bill 101, came into force, and he later led the Canadian Human Rights Commission.

Mr. Yalden was named an officer of the Order of Canada in 1988 and promoted to companion in 1999.

Mr. Yalden died in Ottawa Feb. 9 of complications from pneumonia at the age of 84.

He leaves his wife, Janice; son, Robert; and granddaughter, Zoë. The Yaldens’ daughter, Cicely, died in an accident in 1990. His memorial service is planned for April.

Mr. Yalden exemplified a bygone time, noted his long-time friend, Mr. Gotlieb, one in which the public service was a calling, not just a job. “It was a different era in which public service was the highest level at which you could contribute to public policy. It meant something.”

Mr. Gotlieb, is correct but only, in part, because, "Public service is still the highest level at which you can contribute to public policy." – James Simeon, Director, School of Public Policy and Administration

Seminars / Workshops

Olivia Chow's Public Lecture at York University
“Affordable Childcare: Why Not Now?”

Date: Wednesday, April 22
Time: 2:00pm to 4:00pm
Location: 014 McL College Junior Common Room

Olivia Chow is a Canadian politician, a former Member of Parliament, and City of Toronto Councillor.

For almost 40 years, Canadians have been clear: all families deserve good childcare that won’t break the family bank. But Canadians still do not have a national childcare program. Isn’t it time that we recognize and realize this basic human right to ensure that our children, and all those who are working in the childcare field, are being treated fairly and justly?

Olivia Chow will explore what public policy and political action are needed to establish a national affordable childcare program. Come hear one of the most knowledgeable, effective and passionate advocates on this issue. The time for action is now!

We can have the national child care program Canada needs in 2015.

RSVP at: http://mycentre.apps01.yorku.ca/machform/view.php?id=339481

“Reading the World: Cosmopolitanism, Neoliberalism & the Politics of Interpretation”

The Department of English presents

Dr. Emily Johansen
who will deliver a Job talk on
Monday, April 27th, 2015
3:00pm - 4:30pm
Rm. 101 Stong College, Master's Dining Hall

Light refreshments will be available

4th Annual CAPPA Conference in Public Management
Public Management in Theory and Practice

Date: May 25th-26th, 2015
Location: Centre of Excellence, Glendon College, York University, Toronto, Ontario

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

For further information on CAPPA visit http://www.cappa.ca/index.php/en/

CARFMS 2015 Conference
“Advancing Protection and Fostering Belonging in an Era of the Criminalization of Migration”

Hosted by the Department of Criminology, Ryerson University in collaboration with the Ryerson Centre for Immigration and Settlement (RCIS)

Date: 13-15 May 2015
Location: Ryerson University, Toronto, Ontario, Canada

Professor Crépeau will discuss the international regime of mobility and the governance of migration. He will share a number of ideas coming from his experience as United Nations Special Rapporteur on the human rights of migrants, especially on the relationship between criminalisation, precariousness and human rights protection.

Registration page: http://carfms.org/conferences/8th-annual-conference/register-to-attend/

Please note that the Early Bird Registration has been extended to the end of this month!!
Opportunities

The Brian M. Keenan Prize

The Brian M. Keenan Prize will be presented on the merit of an undergraduate paper of at least two-thousand and not more than five-thousand words, on the philosophy of history, law, or social and political philosophy. Special consideration will be given to papers engaging with liberalism as a set of historical practices or conditions.

The award will be limited to students who are attending or have recently attended Canadian universities in undergraduate programs. Every year, papers will be accepted from February 1st through May 31st. All applicants must be enrolled in, or graduated from a Canadian Undergraduate program at the time of submission in order to be considered. Applicants cannot be enrolled in any postgraduate program at the time of application. Only one submission per candidate per year is allowed.

The merit of all papers received will be considered by the members of the board on the basis of:
- clarity of thought
- insight into the relevance of the surrounding philosophical dialogue
- appreciation and understanding of philosophy’s tradition
- and an awareness of the implications of the presented position for possibility of philosophy itself.

The author of the most compelling and engaging paper will receive a letter of commendation from the board and professor Keenan, an award certificate, and the monetary prize.

Apply now! http://www.keenanprize.com/wp/form/

Internships

Council of the Federation Secretariat - 2015/2016 Youth Internship Program

The Council of the Federation Secretariat is now accepting applications from across Canada for its 2015/2016 Youth Internship Program.

Located in Ottawa, this paid internship begins in July 2015 and continues for a period of 12 months. Applicants must be aged 25 and under, have graduated from an undergraduate or graduate program at a recognized university, and be legally able to work in Canada. Applicants must demonstrate an interest in Canadian politics and federalism, and be able to communicate in English and French.

The application deadline is May 7, 2015.

For more information and to download an application form, visit www.canadaspremiers.ca.