

School of Public Policy and Administration

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SPPA News

Dear SPPA alumni, students, staff and faculty,

It is my great pleasure to be able to announce that in addition to having a winner in the Individual Service Excellence category of the 2016 **Amethyst Awards** - **Mathew Gordon (BA Spec. Honours PPA 2007) Team Lead with the Ministry of Economic Growth and Development** - announced in the May issue of the newsletter, we also have representation in the Group Service Excellence category:



Claudio De Rose (BA Spec. Honours PPA 1998) is among the recipients for the Distracted Driving program as **Director, Safety Policy and Education Branch at Ontario Ministry of Transportation (MTO)**. Claudio and his team were also nominated for the Automated Vehicle Project. And yet another MTO nomination included **Daniela Vetere (BA Spec. Honours PPA 2000)**.

Fausto Natarelli (BA Spec. Honours PPA 1984) is second time winner as part of the **Windsor Border Initiatives Implementation Group (WinBIIG), MTO** where he previously served as Director. Fausto received his first Amethyst Award in the individual category in 2014.

I would like to add that both Fausto and Claudio have been long-serving practicum partners and mentors to our students, and it is a great privilege to have such excellent role models available for our students to interact with. Claudio and Fausto accepted their awards on June 1 at the formal ceremony, which is viewable at <https://livestream.com/ONCitizen/amethyst2017>

Similarly, it is noteworthy that the **2015 Amethyst Awards** recognized the MTO PanAm team which included **Anthony Antonacci (BA Spec. Honours PPA 2008, MPPAL 2013)**.

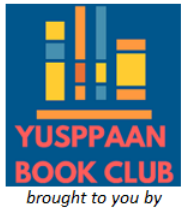
Please join me in congratulating all of our award winners on this honour!

As part of the initiative to acknowledge and showcase all of our Amethyst Award winners and nominees on our SPPA website, please do let me know if I missed anyone for 2016 or in previous years of the Award (individual or group category).

With much appreciation for the many years of dedication and service by our alumni,

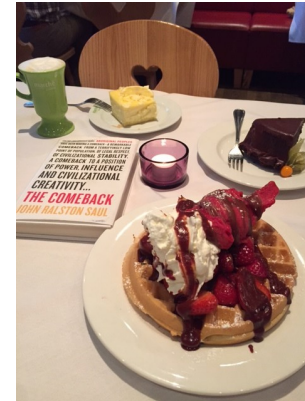
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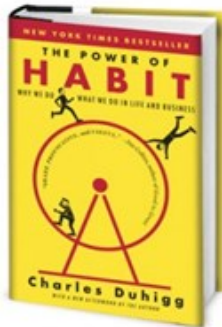
The book club event was a hit!

Saturday, May 20th saw the inaugural meeting of our YUSPPAAN – York University School of Public Policy and Administration Alumni Association - book club. Alumni of our undergraduate and graduate programs, faculty and even a current MPPAL student met at the Richtree Marché over dinner, drinks and dessert to discuss not only John Ralston Saul's latest book "The Comeback: How Aboriginals are reclaiming Power and Influence" (Viking, 2014), but a number of other books that book club members had been encouraged to bring. While downtown was more quiet than usual on this long holiday weekend for Victoria Day, our group thoroughly enjoyed the spirited conversations, great company and enticing food choices. The get-together ended later than expected and with a unanimous resolve to continue this new venture and make it a regular series in our repertoire of events for our SPPA community. Please see below the details for our next book-club meeting and mark your calendars now!



Join us for the next event in our book club series on the book written by Pulitzer Prize winner [Charles Duhigg](#)

He is author of **The Power of Habit**, which is about the science of habit formation in our lives, companies and societies



Location: **Amsterdam BrewHouse** (245 Queens Quay W, Toronto, ON M5J 2K9)

Dates: September 15th 2016 (Friday) – The Power of Habit

Time: 6:30 PM

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In **The Power of Habit**, award-winning *New York Times* business reporter Charles Duhigg takes us to the thrilling edge of scientific discoveries that explain why habits exist and how they can be changed. With penetrating intelligence and an ability to distill vast amounts of information into engrossing narratives, Duhigg brings to life a whole new understanding of human nature and its potential for transformation.



IPAC Professional Development Opportunities



2017 National Year of Dialogue
for Reconciliation and Renewed Relationships

Join us across the country all year long as IPAC works in collaboration with Indigenous partners to learn from each other and build stronger working relationships on public administration and policy issues of shared interest. Learn more: <http://reconciliation.ipac.ca/> and join the dialogue at [#IPACReconciliationIAPC](#)



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Partner Event: CPA Canada's Public Sector Conference

October 23-24, 2017 | Ottawa, ON or attend virtually

Hear about the most important issues facing public sector financial professionals today and stay up-to-date on emerging trends. [>>More Information](#)

Partner Event: 2nd Annual Intelligent Cities Summit

Oct 24-25 2017

[2nd Annual Intelligent Cities Summit](#) features C-level speakers from major municipalities across Canada as well as leading technology companies. Discover how Internet of Things and Big Data can help make your city more efficient, offer better services, and more.

[Download the conference brochure](#) for full speaker overview and the agenda. Super Early Birds expire Friday, June 30th.

[The Better Workplace Conference 2017](#)—October 24-25, 2017 | Toronto, ON

[HealthAchieve](#)—November, 6-7 | Toronto, ON



Hot Docs is pleased to announce that it will commemorate Canada's 150th anniversary of Confederation with the commissioning of *In the Name of All Canadians*, a compilation of six short documentaries inspired by Canada's Charter of Rights and Freedoms.

From Indigenous rights to multiculturalism to the controversial 'notwithstanding clause,' participating filmmakers have each selected a specific aspect of the Charter to explore, looking at how it resonates in the stories of their fellow Canadians. Intended to provoke and spark conversations, each short film will follow its own narrative but all will be stylistically linked to present a cohesive experience for viewers.

The film will receive its world premiere on June 28, just prior to Canada Day, at the Hot Docs Ted Rogers Cinema in Toronto, after which it will be toured across the country in special screening events with partner festivals and film organizations. *In the Name of All Canadians* will also be made available online, joining the Hot Docs Collection on iTunes, and other participating platforms. In the fall, the compilation and accompanying educational resources will be available to teachers as part of Docs For Schools, Hot Docs' education program that offers over 95,000 students free access to documentaries each year.

Take the Quiz: [So you think you know the Charter eh?](#)

[Watch the Trailer](#) | [>>More Information](#)



Canada

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Team Leader for an upcoming EU/Canada project Institute of Public Administration of Canada (IPAC)

PART TIME

The team leader will support the EU's public diplomacy and policy objectives and priorities in Canada under the direction of the EU Delegation in Canada. Activities are focused on building a diverse array of strategic partnerships with target audiences and stakeholders in Canada. The team leader would be responsible for overall organization and management of the project and would lead and coordinate a variety of undertakings including events (training), policy/research support, study tours and communication support.

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Infection Prevention and Control Specialist Community and Health Services Department, Public Health Branch, Health Protection Division

FULL TIME Salary: \$48.15—\$52.33 per hour **Location:** Richmond Hill, ON **Closing date:** August 3, 2017

Reporting to the Manager, Health Protection, is responsible for providing infection and prevention control expertise and leadership in the implementation of program initiatives and deliverables; developing, implementing, monitoring and evaluating infection control programs as well as building capacity internally and externally to detect and manage Infection Prevention and Control (IPAC) issues; conducting research and interpreting evidence based literature in developing IPAC best practices guidelines, tools and resources; evaluating initiatives, programs, policies and resources and providing IPAC best practice recommendations; completing IPAC audits to ensure compliance within industry best practices; leading, conducting and assisting in investigations of IPAC breaches, conducting IPAC risk assessments using a scientific based approach and recommending solutions; recommending standards, protocols, processes and procedures in compliance with applicable legislation; and acting as a consultant, educator and resource for internal and external stakeholders.

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Program Advisor—Crown Land Policy and Legislation Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry

TEMPORARY Salary range: \$69,496 –102,408 per year **Location:** Peterborough **Closing date:** August 4, 2017

Do you have expertise in Crown land management or public lands administration?

If so, the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry is looking for a strategic thinker with strong public policy skills to step into the role of Program Advisor, Crown Land Policy and Legislation.

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Manager, Assessment Policy Ontario Ministry of Finance

FULL TIME Salary range: \$99,005-113,156 per year **Closing date:** August 8, 2017

Are you a strategic leader who is highly motivated and has a passion for project management? Do you want to be part of shaping Ontario's property tax and assessment system?

If so, consider this exciting opportunity in the Ministry of Finance to lead the Assessment Policy Unit in the Assessment Policy & Legislation Branch. As the Manager for the Assessment Policy Unit, you will lead a team that is responsible for the development of policies and legislation relating to Ontario's property assessment system. You will also collaborate on issues relating to taxation, municipal finance, and agency governance. You will lead consultations on new initiatives and participate in working groups, fostering productive relationships with internal and external stakeholders, including municipalities, other ministries and agencies, and industry associations.

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Manager, Housing Stability Services

City of Toronto

FULL TIME

Reporting to the Director of Housing Stability Services, the Manager of Housing Stability Services is responsible for the development, implementation, and administration of housing, shelter and community outreach programs and services provided by contracted community based agencies.

The Manager will lead and empower a highly skilled and knowledgeable team, providing direction and guidance to staff in the delivery of quality, safe, and innovative programs & services meeting the needs of a diverse population through partnerships with community based agencies, shelters and housing providers.

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Policy Development Officer

City of Toronto

FULL TIME

Reporting to a Manager, Housing Stability Services or the Project Director, Infrastructure Development Policy Development Officers have varying responsibilities including developing strategic and operational policies; strategies and program evaluations for the housing and homelessness service delivery system; leading stakeholder engagement; supporting training and communication activities directed at service providers.

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Coordinator Programs

City of Toronto

FULL TIME

Reporting to the Housing Benefits Consultant, the Coordinator Programs provides leadership and coordination in support of Housing Benefit programs. This position coordinates the eligibility review, processing, monitoring and reporting of housing allowance programs. This position is also responsible for communication and liaison with community agencies on the various housing benefit programs, their target groups, eligibility, implementation, concerns/complaints, and general information.

[More information >>](#)

Director, Indigenous Relations

Ontario Public Service Executives

FULL TIME

Consider this opportunity to help provide strategic guidance for the ministry's policy and program development work on matters involving Indigenous communities and organizations, and to support policy & program offices, and the Ministry's regional offices in building critical partnerships with Indigenous peoples across the province.

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