

# School of Public Policy and Administration

# WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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## SPPA News/Events

### Bachelor of Public Administration Student Profile

We are pleased to present our next SPPA student profile: *Justin Tan*



Hello, Hello everyone!

My name is Justin Tan, and I am currently a first year undergraduate student studying Public Administration here at York University. I was recently appointed to the position of Events Fundraiser for the Public Policy and Administration Student Association (PPASA), and believe me when I say it I have some plans and ideas on how to kick off the New Year.



Upon entering York University, it was beginning a new chapter of my life. New school, new friends, the shift of my diet consisting of eating home cooked meals to fast food was surreal. As a first year student I believe there should be a voice for all of the freshmen out there, and any student who is interested in learning more about the program. Since the BPA program is such a small group, it is hard for BPA majors to meet others in the program especially if you don't attend any of our PPASA general meetings. When I attended frosh week, I was so excited and pumped to meet new people within my program.

However it seemed like I was the only individual studying Public Administration. It was intimidating to know that you are the only fish out there, in such a large sea. But a little fishy named Dory told me to, "Just keep swimming." I was fortunate enough to be introduced to the student association, and now I can say they are some of the closest friends that I made here at York University. They welcomed me with open arms, and took me under their wing. They also provided me with academic knowledge and advice on how to succeed in my first year.

The reason why I believe that the Bachelor of Public Administration is such a great program is because it prepares students in real life job scenarios and teaches students the fundamental knowledge in areas such as economics, administrative studies and accounting that is required within government. So really the BPA program is a lot to chew on, your first year especially, but if you put the necessary time and energy into it, I guarantee you will succeed! By attending university, there are many risks and obstacles along the way that may hinder or prevent you from completing your education. But remember this: "Risk is necessary, and if you don't assume the risk, you will only take on the ordinary." So I encourage each and every one of you to get involved within PPASA, and I wish all of you best of luck with your studies! - *Justin Tan*



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## Senior Policy Advisor

**Location:** Peterborough

**Salary Range:** \$67,590 - \$99,600 per year

**Additional information:**

- 1 Permanent, 300 Water St, Peterborough, East Region

**Note:** Less qualified applicants may be considered on an underfill basis.

Are you passionate about protecting endangered species in Ontario? Then you need to seize this opportunity with the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry to make a real difference in the management of Ontario's species at risk.

What can I expect to do in this role?

You will:

- provide policy and project leadership, advice and recommendations for the research, analysis and development of policies, procedures, standards related to the protection, conservation, recovery and management of species at risk and their habitats in Ontario;
- develop and maintain relationships while leading consultative processes across the ministry, OPS, with stakeholders and/or other jurisdictions with respect to the development of related policy and program requirements.

Please apply online, only, at [www.ontario.ca/careers](http://www.ontario.ca/careers), quoting **Job ID 89289**, by **Tuesday, February 16, 2016**

Please click here to view details:

<http://www.ipac.ca/SeniorPolicyAdvisor-10515>

## Assistant Deputy Minister Financial Services Policy Division Ministry of Finance

**Location:** 95 Grosvenor St, Toronto

**Salary range:** \$146,700 - \$167,650 per year

The Ministry of Finance is seeking an exceptional leader with outstanding policy and communication skills to serve as the Assistant Deputy Minister, Financial Services Policy Division.

### What can I expect to do in this role?

As a member of the Ministry's senior management team, the Assistant Deputy Minister, Financial Services Policy Division is responsible for:

- Maintaining a high-performing team and building strong working relationships with other ministries, agencies and other jurisdictions to advance the Province's interests and priorities in the area of financial services regulatory policy;
- Providing strategic advice to the Deputy Minister, Minister and Cabinet on policy issues related to the operation of credit unions, caisses populaires, co-operatives, mortgage brokers and insurance providers; and
- Overseeing critical regulatory agencies such as the Financial Services Commission of Ontario and Deposit Insurance Corporation of Ontario.

Please apply online, only, at <http://www.gojobs.gov.on.ca/Preview.aspx?Language=English&JobID=89558>, by **Thursday, February 18, 2016**.

Please click here to view details:

<http://www.ipac.ca/ADM-10042E>

## Senior Manager, Enhancing Emergency Services in Ontario Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care

**Location:** Toronto, Toronto Region

**Salary range:** \$93,050 - \$106,350 per year

**Additional information:** temporary up to 36 months

The Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care (MOHLTC), Direct Services Division seeks a motivated leader to manage a major transformation initiative within the health sector focusing on enhancing the delivery of emergency health services in Ontario and putting patients first.

For more information on [Emergency Health Services](#), please visit our [webpage](#).

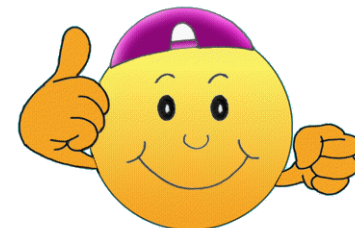
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<http://www.gojobs.gov.on.ca/Preview.aspx?Language=English&JobID=89708>.

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<http://www.ipac.ca/SeniorManager-10043>

**GO FOR IT !**



**GOOD LUCK !**

## February activities at the Career Centre

The [Career Conversations](#) series is in full swing this February with four exciting panel discussions with York alumni:

- **Careers in Math and Stats** will be taking place on Feb. 9th from 6-7pm in room 519 of the Kaneff Tower.
- Students interested in meeting professionals and alumni enjoying careers in a variety of roles in the health sector are invited to the Alternative Career Options in Healthcare panel discussion taking place on Feb. 23rd from 4-6pm in the Stong College Master's Dining Room.
- A special panel discussion for PhD students and post docs is taking place on Feb. 25th from 2-4pm in room 519 of the Kaneff Tower. During the Leveraging your STEM PhD Outside of Academia panel students will connect with professionals in science, technology, engineering and math professions (STEM), and learn more about hiring practices, employer expectations and how to leverage higher education while exploring available career opportunities.

The Career Centre will be offering the following core [job search workshops](#) this month:

- Polishing your Interview Skills
- Resume & Cover Letter Writing
- Making a Great First Impression in Your Interview and Beyond
- Job Search Strategies that Work

Students are encouraged to register for these events through the [Career Centre's online system](#).

## McLaughlin College Lunch Talk Series

### UN WORLD DAY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE & BLACK HISTORY MONTH CELEBRATIONS

Wednesday, February 24 at 12 noon  
in the Junior Common Room (014 McLaughlin)



## McLAUGHLIN COLLEGE

### UN WORLD DAY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE & BLACK HISTORY MONTH CELEBRATIONS



"Social Justice is an underlying principle for peaceful and prosperous coexistence within and among nations. We uphold the principles of social justice when we promote gender equality or the rights of indigenous peoples and migrants. We advance social justice when we remove barriers that people face because of gender, age, race, ethnicity, religion, culture or disability."

"Recognizing the World Day of Social Justice also acknowledges the need to consolidate further the efforts of the international community in poverty eradication and in promoting full employment and decent work, gender equality and access to social well-being and justice for all."

**MODERATOR:**



**PANELISTS:**







**DAVID LEYTON-BROWN**, Master of McLaughlin College and Professor of Political Science, York University.

**DEBBIE DOUGLAS**, Executive Director, Ontario Council of Agencies Serving Immigrant (OCASI).

**OLIVIA CHOW**, Distinguished Visiting Professor, Ryerson University and former MPP and Councillor, City of Toronto

**HON. ZANANA AKANDE**, Former MPP, former educator and School Principal.

**HON. ALVIN CURLING**, The former Speaker of the Ontario Legislature, MPP, and Canadian Envoy to the Dominican Republic, and educator.

**JAMES C. SIMEON**, Director, School of Public Policy and Administration, York University.

**Everyone welcome**

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2016**  
12:00 PM – 2:00 PM

**JUNIOR COMMON ROOM**  
014 McLAUGHLIN COLLEGE

LIGHT REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED

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