# School of Public Policy and Administration WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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### **Announcements**

## York University and the City of Markham Unveil Official Signage at Future Campus



York University and the City of Markham unveiled official signage to mark the new site for York University's Markham campus on Friday, November 4th. York University – Markham Centre will be home to more than 4,000 students in 8 different fields of study, including arts and media, information technology, liberal arts, environmental studies and business. York University has committed \$45 million for its construction, the Regional Municipality of York has committed up to \$25 million, and the City of Markham has donated 5 acres of land in Markham Centre for the new campus. York University President and Vice-Chancellor Mamdouh Shoukri told the media the new campus is "a win-win and will represent significant expansion to postsecondary education in Ontario." The sign marking the site of the future campus is on the corner of Enterprise Boulevard and Rivis **Road in Markham**. On site for the ceremonial unveiling was: President Shoukri; MPP Markham-Unionville, Hon. Michael Chan, Minister of International Trade; York Region Chairman Wayne Emmerson; City of Markham Mayor Frank Scarpitti; Regional Councillor for the City of Markham, Nirmalla Armstrong; Vice-President, Academic, Seneca College, Laurel Schollen; Markham Ward 3 Councillor Don Hamilton; Markham Ward 2 Councillor Alan Ho; and Markham Ward 6 Councillor Amanda Collucci.

# The Hon. Bill Morneau, Minister of Finance's, Post-Secondary Policy Forum

This is an exciting opportunity to showcase your public policy ideas on a national stage. This team competition is open to post-secondary students across Canada, and allows you to play the role of policy advisor to your federal government. Working as a team (including one faculty member), I am asking you to submit a written policy proposal addressing an economic policy challenge facing Canada today (e.g., labour markets, innovation, trade and investment, physical and social infrastructure). All proposals will be assessed on their potential to provide benefits for inclusive growth in Canada. Successful teams will participate in a second round where you will be asked to present your policy idea to officials from the Department of Finance via video link. The winning team will be invited to Ottawa to attend events related to Budget Day 2017. The Deadline for the First Round of Policy Proposal Submissions is December 23, 2016. Written submissions will be judged by a panel of policy experts from the Department of Finance Canada, with 5-10 successful proposals being selected to present in the Final Round, in mid-January 2017.

For further information, please visit: http://www.fin.gc.ca/ppf-fpp/index-eng.asp

For students interested in participating, please contact Professor Joanne Magee, Associate Professor, York University at jmagee@yorku.ca

# **Extreme Weather and Emergency Management: Canada's DART**



In recent years some extreme weather events have been attributed to human-induced global warming, with studies indicating an increasing threat from extreme weather in the future. The Disaster Assistance Response Team (DART) is a multidisciplinary organization composed of military members and civilians from Global Affairs Canada, designed to deploy on short notice anywhere in the world in response to situations ranging from natural disasters to complex humanitarian emergencies. It is one component of the Government of Canada's toolkit to respond to natural disasters abroad. Lieutenant - Colonel Ed Izatt, the Commanding Officer of the DART, will provide insights about extreme weather and examples of the diverse capabilities the CAF possesses, and the importance of continued humanitarian support efforts around the globe.

November 28, 2016 at 11:45am-1:30pm
481 University Avenue, Suite 711, Toronto
To register for this luncheon, please visit:
http://toronto.interculturaldialog.com/extremeweather-emergency-management-canadas-dartnov-28/

## **Announcements**

#### **Blood Drive at York this week**



If you are considering the gift of life through a blood donation, Canadian Blood Services will be at York University's Keele campus on Friday November 25th from 10am to 2pm. The clinic will take place in Central Square/East Bear Pit.

Each year, York shows its community spirit by saving lives through hosting Canadian Blood Services on campus. On average, one unit of blood helps three people, so our donations will be used to help hundreds of people in the Greater Toronto Area.

#### What would it take to make you give blood?

- If you knew you knew you could save a life ... would you?
- If you knew only 3.5 per cent of eligible Canadians gave blood ... would you give?
- If you knew that patients in our area hospitals use at least 650 to 700 units of blood each day ... would you help them by donating blood?
- How about if you knew that cancer patients use an average of eight units of blood products, each week, during their treatment?

For more information on how to become a donor, or to schedule an appointment to donate blood during one of their many clinics throughout the community, visit www.bloodservices.ca or call 1-888-2-DONATE.

#### York Cares United Way Campaign Deadline Extended to December 2nd



Soup and Salad Lunch
Friday, November 25th, from 12:00pm-1:00pm
Hosted by the Office of the Vice-President
Academic and Provost
9th floor kitchen of the Kaneff Tower, Keele campus
All proceeds from the lunch will go towards the
United Way. All are welcome!

Each year, York University participates in this campaign and last year we raised close to \$185,000. This year's goal is \$200,000. The funds that are raised support social services in the community, some of which impact York University programs and students directly. The United Way Toronto and York Region is the largest private-sector supporter of social services in fueled Toronto. Its work is by ground breaking research and powerful partnerships, allowing it to identify gaps and mobilize volunteer and financial resources, resulting in positive and lasting change, here where we all live, work and raise our families. Special events to support the 2016 York Cares United Way Campaign took place across campus during November. Of special note to University community members - the Mike & Martha Pedersen Challenge Grant matches donations of \$1,200 or more towards United Way funded initiatives on a dollar-for-dollar level. By contributing \$1,200 or more, you can make twice the impact with your donation. For more information, please visit alumniandfriends.yorku.ca/2016-unitedway-campaign/#getinvolved

## Annual Holiday Sale at the York University Bookstore



The York University Bookstore's annual holiday sale runs from **November 21 to December 22** and there is a wide selection of discounted merchandise for all of your gift-giving needs. The Bookstore is offering 25% off all children's books, fiction (paperback and hardcover), mystery, sci-fi and graphic novels. There are also specials on York-branded giftware. **For more information, please visit the York Bookstore website at:** http://www.bookstore.yorku.ca/

#### **Vanier College Book Sale Seeks Donations**



Donations are now being sought for the next Vanier College Book Sale. All proceeds from the book sale support student-related matters. The sale takes place every year and organizers are anxious to receive donations of new, used and previously loved books.

Members of the York community interested in donating books for the highly popular sale can drop them off at the Office of the Master, Vanier College, Room 254 Vanier, or arrange for a pick-up or drop-off by calling 416-736-5192 or emailing vanier@yorku.ca

## **Job Opportunities**

Senior Policy Advisor, Consumer Policy and Liaison Branch, Ontario Ministry of Government and Consumer Services

Salary range: \$68,536 - \$100,994 per year. Location: 56 Wellesley St. W., Toronto

Bring your policy development expertise to this exciting opportunity where you will provide strategic advice, planning, stakeholder management and policy development support on consumer protection, and business law initiatives.

Please click here for more details: http://www.ipac.ca/SeniorPolicyAdvisor-12026

Senior Policy Advisor, Personal Tax Policy and Design Branch, Ontario Ministry of Finance

Salary range: \$73,769 - \$107,220 per year. Location: 7 Queens Park Cr., Toronto

Don't miss this opportunity to lead and manage policy research, analysis and development projects and provide strategic policy expertise to senior management on personal income tax measures and benefits development. We are looking for a team-oriented individual with strong analytical skills, broad intuitive thinking and a keen interest in the interaction of benefits programs and the personal income tax system.

Please click here to view details: http://www.ipac.ca/SeniorPolicyAdvisor-12017

Team Lead, Policy, Ontario Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services

Salary range: \$73,769 - \$107,220 per year. Location: 25 Grosvenor St., Toronto

We are seeking four highly motivated policy experts to join our dynamic team where you will lead and coordinate a comprehensive framework for policy and program development initiatives and projects related to provincial justice and public safety sectors.

Please click here to view details: http://www.ipac.ca/TeamLead-12018

Manager, Compliance Processes, Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario

Salary range: \$82,679 - \$ 103,346. Location: Toronto

Reporting to the Director, Regulatory Assurance, the Manager of Compliance Processes is responsible for coordinating the regulatory discipline processes within the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario (AGCO) across all lines of business.

Please click here to view details: http://www.ipac.ca/Manager-15097E

Senior Policy Analyst, Social Assistance, Social Services Branch, Community and Health Services Department – York Region

Salary range: \$50.51 - \$54.91 per hour. Location: Newmarket

Reporting to the Manager, Projects and Program Policy Strategy, is responsible for providing policy and analytical support to the Social Services Branch programs, including Ontario Works, Employment Services, Ontario Works, Children's Programs (Child Fee Assistance, Children's Community Programs and Early Intervention Services, and Community Homelessness Initiatives; supporting the development of innovative and strategic program policies and plans; researching and analyzing projects; leading outcome-based program development and project teams; developing cross-functional linkages to ensure that Regional policies and programs align with Social Service outcomes; developing innovative and strategic responses to social programs and plans to address human service needs; interpreting and communicating relevant legislation (i.e. Ontario Works) and policies to staff. Please click here to view details: http://www.ipac.ca/documents/YORK-19841.pdf

Senior Correspondence Writer, Ontario Ministry of Northern Development and Mines

Salary range: \$59,655 - \$83,402 per year. Location: 159 Cedar St., Sudbury

Bring your strong communication, editing, and issues management skills to this exciting position with the Coordination and Analysis Unit team in the Ministry of Northern Development and Mines, where you will provide writing, editing, communications planning and project coordination services. Please click here to view details: http://www.ipac.ca/SeniorCorrespondenceWriter-12048

Research Officer, Legislative Library and Research Services, The Legislative Assembly of Ontario

Salary range: \$76,941 - \$98,089 per year. Location: Toronto. We are seeking a client-oriented individual to provide high quality, confidential, non-partisan research and analysis to Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs) from all parties, legislative committees, and senior staff of the Assembly. You will research and analyze complex public policy issues, prepare concise and well-written reports, and deliver oral briefings on a range of topics. Please click here to view details: http://www.ipac.ca/documents/ResearchOfficer-LAO.pdf

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