MPPAL student’s team wins at Open Government Challenge

Mary Anne Forcadilla’s team was the grand prize winner at the annual Ontario Public Service Ministry of Government and Consumer Services Open Government Symposium, held in Toronto on March 18, 2018. Mary Anne’s team, comprised of three MGCS employees won against seven other teams from across the Ministry. The teams were tasked with ‘flipping orthodoxies,’ an exercise which tackled popular misconceptions and concerns regarding opening up government data to the public. The team reversed the common concern regarding security and harm that may come from releasing data to the public.

Using the tools and techniques of policy development and the IPAC case competition, the team proposed a release of aggregate HR data based on recruitment in the OPS by August 2019. The overarching idea behind the datasets selection and release was aligned with this government’s promise to Canadians of investing $775 million dollars per year in job and skills retraining so Canadians can get the best employment opportunities based on their skill sets.

Mary Anne is currently a first year student in the Master’s in Public Policy, Administration and Law program. Her expected graduation date is October 2019. In her final year of study, Mary Anne expects her major research paper to focus on the labour market and how the government can make positive contributions to Canadians by assisting with the necessary redistribution of the workforce in an ever-changing economy.

Mary Anne is currently an HR professional in the Ontario Public Service with the Ministry of Government and Consumer Services for the past 7 years; her HR team is responsible for providing service delivery excellence to the Health, Economic Development and Growth portfolio.

Note for team picture: Mary Anne is 3rd from the left in this picture of the winning team.

Congratulations to Justin Tan, 3rd year BPA student and President of PPASA for 2017-18 for receiving the McLaughlin Academics’ Choice Award this year!
The Public Policy and Administration Student Association would like to announce a new position for our executive team, for which we will be holding interviews. The position is the Director of Internal Affairs, the duties and responsibilities for this title are outlined below. Please book an interview and if you are unable to attend, please email our Director of Recruitment at g.dhahan@outlook.com.

**Director of Internal Affairs**

1. This position will be a mediator role; This person will act as an unbiased arbitrator to resolve internal conflicts. The director of internal affairs
   
   a. Will keep track of each executive member’s attendance of meetings and writing-up absences where necessary.
   
   b. Create a responsibility matrix on a regular basis, specifically during meetings to document the responsibilities delegated to each executive member.
   
   c. Inform and maintain a record of responsibilities for each event
   
   d. Issue formal warnings on behalf of the Student Association towards members of the executive council who are inadequately performing their duties or tasks
   
   e. Mediate conflicts within the student association and provide an effective remedy based on the Constitution
   
   f. Will contact Student Community & Leadership Development (SCLD) for further clarification in the event that an issue is not resolved
   
   g. Will work closely with the President to establish delegations of responsibilities and clear lines of accountability.

A student entering their 3rd or 4th year will be the preference for this position

Book your interview today, Deadline: May 11, 2018
Communications Research Assistant
Centre for Feminist Research, York University

Job Description: The candidate will provide support to Centre for Feminist Research communications, knowledge mobilization and outreach strategies, including newsletter and social media, and support to the organization of CFR events. Please review our website and Facebook pages here: http://cfr.info.yorku.ca/ and https://www.facebook.com/YorkCentreForFeministResearch.

Tasks will include: (1) compiling a biweekly newsletter of internal and external feminist events and conferences, calls for proposals, and job opportunities; (2) outreach and event dissemination via internal networks within the Centre and York University, as well as to external networks, through social media and the Centre website and Facebook page; (3) logistical support to CFR events; and (4) development of the 2017-18 CFR Annual Newsletter.

The student will have an opportunity to meet and engage with feminist faculty, community activists, and other students. The work will be done under the supervision of the Coordinator of the Centre for Feminist Research.

Job application process:
1) Please make sure you are eligible for a Work/Study position by filling out the Student Financial Profile for SU2018 at the following link: http://sfs.yorku.ca/aid/sfp/
* Please note that only full-time undergraduate students are eligible for Work/Study. For more information about the program, please click the following link: https://sfs.yorku.ca/employment/workstudy
2) Please submit your completed application via the Career Centre website: http://careers.yorku.ca/online-system/ Job ID #109768
3) The application deadline is May 22, 2018.
4) Shortlisted applicants will be contacted for an interview.

Qualifications:
Background in Gender, Feminist & Women’s Studies preferred.
3rd or 4th year undergraduate student preferred.
Experience with word and data management (Microsoft Word, Powerpoint, Excel) necessary.
Experience with website management (WordPress), as well as familiarity with social media and fast typing skills necessary.
Experience with event organization preferred.
Some experience with graphic design preferred (Canva.com).
Related Field(s): Administrative Support, Advertising, Arts and Media, Communications, Graphic Design, Special Events, Writing and Reporting

Duration: Summer 2018
Approximate Hours Per Week: 5-7
Job Type: Part-time
Hourly Wage: 16
Salary Level: Entry level
Preferred Years of Experience: 1
Preferred Education Level: 4th yr Undergraduate

Manager, Community Engagement Centre
York University

Reporting to the Associate Director, Access Programs & Community Engagement (ADAPCE), this position is responsible for overseeing the day to day operations of the Community Engagement Centre (CEC), which is located off campus at 1 Yorkgate Mall.

More information>>
Policy Associates (two positions)
Mowat Centre
Under direction of the Policy Director, the Policy Associate works closely with the Policy Director to provide administrative and research support. Duties include: assisting with the design and execution of the Centre’s research programs; conducting research as assigned; collecting and summarizing research data; assisting with the logistics of the publication of reports; making recommendations towards resource requirements for projects; maintaining the Centre’s website including editing and posting content; providing administrative support including coordinating conferences/events, maintaining information and documents electronically, faxing and disseminating information and interacting with the Centre’s partners and networks.

Program Coordinator
Future Cities Canada, Evergreen
The Program Coordinator is responsible for a wide variety of core administrative, communications and logistical duties in support of a portfolio of city-building projects that advance our vision of flourishing cities – cities that are equitable, regenerative and low-carbon, and prosperous. The Coordinator thrives in a fast-moving environment and provides accurate and timely support to a professional team. The Coordinator is a collaborator and communicator who sees how small details shape the big picture.

Coordinator, Social Action and Community Building
Family Service Toronto
Family Service Toronto are looking for a Coordinator, Social Action Community Building to provide leadership in advocacy, research, public education, knowledge sharing, and strategic communications. Reporting to the Director, Social Action and Community Building, this role coordinates FST’s projects and activities, and provides supports to cross-unit collaboration toward for local community building projects and activities through research and collaborations that foster the achievement of just and supportive communities framed in progressive social policies.

Policy Advisor
Ontario College of Family Physicians
Reporting to the Director, Member Engagement and Public Affairs, the Policy Advisor is responsible for monitoring healthcare policy trends in primary care/family medicine that affect the OCFP’s membership, translating policy implications to the OCFP (for education, member outreach and policy planning), and supporting strategic initiatives in primary health care. This role is also responsible for developing and maintaining key strategic relationships with stakeholders such as government, health charities, health-care and primary care organizations and other professional associations and Colleges.

Senior Policy Advisor
Ministry of Community and Social Services
Your highly developed political acuity and policy/program development skills will serve you well in this Senior Policy Analyst role with the Ministry of Community and Social Services where you will lead and coordinate the development and planning of policy and program frameworks.

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