

School of Public Policy and Administration

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SPPA News

We are pleased to present our next SPPA Student Profile - Jason Robinson, graduating student in Business & Society and Public Policy Analysis Certificate, Treasurer for the Public Policy and Administration Student Association (PPASA)



When I switched into the Business and Society program in my second year from Information Technology, I was told by the program assistant that I could take a certificate with my degree so that I could graduate with both. I was looking for a certificate program that has a practical use since I'm a person who likes a more hands-on approach to learning than just theory. That's when I discovered the Public Policy Analysis Certificate. The courses they offer fit exactly with what I wanted to learn.

Two courses for instance, AP/PPAS 4310 3.0 and AP/PPAS 4320 3.0 Program Evaluation I and II, with Professor Constantinou I find to be very useful for the job market. These courses help you understand how to conduct and evaluate government programs to see if they are succeeding in achieving their objectives. The theory you learn in class will be applied in the real world since you work in a group with a client in government on a program they need an evaluation of. Right now, my group is doing an evaluation of the digital first approach at Service Canada to see if it meets customer satisfaction.

Currently, I am in my second term as Treasurer for the Public Policy and Administration Student Association (PPASA). Being involved with PPASA has been one of the best experiences I have had at York. I have made new friends and have better relationships with professors. Before I was a part of PPASA, I was a shy and quiet person. But, once I got involved with PPASA, it helped me grow as a person. It was through PPASA that I started to get more involved with other student organizations on campus. Right now I'm President of the Business and Society Student Club and I am a Vanier College peer mentor. Before being in PPASA I could not imagine myself having a leadership position in student associations. It was through the various events hosted by PPASA and SPPA, such as networking events and the meet and greets, that helped me get out of my comfort zone.

Congratulations to our Public Policy and Administration Student Association (PPASA) for winning the McLaughlin College Student Club of the Year Award!!



**PUBLIC POLICY &
ADMINISTRATION
STUDENT ASSOCIATION**

On March 24, 2017, the PPASA was recognized as the Student Club of the Year at the McLaughlin College Formal celebration and dinner held at Château Le Jardin Banquet Hall in Woodbridge.

On behalf of the School of Public Policy and Administration faculty, staff and students, we offer our warmest congratulations to the PPASA team and many thanks for all of their hard work and dedication to the School, the Student Association and its members. PPASA contributions to engaging and supporting our students, and enhancing student experience have been truly outstanding.



IPAC/IBM Social Leadership Award

Social leadership is a process of social influence, which maximizes the efforts of others, towards the achievement of a goal.

Social leaders are inspired individuals in any group and community of expertise and at any level who are excellent communicators, engaged and passionate about their work and who are adept at inspiring that passion and commitment in others. Social leaders lead by example, are technologically astute, are conscientious of personal boundaries, believe in sharing and collective intelligence, give real-time recognition and feedback to colleagues and peer and adapt to constant change and diversity in the workforce.

IPAC & IBM created this award to recognize Public Sector Employees who embody the qualities of a true social leader. These include being at the forefront in embracing change and integrating technological tools like social media into everyday practice. Making their dedication and love for the public service evident in all of their actions but still showcasing a level of emotional intelligence and humanity that set them apart and make them inspirational social leaders.

Award Criteria:

1. Meaningful communication,
2. High-level of emotional intelligence (EQ)
3. Authentic leadership
4. Ongoing recognition
5. Real visibility

In June, a selection committee will select a shortlist of three candidates. The final selection of the award recipient will be undertaken through e-voting.

Submission Deadline: May 31, 2017

Online Voting: June 14 – July 31, 2017

For more information and to submit your nomination, visit: <http://www.ipac.ca/slaward>

Refugee Rights Day 2017 Panel Discussion

Eighteen months into the tenure of the current Liberal federal government the global refugee crisis shows no signs of abating. Amidst the rise of Trumpism and other right wing movements abroad, and the aggressive invocation by some of “Canadian values” and Islamophobia at home, panelists will reflect upon the themes of inclusion and exclusion in Canadian refugee policy and discourse. Are we witnessing a period of increased inclusion or exclusion concerning refugees in Canada? Please come out to join this important end of semester but ongoing conversation. Attendees are invited to contribute to [York U Refugees Welcome Here!](#) campaign to help pay off the refugee transportation loans of two WUSC Keele Campus sponsored refugee students. Check and cash contributions will be accepted.

Tuesday, April 4, 2017

12:15pm-2:00pm

280N York Lanes

Speakers:

Humaima Ashfaque

York University Refugees Welcome Here! Campaign & Amnesty International @ York

Jennifer Hyndman

Director, York University Centre for Refugee Studies

Sean Rehaag

Associate Professor, Osgoode Hall Law School

Francisco Rico Martinez

Co-Director of the FCJ Refugee Centre

Panel Chair and Organizer:

John Carlaw, Project Lead, York University Syria Response and Refugee Initiative & Doctoral Candidate, Department of Political Science

RSVPs are requested for a complimentary light lunch indicating dietary restrictions (not later than April 2nd). Please RSVP here: <http://tinyurl.com/mpl8xq9>

Carleton University Institute on the Ethics of Research with Indigenous Peoples - 4th annual week-long summer institute CUIERIP 2017



The Carleton University Institute on the Ethics of Research with Indigenous Peoples (CUIERIP) is gearing up for its 4th annual week-long summer institute. CUIERIP 2017 will be a six-day immersive experience devoted to learning about good practices in ethical research with First Nations, Métis and Inuit communities.

**Carleton University
Ottawa, ON
June 4 - 9, 2017**

CUIERIP’s mission is to provide a collaborative and safe learning environment for students, faculty, community members and professionals working on Indigenous issues and research ethics. CUIERIP is led by Carleton faculty, research ethics professionals and community leaders. Presiding Elders guide all participants. Whether you are a graduate student starting a new project or an experienced researcher who wants to return to the evolving field of Indigenous research ethics, you leave CUIERIP with new perspectives and skillsets.

For more information about CUIERIP 2017, please visit our website:

www.Carleton.ca/indigenousresearchethics/

Summer School in Global Politics, Development and Security at the Institut Barcelona d'Estudis Internacionals (IBEI)

June 26 – 30, 2017

The IBEI Summer School is a programme designed for graduate students from home and abroad who have an interest in advancing their knowledge of international security, international development and global politics issues. The objective is to offer different short courses on significant topics, taught by experts of international prestige. The School will enable participants to broadly discuss - in and out the classroom - current developments in world politics in the light of core social-science and IR theories and perspectives. A social programme for networking, including visits to different Barcelona-based international organizations and NGOs and will be also available to participants. A number of scholarships to cover full or half course fees will be available. In addition to the application requirements, **to apply for a scholarship, interested persons must send to IBEI until 10th May 2017, a letter of interest and a recommendation letter.** Scholarship will be communicated before 15th May.

The application deadline is June 15, 2017. After this deadline, your place may not be guaranteed. Please, send your CV and an email detailing the courses you are interested to: **Carles Sanchez**, IBEI research coordinator, at csanchez@ibe.org Applications will be evaluated by the Summer School directors on a rolling basis, and candidates will be informed of their decision in less than two weeks. Registration to the summer school will be fully confirmed after receiving payment. **For more information, please visit:** https://gallery.mailchimp.com/6763d0219cb68e310ffc3632f/files/8aea6595-e57b-4e0d-9aab-5bdfbe36bd99/IBEI_Summer2017_flyer.pdf

City of Vaughan - Entrepreneurship Coordinator Position (1 Year Contract)

As one of southern Ontario's fastest growing cities, with its mix of urban and rural areas, Vaughan is an in-demand place to live and work. Considered one of Canada's most family friendly cities, Vaughan has a dynamic and diverse population of more than 320,000.

Position Overview - Responsible for the coordination, implementation, and delivery of Vaughan Business Enterprise Centre (VBEC) entrepreneurship programs and VBEC marketing initiatives, including those required by the Ministry of Economic Development and Growth (MEDG). Attracts participants by coordinating stakeholders, internal departments, program speakers, mentors, trainers, and program participants. Assists participants with program applications including business planning, respond to business enquiries, advise on business structure, and various resources available to entrepreneurs, and assist with business registrations. Administer, organize and provide training and mentorship including, but not limited to, organizing seminars and events, publicizing program schedules, booking resources as required, maintaining appropriate data and contact information for each participant, and the preparation of program related reports, briefing notes, and memos.

Qualifications and Experience -

Successful completion of a University Degree in Business Administration, Public Administration, Economic Development or suitable equivalent; Minimum of 2 (two) years related experience. Experience with program or event implementation is an asset; Knowledge and/or experience in marketing programs and/or events; Excellent analytical, interpersonal, problem solving and written/oral communication skills; and Experience with proposal development and implementation.

Application Deadline: April 6, 2017

For further details, please visit: <http://bit.ly/2nNOFlx>

Institute for Research on Public Policy (IRPP) Research Assistant Position (1 Year Full-Time)

In this role, you will provide support to the Institute's Research Directors in the publication of a variety of research materials and organizing policy events. This is a one-year, full-time position based in Montreal, with the possibility to renew. You will contribute to all of IRPP's ongoing research programs, specifically: assisting with gathering background material and data to support various projects; Conducting literature reviews and synthesize academic literature and policy documents; Organizing and analyzing data and statistics from various sources in a timely fashion; and Assisting with note-taking and preparing materials for events and other activities. The ideal candidate takes an entrepreneurial and collaborative approach to work, and has strong project management skills and an attention to detail. This job is an ideal fit for a recent university graduate who is looking for relevant work experience and intends to pursue further academic studies in the future. The successful candidate holds an undergraduate degree or above in a field relevant to public policy analysis (ex.: economics or political science) and is fluently bilingual (French and English). In addition, she/he has the ability to: Access primary data sources for economic and social analysis (including CANSIM, OECD, World Bank, the World Trade Organization), data and material available through various government departments, scholarly databases (such as JSTOR, Google Scholar, SSRN, RePEc), and secondary research sources; Analyze data using various software packages (MS Excel required) and assist with drafting reports and presentations (MS Word and PowerPoint required); Convey complex data simply and visually in figures, tables and maps; and, Write reports in a clear and accessible style. General knowledge of Canadian political institutions, actors and policy issues is a significant asset. **Salary Range:** commensurate with education and relevant work experience, but generally in the range of \$33,000 to \$36,500 per year.

To apply: Submit a cover letter and c.v. to smcintyre@irpp.org by **Monday, May 1, 2017**. Only candidates selected for an interview will be contacted.



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Senior Program Advisor, Ontario Ministry of Transportation

Do you have the project management and leadership skills needed to provide driver improvement program information, requirements and expertise for the planning, development, and continuous improvement of driver improvement programs? Can you conduct research and develop outreach programs to promote program initiatives with the public and other stakeholders? If so, consider this exciting opportunity within Driver Improvement section of Road User Safety, Ministry of Transportation. **Please click here to view details:** <http://www.ipac.ca/SeniorProgramAdvisor-12607E>

Senior Policy Advisors, Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services

Are you a policy professional interested in leading complex justice sector transformation initiatives? This opportunity will allow you to demonstrate your policy skills on issues/initiatives related to policing, corrections, fire, death investigations, emergency management and animal welfare for the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services. **Please click here to view details:** <http://www.ipac.ca/SeniorPolicyAdvisors-12612>

Manager, Colleges Unit, Ministry of Advanced Education and Skills Development

The Postsecondary Accountability Branch of the Ministry of Advanced Education and Skills Development seeks a dynamic leader to support the effective delivery of postsecondary education in Ontario through the development and implementation of strategies, programs and operational policies for postsecondary education. The Postsecondary Accountability Branch manages relationships with colleges, universities, private institutions and student groups. The branch develops and implements a wide range of strategies for postsecondary education, including health/human resources, sexual violence and harassment, mental health, labour relations, students with disabilities, and more. The branch also administers key performance indicators, accountability mechanisms and special purpose grants, approves new college and university programs for funding and OSAP eligibility, and enforces relevant legislation and policy directives. **Please click here to view details:** <http://www.ipac.ca/Manager-11138E>

Manager, Policy, Research and Issues Management, Ministry of Government and Consumer Services

We are seeking a strategic thinker to lead a team of policy professionals that contribute to the development of policies, guidance, training, and deliver advice to ministries and I&IT clusters to support sound practices related to access to information and privacy protection. The Policy and Planning Branch provides enterprise leadership to enable sound practices related to recordkeeping, access to information and privacy protection to institutions subject to provincial legislation. **Please click here to view details:** <http://www.ipac.ca/Manager-11137E>

Project Manager, Strategic Initiatives, Office of the Chief Administrative Officer, Strategic Initiatives Division, Town of Richmond Hill

Reporting to the Director of Strategic Initiatives, you will manage organizational service improvement and innovation projects as well as other special projects for the Town. Working with teams of staff at all levels from Town departments, you will be responsible for the effective and efficient project management of service improvement initiatives, organizational reviews, corporate performance monitoring and special projects, from conception to completion to ensure compliance with corporate policy and legislative requirements. This includes planning, managing, making recommendations and designing implementation strategies for each of these initiatives. Responsibilities of this position also includes developing appropriate responses to emerging issues of significance to the Town and leading cross department teams.

Please click here to view details: <http://www.ipac.ca/documents/ProjectManager-RichmondHill.pdf>

Executive Director, Ontario Universities' Application Centre, Guelph Ontario

Reporting to the CEO of COU, the Executive Director sets the OUAC's strategic direction, ensuring the student application platform is reliable, efficient and responsive to the evolving needs of its university and student clients. This will require exceptional leadership, mentorship and support to the OUAC's high performing and experienced team; it will also require a commitment to open communications and ongoing engagement of the OUAC's many stakeholders, including university presidents, registrars, high school principals, guidance counsellors and the provincial government. The Executive Director, with input from the OUAC Advisory Board, establishes priorities to ensure the OUAC's activities and programs remain closely aligned with the needs and priorities of its university stakeholders. Looking forward, the Executive Director anticipates future trends and innovations to position the OUAC as a valued provider of support and knowledge for decision makers and policy makers. **Please click here to view details:** <http://www.ipac.ca/documents/ExecutiveDirector-OUAC.pdf>

Senior Policy Analyst, Ontario Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport

Showcase your strong policy, project leadership and research skills. We are looking for a dynamic individual to provide leadership in support of Ontario's sport, and recreation policy and program development initiatives. **Please click here to view details:** <http://www.ipac.ca/SeniorPolicyAnalyst-12600>