

# School of Public Policy and Administration

## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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### SPPA News



***Sabrina DiNicolantonio (MPPAL class of 2017) was selected by the Canadian Council for Public Private Partnerships as a Next Generation Infrastructure Leader in Canada.*** Along with 11 other like-minded students from across the country, Sabrina was sponsored to attend the 25th annual national P3 conference in Toronto on November 6 and 7, 2017. She had the opportunity to attend stimulating keynote speeches, including hearing from Premier Kathleen Wynne and Mayor John Tory, participated in panel discussions, and networked with prestigious leaders in the industry. Sabrina recently completed her Master's in Public Policy, Administration and Law in October 2017. During her final year of study, Sabrina's major research paper, "Public Transit Investment in the GTHA," focused on the suitability of P3s for large transit infrastructure development in the GTHA. Specifically, her research focused on the importance of sustainable transit investment and how P3s can drive innovation to support transit for the future.

Sabrina DiNicolantonio is on the right, in a red suit

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Sabrina is currently a Junior Analyst at Metrolinx, where she is part of delivering one of the region's most important transit infrastructure projects - Regional Express Rail, and hopes to continue shaping the future of transit in the region."

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***Congratulations!***

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## Open Data in Context: Balancing the Benefits of Openness



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The growing interest in open data is borne of its perceived capacity to enhance transparency, accountability, and to strengthen democracy. Arriving on the heels of the open access movement and the creative commons licensing revolution, the open data movement, spearheaded by strong initiatives such as Open Science, serves as a marker for communicating a broader responsibility to the global public good.

In the library sphere, data is seen as the collection of the future. While the Library of Congress has made a remarkable contribution through the archiving of tweets, academic libraries across the world are engaging with web archiving as a means of building their collections. This talk will explore open data from a variety of viewpoints, touching on its affordances but also addressing issues of authorship, privacy, ethics, consent and information justice.



**JOY KIRCHNER** is the Dean of Libraries at York University. A new Libraries strategic plan and an organizational restructuring plan has been launched to reinforce the Libraries' expertise in digital scholarship, data and repository infrastructure, scholarly communications and research in alignment with the University's academic plan and its research intensification priority. Joy is the chair of the campus-wide Steering Committee on Open Access and Open Data; she is the chair of the Canadian Association of Research Libraries Advancing Research Committee, and she has a long history of providing consultation to other North American institutions on advancing open access policies and programs. Prior to this position Joy was the Associate University Librarian for Content & Collections at the University of Minnesota and she was the head of UBC's Scholarly Communication & Copyright office. Her current research and scholarship is focused on building collaborative networks to advance, resource and provision emergent areas in digital scholarship.



**ANDREA KOSAVIC** is Interim Associate Dean of Libraries, Digital Engagement and Strategy. Andrea's work at York University is focused on the furthering of digital scholarship initiatives, including the establishment of the upcoming Digital Scholarship Centre, the York Digital Journals publishing program and the YorkSpace institutional repository. Her research interests and publications span the areas of scholarly communication, open publishing, copyright, gift economies, social capital, and interoperability. Andrea currently serves on a number of national and regional committees including the Public Knowledge Project Members Committee and the Ontario Library Research Cloud Committee.

**EVERYONE WELCOME  
LIGHT REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED**

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2017 SENIOR COMMON ROOM  
12:00 P.M. to 1:30 P.M. 140 McLAUGHLIN COLLEGE**

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York University Syria Response and Refugee Initiative

REFUGEES WELCOME HERE!

FCJ Refugee Centre  
Walking with uprooted people

*Winter*  
**COAT & CLOTHING COLLECTION**

support local immigrants and refugees  
at the FCJ Refugee Centre

**October 30 to December 5**

Drop off at **McLaughlin College Council (Room 143)**  
or Room 107

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[yorku.ca/refugees](http://yorku.ca/refugees) or contact us at [refwelc@yorku.ca](mailto:refwelc@yorku.ca)

As part of the **York University Refugees Welcome Here!** campaign we are collecting coats and winter clothing to support local immigrants and refugees at the FCJ Refugee Centre to (literally!) help give a warmer welcome to our community.



## The First and Next 150 Years of Canadian Federalism: What's Been Done? What's to be Done?

Date: Wednesday, Nov 22, 2017  
Location: Faculty Club, University of Toronto

**Panel 1: Why has Canadian federalism lasted 150 years?**

**Panel 2: What works in Canadian federalism today? What does not work?**

Lunch Keynote Speaker – John Polanyi (Nobel Prize Winner in Chemistry; University of Toronto)

**Panel 3: What priorities for the immediate future of the federation?**

**Panel 4: What's to be done in the next 50 years?**

A York Alumni Irvin Studin is helping to organize this conference.

[Reserve Ticket](#)



## Towards a Post-Neoliberal World Order: Rebuilding Human Rights Based Multilateralism—Special Policy Dialogue

8 December 2017 | 13.00-15.00 |

Palais des Nations, Room XIX, Geneva. [See map](#) | Registration opens 22 November

At a time when countries should be uniting in solidarity to tackle new global challenges, many appear to be retreating from greater cooperation. At this UNRISD Special Policy Dialogue, a visionary and high-profile set of speakers, including **Jeremy Corbyn** MP and **Arancha Gonzalez**, Executive Director ITC, will ask whether the time has come to embrace a new era of multilateralism, one founded on solidarity and the respect of human rights for all.

Can this be the rallying call for better [global governance](#) that is coherent, effective and ensures that no one is left behind? The speakers will offer their vision on how we get there, and what governments, people, business, trade unions, academics and activists can all contribute.

This event is one of the first to kick-off the year-long 70th Anniversary celebrations of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, signed on 10 December 1948. [#standup4humanrights](#)

### Speakers

Mr. Jeremy Corbyn MP, United Kingdom  
Ms. Arancha Gonzalez, Executive Director ITC  
More speakers to be announced

*Moderator* Mr. Paul Ladd, UNRISD

Simultaneous interpretation will be provided in English and French.

### Remote Access

We will be broadcasting the event via Facebook Live and tweeting key messages live from the event. We welcome your comments and questions via Twitter, which, time permitting, we may be able to put directly to speakers. Follow us [@UNRISD](#).

This event will also be recorded and a video output made available as view-on-demand. If you would like to be notified when the video and the podcast are online, please send an email with "Audio/video notification: Post-Neoliberalism and Multilateralism" in the subject line to [sergio.sandoval@un.org](mailto:sergio.sandoval@un.org) or subscribe to the [UNRISD YouTube channel](#).

## HOW TO WRITE AN OP-ED

You've poured energy and passion into your research – now you want to make sure your findings and your expertise make an impact outside of your immediate network. But how do you get policy-makers, potential collaborators and the wider public to take notice? One [recent estimate](#) is that 82 percent of the peer-reviewed articles published annually are never cited.

**Jennifer Ditchburn**, editor-in-chief of *Policy Options*, and **Shannon Sampert**, editor and director of the Evidence Network, spend their days devoted to mobilizing knowledge from Canadian researchers. They'll share their strategies on how to write sharp op-eds for broader consumption, one of the most important ways to ensure your analysis and research is shared in the public sphere.

For more information, please contact Suzanne Lambert at (514) 787-0746 or [slambert@irpp.org](mailto:slambert@irpp.org).



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## **Junior Policy Advisor** **College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario**

The Junior Policy Analyst positions will support the core activities of the policy department including the development and review processes; research; consultation management and other tasks as required. the position is meant to be a training opportunity for transition into a policy analyst role.

[More information >>](#)

## **Public Affairs Intern** **Crestview Strategy**

**Closing date:** November 24, 2017

[Paid] internship opportunity at Crestview. They are looking for people with an interest in the political process from the ground up, and put a premium on those who are politically involved in their spare time or have experience in digital campaigns. They are looking for qualified candidates from across the political spectrum and place added value on those with a digital skill set, research experience, communications experience, or graphic design experience. This position requires you to work full time out of an office in downtown Toronto and runs from January 2 2018 to April 27, 2018.

[More information >>](#)

## **Policy and Issues Analyst** **Ontario Ministry of Finance**

**FULL Salary:** \$61,397-85,839 per year **Closing date:** November 28, 2017

Do you have strong policy analysis, analytical and organizational skills, attention to detail, and knowledge of the government's fiscal cycle? If so, then consider this exciting role to contribute your exceptional coordination skills and knowledge of policy development to the Assistant Deputy Minister's Office at the Taxation Policy Division of the Ministry of Finance.

[More information >>](#)

## **Policy Advisor** **Technical Safety and Standards Authority**

TSSA is a not-for-profit, self-funded organization dedicated to enhancing public safety. They are looking for a policy advisor with strong issues management skills. No technical expertise is needed but background with regulatory policy development and/or provincial policy development would be an asset.

[More information >>](#)

## **Lead, Public Polling & Post Event Report** **Elections Ontario**

**TEMP to December, 28, 2018 Salary:** \$77,894-88,879 per annum **Closing date:** November 20, 2017

The Office of the Chief Electoral Officer is a non-partisan agency of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario, responsible for the administration of provincial elections, by-elections and referenda.

We are seeking a highly motivated and organized individual with sound judgement and excellent communication skills to facilitate the evaluation of the 2018 General Election and the development of the Post Event Report.

If you are committed to making a difference by leading and driving Elections Ontario's approach to improve its evidence-based foundation for the evaluation of the 2018 General Election event, consider this exciting and challenging opportunity to work for an organization that offers career growth opportunities and a competitive rewards program.

[More information >>](#)