

# School of Public Policy and Administration

## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

March 2017 – Volume 5, Issue 10

### SPPA News

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

**Garth Edwards,**

*4th year Bachelor of Public Administration (BPA) Spec. Honours (Management Stream) and Volunteer Coordinator for Public Policy and Administration Student Association (PPASA)*



Entering university, it was pretty unclear to me what it was I really wanted to pursue in terms of education and employment. I originally enrolled in the Law & Society program but realized halfway through my first year that it was not the right program for me. After switching into political science and taking some public administration classes, I took the time to research and think about what I wanted to do. By the end of my second year I had completely switched over to the Bachelor of Public Administration (BPA) program and I definitely do not regret doing so.

Although I was a very quiet student during my first few years, I found that the professors within the program were really encouraging and created an environment for students to be engaged in and outside of lectures. After deciding to spend my last year getting involved in school as much as I can, I have had the opportunity to be this year's Volunteer Coordinator for the Public Policy and Administration Student Association (PPASA). Being part of the PPASA has definitely provided me with the opportunity to meet great people and get more involved in school. PPASA events, which range from MP Meet & Greets and panel discussions to alumni dinners, have given me the chance to connect with diverse individuals from different levels of government who have provided great advice and information.

Without a doubt, a great thing about the BPA program is that as I look at several job postings for various positions within the public sector, I truly feel confident that my experience in this program has provided me with key skills for entering the workforce. I am currently enrolled in the Practicum in Public Administration course (AP/PPAS 4995) and completing my placement at the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing. Here I have had the opportunity to create training courses to assist with ministry initiatives as well as meet with several members of the Ontario Public Service (OPS) to see what it is they do on a daily basis. Courses such as Program Evaluation I and II (AP/PPAS 4310 3.0 and 4320 3.0) provide us with the opportunity to work as a team to complete evaluability assessments as well as produce reports and policy papers for real life clients. The program has provided me with great opportunities to gain real life experience which I truly believe will be useful after graduation.

All in all, I would highly encourage all students to try their best to get involved in school both in and outside of lectures as it will really change your university experience. Coming from a quiet student, participating in class becomes much easier when you recognize familiar faces from events. When you start to participate more in-class and get involved, you truly start to see how what you learn in class is connected to the real world and in my case, it can help you discover with it is you really want to do in life.—**Garth Edwards**

## 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.

[>>More information](#)

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:

**Director, School of Public Policy and Administration**

care of: Khanh Le

Room 119, McLaughlin College, York University, Toronto, Ontario M3J 1P3

Phone: 416-736-2100 ext. 30580; Fax: 416-736-5382; E-mail: [khanhle@yorku.ca](mailto:khanhle@yorku.ca)



**McLAUGHLIN COLLEGE**

## **Violence Against Indigenous Women: The Past, Present, and Future**

This talk will focus on the history of how colonialism and governments have affected the indigenous peoples, the current situations they face, how these problems have turned into violence among their women, and what the future will bring. From the students personal research as well as some words from selected qualified speakers, attendees will be apart of an eye opening experience to



what the indigenous women have gone through, continue to go through, and learn how they can become apart of the movement to ending violence against indigenous women once and for all.

**Kristina McCutcheon, Nasha Ahmed, Alicia Zapa, Nicole Patimisco, Julia Black, Elite Hasson, and Latoya Green** are a group of students who have been learning about indigenous resistance, as well the history of violence and oppression against their women, and working along side the Anduhyaun Women's Shelter as part of a course here at York University. The course work and volunteering among the aboriginal women have made us more aware, knowledgeable, and outstandingly passionate for this sensitive subject.

**EVERYONE WELCOME**

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22, 2017**

**12PM – 1:30PM**

**SENIOR COMMON ROOM 140 McLAUGHLIN COLLEGE**

**LIGHT REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED**

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

## Call for Participants! U.S. Election Views and Political Attitudes Focus Group

Hello Fellow York University Student,

You have been invited to take part in the U.S. Election Views and Political Attitudes Focus Group. This is an undergraduate student project and has the support of the Sociology Department and the Qualitative Research and Resource Centre at York University. The purpose of the focus group is to learn about York University students' political orientations and their views on the U.S. Presidential election.

We are offering each participant a **15 dollar gift certificate for the York University Bookstore** as a thank you for their time.

The focus group will run from either **12pm - 1pm OR from 1pm - 2pm on Monday March 20th** in North Ross, York University. If you are interested in participating in this focus group please email [ghazalha@my.yorku.ca](mailto:ghazalha@my.yorku.ca) to confirm and she will give you further details.

The research procedures have been reviewed and received ethics clearance by the Sociology Department at York University.

Let your voice be heard!



## Call for Applications: James P. Muldoon Jr. Bursary Award

### Award Details

Amount: \$2,500  
Closing Date: 31 March 2017  
Disbursement Date: 29 May 2017

### Eligibility

The Bursary is available to undergraduate students in Canada whose field of study is related to the mission of the Mosaic Institute: We are a 'think and do' tank that creates platforms for learning and dialogue among diverse Canadian communities to advance justice, promote peace, and reduce conflict. Applicants are required to submit their academic records; demonstrate financial need; address how they relate to the work of the Mosaic Institute; and provide a reference letter in support of their bursary application. The award recipient will receive notification in writing from the Institute. The successful candidate will be required to provide consent to the Mosaic Institute to publicize their name and relevant submission information for use as the Mosaic Institute may deem appropriate. The successful candidate must receive the award in person at a presentation ceremony at the Mosaic Institute's Peace Patron Dinner on May 29, 2017.

[>>More information](#)

## Review of Communication Research

Open-Access Literature Reviews for the Communication Field

### NEW ARTICLES YOU MAY FIND USEFUL FOR YOUR RESEARCH

As a scholar in the broad field of Communication, you may be interested in unrestricted access to articles that may help you with your present or future research. We invite you to learn more about *Review of Communication Research*, and to consider it as a venue for your best literature reviews.

Jake Harwood (University of Arizona, USA), [Music and Intergroup Relations: Exacerbating Conflict and Building Harmony through Music.](#)

Douglas M. McLeod, David Wise and Mallory Perryman (University of Wisconsin at Madison, USA), [Thinking about the media: A review of theory and research on media perceptions, media effects perceptions, and their consequences.](#)

Adrienne Chung and Rajiv N. Rimal (George Washington University, USA), [Social Norms: A Review.](#)

Johny T. Garner et al. (Texas Christian University, USA), [A long look back: An analysis of 50 years of organizational communication research \(1964-2013\).](#)

Anneke de Graaf, José Sanders and Hans Hoeken (Radboud University Nijmegen and Utrecht University, NL), [Characteristics of Narrative Interventions and Health Effects: A Review of the Content, Form, and Context of Narratives in Health-related Narrative Persuasion Research.](#)

Kevin B. Wright (George Mason University, USA), [Communication in Health-Related Online Social Support Groups/Communities: A Review of Research on Predictors of Participation, Applications of Social Support Theory, and Health Outcomes](#)



**Win the Open Review Award**

## Ontario Graduate Policy Research Challenge

Défi aux diplômés et aux étudiants aux cycles supérieurs de l'Ontario pour la recherche en politiques

Competition / Concours de 2016

This is an exciting opportunity for graduate students to share their research and innovative ideas in the areas of postsecondary education, employment and labour market with policy leaders in Ontario. The Challenge will...

### Make connections:

The Challenge seeks to create links between the Ministry of Advanced Education and Skills Development (MAESD) and policy research at higher education institutions in Ontario by facilitating dialogue between students, policy leaders and research faculty.

### Support Ontario graduate research:

This competition is open to graduate students and recent graduates from masters', doctoral and post-graduate certificate programs at Ontario publicly-assisted universities and colleges. Applicants are asked to formulate their research into a policy brief that demonstrates how their ideas can be applied to postsecondary education and labour market issues in Ontario.

### Reward new ideas:

The top applicants will receive awards of \$2,000 or \$3,000 and present their ideas at MAESD.

**Timelines:** The deadline for the completion is April 21, 2017.

[>>More information](#)

## GLENDON GLOBAL DEBATES

Presented by:



THE GLENDON SCHOOL OF PUBLIC AND INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS  
L'ÉCOLE D'AFFAIRES PUBLIQUES ET INTERNATIONALES DE GLENDON



EU Consulates in Toronto



Canadian International Council  
Conseil International Canadien



**A NEW FRAMEWORK FOR INTERNATIONAL TRADE OR THE LAST OF ITS KIND?**

MARCH 23, 2017 - 6:30 PM - 9:00 PM

A100 - Centre of Excellence  
Glendon Campus, York University  
2275 Bayview Ave., Toronto, ON

ADMISSION IS FREE!



**NICOLAS CHAPIUS**  
Ambassador of France  
in Canada



**ANGELLA MACEWEN**  
Senior Economist,  
Canadian Labour  
Congress



**ISTVÁN MIKOLA**  
Minister of State for  
Security Policy and  
International Cooperation,  
Hungary



**CANDACE SIDER**  
Vice President,  
Regulatory Affairs,  
North America,  
Livingston International



**JAKOB VON WEIZSACKER**  
Member of the European  
Parliament for Thuringia,  
Germany



**Moderator**  
**DEREK DECLOET**  
Executive Editor,  
The Globe and Mail,  
Editor,  
Report on Business

RSVP: [www.glendon.yorku.ca/gspia/ceta](http://www.glendon.yorku.ca/gspia/ceta)

The event will be bilingual and simultaneous interpretation will be provided.



@GlendonSPIA  
#GlendonGD  
#EUTalksTO



The Glendon School of Public and International Affairs, the EU Consulates in Toronto and the Canadian International Council - Toronto Branch, invite you to the Glendon Global Debates on the theme:

***CETA: A New Framework for International Trade or the Last of Its Kind?***

Date: Thursday, March 23, 2017

Time: 6:30 PM - 9:00 PM

Location: A100 Centre of Excellence, Glendon Campus

Admission is free. [RSVP now](#)

The conference will be bilingual and simultaneous interpretation will be provided.

## Leaping Lion Books Presents:



Donna Jean MacKinnon

Leaping Lion Books would like to invite you to join us for an evening of strong drinks, good food, better company and a preview of untold Canadian history, as we celebrate Donna Jean MacKinnon's debut book, *NEWS-GIRLS: Gutsy Pioneers in Canada's Newsrooms*.

Date: March 29, 2017

Time: 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Place: Women's Art Association of Canada

23 Prince Arthur Ave.  
Toronto, ON M5R 1B2

[Click here to RSVP by March 24th](#)

Or email [newsgirls17@gmail.com](mailto:newsgirls17@gmail.com) to RSVP.



Author, Donna Jean MacKinnon

*NEWSGIRLS* will be available for purchase at book launch for a special price of \$20.00. This is a cash only deal. Other methods of payment will be accepted for list price: \$22.95





## Senior Policy Advisor Ontario Ministry of Finance

**Salary range:** \$73,769—\$107,220 per year **Location:** Toronto **Closing date:** March 20, 2017  
**1 Temporary, duration up to 12 months, 95 Grosvenor St, Toronto, Toronto Region**

Don't miss this opportunity to lead and manage policy research, analysis and development projects and provide guidance to Policy Advisors.

The Ministry of Finance is looking for a team-oriented individual to join the Securities Reform Policy Branch. [More information >>](#)

## Manager, Growth Policy Ministry of Municipal Affairs, Ontario Growth Secretariat

**Salary range:** \$99,005—113,156 per year **Closing date:** March 22, 2017

The Ministry of Municipal Affairs, Ontario Growth Secretariat (OGS), has an exciting opportunity for a highly innovative and dynamic professional to lead a team in shaping growth management policy in Ontario.

The Ontario Growth Secretariat (OGS) leads the development and implementation of the government's Places to Grow initiative to create regional growth management plans, ensure planning compliance and facilitate implementation. The OGS works with local governments, industry and environmental stakeholders, as well as Aboriginal communities.

The Growth Policy Team integrates growth policy and planning with the corporate capital planning process and other provincial policies and legislation. [More information >>](#)

## Senior Staff Development Officer—E-learning Specialist Ontario Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Service

**Salary range:** \$72,835-89,816 per year **Closing date:** March 24, 2017  
**1 Temporary, duration up to 12 months, 467 Beach Blvd, Hamilton, West Region, General Screening Requirement**  
**1 Temporary, duration up to 6 months, 467 Beach Blvd, Hamilton, West Region, General Screening Requirement**

Join this challenging opportunity to design, develop and deliver distance and e-Learning programs/initiatives to support the strategic priorities of the Ontario Correctional Services College (OCSC) and the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services (MCSCS). You will provide advice and consulting expertise in the development of a distance learning strategy that supports the achievement of learning priorities and staff performance. [More information >>](#)

## Senior Policy Advisor Ontario Ministry of Finance

**Salary range:** \$68,536-100,94 per year **Closing date:** March 24, 2017  
**1 Temporary, duration up to 12 months (with possibility of extension)**  
[More information >>](#)

## Policy Advisor Ontario Ministry of Finance

**Salary range:** \$63,544-91,564 per year **Closing date:** March 24, 2017  
**1 Temporary, duration up to 12 months (with possibility of extension)**  
[More information >>](#)

Are you interested in leading a range of strategic policy development activities? Do you have strong policy, project leadership and economic analysis skills? If so, consider joining the Ministry of Finance's Provincial Land Tax Policy team working on exciting initiatives related to provincial land tax policy and reform.

*Stay connected  
with SPPA*

**Facebook:**  
[/YorkUSPPA](#)

**Twitter:**  
[@YorkUSPPA](#)

**SPPA LinkedIn Group:**  
<https://www.linkedin.com/groups/12006583>

**MPPAL LinkedIn Group:**  
<https://www.linkedin.com/groups/3908927>

[www.sppa.laps.yorku.ca](http://www.sppa.laps.yorku.ca)

\*If you wish to unsubscribe from the SPPA Newsletter, please email us at: [lapssppa@yorku.ca](mailto:lapssppa@yorku.ca) asking to be removed from the mailing list.

