Our SPPA Student Profiles are back for Winter 2018!

This week we are pleased to present Khadeja Elsibai,
Bachelor of Public Administration (BPA) Honours, minor in French Studies

I have always enjoyed learning with an interdisciplinary approach, and excelled in studying a variety of disciplines. I wanted to continue in this path during my undergrad. In first year, I was unsure about what to study. In fact, I only knew that I wanted to continue learning French to become perfectly bilingual. Through talking with a friend I met in high school who was a PPASA executive, I discovered the BPA program. I eventually enrolled in the BPA program with French Studies as a minor.

My favourite courses thus far are: Professional Skills and Communication with Professor Constantinou and PPAS 3190 with Professor Caroline Dufour. In the former, Professor Constantinou shares his wisdom on life, the public service and professional development in his intriguing lectures on professional skills and human interactions. In 3190, Professor Dufour not only presents the dynamics of the policy process and public administration, she also engages us in tutorial discussions, and frequently shows us primary-source documents and videos. Her teaching style has helped me develop my research and writing skills.

Outside of the academic sphere, I have started to get involved in the social life of the BPA program through attending events hosted by SPPA and PPASA. The events have helped me build my confidence, network with fellow students and alumni, and take a break from studying. I recommend the BPA courses to all students, and would recommend to any student to join the SPPA community. Through developing myself on an intellectual level in class, and participating in events and extra-curricular activities, I am confident that I am one step closer to becoming a bilingual professional in the public sector.

Mes meilleurs voeux à tout le monde (Best wishes to everyone)!

SAVE THE DATES FOR OUR MARCH EVENTS:

Municipalities of the Future Symposium – Thursday, March 8, 10am – 4:30pm at the Schulich Executive Learning Centre, Keele Campus

Celebrating Public Service Reception – Tuesday, March 27, 5pm – 6:30pm at Queen’s Park

Speakers’ lists and call for registration to follow soon
James P. Muldoon Jr. (1959-2016) was an independent scholar of international affairs and a senior Fellow (non-residential) with the Center for Global Change and Governance of Rutgers University – Newark. His research and writing focused on multilateral diplomacy, international organizations and global governance. Affectionately known as Jim by his friends and family, Jim was the Vice-Chair of the Mosaic Institute’s Board of Directors from 2013-2016. During this time, Jim played an integral role in the guidance, support and development of the organization. The James P. Muldoon Jr. Bursary Award honours both Jim and his wife Reeta Roy’s dedication to creating a more just, equitable and harmonious world.

**Award Details**

**Amount:** $2,500

**Closing Date:** 31 March 2017

**Disbursement Date:** 29 May 2017

Applications must be submitted by email by March 31, 2017 to: wsa@mosaicinstitute.ca

**More information and application form >>**

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**The Geneva Challenge 2018**

The Advancing Development Goals International Contest for Graduate Students

**The Challenges of Climate Changes**

**Deadlines**

Registration for teams ends: 16th April 2018

Submissions are due by: 20th August 2018

**Apply now**

**The Contest**

Eager to stimulate reflection and innovation on development from diverse disciplinary and contextual perspectives and with the generous support of Ambassador Jenô Staehelin, the Graduate Institute has launched in 2014 the Advancing Development Goals Contest, an international competition for graduate students.

**The Challenge**

The idea is to gather contributions that are both theoretically grounded and offer pragmatic solutions to a relevant international development problem stemming from an interdisciplinary collaboration between 3 to 5 enrolled master students from anywhere in the world.

**Prizes**

The ADG contest distributes 25,000 CHF in monetary prizes. The winning project is awarded CHF 10,000; the two teams in second place will receive CHF 5,000 and the two teams in third place, CHF 2,500.

**More information >>**
Job Opportunity

Policy and Communications Coordinator
Transportation Electrification, Ontario Power Generation
Closing date: February 13, 2018

OPG is looking to hire a Policy and Communications Coordinator to assist with their Transportation Electrification strategy. The strategy aims to leverage OPG’s clean electricity supply to support action on climate change by transitioning their vehicle fleet to electric; providing workplace charging and information to support Electric Vehicle (EV) purchases by OPG employees; and pursuing innovative commercial growth opportunities related to transportation electrification. The PCC will support the development of OPG’s position on policy related to the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions from the transportation sector; provide guidance and research on policy and regulatory trends in Ontario, Canada, and other jurisdictions, and develop opportunities for employee and public engagement projects related to EVs. The ideal candidate has a strong understanding of government policy and has the ability to build relationships and communications that raise awareness and advocate for OPG’s role in the electrification of transportation. More information >>

Policy Analyst
Ontario Federation of Indigenous Friendship Centres
Salary: $60,000—65,000 per year Closing date: February 9, 2018

Working as part of a team in a fast paced environment where the main responsibilities are advancing supportive public policy, advocating and building support for urban Aboriginal issues. This includes advocating on behalf of and providing support to Friendship Centres. More information >>

Project Officer
Brookfield Institute for Innovation and Entrepreneurship
Closing date: February 13, 2018

BII+E are currently seeking a Projects Officer to provide project management support for the Policy Innovation Platform. The Policy Innovation Platform works with different levels of government, cross-sectoral actors, community groups and citizens to tackle today’s most pressing challenges. From the future of work to climate change; supporting women entrepreneurs and improving road safety for vulnerable populations - they work to bring diverse perspectives and lived experiences to the table to create better public policies, programs and services for all Canadians. More information >>

Research Analyst
Evaluation Services, Canada Health Infoway

The Research Analyst will be responsible for carrying out data management and analysis and general research activities. Major responsibilities include: cleaning and managing small survey datasets; running descriptive and cross-tabular analyses, including tests of statistical significance where appropriate; conducting environmental scans of the published and grey literature to support collaboration on manuscripts being developed for peer-review journals; and assisting with manuscript submissions and research activities relating to quantitative analyses and graphical (PowerPoint) presentation of results. The RA will play a key role in interpreting project and aggregated program-level survey data, and understanding the effects of Canada’s investments in digital health technologies and the impact they have on Canadians and the healthcare system as a whole. More information >>

Consultant
Children’s Services, City of Toronto
Salary: $100,733.40—118,409.2 per year Closing date: February 9, 2018

Reporting to the Program Manager, Child and Family Centres, the Consultant Children’s Services is responsible for managing a portfolio of Children’s Services programs and projects within a specified geographic area or speciality area within the Children’s Services Division. More information >>
Policy Advisor  
Ontario Ministry of Seniors Affairs  
Closing date: February 12, 2018  
Consider this exciting opportunity with the Ministry of Seniors Affairs (MSA), formerly the Ontario Seniors Secretariat (OSS), as a Policy Advisor. Join this growing organization with a focus on implementing policies and programs that will have a positive effect on Ontario's Growing Seniors Demographic. Use your persuasion, consultation and negotiation skills to develop, build and maintain key stakeholder relationships, and to gain support for ministry initiatives, policies and programs from other ministries and stakeholders. Bring your expertise in critical thinking and analysis to lead the development of policy and programs and to identify new and emerging trends relating to issues impacting seniors in Ontario.  
More information >>

Policy and Trade Strategy Advisor  
Ontario Ministry of International Trade  
Closing date: February 13, 2018  
Are you looking for an exciting opportunity to take your well-developed research, analytical and policy development skills to the next level? If so, consider this challenging opportunity with the Trade Strategy, Analytics and Partnerships Branch, Ministry of International Trade, where you will provide support and contribute to trade strategy and policy development and undertake various other related activities that enable Ontario businesses to expand, strengthen and diversify their export potential in the global market through international trade agreements.  
More information >>

Senior Policy Advisor  
Ontario Ministry of Finance  
2 Closing date: February 13, 2018 | February 16, 2018  
Are you a team-oriented, highly motivated professional with a strong background in policy development and analysis? If so, consider joining the Tobacco Policy Unit in the Ministry of Finance. Don't miss this opportunity with the Ministry of Finance to lead and manage policy research, analysis and development projects and provide guidance to Policy Advisors.  
More information >> | More information >>

Assistant Manager  
Orientation to Ontario and International Student Connect, COSTI  
Closing date: February 12, 2018  
COSTI REQUIRES AN ASSISTANT MANAGER FOR ITS ORIENTATION TO ONTARIO (O2O) AND INTERNATIONAL STUDENT CONNECT (ISC) PROGRAMS  
More information >>

Manager of Advocacy and Strategic Communications  
YWCA Canada  
The YWCA Canada team is a team of highly energetic, inspired and dedicated professionals committed supporting the mission and vision of YWCA Canada. The Manager of Advocacy & Strategic Communications will be a strategic thinker, have excellent interpersonal skills, be motivated by results, and have demonstrated success in managing relationships with stakeholders. They will work in a collaborative, innovative environment, building and stewarding relationships and securing support for YWCA Canada and its 32 member associations across the country.  
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