

School of Public Policy and Administration

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MPPAL UPDATES:

Congratulations to both Orelie and Shireen on their new positions!!



Orelie Di Mavindi (MPPAL, class of 2019)

My name is **Orelie Di Mavindi** and I am a student in York's Master of Public Policy Administration and Law (MPPAL) program. When I began this program in 2017, my hope was to be equipped with the tools necessary to advance my career in the public sector.

Now in my second year, I have acquired far more knowledge than I bargained for. From

program administration, policy, law, accounting and ethics, I am a more well-rounded public servant than when I began. Having the privilege to be taught by stellar professors such as Dr. Naomi Couto and highly knowledgeable classmates, has only served to make the experience more enriching.

One day shy of my final MPPAL class, I have been offered a promotion to **Assessment Officer at the Federal Courts** - three levels above my present substantive role. This has been the ride of a lifetime.



Shireen Salti (MPPAL, class of 2017)

The Board of Directors of Canadian Arab Institute (CAI) is pleased to announce **the appointment of Shireen Salti as an Interim Executive Director.**

"We are very excited about Shireen's vision for CAI," said Abdullah Snobar, board chair. "Her extensive knowledge of Canadian Arab issues will complement the in-depth research CAI has already done, augmenting CAI's strong and unique presence in Canadian policy debates."

Shireen is very much looking forward to joining the CAI team, having served the Canadian Arab community over the years and witnessing the direct impact of community based organizations in shaping public policy on numerous fronts.

"I've been attracted to CAI's articulation of the perspective and potential of Canadian Arabs and advancing their contributions to society", Shireen said. "With the Canadian federal election looming, there is tremendous opportunity for CAI to engage the Canadian Arab community – a population that is growing, diverse, well-educated and relatively young".

Shireen has worked in the Ontario Public Service, the Legislative Assembly of Ontario, and Council of Ontario Universities in various policy positions and has volunteered with the Canadian Arab community over the years supporting the resettlement of newcomers in the GTA.

To view the full news release, please [click here](#).

York University Libraries moving to new search platform in December

The library catalogue isn't what it used to be. Today, it moves beyond searching one single catalogue, allowing users to simultaneously search across many library databases and electronic resources. Beginning in December, York University Libraries will implement a superior search platform through a partnership with 13 other Ontario university libraries. This initiative, Collaborative Futures, is a project of the Ontario Council of University Libraries (OCUL). It will provide all members of the York community with a modern search interface that provides significant improvements in terms of resource discovery, as well as simplifying access to the Libraries' collections across a wide range of formats. It will also enhance the Libraries' ability to work more effectively with Collaborative Futures partners to share expertise and access to the province's valuable print and electronic research collections. The Collaborative Futures project has undergone significant planning over the past few years and is now in its implementation phase. The partners will collectively implement a shared library services platform that will build upon a long record of successful co-operative work by OCUL members to enhance resource discovery, access and other services for our campus communities.

What does this mean for everybody? For students, faculty and staff at York University, the Libraries' current search interface (VuFind) will disappear and will be replaced by PrimoVE, facilitating improved discovery capabilities and more streamlined access to resources held both at York Libraries and across the Collaborative Futures partner libraries. **This change will occur on Dec. 10.**

The Libraries will provide more detailed information about this transition over the coming months, including specific details on timelines. For background information about Collaborative Futures, see the [OCUL website](#). Questions about the project should be directed to [Adam Taves](#), implementation lead for Collaborative Futures, York University Libraries.

For the full Y-File article, please [click here](#).

July 2019 Activities at the Career Centre

For a full list of monthly activities at the Career Centre, please visit their [online calendar](#). Below are some of the upcoming activities taking place in July:

July 23, 2019 @ 10:00 am – 12:00 pm - [On The Job Success \(webinar\)](#)

Learn how to make a great impression on the job and advance your career. You can login to the webinar and ask your questions via chat.

July 23, 2019 @ 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm - [Career Lounge](#), 202 McLaughlin College

Pop-in with a quick question or bring a career document to work on. **No registration or time limit!** Our Career Peer Educators are here to help with: Resumé & Cover Letters; Job Searching & Networking; Interview Preparation; LinkedIn: Building a Profile & Job Searching; Exploring What You Can do With Your Degree; and Resources available at the Career Centre and on Campus.

July 24, 2019 @ 10:00 am – 12:00 pm - [Resumé & Cover Letter Writing workshop](#), 103 McLaughlin College (Career Centre Presentation Room)

Find out how to effectively target your resumé and cover letter. Present your experiences, education and skills in a way that showcases your assets and piques employers' interest in you! Once you have completed this workshop, you may book a one-on-one [Resumé or Cover Letter Feedback session](#).

July 25, 2019 @ 10:00 am – 11:30 am - [What Can I Do With My Degree? Workshop](#), 103 McLaughlin College.

July 25, 2019 @ 2:30 pm – 4:00 pm - [Employer Recruitment Session: YUTA \(York University Temporary Agency\)](#), 103 McLaughlin college. YUTA is the internal agency that services York University's temporary hiring needs. YUTA sources,

screens, assesses, interviews, references and places temporary employees in short term assignments throughout the University.

July 30, 2019 @ 10:00 am – 12:00 pm - [Ways to Make Money While Studying \(Webinar\)](#)

You can register for these activities by visiting [Experience York](#).

Career Centre: [202 McLaughlin College](#) · **Website:** <http://careers.yorku.ca/>
Telephone: (416) 736 - 5351 · **Email:** career@yorku.ca

[HnMLS \(2019-2020\) is recruiting members for the Executive team now!](#)

Are you interested in joining the Health and Medical Law Society team at York University? Membership within HnMLS offers an intersection between Health and Medical Law. Members will learn the skills to become an expert within the field. New Members are welcome!

Open Positions:

Vice President of Finance

- I. Organize and oversee the internal funding of the group and confer with the Vice President as necessary;
- II. Liaison with the York Federation of Students with regards to event funding;
- III. With the President, plan the expenses and budget of HnMLS@York;
- IV. Organize and securely store all receipts from events held by the club so that they may be referenced by the Executive Committee; and
- VI. Other responsibilities may be added as necessary.

Director of Recruitment

- I. Is responsible for reaching out to students at York University—through various avenues in order to notify them of opportunities for involvement within HnMLS;
- II. Is the contact between the HnMLS Executive Committee and General Members and maintains the membership contact list and email listserv, including sending out communications and updates to members;
- III. Shall maintain and share with the executive committee a list of members who have expressed interest in volunteering and becoming more active; and
- IV. Is responsible for monitoring attendance at events and maintaining a record of attendance

Event Coordinator

- I. Serve as a liaison between HnMLS and York University, as well as vendors on events-related matters;
- II. Along with the Vice President, delegation of event responsibilities among other executive members as well as general members and event volunteers;
- III. Work closely with Communications/External Affairs to advertise Events;
- IV. Communicate with research board and Vice President to schedule workshops and member recruitments;
- V. Responsible for filling out Temporary Use of University Space (TUUS) forms; and
- VI. Other responsibilities may be added as necessary

To nominate yourself for an HnMLS (2019-2020) executive team position, please email the following to beverly@my.yorku.ca

1. The role you are interested in
2. Your name
3. Resume
4. What you think you will gain from this club

If you have any questions about these positions or membership information, please do not hesitate to email: beverly@my.yorku.ca

Volunteer Board Member - Wellesley Institute

Wellesley Institute is seeking leaders or emerging leaders who are passionate about the Institute's mission and vision, share their values and want to provide meaningful input into the oversight of the Organization. The ideal candidate lives in the Greater Toronto Area as this is the focus of Wellesley Institute. They are specifically interested in people who have experience in one of the following: accounting/financial; legal; business development; and community diversity/equity.

Board members - Future Majority

Future Majority is a Canadian nonpartisan organization that was founded in 2018 focused on bringing the voices of young Canadians into the political landscape. They are searching for 2-3 additional board members to help found and grow their organization. They are looking for individuals who are passionate about Future Majority's mission, who are excited to be part of an active board that volunteers approximately 10 hours per month and who can contribute to one or more of the following: Fundraising; Strengthening our approach to diversity, equity and inclusion throughout the organization; Legal advice around election, nonprofit and charity law; Policy; Digital, social and traditional media outreach/communications; and Research and Survey Design.

[The York University Temporary Agency](#)

The York University Temporary Agency (YUTA) is launching its summer hiring blitz. YUTA is seeking candidates for more than 200 positions in various roles across the University. Some of these roles include customer service/frontline staff, cashiers, clerical and administrative staff. Available positions offer opportunities for qualified candidates to utilize their customer service skills and gain work experience at York University.

To learn more about the positions and to submit an application, visit the YUTA career page at: <https://yorku.hiringplatform.com/list/careers>

For a link specific to the customer service/cashier roles visit: <https://yorku.hiringplatform.com/21847-seasonal-cashiers-and-customer-service-associates/58715-online-application-form/en>

[Policy and Project Specialist, Transportation Services Department, Commissioner's Office Branch, York Region \(The Regional Municipality of York\)](#)

Reporting to the Head, Departmental Policy and Liaison is responsible for providing policy and program support, review, research, analysis and coordination across the Department; monitoring developments, opportunities and trends in legislation that may impact the department operations/planning or policy; provides policy and project support to the Head and department management and staff; leading and executing program strategies to support Department projects associated with corporate and strategic planning; developing stakeholder relationships that foster collaboration and innovation; and developing written and electronic information materials, briefing notes and presentations.

[National Engagement Coordinator - G\(irls\)20](#)

The National Engagement Coordinator is a new position that is funded by the Government of Canada. This is a multifaceted and evolving role that will coordinate original research, develop advocacy strategies, build campaigns, and engage a range of stakeholders. Reporting to the Senior Program Manager, the National Engagement Coordinator will work across programs and activities at G(irls)20 and be the lynchpin connecting the organization's programming, research, advocacy, and communications.

[Research Fellow - Global Strategy Lab](#)

The Global Strategy Lab advises the world's governments and public health organizations on how to design laws, policies and institutions that address transnational health threats and make the world a healthier place for everyone. This position represents an opportunity to conduct quantitative and mixed-methods research in social science and public health, to work across national borders as part of a globally integrated research team and make tangible contributions to ongoing policy processes on pressing health issues. This position also provides opportunities for professional development, including opportunities to learn new research methods and to attend and present at academic conferences. Candidates must have a graduate degree in a related discipline or be nearing completion of their degree by the position start date.

[Director of Advocacy and Communications - YWCA](#)

The YWCA are seeking a dynamic social activist who is passionate about influencing public policy to build on its historic program of raising systemic advocacy issues facing women and girls. The ideal candidate will also have experience in communications, marketing and public relations and will develop and implement strategies to increase awareness of YWCA Toronto's mission, programs and brand.

[Analyst, AML and Cyber - Canadian Bankers Association](#)

The Analyst, AML (anti-money laundering) and Cyber, reports to the Director, AML and Cyber and provides operational and research support and assists with analytical, policy development and advisory services regarding AML/ATF and cyber security issues affecting the banking industry.

[Government Partnerships Analyst - Pathways to Education](#)

The Government Partnerships Analyst will report to the Director of Government Partnerships. The Analyst will contribute to the achievement of stewardship and revenue goals by conducting research, identifying and reporting on opportunities and trends, building stakeholder relationships, and developing reports and government-specific communication materials. The successful candidate has a good understanding of Canadian government at the federal, provincial and municipal level, is a skilled communicator, and is motivated by making a positive social impact.

[Communications and Research Coordinator - ACORN](#)

The Coordinator will be responsible for coordinating communications, public policy research and support, fundraising and grant writing. Key responsibilities include public policy research projects coordinated with the National Executive Director to support both national and local campaign and public policy research, and coordinating web content, newsletters, and publishing.

[Research and Policy Analyst - College Student Alliance](#)

The Research & Policy Analyst is responsible for researching and developing position papers, government submissions and statements on post-secondary issues and concerns as determined by the CSA membership. The Research & Policy Analyst is responsible for primary and secondary research related to new and existing positions and concerns from a college student's perspective and on Ontario post-secondary education in general. This function includes: qualitative analysis, intelligence gathering, data collection, interpretation of data (internal and external), and information dissemination.

[Senior Manager, Government Relations - Futurpreneur Canada](#)

In this role, you will lead the creation of and execute on a government relations strategy to successfully cultivate, maintain and leverage Futurpreneur Canada's extensive relationships across Canada and to some extent internationally with elected officials, staff in all orders of government, and relevant policy influencers. This strategy will encompass: research and consultation to allow Futurpreneur to contribute and respond to relevant government policy and support agendas; communication to ensure strong relationships with policy makers and influencers and to promote Futurpreneur Canada's economic and other impacts; and the timely preparation of public funding and partnership proposals, policy submissions and reports.

[Board Director - ACCESS Employment](#)

ACCESS Employment assists job seekers from diverse backgrounds who are facing barriers to employment, to integrate into the Canadian job market. They are currently looking for 2 (volunteer) Board Directors with experience in public policy and/or government relations, the non-profit sector, finance.

[Research and Policy Manager - OLG](#)

In this role, you will provide policy expertise, identify gaps and recommend policy solutions for OLG's Responsible Gambling program. Collaborate with internal partners and external stakeholders to ensure RG policies are evidence-informed, applicable to gambling operators, and reduce player risk, mitigate gambling harm and meet regulatory and third-party accreditation requirements.

[Director, Policy - Toronto Region Board of Trade](#)

Reporting to the SVP Policy, the Toronto Region Board of Trade (the Board) is seeking a forward-looking Director, Policy to join the Board's vibrant Policy team. This position will focus on policies affecting the Innovation Economy, including areas such as Smart Cities, Canada's Innovation Corridor, Advanced Manufacturing, Fintech and E-commerce. This role will play a major role in developing policy positions for the Toronto Region Board of Trade's Strategy 2024, the Board's new five-year strategic plan—which includes broadening its policy efforts to galvanize regional economic development, impact business competitiveness and support quality job growth in the region.

[Senior Program Analyst \(2 positions\) - York Region](#)

Reporting to the Program Manager, Housing Strategic Initiatives, this role is responsible for developing innovative and strategic social and affordable housing program policies and plans; researching and analyzing projects; leading project teams; and developing cross-functional linkages to ensure that Regional Policies and Programs align with housing goals; interpreting and communicating housing policies to housing providers in the Region.

[Public Affairs Consultant and Public Affairs Intern - Crestview Strategy](#)

Two roles at Crestview. A diverse range of experiences are welcomed. Civic, issue-based or political campaign experience will be highly valued as will experience in government.

[Indigenous Rights Campaign Advisor - Amnesty International Canada](#)

The Advisor holds primary responsibility for building and maintaining relationships with rights holders and other partners in the promotion of the human rights of Indigenous peoples in Canada. The Advisor leads the Branch's work in support of those specific land rights cases taken up by the Branch and more widely in promotion of the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples and other international human rights standards for the rights of Indigenous peoples.

[Director, Program Management \(Agency Governance\) - Infrastructure Ontario](#)

The Director will manage a team of professionals responsible for Agency compliance and governance functions related to business operations and the Office of the Auditor General of Ontario. This person will act as the primary expert within Infrastructure Ontario on current policy and agency governance matters.

[Research Analyst - Deloitte](#)

As a Research Analyst you will help research and develop cross-sectoral thought leadership for the firm, including research under the firm's flagship Canada at 175 initiative. Responsibilities would include: monitoring issues relevant to a specified theme on an ongoing basis, including industry & government developments both in Canada and globally; assisting in conducting quantitative and qualitative research, using a variety of methodologies and data sources, and supporting the development of high profile thought leadership pieces; supporting the creation of graphs, outlines and drafts of research findings; supporting the development of internal and external materials related to research insights, including, presentations, articles, and speeches, and; supporting and delivering on ad-hoc research and analysis requests as required.

[Associate - McMillan Vantage Policy Group](#)

This full-time contract is approximately 4-8 months. This is best-suited to a student or recent graduate. The role also has a significant independent element. The associate is expected to take initiative, demonstrate sound judgement, produce excellent work and ask for help as needed. Responsibilities include researching federal and provincial policy and political matters; developing written materials to communicate client objectives/positions to government; reviewing committee proceedings and writing summary notes; summarizing complex issues into cogent presentations; and organizing meetings with federal officials.

[Director of Financial Transformation - City of Toronto](#)

A leader and manager of change with the financial expertise and confidence to make your mark on Canada's largest city, you think strategically while maintaining a clear focus on the end results. In this pivotal role within the City of Toronto's Office of the Chief Financial Officer & Treasurer, you'll have the opportunity to lead development and implementation strategies to enhance the City's financial initiatives, operations and future sustainability. If you're up to the challenge, read on.

Reporting to the Chief Financial Officer & Treasurer, you'll support the strategic goals and objectives of the City by developing and leading a team tasked with advancing the transformation, modernization and accountability agenda for the City's financial systems, processes and budget activities. This will include developing, designing and implementing functional policies and programs that will make major changes in overall business performance across all City divisions based on long-term needs.

Given the broad impact of this role, you'll establish relationships with City senior management and build consensus on how the Section can support their business needs, goals and objectives, and work closely with various divisions - Information Technology, People Equity and Human Rights, Legal, City Clerk and Transformation - to ensure that the City's Financial Transformation Plan considers, and complies with, other corporate compliance measures and policies.

[Deputy City Clerk, Corporate Information Management Services, City of Toronto](#)

Toronto is Canada's largest city, the fourth largest in North America, and home to a diverse population of about 2.8 million people. Consistently ranked one of the world's most livable cities, the City of Toronto is a global centre for business, finance, arts and culture. Making information accessible to the public while protecting privacy is a vital goal within the City's complex multi-site, multi-division and multi-stakeholder environment, making the role of Deputy City Clerk - Corporate Information Management Services a uniquely exciting and rewarding career opportunity.

This senior role with organization-wide impact calls for the vision and guidance of a champion of open government and protection of privacy, a transformative leader with a passion for Information Management, who thrives on a challenge and can inspire public trust and ignite culture change. Reporting to the City Clerk, and overseeing Corporate Information Management Services, a large business unit with 100+ highly skilled employees, you'll set the overall strategic direction for the unit by establishing goals, objectives and priorities aligned with corporate strategic directions and Council priorities.

As Deputy City Clerk, you'll lead the way in creating an organizational culture that recognizes information as a valuable corporate asset that must be protected, made available, and is regulated in the public interest. A persuasive communicator, you'll work closely with the Clerk and peer Deputy City Clerks, the City's IT team, City divisions and agencies. You will promote this vision and put in place policies and standards that reflect changing privacy needs, ethical values, societal expectations and cultural norms, and will enable the organization to use information and data to drive collaboration and strategic decision-making.



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