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Important Reminders

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SPPA Events / Announcement

The School of Public Policy and Administration (SPPA)
cordially invites you to its annual
Ontario Public Service (OPS) Breakfast

Time: 8:00am - 10:00am

Date: Thursday Oct 1st, 2015

Location: Art Gallery of Ontario (AGO)
317 Dundas St. West, Seminar Room 3

Please RSVP here:

<http://www.yorku.ca/laps/sppa/rsvp.html>



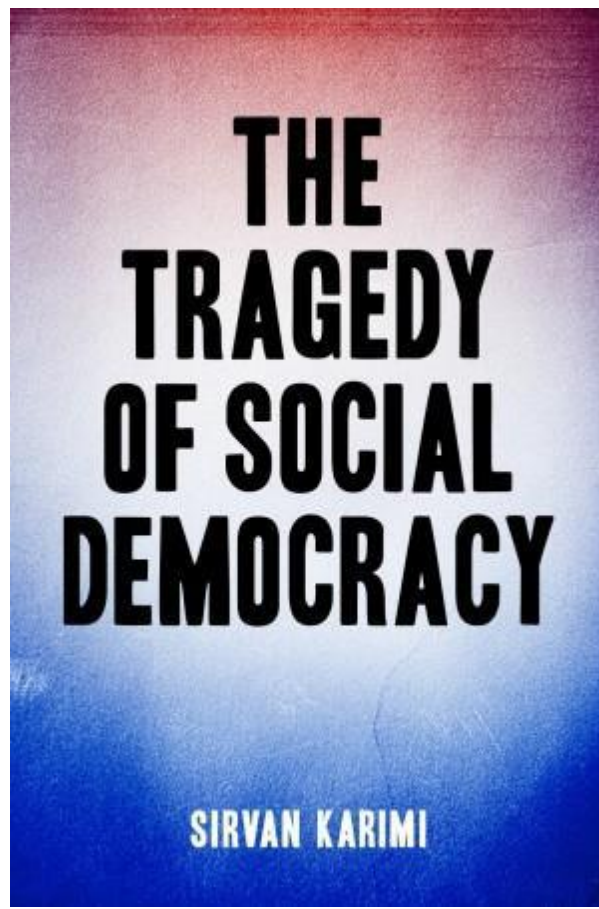
This year's special guest speaker is **Steve Orsini**, *Secretary of the Cabinet, Head of the Ontario Public Service and Clerk of the Executive Council*. The title of Mr. Orsini's address is

"Leadership in a Dynamically Changing World"

**Please RSVP as space is limited
Breakfast will be served**

Professor Sirvan Karimi

BOOK LAUNCH



**Tuesday September 29th 2:00-3:30pm
140 McLaughlin College, Senior Common Rm**

Dr. Karimi holds a PhD in Political Science and is currently teaching at the School of Public Policy & Administration.

For more information please visit:

<http://brunswickbooks.ca/Tragedy-of-Social-Democracy/>

DiverseCity onBoard Plays Role in Diversifying City of Toronto's Boards

Diversity Onboard recently featured one of our own MPPAL Alum, Stacy Berry, in their fall newsletter to establish diversity on boards and commissions.



Stacey is a dedicated community builder, focused on social justice and advocacy, with experience coaching and teaching youth and adults from low income communities. When her volunteer, academic and professional experiences converged, she realized they

were leading her towards community leadership. "When I heard about DiverseCity onBoard, I was eager to get involved because of what I was doing professionally, academically and things I'm passionate about."

"It's a good way to get access to leadership opportunities that you won't find easily. It makes your search less stressful, and offers a one-stop shop" says Stacey. She continues, "DiverseCity onBoard was the network that had that information, or could steer you in the right direction to how to get that information. This was a great place for me to develop my skills to be ready for future opportunities."

Stacey reminds nonprofit and government boards that they're in the business of serving the public, of serving people. In many cases those people are disenfranchised or marginalized. "It's very important that board members are as diverse as the people they serve. It's important to have diverse community representation since they can best speak to the needs of the demographic that a board is trying to serve. DiverseCity onBoard is a good tool to help boards find strong candidates who have the skills they are seeking."

Diversity Our Strength. By committing to and implementing tangible action to achieve diversity in leadership, the City of Toronto embodies its own motto and demonstrates to its residents that they belong at the governance table and that their voices matter.

Seminars / Workshops

Advancing the Cause of Peace in a "World at War"

Open Meeting for all those interested in promoting the Anti-War and Peace Movement at York University.

Date: Wednesday, September 30th

Time: 11:00 am to 12:00 noon

Location: 134 McLaughlin College

For further information, please contact professor **James C. Simeon** at 416-736-2100 ext. 33460

Career Conversation Panel Series: Strategies for Getting Hired in the Federal Government

Date: Thursday, October 1, 2015

Time: 1:30pm – 3:30pm

Register: careers.yorku.ca/conversations

Learn about career options and get inside tips on getting hired in your field of interest from a panel of professionals who do the hiring or have valuable first-hand experience with the hiring process.

Participating Panelists:

Candy Huycke

Director

ESDC-Service Canada

Byron Olivares

Human Resources Advisor

Canada Revenue Agency

Oliver Rendace

Director

Service Canada

Carlos Rodrigues

Regional Director of Chief Financial Officer Branch

Employment Social Development Canada

Opportunities

CLA Posting for Political Science at Glendon College

York University, Glendon College - The Department of Political Science invites applications for a 10-month alternate-stream contractually-limited appointment at the rank of Sessional Assistant Lecturer with a possibility of renewal, to commence September 1, 2016.

The successful candidate will have a PhD in political science, or be very near completion, with a specialization in Canadian politics. The ability to teach courses in international relations or comparative politics will be deemed an asset. Qualified applicants must be fluent in English and French and able to teach in both languages in a multicultural context. The successful candidate must demonstrate excellence or promise of excellence in teaching and the demonstrated ability to use innovative pedagogical methods such as gamification or simulation. The normal teaching load for this alternate stream position is 3.5 full course equivalents. Given Glendon's bilingual mandate, the selected candidate will also participate actively in College-wide service activities in both French and English. Glendon College, York University's bilingual (English-French) Faculty, comprises about 2700 students on a scenic campus in the heart of the cosmopolitan city of Toronto.

Salary will be commensurate with qualifications and experience. All positions at York University are subject to budgetary approval.

Applicants should submit, in paper format or electronically, **no later than November 15, 2015**, a curriculum vitae, a teaching dossier (e.g. teaching philosophy, evaluations, course outlines), and arrange to have three signed confidential letters of reference (at least two of which should address teaching) sent to: **Dr. Ian Roberge, Chair, Department of Political Science, Glendon College, York University, 2275 Bayview Avenue, Toronto, Ontario, Canada M4N 3M6 or iroberge@glendon.yorku.ca.**

Call for applications: IBM Center for the Business of Government Research Stipends

About the Centre and the Stipends

The aim of the IBM Center for The Business of Government is to tap into the best minds in academe and the nonprofit sector who can use rigorous public management research and analytic techniques to help public sector executives and managers improve the effectiveness of government. We are looking for very practical findings and actionable recommendations - not just theory or concepts - in order to assist executives and managers to more effectively respond to mission and management challenges.

Individuals receiving a stipend should produce a 10,000- to 12,000-word report. The manuscript should be submitted no later than six months after the start of the project. Recipients will select the start and end dates. The report should be written for government leaders and public managers, providing very practical knowledge and insight.

Eligibility

Individuals working in universities, nonprofit organizations, or journalism.

Size of Stipends

\$20,000 for each report

Deadlines

There are two funding cycles, with deadlines of:

- October 1, 2015
- April 1, 2016

Applicants will be informed of a decision eight weeks after the deadlines. Applications must be received online (by midnight EST) or postmarked by the above dates.

For more information and application instructions visit the website:

<http://www.businessofgovernment.org/content/research-stipends>

Complimentary Student Membership in AMCTO

As Ontario's largest municipal professional association, AMCTO - *the Association of Municipal Managers, Clerks and Treasurers of Ontario* is now pleased to offer complimentary student membership to any full-time students who are interested in local government management. There are many membership benefits available but likely none as valuable than connecting with the municipal sector's management professionals.

As AMCTO continues its commitment (Post Internship Program) to attract new and younger professionals into the sector, we feel this offer provides a risk-free avenue for students to explore and assess whether a career in local government is one that they wish to pursue.

Please contact **Rick Johal**, Director of AMCTO at 905-602-4294 Ext. 232

Magna Carta Contest **Celebrate Magna Carta's 800th Birthday and** **Win \$500!**

Law students and other post-secondary students across Canada are invited to submit short videos describing the present-day relevance of Magna Carta to them. The videos will be hosted on the Osgoode Hall website. If you click here, you can see a bit more about it, plus our fantastic promo video!:
<http://www.osgoode.yorku.ca/magnacarta/>

Although the contest is meant to promote the fact that the Magna Carta is touring Canada this fall, we are open to all kinds of submissions, both positive and negative, about the Magna Carta (as long as not offensive or otherwise inappropriate).

The two main prizes are \$500 each. The winning students and their videos will be honoured at a ceremony at the law school on October 6 (to which all sponsors would be invited

Deadline: October 3, 2015

Enter Now! <http://www.osgoode.yorku.ca/magnacarta/>

CARFMS Student Essay Contest for **Undergrads and Grads Students**

May 12-14, 2016

Menno Simons College

University of Winnipeg

Deadline: December 31, 2015

9th Annual Conference of the Canadian Association for Refugee and Forced Immigration Studies

The CARFMS Student Essay Contest will recognize the most outstanding research produced by undergraduate and graduate students.

Papers submitted may address any issue relevant to refugee, forced migration, immigrants' settlement and intergration studies.

The authors of the short-listed papers will be invited to present their work at the 9th Annual CARFMS Conference and could be considered for publication in *Refugee: Canada's Journal on Refugees*

For eligibility criteria and submission guidelines, please visit:

<http://carfms.org/2016-students-essay-contest/>
