SPPA Announcements

Professor Sirvan Karimi receives the 2015-2016 Dean’s Award for Excellence in Teaching at the Faculty of Liberal Arts & Professional Studies

It is my great pleasure to announce that Professor Sirvan Karimi has been awarded the LA&PS Dean’s Award for Excellence in Teaching in the contract faculty category. Widely known for his packed classrooms and long course waitlists, Professor Karimi is being recognized as a skillful teacher who has mastered “the art of making even the most complicated and difficult to understand concepts very easy to understand.” As a dedicated teacher, he goes above and beyond to make sure that no student is lost in his class, they all achieve tangible learning targets, and excel professionally in the field of public administration. Therefore, Dean Ananya Mukherjee-Reed also acknowledged him for his dedicated mentorship of students on September 15th, by formally presenting the award to Professor Karimi at the first meeting of the LA&PS Faculty Council. Congratulations to Professor Karimi on this well-deserved honour! - Alena Kimakova, Director, SPPA

October 2016 Convocation

We are pleased to announce our graduates:

**BACHELOR OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION WITH HONOURS**
Harsh Gopiani
Jennifer Ngoc Dung Nguyen
* Magna Cum Laude
* Member of the Dean’s Honour Roll
Kyle Brandon Maharaj

**BACHELOR OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION**
Mehrab Matthew Veziari

**Public Administration Minor**
Ayan Yousuf
Mansaree Monique Kamara

**BACHELOR OF ARTS**
Dmitrey Kaplun

**Public Administration and Justice Studies**
Jessica Mahal
Matthew Machulec
Syed Rizvi

**Professional Certificate in Public Administration and Law**
Aneesa Lakeram
Himmat Singh Jass
Pavan Ubhi (June 2016)
Veysi Inci
Yussuf Mohammed Hassan

**Professional Certificate in Public Policy Analysis**
Andrea Lynn Vick
Gbenga Abdul Rahman Kolapo
Krithiga Satkunarajah (June 2016)
Yasmine Behiry (June 2016)
As Canada turns 150, what is your vision for the next 150 years?

**Essay Contest**

The School of Public Policy and Administration & Public Policy and Administration Student Association invite high school students to submit essays that reflect on Canada's 150-year history and the issues that society, communities and governments face now and looking into the future. We would like to hear your ideas about what the priorities for public policy and administration should be, and how you would go about implementing them as future leaders.

**Eligibility criteria:** High school students in grades 10 to 12 are invited to participate. Individual submissions or co-authored essays by up to 3 authors will be considered.

**Essays can be submitted online at:**

**Prizes available:** The authors of the three highest ranked essays, along with their parent(s) or other designated guest(s), will be invited to the School's annual Student, Alumni, and Community Recognition Awards Dinner on November 17, 2016 and will also receive a monetary reward: $150 for the 1st place, $100 for the 2nd place and $75 for the 3rd place.

**Please help spread the word widely.** A kind request to re-tweet our SPPA tweet about the essay contest, including these hashtags: #EssayContest #Canada150 #LeadersInTheMaking. Printed posters about the contest are available for distribution upon request. If you can, consider a visit to your high school!

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**IPAC Ontario's 2016 Lieutenant Governor's Medal of Distinction in Public Administration**

Do you know someone who has shown distinctive leadership and has made a significant contribution in the field of public administration and public service in Ontario?

Help the Ontario Groups of IPAC celebrate exemplary public service in the province. Tell us about a leader, someone who has inspired others, even yourself.

The Selection Committee attaches considerable importance to the nature, quality and completeness of the documentation submitted by the nominators. Therefore, it is advantageous to submit a full and complete package of information.

**Nominations remain eligible for consideration for a period of three years,** including the year of nomination. Nominators will be notified in writing of the decision of the Selection Committee.

The nomination deadline is 5:00pm November 30, 2016. For further information, please visit: http://www.ipaontariomedalofdistinction.ca/Nomination-Package

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**Refuge: Canada’s Journal on Refugees** is a non-profit, interdisciplinary, peer-reviewed, bilingual journal. It publishes analytical, reflective, and probing articles from a wide range of disciplinary and regional perspectives, presenting writing of academics, policy-makers, and practitioners in the field of forced migration. The journal provides space for discussion of emerging themes and debates, as well as ongoing topics. The journal also features a book review section and occasionally publishes special issues on specific themes related to forced migration. Refuge publishes articles in both English and French.

**Special Issue of Refuge, available at:**
http://refuge.journals.yorku.ca/index.php/refuge


**Guest Editors:** James C. Simeon, Associate Professor, School of Public Policy & Administration and Michael J. Molloy

Michael (Mike) Molloy served as Coordinator of the Middle East Peace Process at the Department of Foreign Affairs from 2000 to 2003, and was previously Ambassador of Canada to Jordan. A founding member of the Multilateral Refugee Working Group (Middle East Peace Process), he has worked on the Palestinian refugee issue since the early 1990s and has been Co-Director of the Jerusalem Old City Initiative at the University of Windsor since 2003. During a long career at the Department of Immigration, Mike was involved first hand in the Czech and Ugandan refugee movements, oversaw the implementation of the refugee provisions of the 1976 Immigration Act, and coordinated the resettlement of 60,000 Indochinese refugees in Canada in 1979-1980. He served in Japan, Lebanon, Minneapolis, Geneva, Jordan (twice), Syria and Kenya and was Director General of Citizenship and Immigration in Ontario.
### October Activities at the Career Centre

**Workshops and events** (including employer recruitment sessions, educator information sessions, Career Conversations panels, and career fairs) are posted on an ongoing basis as they are scheduled.

#### Career Centre Drop-In Hours
October 11, 2016 @ 10:00am – 12:00pm, The Learning Commons in Scott Library

**GPSE 2016: Getting Into Law School Panel**
October 13, 2016 @ 3:15pm – 4:15pm, 001 Vanier College

**What Can I Do With My Degree workshop**
October 19, 2016 @ 10:30am – 12:00pm, 103 McLaughlin College

**Résumé and Cover Letter Writing workshop**
October 21, 2016 @ 1:00pm – 3:00pm, 103 McLaughlin College

**Suit Yourself: Personality and Career Choice workshop**
October 26, 2016 @ 1:30pm – 4:00pm, 103 McLaughlin College

**Post-Grad Drop-Ins**
October 27, 2016 @ 3:00pm – 4:00pm, 209 McLaughlin College

Registration on the Career Centre's online system is required for **all** workshops (you must sign up for an account on the system before you will be able to register for any workshops). **To create an account, please visit:** [http://careers.yorku.ca/online-system/](http://careers.yorku.ca/online-system/)

For the complete list of October activities, please visit: [http://careers.yorku.ca/calendar/action~month/exactdate~1470024000/request_format~html/](http://careers.yorku.ca/calendar/action~month/exactdate~1470024000/request_format~html/)

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### Job Opportunities

#### Director, Communications, Elections Ontario
**Temporary Assignment/Secondment - 2 years**
**Salary Range:** $116,811 - $134,130 per year. **Location:** 95 St. Clair Ave. W. Toronto

Elections Ontario is a non-partisan agency of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario. Our mission is to uphold the integrity and accessibility of the electoral process and to manage elections in an efficient, fair and impartial manner. The Office of the Chief Electoral Officer, Communications Division, seeks an experienced and innovative leader to direct the development and implementation of strategic communication initiatives, marketing & advertising, public education and electoral outreach programs. **Please click here for more details:** [http://www.ipac.ca/documents/DirectorCommunications_EO-2016-48.pdf](http://www.ipac.ca/documents/DirectorCommunications_EO-2016-48.pdf)

#### Senior Program Analyst, Ontario Ministry of Community and Social Services
**2 Temporary Positions, duration up to 12 months (with possible extension)**
**Salary Range:** $68,536 - $100,994 per year. **Location:** 900 Bay St., Toronto

Bring your change management, leadership and business improvement expertise to this dynamic position with the Ministry of Community and Social Services, where you'll play a role in modernizing business processes and tools and implement new solutions to support the delivery of social services programs. **Please click here for more details:** [http://www.ipac.ca/SeniorProgramAnalyst-11798](http://www.ipac.ca/SeniorProgramAnalyst-11798)

#### Senior Economist, Ontario Ministry of Community and Social Services
**3 Permanent Positions**
**Salary Range:** $68,536 - $100,994 per year. **Location:** 7 Queens Park Cr., Toronto

Do you demonstrate sound judgment, political acuity and decision making skills? Do you have a background in providing policy advice to resolve economic and financial issues? Then consider these exciting opportunities with the Planning and Expenditure Management Division, Office of the Treasury Board. **Please click here for more details:** [http://www.ipac.ca/SeniorEconomist-11794](http://www.ipac.ca/SeniorEconomist-11794)

#### Economics Specialist - Forest Economy, Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry
**1 Permanent Position. Salary Range:** $1,363.01 - $1,779.77 per week.
**Location:** 70 Foster Dr., Sault Ste. Marie or Thunder Bay or 5520 Hwy 101 E, Timmins ON

If you have what it takes to conduct in-depth research and provide expert analysis and advice in regards to the forest products sector and emerging forest bioeconomy in Ontario, consider this interesting and challenging opportunity with the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry. **Please click here to view details:** [http://www.ipac.ca/EconomicsSpecialist-11775](http://www.ipac.ca/EconomicsSpecialist-11775)