

# School of Public Policy and Administration

## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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### SPPA News

Our SPPA Undergraduate Student Profiles are back for 2017! *Presenting this week*

**Angel Ng**, 2nd year student in the Bachelor of Public Administration, Management Stream



**“Daily Giving, Service”** is the motto of my alma mater. Spending 6 years in my high school, I always wondered what I can do or how I can contribute to the community that raised me to become the person I am now. Before coming to York, I was pursuing my business administration degree in Hong Kong. In 2014, we were experiencing challenges from the system itself as well as some unpleasant incidents from the revolution. I realized that I was not equipped enough to contribute to society, at least not with the knowledge I had at that time. So, I left my attending university to apply to the BPA program at York University and worked full-time for the rest of the year to earn my first-year tuition fee and a flight ticket. And that’s the beginning of my journey to York.

I am currently in my second year of study, pursuing the Bachelor of Public Administration (BPA) degree with specialization in management. In my very first class I knew that joining this program will be the best decision I have ever made in my life. Students are so eager to learn and motivated in class. The program itself prepares us for the real life-working environment, and with core requirements focused on fundamental skills, which are greatly useful to our future career within government. This program has always reminded me about the motto that we learn and contribute within the community. SPPA and the Public Policy and Administration Student Association (PPASA) have helped me a lot throughout my studies at York. They give out a lot of support to students, encouraging them to engage with the community or join different events held throughout the year. Also, networking events hosted by SPPA and PPASA are valuable experiences that a student can get in university life: I am able to meet alumni and professionals who currently work in the public or private sector, and get life-long advice from them. I became actively engaged with PPASA by starting to volunteer for some of their events. This year, I am honored to serve in the role of Marketing Assistant for the Association, while I also serve as the president for York University Fencing.

I look forward to seeing every one of you at our events! - **Angel Ng**

### **MPPAL-5 Ride the Jetstream**



Left to right: Salvatore D'Agostino, Hannah Ross, Coach John Wilkins, Shovan Chakraborty, Eric Lothman, Rathsara Illangasinghe

Inspired by a 'game-changer' tradition, Team York did us proud at the **2017 CAPPA/IPAC National Public Administration Case Competition** hosted by Ryerson University, 17-18 February. Five gifted MPPAL students--**Shovan Chakraborty, Salvatore D'Agostino, Rathsara Illangasinghe, Hannah Ross, Eric Lothman**--showed how part-time students make a full-time commitment to excellence in public administration.

This sixth annual competition attracted a strong field of twelve teams from grad programs across Canada. The teams presented their review of an issue that has plagued the Government of Canada for decades and remains unresolved. The Competition Case was entitled 'A National Political Football: The F-35 Jetfighter Procurement Program'. The blue-ribbon Judges panel named Carlton, Laval, and Simon Fraser, in that order, as the medalists for 2017.

Team York took a unique tact in its presentation by reframing the problem as policy rather than procurement. Under the banner of 'Overcoming Jetlag', it recommended policy review and process reform before taking action. The Team advocated "doing the right thing, the right way, for the right reasons". For the first time, the presentations were recorded and will be posted on the [IPAC web-site](#). According to Professor John Wilkins: "In my four years as Coach, this was the stiffest competition yet, as shown by dethroning of the perennial favourites. We are already strategizing how to improve and get ready for next year. We have a legacy to build upon, three team members eligible to return, and good prospects for a strong run in 2018 when Simon Fraser hosts." The event continues to get better. Our five MPPAL students added to York's reputation for fun, fair play, networking, and the learning journey.



## McLAUGHLIN COLLEGE

As part of our popular Lunch Talk Series McLaughlin College proudly presents:

### THE TRUMP TRANSITION



**Five Fellows of McLaughlin College will discuss the transition to the new U. S administration of President Donald Trump**

#### PANELISTS:



**ROBERT DRUMMOND,**  
University Professor Emeritus, Department of Political Science and School of Public Policy and Administration, York University



**JERRY GINSBURG,**  
Professor Emeritus, Department of History, York University



**IAN GREENE,**  
University Professor Emeritus, School of Public Policy and Administration, York University



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



**STEPHEN NEWMAN,**  
Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, York University

**Everyone welcome**

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1, 2017**

**12:00 PM – 2:00 PM**

**140 McLAUGHLIN COLLEGE  
SENIOR COMMON ROOM**

**LIGHT REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED**

For further information, please contact Vicky Carnevale at [vcarneva@yorku.ca](mailto:vcarneva@yorku.ca), extension 33824.



## Food Services Farmers' Market

**Baked Goods • Hot Foods • Fruits  
Vegetables • Arts & Crafts**

**Every Thursday 11 - 4 pm**

**Located inside the  
Victor Phillip Dahdaleh Building  
(formerly the TEL Building)**



## YUM! The Farmer's Market is back!

YUM! York University Farmers' Market is a weekly farmers' market organized by Regenes@York, with support provided by York University Food Services.



**Carleton  
UNIVERSITY**

## Indigenous Policy and Administration

Carleton's School of Public Policy and Administration (SPPA) offers two unique Graduate Diplomas in Indigenous Policy and Administration (IPA).

The goal of these programs is to develop the skills needed by professionals working in or with Indigenous governments and organizations. The programs are designed to provide students with the opportunity to develop cultural and contextual competencies essential to this work: to bridge traditional Indigenous worldviews with others, including those embedded in the practices of governance and administration that are found in general Canadian and international settings; to understand the complexity of First Nations, Métis and Inuit history, politics and contemporary structures; and to develop their skills in financial management, community development, organizational design and leadership.

The IPA courses will be delivered through an intensive on-campus IPA Summer Institute, and online. In the first years, they will only be available on a part-time basis, with students able to take one or two courses per semester.

Graduates of the IPA Diplomas who are later admitted to the Master of Public Policy and Administration can subsequently use most of their IPA courses toward the MPPA degree.

[More information >>](#)

### PROGRAM INFORMATION

**Degrees Offered:** Graduate Diploma

**Length:** 3-6 terms (PT)

**Entry Terms:** Summer

**Summer Application Deadline:** April 1







Special invitation for IPAC TRG members to attend the Emerging Municipal Leaders Forum presented by Ontario Good Roads Association.

**Sunday, February 26 - Wednesday, March 1, 2017**  
**Fairmont Royal York Hotel, Toronto.**

## 2017 OGRA Emerging Municipal Leaders Forum

The Emerging Municipal Leaders Forum will feature a panel of leaders from both the elected and civil servant sides of municipal government. These individuals will share their thoughts and experiences with students interested in a career at the local level. Students in attendance will hear what it takes to succeed and learn how the industry is evolving. A significant amount of time will be allocated for questions. The panel discussion will be followed by a networking session. Students will have the opportunity to talk to municipal leaders looking to speak directly to those interested in a career in municipal government.

### Speakers

Matthew Green, Councillor, City of Hamilton  
 Yolaine Kirlaw, Councillor, Sioux Lookout  
 Seemal Saif, Economic Business Analyst, York Region  
 Tony Haddad, Chief Administrative Officer, Tecumseh; & Director, ONWARD

### Registration

Registration to the Emerging Municipal Leaders Forum grants access to the entire OGRA Conference as a Student Delegate.

Check out the entire conference agenda here:  
<http://combinedconference.org/agenda/program-at-a-glance/>

To register for the Emerging Municipal Leaders Forum and as a Student Delegate at the 2017 OGRA Conference, please follow the link: <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/2017-emerging-municipal-leaders-forum-tickets-28562136118>

For more information please contact Thomas Barakat, OGRA Policy Advisor: [thomas@ogra.org](mailto:thomas@ogra.org)



United Nations Association in Canada  
 Association canadienne pour les Nations Unies

## United Nations Association in Canada's International Development & Diplomacy Internship Programme (IDDP)

These internships provide successful applicants, known as Junior Professional Consultants (JPCs), with invaluable, demanding, deeply meaningful work experience, as well as a proven bridge to employment. The Programme also provides professional development training & support including: job readiness, professional resume preparation; access to our exclusive mentorship programme before, during and after their deployments.

### Eligibility/Quick Facts:

- No application or administrative fee, however the internships are unpaid, and successful candidates must cover living costs, flights, etc.
- The application deadline is **March 6th, 2017**.
- Must be a Canadian citizen or Permanent Resident.
- 98% of our JPCs find meaningful work in their field, or return to advanced studies, within four months of completing their internship – acting as a proven bridge to employment.
- Internships are typically six-months in length with Agencies such as: UNDP, IOM, UNODC, UNICEF, UNGEI, UN Women, UNHCR.
- Successful applicants will be deployed in May, June and July, 2017 depending on the needs of partner Agencies.

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to call me, Scott Bohachyk at (613) 232-5751 ext. 253 or email [scott.bohachyk@unac.org](mailto:scott.bohachyk@unac.org)

To apply, and for more information about UNA-Canada and IDDP, please visit our website <http://unac.org/> and follow the directions from the IDDP webpage.

To learn more about the fascinating individual placements JPCs undertake, please check out their blog! <http://unacidip.blogspot.ca/>

Different by Design



## CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

## 2017 CRRF CONFERENCE - DIFFERENT BY DESIGN

Canadian Rural Revitalization Foundation - Annual Conference,  
 Nelson, BC, Canada  
 September 20-23, 2017

Deadline for abstracts: March 10, 2017  
<http://kootenays2017.crrf.ca/>

## Manager, Surveillance Policy and Programs

### Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care

**Salary range:** \$99,005-\$113,156 per year **Location:** 393 University Ave, Toronto **Permanent Closing date:** March 2, 2017

The Ontario Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care is seeking a dynamic change manager to lead the establishment of a new surveillance policy and programs unit in its Disease Prevention Policy and Programs Branch.

Are you a strategic, results-oriented leader who can drive change and deliver on the Ontario Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care's population and public health agenda? Are you committed to improving population health outcomes and providing quality public health services through better coordination across Ontario's health system?

If so, consider this exciting opportunity with the Population and Public Health Division, where you will provide leadership and expertise in public health surveillance policy and program development, implementation, evaluation, and issues management.

[More information >>](#)

## Senior Policy Advisor

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**Salary range:** \$68,536-\$100,994 per year **Closing date:** March 2, 2017

**1 Temporary, duration up to 18 months, 777 Bay St, Toronto, Toronto Region**

**1 Temporary, duration up to 12 months, 777 Bay St, Toronto, Toronto Region**

Are you looking for an opportunity to develop and showcase your leadership and policy development skills in delivering on the government's ambitious transportation policy mandate? Consider joining the Goods Movement Office in the Transportation Policy Branch where you will play a key role in the development of the Ministry of Transportation's approach to innovative transportation initiatives affecting the movement of goods by all modes of transportation in Ontario (road, rail, marine and air).

As a Senior Policy Advisor in the Transportation Policy Branch, you will lead the development of strategies, policies and programs for commercial transportation, including mandate commitments and initiatives under Ontario's Climate Change Action Plan.

[More information >>](#)

## Research Assistant

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**Salar :** \$15/hour **Closing date:** February 26, 2017

Professor Dufour at the School of Public Policy and Administration is looking for research assistants for a project on the federal public service. Candidates must be detail oriented and available for a minimum of 30 hours, to be completed by March 10. Wages are \$15/hour.

Undergraduate students who wish to apply should email a copy of their most recent unofficial transcript to [cdufour@yorku.ca](mailto:cdufour@yorku.ca), with "Research project on public service" in the subject line, by February 26, 2017.



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