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The Honourable J. David Wake Ontario's Integrity Commissioner

Public Service Ethics in Ontario: The View of an Independent Officer of the Legislature



Tuesday, September 17, 2019 7 – 8 pm in 009 Accolade East, Keele Campus

This event is free, but space is very limited and registration is required (except for students currently enrolled in AP/PPAS 4390 3.0 Public Administration of Ontario). **Please register at:** <u>https://laps.apps01.yorku.ca/machform/view.php?id=675965</u>

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Announcements

CAREER CENTRE NEWS

The Career Centre is pleased to provide you with a calendar of activities for the month of September 2019. Please refer to the Career Centre's online calendar.

The <u>Career Peer Educators</u> are back! We are excited to announce the re-opening of the <u>Career Lounge</u> on September 9th. Our team of six Career Peer Educators have just completed intensive training and are ready to support students with their job searches, to provide tips on writing effective resumes and cover letters and how to succeed in interviews. They can also offer career advice, referrals and support for career exploration, connecting with employers and so much more! Students can meet with our Career Peer Educators at <u>the Career Lounge (202 McLaughlin College)</u> as follows: Mondays, Thursdays & Fridays 11am-2pm; Tuesdays 9:30am-11am; and Wednesdays 1pm-4pm.

Recruitment Season has started! Did you know that employers come to campus as early as September to recruit students for full-time employment after graduation? This is "Recruitment Season" and the Career Centre team is busy hosting a variety of events that will help students connect with employers and prepare students for success!

Students are invited to attend the annual Fall Career Fair on September 19th from 10am-3pm in the Victor Phillip Dahdaleh Building. The Fall 2019 Career Fair website includes profiles of participating employers organized by industry so students can plan ahead. We've also included tips on career fair success so students can make the most of this unique opportunity to meet with over 70 employers in one place. The Career Centre team is delivering the following workshop series to support students in Preparing for Career Fair Success and making a great impression with employers:

Employer Recruitment Sessions are taking place throughout the month of September with representatives from Manulife Financial, The Hong Kong Economic Trade Office, and more! Students are encouraged to visit our website to research the organizations and find out the dates, times, and locations of these sessions.

We have job postings galore! Students looking for jobs can visit Experience York, the Career Centre's online job posting system. We currently have over 4,000 full-time, part-time, internship and volunteer positions posted, including on-campus jobs.

Every year there are over 500 on-campus jobs posted for students who meet the eligibility requirements (students must complete the Student Financial Profile to determine eligibility for these positions). Students interested in **work/study, LEAP or RAY** positions can search Experience York to find a list of current positions.

Important information about how the Career Centre works

- Registration is required for all events and other opportunities, account with the Career Centre is required to register.
- Career Centre and Student Information Systems are <u>not</u> integrated > you have to set up and keep your account with the Career Centre up to date.
- Only degree students are eligible for the Career Centre services.
- Services are available for up to two years after graduation.
- If you graduated with a previous degree from York, you may be disqualified unless you update your status to student in a current program.
- The Career Centre's online platform changed recently accounts and resume reload is required.

Login at least once a year or you will be archived – Please keep in mind that reactivation takes time, and you may miss out on opportunities with strict deadlines

b do not leave submissions for last minute!

Welcome back! Here's an overview of events and resources for York students

Classes begin **Sept. 4**, and with the official start of the fall term at York University there's plenty for new and returning students to do, think about and remember. A new <u>Back-to-School website</u> gathers all kinds of important information into one convenient location and can be customized to students' current year of study. There are guides for new and returning students for wayfinding, key dates, computing at York University, resources available in the University Libraries and Bookstore, and more. <u>Here's an overview of what students need to know.</u>

New student orientation events

The University's colleges also organize a host of fun and informative orientation activities for first-year students, including academic workshops and social events. Visit the <u>colleges website</u> for more details.

International student orientation

An important part of the orientation events are the three <u>international student orientation sessions</u> organized by <u>York International</u> (YI). As the designated support office for international students, YI offers crucial services and programs tailored to address the unique needs of international students. The orientation events give international students an opportunity to meet their international student peers, learn essential information about immigration issues, health insurance, working in Canada and more.

ASK Me and York International pop-up locations

The ASK Me program returns this fall and features booths around the Keele Campus that are run by the ASK Me ambassador team. The booths are a way for students to receive on-the-spot guidance, directions and answers to their general questions about financial aid, registrarial services, course enrolment and more. YI will also have booths staffed with welcoming and helpful experts who can assist international students with their needs and offer guidance.

Peer support for finance, health and more

During the back-to-school rush, financial support peers provide front-line, peer-to-peer financial advice to all students at the Welcome Desk of the Bennett Centre and at several remote locations around the Keele Campus. The team offers a resource for triaging accurate and effective referrals with the Office of the University Registrar while also sharing general advice and best practices to obtain financial aid support at York University. As an added benefit, the financial support peers offer workshops throughout the term on topics such as OSAP, personal budgeting and other topics that foster student knowledge.

The Career Centre has a peer support system in place through the Career Peer Educator program, where students can help their colleagues develop the skills and mindset to navigate their career journey as well as support their career-related inquiries. The peer mentors help fellow students with resumé and cover letter writing, employment searches, networking, interview preparation and LinkedIn. They help students understand the many resources available in the York University Career Centre and offer guidance on how to navigate <u>Experience York</u>, the Career Centre's new and improved full-service career and experiential learning portal, which offers students access to on- and off-campus employment opportunities as well as information about co-ops and other positions.

Peer health educators are students trained in a variety of important health and wellness topics, including alcohol and drugs, mental health, nutrition, sexual health and the importance of sleep. Starting **Sept. 9**, the peer health educators will be available in the Wellness Hub. Students can drop by and receive information and assistance in finding health resources both on and off campus. The peer health team also disseminates health information to students through both interactive and passive programming and on social media channels.

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<u>Online services</u> - It's never been easier for students to get their papers in order ahead of the new term with <u>My Online Services</u>. The website offers many self-serve options, including where students can get what they need, when they need it, wherever they are and at almost any time of the day. Among the many self-serve tools provided, students can access enrolment and RESP letters, update their contact information, view their student account statements and order transcripts.

<u>York University's RED Zone</u> - York's <u>RED Zone</u> is a resource for new and returning students, faculty and staff. RED Zone ambassadors are stationed in Vari Hall and are available from Monday to Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., to give directions and offer assistance to those looking for places, people and services on campus. The RED Zone will be officially re-opening on Aug. 26 after being closed all summer.

A variety of student support services - Student Counselling & Development (SCD)

began its series of <u>SCD workshops</u> last fall and will continue this year. These workshops are free and open to all York University students and registration is not required. Each workshop takes place in a professional and supportive environment, where students receive guidance as they navigate through personal student development. If students attend five SCD workshops, they can receive a <u>Personal Development Certificate</u>.

York University's <u>Career Centre</u> helps students forge their career paths in their chosen fields. The Career Centre provides several weekly workshops and webinars covering topics from resumé and cover letter writing to interview preparation and networking events connecting current students with employers, educators and alumni from various fields of study.

Visiting Learning Skills Services (LSS) and attending LSS workshops are great ways to get back into the school mindset. Most of the workshops are led by Learning Skills peers, and programming offered at LSS helps prepare students for the academic year ahead. LSS provides a space to learn important skills, including time management, presentation skills, reading and note-taking. LSS strongly recommends that incoming students attend their Starting Off Strong and Secrets of Academic Success workshops to start their year off right.

To view the full Y-File article, <u>click here</u>.

York University introduces QLess, a new queue management system

Long lineups can be challenging to students and staff, especially during peak periods at the beginning of a semester (September, January, May). With almost everyone carrying a mobile device, a queue management system can provide the technology to better manage traffic, reduce wait times and increase the time university staff can spend providing services to students.

York University has introduced QLess, a new queue management system for students. The cloud-based system can be accessed through any internet-enabled mobile device or desktop computer and is designed to reduce the physical time that students spend waiting in lineups.

With QLess, students can join a virtual queue via the web, which in turn helps them to better manage their time. QLess then provides students with text updates that notify them of their position in the line, which means students only need to be present when it is their time to meet with an advisor or service representative. By joining a virtual line through QLess, students can wait anywhere on campus.

Students can join a QLess virtual line in several ways:

- with their text-enabled mobile phone;
- with the QLess app; or
- from an on-site kiosk equipped with internet service and a laptop or PC.

QLess virtual line management is currently being used at the following York University locations:

- Admissions Client Services, Bennett Centre for Student Services (third floor);
- Registrarial Services, Bennett Centre for Student Services (main floor);
- Lassonde School of Engineering (Bergeron Centre lobby);
- Academic Advising Services, Faculty of Liberal Arts & Professional Studies, Ross Building (103 Central Square).

Each location has internet-equipped, on-site kiosks. Student service representatives are also available to help students learn to use QLess.

For information on QLess, visit <u>yorku.ca/virtualline</u>.

To view the full Y-File article, <u>click here</u>.

York University Writing Centre News

The Writing Centre has several events that may be of interest to students and faculty. <u>All</u> <u>students in your programs are supported by the Writing Centre and all York students can</u> <u>make appointments in our schedule</u>. Below is our Fall workshop program, taught by our fulltime faculty. There is no registration for these workshops – but spaces are limited to the first 25 students attending. On Tuesday September 17th we are holding our 4th annual Ultimate Pizza Party. Students can register for this two hour workshop by registering on our website and scheduling themselves into the event on September 17th. Registration for one-to-one appointments and The Ultimate Pizza Party is here: <u>http://writing-centre.writ.laps.yorku.ca/enrol/</u>

> Workshop Your Writing!

Bring your work to these instructor-led group sessions

> Ross \$312 12:30-2:00

Website and contact information:

http://writing-centre.writ.laps.yorku.ca/ 416-736-5134 lapswrit@yorku.ca

The Writing Centre

Analyze your assignment

September 16 & October 31 Understand your professor's expectations. Start brainstorming and formulate a plan.

Make sense of your notes September 24 & November 7 Create a concept map to find focus, see relationships, and isolate central insights.

Formulate your argument

October 3 & November 11 Articulate your central conclusion and establish its significance. Craft a thesis statement.

Organize your draft

October 10 & November 18 Craft structure. Provide your reader with a paper road map, topic sentences, and helpful transitions.

Revise your sentences October 22 & November 26 Offer your reader a precise, clear, and distraction-free reading experience.

Two new online resources for mental health will replace WellTrack



In the fall of 2017, York University introduced a partnership with <u>WellTrack®</u> to provide an interactive self-guided wellness app to the community.

Effective **Sept. 1**, the University's partnership with WellTrack[®] will come to an end, and two new digital self-guided resources will be added in support of a mentally healthy campus.

<u>Big White Wall</u> is a free online mental health and well-being service offering self-guided programs and creative outlets that includes a space to express, connect, learn and remain anonymous.

<u>BounceBack Ontario</u> offers a free skills-building program in two forms of support: online videos; and telephone coaching sessions with guided workbooks.

A complete list of mental health and wellness resources available at York can be found on the University's <u>Mental Health and Wellness</u> website, <u>yorku.ca/mentalhealth</u>.

To view the full Y-File article, <u>click here</u>.

Changes coming to parking enforcement on Keele and Glendon campuses

This summer, York University will be implementing changes to parking enforcement on the Keele and Glendon campuses to align with City of Toronto municipal code and other universities and broader public sector organizations in Toronto. Effective July 15, vehicles parked on campus in contravention of the University's Parking and Traffic Regulations will be ticketed with a City of Toronto parking violation. Details of the changes, including frequently asked questions, can be found on the Parking website. A summary of the changes is provided below.

Tickets for non-payment

Vehicles that are found parked on campus without valid payment may initially be issued a York University parking notice. The notice will request payment for the applicable daily rate and advise that future infractions will be subject to City of Toronto ticketing and/or towing to a municipally licensed impound located off campus. A vehicle may be issued a maximum of three notices for non-payment of the daily fee, after which a City of Toronto parking violation will be issued for any future infraction. Repeat violations may result in the vehicle being towed to a municipally licensed impound at the vehicle owner's expense.

Tickets for all other infractions

For all other parking infractions, including parking in fire routes or other restricted areas, vehicles will only be ticketed with City of Toronto parking violations and may be subject to towing to a municipally licensed impound at the owner's expense.

Appealing City of Toronto parking violations

Individuals who wish to appeal a City of Toronto parking violation must do so with the City of Toronto under its Administrative Penalty System. York Parking Services cannot process these appeals. Information about the City of Toronto's appeal process is available on the City of Toronto's website.

Existing York University parking citations

Existing York University parking citations remain outstanding and payable. Individuals with outstanding citations who wish to purchase a parking permit will need to resolve any outstanding balances on their parking account to be eligible for a parking permit. For a limited time, **Parking Services is offering a relief program** for individuals with outstanding citations to resolve account balances at a reduced rate. **Contact Parking Services at parking@yorku.ca or 416-736-5705 to discuss options.** To view the full Y-File article, <u>click here</u>.

Discounted GO Transit fares are available for all full-time undergraduate and graduate students

All full-time undergraduate and graduate students at York University are eligible to receive a discounted fare of up to 22.5 per cent OFF the regular adult fare when they ride GO Transit. To receive the discount, students must have an activated PRESTO[™] fare card and a <u>GO Transit Student Identification</u> (ID) Card in addition to their YU-card. The GO Transit Student ID Cards are valid for the school year, but to be eligible, students must be enrolled full-time in both the fall and winter semesters. (Students enrolled in certificate programs are not eligible for the GO Transit Student ID Card.) There is no cost for the <u>GO Transit Student Identification Card</u>.

Applying for the card is easy and can be completed <u>online</u>. During the application process, students have the option of receiving their card by mail or they can pick up their cards at the <u>Parking & Transportation Services</u> <u>Offices</u> on the Keele and Glendon campuses. (For the Keele Campus office, go to the William Small Centre. Glendon students should visit the Glendon Greenhouse at the Glendon Campus). Students who take GO Buses to York University's Keele Campus will be dropped off at the Highway 407 Station. From there, they must take the subway to either Pioneer Village Station or York University Station to access the Keele Campus. Students will be required to pay the TTC fare. Currently GO Transit offers a discounted double fare (<u>DDF</u>) with the TTC. Students will pay \$1.50 instead of the full \$3 when they transfer from GO Transit buses to the subway and use the PRESTO[™] card.

Two subway stations, the Pioneer Village Station and the York University Station, serve as transit hubs for the Keele Campus. York region buses, YRT/ VIVA operate out of the Pioneer Village Station on the north side of Steeles Avenue. From there, York University students can connect to the TTC subway to the York University Station, or cross Steeles Avenue to access the Keele Campus. Brampton Züm buses service the Keele Campus from Ian Macdonald Blvd. York University will continue to share updates received from the various transit service providers with the community. **For more information, visit the Transportation website**.

To view the full Y-File article, <u>click here</u>.

Job Opportunities

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Policy Advisor - Children's Mental Health Ontario

Working with the Director, Public Policy, as part of CMHO's public policy team, and alongside CMHO staff, the Policy Advisor will be responsible for performing policy research and analysis; developing policy documents and projects; and contributing to member, partner, and stakeholder consultation and engagement efforts. CMHO is looking for a detail-oriented, systems-level thinker. The ideal candidate has policy experience working with government and/or with non-profit organizations, is knowledgeable about Ontario's health care and CYMH sectors, and will enjoy working with a small, dynamic team in a fast-paced, collaborative environment.

Project Lead Public Realm - City of Toronto

Reporting to the Manager, Transportation Services Division, the Project Lead will support and coordinate projects related to new and emerging technologies and services in urban transportation, both independently and with diverse teams from across the Division. The successful candidate will concurrently research, scope, develop, implement, evaluate, present, and report on a variety of issues, and represent the Transportation Policy & Innovation unit and section on various committees, working groups, and with internal and external stakeholders.

Policy Advisor - LCBO

Reporting to the Director, Corporate Affairs, you will work with internal and external partners to support LCBO policy development and assist in implementing changes to the beverage alcohol marketplace in Ontario. In addition to providing research, analysis and decision support, this position performs program administration tasks, prepares briefing materials and presentations.

Coordinator Public Affairs - Heart and Stroke Foundation

Reporting to the Senior Manager, Public Affairs we need a Coordinator, Public Affairs. Based in Toronto, this is an exciting opportunity for someone who wants to be part of a movement that engages Canadians across the country; someone who wants to play a role in enhancing the mission of the Foundation. It's a chance to work with staff of elected officials, vendors, and volunteers to help further Heart and Stroke's strategic objectives.

Country Director, Canada Programs - Right To Play

Reporting to the Global Director, Country Operations, the Country Director, Canada Programs is responsible for providing high-level oversight, strategic guidance and technical support to RTP Programs in Canada. The ultimate goal of the position is to manage and grow Right To Play's programs in Canada to increase the quality, efficiency and long-term impact of our programs; and to promote and advocate for sustained high level engagement of civil society organizations and the communities with which we partner. The position is based in Toronto, Ontario; however, extensive travel within Canada and some travel internationally is required.

Director, Government Relations & Advocacy - Ontario Medical Association

Director, Government Relations and Advocacy is responsible for developing and implementing the OMA's government relations and advocacy strategies to advance OMA objectives, improve OMA's relationship with government and enable sustained grassroots health care advocacy.

Job Opportunities

SVP, Global Government Relationships - Aurora Cannabis

Reporting to the Chief Corporate Officer, the Senior Vice President, Global Government Relations will be involved in leading and developing the company's global, federal, provincial, and municipal government practices in collaboration with the Canadian and Global government relations team. The incumbent will oversee the implementation, management, and coordination of government relations, advocacy initiatives, and partnership development, with a focus on leveraging global relationships to identify key government partners, opportunities and working on risk mitigation strategies for business expansion. This successful candidate will drive global initiatives within the legal cannabis industry through developing relationships with key elected officials and policymakers, market assessment, and corporate strategy.

Researcher - Indspire

Indspire is an Indigenous national registered charity that invests in the education of Indigenous people for the long term benefit of these individuals, their families and communities, and Canada. Reporting to the Vice President, Programs and Student Success, the Researcher is responsible for conducting research, data analysis, designing research programs and evaluating Indspire's impact from a research perspective. The Researcher is responsible for ensuring data from all Indspire's Programs and Student Success programs are readily available to fundraising opportunities, for presentation at conferences and other public forums to support the success of Indigenous students.

Policy & Research Analyst, Infrastructure & Operations - The City of Thunder Bay

Under the general supervision of the General Manager – Infrastructure & Operations, conducts policy research and analysis activities in support of departmental programs and services and performs confidential administrative support for the General Manager. Interested candidates can apply online at <u>www.thunderbay.ca/jobs</u> until Wednesday, September 18, 2019. Relocating to Thunder Bay? We welcome newcomers. Discover all that Thunder Bay has to offer, visit: <u>Go To Thunder Bay</u>. Questions? If there are any questions on how to apply for positions at the City of Thunder Bay, please contact our reception desk at 807-625-2585.



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