

## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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### Our SPPA Student Profiles are back for Spring 2019!

This week we are pleased to present **Leslie Quintanilla**,  
**4th year Political Science Honours Student, with a minor in Human Rights and Equity Studies**  
**and a Professional Certificate in Public Administration and Law**



My name is Leslie Quintanilla and I am a fourth-year student studying Political Science, Human Rights and finishing requirements to complete the Professional Certificate in Public Administration and Law. York University for me has truly been a home away from home. It has been a place where I have been able to grow both in my personal and academic life in ways I do not think I would have in any other University. It has fostered a place where I can learn and grow by allowing me to ask questions and having wonderful staff and faculty that have been patient enough to see me through. I am forever grateful that I chose York University as my home institution.

Public Administration for me has been very eye-opening and has been a great complement to my Political Science and Human Rights Degree. In Political Science I have taken courses that are more theory-driven to help me develop skills to think through about how to solve some of our political issues both domestically and abroad. Human Rights has been able to tailor to my interests of tackling some of these issues through a human rights lens. What the Public Administration and Law Certificate is doing

for me is solidifying all these components and honing them in by explaining the structures that underlie some of these political decisions and how they work together to make a policy successful. It has operated as a foundation from which I can better understand the other theories I currently study. It is the key component that I needed to truly grapple with my academics in a more holistic manner.

Additionally, my extra-curricular involvement has also been an area where I have been able to grow exponentially. It pushed me to grow beyond my abilities and develop new skills and grow in areas I had once been weak in. In essence, York University has been the most supportive place I could have studied at, and the School of Public Policy and Administration has only contributed to that experience. York has opened up a world of opportunities for me which has truly enriched my academic experience.

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# Writing Prizes

[Nominate your students]



The LA&PS Writing Prizes are open to student papers from any LA&PS course. Nominated papers may be in any style or format, except creative writing.

Any Course Director in LA&PS may nominate a paper (one per course). The 2019 deadline for submissions is June 7 (awards announced in Fall 2019).

Questions? Visit our website at  
[laps.yorku.ca/faculty-staff/laps-writing-prize](http://laps.yorku.ca/faculty-staff/laps-writing-prize)  
for more information.

## IPAC New Public Servants Workshop - **BE THE CHANGE. LEAD THE CHANGE.**

May 16, 2019

8:00am - 5:00pm

Ottawa Art Gallery, 50 Mackenzie King Bridge  
Ottawa, ON K1N 0C5

Join IPAC and the NCR Regional Group as we embark on a *discussion of how New Public Servants can be the change and lead the change in their careers!* Entering a new profession or creating a career path presents many opportunities as well as a sense of uncertainty. To **empower** new professionals and ensure they thrive in their careers, they need to be aware of professional avenues and opportunities and how to navigate through them. The 2019 New Public Servants Workshop, set to take place on May 16, will provide practical tools and resources, relating to personal and career development, to shape the growth of new professionals in the public service so that they can be the change and lead the change. Participants will learn to effectively and meaningfully engage in their organizations and excel in their careers. **Be the change, lead the change** will provide a platform for you – as a new professional – to gain insights from experienced mid-level and high-level professionals and learn how to navigate the government hiring process, positively brand your professional identity, communicate effectively, and be an ethical leader.

### Speakers:

**Alex Benay**, Chief Information Officer of Canada, Treasury Board Secretariat  
**Catherine Blewett**, Deputy Clerk PCO

**Session #1** – Hustling in the Government

**Session #2** – Deciphering and Embracing Digital

**Session #3** – Actioning Ethics for Change

**Session #4** – DM Panel : Leadership Beyond 2020

**Session #5** – Speed Mentoring

For further details and to register, please visit the [event website](#).

## [Senior Manager, Research and Policy - CPP Investment Board](#)

In this role you will be responsible for undertaking significant research initiatives, making recommendations on advocacy strategies, producing documents for internal and external audiences, as well contributing to and helping manage important organizational initiatives. The successful candidate will work closely with both the Director, Industry and Stakeholder Affairs, and Director, Federal & Provincial Affairs.

## [Staff Representative, Research, Public Policy & Bargaining Support Department - United Steelworkers](#)

Reporting to the USW Canadian National Director, the successful candidate will provide collective bargaining and strategic campaigns support, as well as complete research and public policy projects.

## [Advisor, External Relations - Region of Peel](#)

The successful candidate will be responsible for providing leadership in developing and coordinating organization-wide external relations strategies, policy positions and communications on a wide variety of issues to ensure that the Region's interests are well developed, articulated and represented in dealings with other levels of government. You would also be responsible for monitoring policy and program initiatives of other governments, direct analysis regarding their impact, developing and maintaining an active network with other governments' officials, municipal associations, community agencies and other external organizations.

## [Chief Executive Officer - Ontario Arts Council](#)

Ontario Arts Council (OAC) seeks a dynamic, strategic and tactical arts administrator to lead and manage the organization in the position of Chief Executive Officer (CEO). As such, you will head Ontario's primary agency dedicated to investing in, stimulating and developing the province's vital artists and arts organizations. You will lead government relations, represent OAC, and advocate for the public value of the arts. This public service mission brings with it the opportunity for considerable impact in Ontario's arts sector and, through it, significant economic benefit and improvement to the quality of life for the people of Ontario.

## [Policy Analyst - CAAT Pension Plan](#)

In this role you will support CAAT Pension Plan's legislative, regulatory and plan text work while supporting the onboarding of new employers through pension asset transfers. You will have the opportunity to work closely with CAAT's Pension Solutions team and support content development for member, employer and public communications.

## [Senior Planner Strategy - Workplace Safety and Insurance Board](#)

Major responsibilities include: providing Senior Executives and the BoD with strategic information and analysis via environmental scans (including jurisdictional comparisons); preparing briefings that include options and recommendations to inform senior management decision-making (briefings are based on government announcements, e.g. Drummond Report, the review of research results, identification of trends and best practices, etc.); managing research assignments to identify and assess impacts to the WSIB's strategic direction and/or performance; building and maintaining a network of internal and external experts, and; supporting clusters with business planning and aligning plans to corporate objectives.

## [Chief Administrative Officer - Windsor/West Hants Regional Municipality](#)

Amazing things happen when individuals come together. We innovate and grow, progress and thrive. When walls are torn down and we embrace true collaboration, our future becomes near limitless. It's this very insight that forms the backbone of our proposed strategy for the Windsor/West Hants Municipal Amalgamation. As an answer to the public's request, Bill 55 was drafted and legislatively enacted bringing the Town of Windsor and the Municipality of West Hants together to form a stronger more viable Regional Municipality on April 1, 2020. The new Regional Municipality is looking to hire its Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) as quickly as possible. During the transition period leading up to April 1, 2020, the CAO is expected to work closely with the Co-ordinating Committee, comprising appointed elected officials from both the Municipality and the Town and an appointed Co-ordinator, to establish the governance and administrative structure of the new Regional Municipality.

## [Chief Information Officer - Peel District School Board](#)

Come help us to inspire success, confidence and hope. At the Peel District School Board, we inspire success, confidence and hope in each student. Our vision is to prepare each student for a successful future as a lifelong learner. We are the second largest school board in Canada, with over 155,000 students in 257 schools, and an operating budget in excess of \$1.8 billion. In meeting the diverse learning needs of our students and the communities we serve in Brampton, Caledon and Mississauga, we look forward to an exciting future and are seeking an outstanding leader to assume the position of Chief Information Officer (CIO). An innovative leader with outstanding interpersonal skills, and a demonstrated commitment to equity of access and opportunity for students and staff to learn, work and grow, you will join our dynamic senior leadership team and support decision-making through the development of authentic relationships, consultation and consensus-building. Reporting to the Associate Director, Operational Support Services, you will lead a dynamic team responsible for the management and supervision of four (4) key areas: Corporate Business solutions; IT Operations; School Systems and Support; and IT Planning and Governance. This involves support for day-to-day activities of the areas as well as setting overall objectives and approval of major initiatives. In addition, as Chief Information Officer, you will work proactively as a member of the Board's senior administrative team to develop and implement strategic plans in support of the Board's educational and business goals.

## [Senior Government Relations and Policy Manager - Lilly](#)

The Senior Government Relations and Policy Manager will be accountable for the development of policy positions and Ontario government relations strategies that protect Lilly's business interests and add value to the Canadian pharmaceutical policy debate.

## [Policy and Communications Assistant - City of Toronto, Office of Councillor Jaye Robinson](#)

The Policy and Communications Assistant will provide research and policy support related to city-wide and local issues and will also develop innovative communications and outreach strategies to engage residents and stakeholders.

## [Planner SIPA \(Housing\) - City of Toronto](#)

Reporting to the Manager in the Policy section, the Planner will undertake assignments and provide expert advice on development and implementation of housing policy and regulation including matters related to: development review of applications including rental housing demolition, replacement and site intensification; Official Plan policy; and housing research and analysis.



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