SPPA News

The School of Public Policy and Administration seeks nominations for its 2017 awards in the following categories:

**UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT**
**GRADUATE STUDENT**
**ALUMNI RECOGNITION**
**PRACTICUM HONOUREE**

The **Undergraduate Student Award** acknowledges exceptional contributions made by one current student or recent undergraduate student to the activities and programs of the School.

The **Graduate Student Award** acknowledges exceptional contributions made by one current student or recent graduate student to the activities and programs of the School.

The **Alumni Recognition Award** acknowledges exceptional contributions made by one alumnus/a to the activities and programs of the School, as well as to the mentoring of its students and new professionals.

The **Practicum Honouree Award** recognizes individuals who have made exceptional efforts to provide practicum opportunities for the School’s fourth-year students.

The 2016 award winners were honoured at a function attended by York University's Vice-President Research and Innovation, Robert Haché, and Victor Severino, York PPA Alumnus and Assistant Deputy Minister of the Business Climate and Funding Administration Division of the Ontario Ministry of Economic Development and Growth and the Ministry of Research, Innovation and Science. 

For further details about the 2016 awards celebration, please visit: [http://bit.ly/2j9QgS0](http://bit.ly/2j9QgS0)

Nominations for the above awards are invited from faculty, staff, individual students and alumni, as well as associations of students, alumni, and friends of the School. Nominations require a one page statement of the accomplishments of the individual as well as a copy of her or his resume.

Nominations must be received by Friday, April 7, 2017.

Please forward materials, or questions, to:

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PPASA Winter Meet and Greet

Welcome back and Happy New Year!!

To kick off the semester, the Public Policy & Administration Student Association (PPASA) would like to invite you to our Winter Meet and Greet! Stop by and meet the team, professors, alumni and your fellow students.

**Thursday, January 26, 2017**  
5:30pm – 7:30pm  
The Underground Restaurant  
*Refreshments will be served*

We encourage everyone to attend and bring along any other students who might be interested.

We would love to have new members volunteer with us! Please email us at [ppasa@yorku.ca](mailto:ppasa@yorku.ca) regarding further information on volunteer opportunities.

Take advantage of this fantastic opportunity, get informed and get involved!

Stay connected with PPASA:  
Office Location: 168 Founders College; Facebook: @ppasaYork
Career Conversation Panel: Strategies for Getting Hired within the Ontario Public Service

Connect with representatives from the Ontario Public Service to learn about opportunities in the provincial government. Meet professionals who do the hiring, gain insight into the field and get strategies and tips on:

- What kinds of positions and roles there are across the Ontario Public Service
- What kinds of skills and knowledge are required
- What the recruitment process is like
- How to make connections within the field
- What is involved in the application process, e.g. specific hiring dates, materials required
- What to expect during the interview
- How to succeed on the job

January 31st from 1:30pm – 3:30pm
152 Founders College

Participating Panelists include:

Jim Cassimatis
Chief Administrative Officer / Assistant Deputy Minister
Ministry of Municipal Affairs | Ministry of Housing

Angela Ma
Recruitment Consultant,
Ministry of Government and Consumer Services

For the full list of panelists, please visit the Career Centre website: [http://careers.yorku.ca/students-and-new-grads/services-events/career-conversations](http://careers.yorku.ca/students-and-new-grads/services-events/career-conversations)

Registration is required. You may register for this event on the Career Centre’s online system - [http://careers.yorku.ca/online-system/](http://careers.yorku.ca/online-system/)

(*you must sign up for an account before you will be able to register for any events on the system).*

The Centre for Human Rights at York invites you to the 8th Annual Inclusion Day!

January 27, 2017 from 9:00am – 3:00pm
(Registration: 8:45-9:30am; Lunch: 12:15-1:00pm)
940N Ross Building, Senate Chamber Room

**PANEL A - Academia’s Accountability to the Truth and Reconciliation Panel - Panel Discussion**

It has been one year since the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada released its final report on the forced institutionalization of Indigenous/Aboriginal children in residential schools. For 100 of the 150 years of Canadian confederacy, residential schools were in existence, wreaking havoc on peoples and societies who were present thousands of years before "Canada." As noted on the Commission's website, "the cumulative impact of residential schools is a legacy of unresolved trauma passed from generation to generation and has had a profound effect on the relationship between Aboriginal peoples and other Canadians." The issue of Indigenous/Aboriginal education is still a profoundly crucial and pressing one and it affects post-secondary institutions as well. What responsibility and accountability do universities and colleges owe Indigenous peoples? What role should post-secondary institutions play in reconciliation?

**PANEL B - Syrian Refugees Resettlement Project: Triumphs & Challenges**

This presentation will provide an opportunity to assess the Canadian government’s initiative to have resettled 25,000 Syrian refugees in Canada between November 4 2015 and February 29 2016. This demonstration of compassion and leadership in human rights has been recognized nationally and internationally, even as the hard work of integration continues. As many Syrian families are approaching their one year anniversary of resettling in Canada, we are hoping to capture the experiences, triumphs and challenges of the resettlement program and the role of post-secondary institutions in engaging refugee policy.


University of Toronto's 2nd Annual Undergraduate Public Policy Case Competition - Building Up the 6ix

Saturday, March 11, 2017
9:00am – 4:00pm

The Case Competition will be focusing on one case: Affordable Housing. The competition is open to all undergraduate students studying within the GTHA.

**As a participant, you will register in 2 steps:**

1. Form a team of 3–4 people and register as a team. Your registration will be confirmed via e-mail and your team name and school published on the website
2. Each of your team members will have 48 hours to pay the registration fee. $20 by the early bird deadline (Wednesday, February 1) and $30 by the regular deadline (Wednesday, February 8). Upon the attendance of the competition, each member will be refunded 50% of their registration fee.

You will be given a case one month in advance of the event (Saturday, February 11th, 2017). You and your team will analyze the case and prepare a 10 minute presentation for a panel of three judges that includes an innovative and tangible solution to your issue.

Submit all of the work you will be using during the presentation on Saturday, March 4, 2017 by 9:00pm.

On the day of your down time, there will be a variety of workshops, community groups, and resources for you to learn about and connect with.

Should you be interested in participating, please contact the School of Public Policy and Administration at 416-736-5384 or lapssppa@yorku.ca so that we can put you in contact with other interested students who wish to participate as well.

For more information, please visit: [www.civicspark.ca](http://www.civicspark.ca)
**Announcements**

**The Criminology Society 3rd Annual Conference: Policing Beyond the State**

The Criminology Society at York (CSY) is delighted to invite you to our upcoming annual academic conference! This year, we are focusing on policing issues that complicate traditional methods of policing.

**Sunday, January 29, 2017**
**11:00am – 4:00pm**
**Osgoode Hall Law School, York University**

- Gain a critical edge with the **insider knowledge** presented on the conference topics
- Speak to **academics and professionals** in industry
- Enjoy a **fully catered menu** from some of the **most popular food** services on campus
- Receive **free conference swag** if you are one of the first 50 attendants
- Have the chance to **win a host of prizes in our raffle**, including **Princeton Review** textbooks and vouchers, electronics and gift baskets
- Help us **keep the Joshua Yasay Scholarship Fund thriving** with admission and raffle ticket sales (100% of which is donated to the Joshua Yasay Scholarship Fund)
- Early bird ticket purchases will **receive one free raffle ticket** upon entry to the conference
- **Raffle tickets** will be on sale for $1 each or $5 for $6

For further information, please visit our Facebook event page at: https://www.facebook.com/events/913266718774394/?ti=ia

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**How Ottawa Spends: Call For Chapters**

How Ottawa Spends (HOS) is an annual publication of the School of Public Policy and Administration at Carleton University. Its mandate is to provide analysis and informed commentary on contemporary public policy issues faced by the Government of Canada in the context of Canadian affairs and international developments. Beginning with the next issue we are altering the format of HOS to enhance its readability and appeal to this broad audience. Most of the volume will be composed of thought-provoking **Policy Briefs** of 3000-4000 words designed to explore the options facing the federal government in a particular policy domain and/or recommend policy directions. We will continue to be open to including in each volume a small number of longer **Policy Research Papers**; these contributions (approximately 7000 words) will provide greater context and depth along the lines of the chapters published in earlier editions of HOS.

**The general theme for the 2017 volume is Canada@150.** Among the specific policy issues we are especially interested in covering are: adjusting to Trump; the consequences for Canada of Brexit; adjusting to an era of slower economic growth; the “new era” of federalism; and Canada’s relationships with Indigenous peoples. Proposals in other areas that fit our general theme are also welcome.

We invite submissions for either of these two types of contributions. The Policy Briefs and Research Papers will not be peer refereed but will be vetted and edited by the HOS editorial team. **We invite you to send us an abstract (no more than 250 words) for a proposed Policy Brief or Research Paper by February 15, 2017.** We will respond by the end of February. Final submissions will be due at the end of June, and the e-publication of HOS will be out by the end of the summer. Please send your submission by **February 15th** to **HOS@carleton.ca**

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**CEU School of Public Policy MPA Program Scholarship**

Central European University’s (CEU) School of Public Policy will award **two scholarships to applicants from the South Balkans** to study in its unique, two-year Master of Public Administration (MPA) program. Scholarships are available for citizens of Albania, Bulgaria, Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Greece, and Kosovo. The MPA degree curriculum is focused on the study and practice of global public policy. CEU is an English-language, U.S. graduate university located in Budapest and accredited in both the United States and Hungary. The Master of Public Administration program is registered and accredited in the State of New York.

**Award:** Scholarship recipients will receive the following for two years (an approximate total value of EUR €43,000): full tuition scholarship; housing allowance; living stipend and health insurance.

**Scholarship Eligibility Requirements:**
All scholarships are awarded on a merit basis. Citizens of Albania, Bulgaria, Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Greece, and Kosovo are eligible to apply.

**Scholarship Application Procedures and Deadline:** In order to be considered for these scholarships, the applicant must indicate on the online MPA application form that she/he is a citizen of one of the five eligible countries noted above. **The application deadline is February 1st.**

For more information, please visit: https://spp.ceu.edu/node/25
Job Opportunities

Administrative Penalty Tribunal, 25 Public Members, City of Toronto
The City of Toronto is currently seeking 25 experienced, engaged, and enthusiastic Toronto residents to serve on the NEW Administrative Penalty Tribunal. This quasi-judicial tribunal will provide an independent review of administrative penalties (e.g. parking By-laws) that are assessed to individuals. Closing date has been extended to: Friday, February 10, 2017 at 4:30pm. Please click here to view details: http://www.ipac.ca/documents/REVISED-AdministrativePenaltyTribunal.pdf

Manager, Data Analytics, Ontario Ministry of Education
Are you a leader with a background in data analytics and statistical analysis? Consider this opportunity with the Education Statistics and Analysis Branch, Ministry of Education. Please click here to view details: http://www.ipac.ca/Manager-12310

Policy Analyst, Ontario Ministry of Finance
The Municipal Finance Policy Research Unit of the Ministry of Finance is looking for an experienced Policy Analyst to lead and support strategic research and policy development on municipal finance and property tax issues. Please click here to view details: http://www.ipac.ca/PolicyAnalyst-12325

Policy Analyst, Ontario Ministry of Finance
Don't miss this opportunity with the Ministry of Finance to play a key role in the development of financial strategic policies that have an impact across the province. We are seeking an experienced, creative, team-oriented Policy Analyst to join the Strategic & Interjurisdictional Policy Research Unit. Please click here to view details: http://www.ipac.ca/PolicyAnalyst-12323

Research Assistant, Centre for Refugee Studies, York University
Salary: $20 per hour plus benefits; Duration: temporary part-time, for 4 months; Hours: 28 hours per week, flexible. Position Start Date: February 1, 2017 Position End Date: May 31, 2017
The Centre for Refugee Studies at York University is looking for an energetic, enthusiastic, Arabic speaking Research Assistant for their new research project: Refugee Integration and Long-term Health Outcomes in Canada. As part of the core team, the Research Assistant will provide support and assistance to the research team. Working collaboratively with the research team, the Research Assistant is responsible for the following: recruiting participants for interviews and focus groups; obtaining informed consent from participants to participate in research; conducting face-to-face quantitative interviews in Arabic or English using a tablet based data collection tool; and translation of other research related materials. Please click here to view details: http://crs1.apps01.yorku.ca/machform/view.php?id=13693

Policy and Research Analyst, The Learning Partnership
Our Policy and Knowledge Mobilization department is growing. This department focuses on policy and research initiatives and information sharing on successful practices in education in Canada and around the world. The ideal candidate for this role has a positive attitude, is a strong team player and thrives in a busy, fast-paced environment. This individual is goal oriented, possesses excellent research and analysis expertise, adept at preparing data in different formats, possesses exceptional report writing and organizational skills, and can effectively multitask. Proficiency in both official languages is an asset. The role reports to the Director, Research & Equity and presents an opportunity to support the process of ensuring that best practices that contribute to student success and well-being are adequately identified, promoted and actively disseminated across Canada. This person cares about public education and understands its importance for the future of Canada. Please click here to view details: http://www.thelearningpartnership.ca/who-we-are/about/join/policy-research-analyst

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