

School of Public Policy and Administration

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Important Reminders

NOTICE: Option to Unsubscribe from the SPPA Newsletter

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SPPA Events / News

YOU ARE INVITED - SPPA Information Session:



Key Speaker: Fausto Natarelli (Alumni - Director, Hurontario-Main Light Rail Rapid Transit Project)

The **Bachelor of Public Administration Honours, Specialized Honours and Honours Minor** programs were developed in response to the increasing demand for **Public Servants,**

Government Relations Managers, Management Consultants, Policy Analysts and Managers of Non-Profit Organizations.

We provide students with an **interdisciplinary curriculum spanning law, politics and management.** We also offer **experiential education opportunities,** including practicum placements and internships that will give you a career edge. As a relatively small unit within the LA&PS Faculty, we pride ourselves on being able to give our students personalized attention.

Date: **Thursday February 5, 2015**

Time: **11:00am-12:00pm**

Location: **152 Founders College, Founders Assembly Hall**

Please RSVP via email to: lapssppa@yorku.ca

Call for Nominations: Robert Tiffin Student Leadership Award

The **Robert Tiffin Student Leadership Award** recognizes students whose leadership has contributed to the growth, development and vitality of York University. Established in 2012, this Award is named after Robert J. Tiffin, who served as York University's Vice-President, Students for nine years. Through his strong leadership, dedication and integrity, Mr. Tiffin transformed his operation into one of the most professional student service organizations in the country, serving one of Canada's largest student populations.

All members of the York community (students, faculty, staff and alumni) are invited to submit nominations for this award. Eligible candidates must be currently enrolled, undergraduate or graduate students, who exhibit leadership, dedication, integrity, enthusiasm and pursuit of excellence through their endeavours. Selection will be based on leadership and/or involvement in the York community and outstanding academic achievement.

Recipients will be honoured at a reception and their names will be added to the Awards display in the Vari Hall Rotunda. They will also receive a Robert Tiffin Student Leadership Award certificate. The Award will be noted on their transcript.

The nomination deadline is **Friday, March 20, 2015.** Packages can be submitted by email to rhezae@yorku.ca or in person to Rheza Evangelista, Executive Assistant, Office of the Vice-Provost Students, N303 Bennett Centre.

For more information please contact:
Rheza Evangelista
(416) 736-2100 x70705

Calling Out All York Students: Creation as Resistance Event

The Sexual Assault Survivor's Support Line and Leadership (SASSL) will be having its 7th annual performance event where local and student spoken word writers, singers, dancers, visual artists, and filmmakers, will get the chance to narrate their own experiences/issues of interest to them!

The HeART event prioritizes individuals that are usually not represented in mainstream environments and those who are vulnerable to systemic forms of oppression, being: women of colour, trans, queer, and disabled individuals. The broad theme of HeART 2015 will be Creation as Resistance.

Interested performers can email Damindra Liyanage at: events.sassl@gmail.com. Please include your preferred name, a short biography and the nature of your performance. The deadline to send an email is **Feb 20**.

Notices

M.Sc. in Health: Science, Technology and Policy

The HSTP graduate program bridges the gap between researchers and policy makers and provides students with the chance to develop their skills in interdisciplinary collaboration, leadership, communication, networking and knowledge mobilization. As part of the program, the Capstone Research Project provides an opportunity for collaboration with public, industry and community stakeholders. A central element of the HSTP program is its emphasis on interdisciplinary communication. Therefore, we encourage students from diverse academic backgrounds, including Science, Engineering, Public Affairs, Business, Social Science and Humanities, to apply.

The application deadline is **March 1, 2015**.

For more information students may visit our website at: <http://institute-health.carleton.ca/> and may view our promotional video here: <http://institute-health.carleton.ca/videos/difference>

Seminars / Workshops

Certificate in Conflict Resolution, Transformation and Peacebuilding

This certificated program has been specially designed by our expert staff to provide the essential skills to re-establish societies and states in the wake of conflict. Participants will leave the week with a thorough understanding of the cyclical nature of conflict, post-conflict reconstruction and conflict analysis. The course will consider the issues relating to humanitarian action, the role of gender in conflict zones, post-conflict state building, security sector reform, and other influences on conflict resolution and peacebuilding.

The certificate is accredited by the Chartered Management Institute, the leading body that awards internationally recognised management and leadership qualifications.

Please visit: <http://conflict.parlicentre.org/>

Certificate: The Strategic Public Manager

A 5 day certificate program for public managers who want to improve their ability to manage up, down, across and every way necessary by tapping into seven areas of strategic advantage.

This intensive certificate program is ideal for newly appointed or first-time managers who oversee public sector programs and services.

The state-of-the-art course design **features action learning and is ideal for federal, provincial and municipal managers**. It will help you develop new ideas and techniques that you can apply immediately to improve organizational performance, engage your staff, and establish new goals and innovations.

Upcoming Sessions:

March 9 - 13, 2015

November 16 - 20, 2015

Executive Learning Centre

Call 416.736.5079/(1.800.667.9380 toll free), or email excedinfo@schulich.yorku.ca.

Writing Centre Workshops for February

Group Workshops:

- 2/5/2015 - 11:30am - 12:30pm - Essay Writing 101
- 2/5/2015 - 10:30am - 11:30am - MLA Workshop
- 2/6/2015 - 1:00pm - 2:00pm - Introducing Critical Analysis
- 2/9/2015 - 11:30am - 12:30pm - Essay Writing: A Review of the Basics
- 2/10/2015 - 10:30am - 11:30am - Strategic Essay Writing - Effective Introductions/Conclusions
- 2/10/2015 - 12:30pm - 1:30pm - APA workshop
- 2/10/2015 - 1:30pm - 2:30pm - Flow - A River Runs Through It: Moving your essay, from sentence to sentence, paragraph to paragraph
- 2/11/2015 - 5:00pm - 6:00pm - Effective Editing
- 2/11/2015 - 11:30am - 12:30pm - Concept Map - Part 2 - Revision Time.
- 2/11/2015 - 10:30am - 11:30am - Concept Map - Part 1. Make a map, follow directions, and arrive at a well-organized essay!
- 2/12/2015 - 3:30pm - 4:30pm - Eliminating Basic Sentence Errors
- 2/12/2015 - 12:30pm - 1:30pm - Making Your Education More Accessible
- 2/13/2015 - 1:00pm - 2:00pm - Essay Drafts: From outline to finished product
- 2/23/2015 - 1:30pm - 2:30pm - How do ESL students become productive writers?
- 2/24/2015 - 10:30am - 11:30am - Essentials of Digital Referencing
- 2/25/2015 - 10:30am - 12:30pm - Concept map your way through graduate school: Propositional and meaningful knowledge
- 2/25/2015 - 3:30pm - 4:30pm - De-Mystifying Academic Essay Writing

The workshops are open, and no registration is required - though they are first-come, first serve.

For more information please contact James Robertson:
jroberts@yorku.ca Tel: 416-736-2100 ext. 22036

Call for Papers / Proposals

"Canada, the United States, and Islamic Extremism: Confronting Terror - Domestic and International Dimensions"

CALL FOR PAPERS

Proposals are due no later than May 1, 2015

Colloquium Dates: February 25-27, 2016

Venue: University of Hawai'i at Mānoa

The Center for the Study of Canada at the State University of New York College at Plattsburgh, the Center for International Development at Ball State University, and Fulbright Canada, in partnership with the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa, are pleased to convene an international scholarly colloquium to comprehensively examine and evaluate Canada's response to the domestic and international challenges posed by Islamic extremism.

If you are interested in submitting a proposal for the colloquium, please forward an abstract, not to exceed 300 words, to the colloquium conveners. Submissions should be sent electronically to the conference coordinators (kirkeycj@plattsburgh.edu, kmholland@bsu.edu, and mhawes@fulbright.ca), **not later than May 1, 2015.**

Opportunities

INTERSECTIONS 2015

THRESHOLDS: PRESENCE, ABSENCE, AND TERRITORY

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

Intersections|Cross Sections is a two day academic conference held by the Joint Graduate Program in Communication and Culture at Ryerson University and York University. The conference takes place over March 13 and 14, 2015.

We are seeking volunteers for many positions with morning and afternoon volunteer hours to be filled. For more information please contact Emma Thompson – Hospitality and Volunteers Co Chair at emmath@yorku.ca

Opportunity for Students: Cities of Tomorrow Competition

Attention all post-secondary students studying urban planning, civil engineering, political science, public policy, business, architecture or any subject with implications for big cities.

Ontario's Big City Mayors want to hear student ideas for innovative urban projects, and will be holding the **Cities of Tomorrow Student Ideas Competition**. Outstanding student teams will have the opportunity to present their ideas at a major event in Fall 2015 in Toronto, where they will be eligible to **win \$50,000 in cash prizes**.

The submission deadline is **June 1, 2015** so students are encouraged to adapt work completed during the current semester.

For further information you can also visit:
<http://citiesoftomorrow.ca/>

Internships

CFIB is looking for summer interns in offices across Canada

Canadian Federation of Independent Business (CFIB) has some compelling opportunities for summer interns in several of our offices right across the country. The selected candidates will work closely with CFIB staff to research and report on important topics that impact the small business community.

Full details and deadlines:

Calgary, Alberta (deadline March 6, 2015)
Winnipeg, Manitoba (deadline March 6, 2015)
Toronto, Ontario (deadline March 6, 2015)
Ottawa, Ontario - Research (deadline March 6, 2015)
Ottawa, Ontario - Public Affairs (deadline March 6, 2015)
Montreal, Quebec (deadline March 6, 2015)
Moncton, New Brunswick (deadline March 6, 2015)

Please visit: <http://www.cfib-fcei.ca/english/article/6960-cfib-summer-interns.html>

February Activities at the Career Centre

The **Career Conversations** series is in full swing this February with two exciting panel discussions with York alumni:

Students interested in learning more about Internship programs are invited to attend one of the Internship Information sessions taking place this month:

- February 12th, 2015 from 2:00-3:30pm in 3033 Lassonde Building
- February 17th, 2015 from 1:00-2:30pm in 109 Atkinson College (Harry Crowe Room)
- February 25th, 2015 from 10:00-11:30am in 3033 Lassonde Building

Career Success: Employment Supports for York Students with Disabilities is taking place on February 25th from 1:00-4:00pm in 152 Founders College (Founders Assembly Hall). 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 bookmarked by two workshops: the **Who Am I? Self Assessment Game Workshop for Students with Disabilities** on Feb. 23rd and **To Disclose or Not to Disclose? Workplace Considerations for York Students with Disabilities** on February 27th in the Bennett Centre. **** THESE SESSIONS ARE FOR YORK STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES ONLY****

Students can check out the Career Centre's job board: <http://careers.yorku.ca/online-system/> to see loads of full-time, part-time, summer and internship positions posted for York students.

The Career Centre offers drop-in services at the **Learning Commons**: <http://www.library.yorku.ca/cms/learning-commons/>