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SPPA Announcements

SPPA Professor Thomas Klassen's Co-Authored Book on Helping Students Succeed Translated into French



Prof. Thomas Klassen

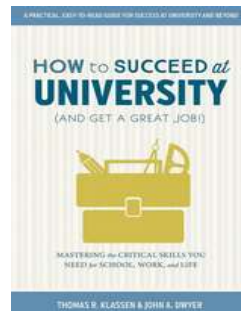
How to Succeed at University (and Get a Great Job!): Mastering the Critical Skills You Need for School, Work, and Life has been translated into French. Authored by York University public policy and administration Professor Thomas Klassen and humanities Professor Emeritus John Dwyer, the book demonstrates that the best preparation for success at life and on the job is succeeding at university.

More than 2,000 copies of the book's English version have sold in North America, while the free, [open access version](#) has been downloaded many thousands more times. The French version, **Décrocher son diplôme universitaire (et l'emploi de ses rêves!): Comment maîtriser les compétences essentielles menant au succès à l'école, au travail et dans la vie** is available in open access (free PDF) form, in addition to paper and ebook versions. Published by the University of Ottawa Press and translated by Émilie Laramée, the book fills an important void for students studying in French, both in Canada and internationally. This book shows that teamwork, meeting deadlines, overcoming challenges, writing well and dealing with people are essential in any professional job. These same skills are also vital to becoming a strong student. "The French edition will allow a new crop of readers – those beginning their university studies straight from high school, mature students returning to school and others – to get the most out of learning and flourish in work and life after their degree," Klassen says.

To view the full Y-File article, [click here](#).

How to Succeed at University (and Get a Great Job!) was originally published in 2015.

Learn more about the book [here](#).



SPPA is Hiring: Full Time Tenure Stream Professorial Position in Justice Administration (Open Rank) at York University (Markham Campus)



The School of Public Policy and Administration, Faculty of Liberal Arts & Professional Studies invites applications for a tenure-track professorial-stream appointment in Justice Administration at the Assistant, Associate or Full Professor level, to commence July 1, 2019. The position will be based at the York University Markham Centre Campus when the new campus is operational (expected in Fall

2021). Between July 1, 2019 and the opening of the Markham campus, the appointee will assume a combination of teaching responsibilities at York's Keele campus and leadership responsibilities including the curricular development and delivery of a new Bachelor's program in Justice Administration for the Markham campus. A PhD in law, public administration or related discipline with a specific focus on Canadian justice administration or PhD equivalent, typically an SJD or LLM/MPA/MA with a substantial record of relevant professional experience is required. Candidates must demonstrate excellence or promise of excellence in teaching and in scholarly research, and to have produced publications appropriate to their stage of career. Applicants should have an ongoing program of research and specialize in Canadian or Ontario justice system management and reform, including criminal, family and civil justice systems. Ontario-based professional experience in justice administration is preferred. In addition to having an up-to-date and in-depth knowledge of the Canadian/Ontario justice systems, the candidate will have the ability to enhance the reputation of the School of Public Policy and Administration and develop new experiential education partnerships for student learning, professional development and research. The successful candidate must be suitable for prompt appointment to the Faculty of Graduate Studies. The position may involve graduate teaching and supervision in the Master of Public Policy, Administration and Law program and the Graduate Diploma in Justice System Administration, as well as undergraduate teaching. Demonstrated pedagogical innovation in high priority areas such as experiential education and technology enhanced learning is preferred, as is a track-record of service in academic, professional and community settings.

Posting End Date: **November 12, 2018**

To view the application details, please [click here](#).

Connexions Information Session

Connexions is an annual information session for postsecondary students and recent graduates with disabilities to learn about the Ontario Public Service and expand their professional networks. Now in its tenth year, Connexions has become a government-wide event that supports our commitment to building an accessible and diverse workforce.

Friday, October 26, 2018
900 Bay St., Toronto
(or you may participate by webcast)

This year's program will be divided into two segments:

- A half-day morning session on featuring a range of speakers discussing the Ontario Public Service from various perspectives.
- One-on-one or small group mentoring between participants and staff that will occur either in the afternoon on October 26 or on a mutually agreed upon date/time

Space is limited, so please encourage interested Ontario students and graduates to [register online](#) by **October 16, including any accommodation requests.**

For further information, please email:

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FWD50 Canada's Digital Government Conference

November 7-9, 2018
Aberdeen Pavilion
1000 Exhibition Way, Ottawa, ON K1S 3W7

We're an all-Canadian team of event organizers and technologists behind some of the world's most influential technology events. For us, FWD50 is a labor of love—a chance to put the most important conversations of a generation front and centre, and to bring the incredible power of technology to bear on society's thorniest problems. Technology shapes every facet of Canadian life. But will it hurt or help us? Too often, technological advancement is either demonized as a job-stealing, privacy-violating terror; or beatified as a panacea come to rescue us from our worst selves.

But there's a middle ground—a way forward that shapes technology to benefit us, building the kind of society we want atop it. In the immediate future, tech can streamline the way countries govern today, improving antiquated processes and updating how citizens and the government interact at every level. In the long term, it lets us reimagine what's possible for nations, anticipating pitfalls while putting the best innovations to work. **But we must not sit idly by and let the future happen to us; we can shape it.** The iPhone is just a decade old. In that time, digital connectedness has burned through our lives like wildfire, searing small screens into our everyday. Every corner has a sensor; every click leaves a trail of digital breadcrumbs. Without proper guidance, access becomes exclusion; algorithm becomes prejudice; standardization becomes monopoly. FWD50 explores this transition, marrying policymaking, technology, ethics, and invention. It's a three-day conversation on digital transformation, bringing together citizens, the public service, elected officials, technologists, and innovative thinkers from around the world.

For more information, [click here](#).

Applications Open for Maytree Policy School

Are you a leader in your organization working on public policy issues and looking to build your capacity to effect change? Is your organization ready to become more engaged in influencing public policy? If yes, consider applying to **Maytree Policy School**.

Beginning in January 2019, the six-month Toronto-based program will support 20-25 individuals to develop their skills and competencies and enhance their organization's strategic engagement in the public policy process.

Maytree Policy School supports organizations in the non-profit sector working to advance evidence-based public policy solutions. It is designed for policy professionals who are in a position to influence the public policy direction of their organization.

Application Deadline: October 25, 2018

For more information, [click here](#).

York University's Writing Centre

Our first several weeks of workshop programming are focused on transitioning to university thinking and writing. We are having many more workshops in October and November which deal with a variety of topics and **all students are eligible** for one-to-one writing support and our writing workshops.

The workshops are first come, first served and take place in our classroom in S312 Ross Building.

To register, please contact the Writing Centre at 416-736-5134.

For the full list of upcoming workshops, visit: <http://writing-centre.writ.laps.yorku.ca/>

Senior Project Manager – Civil Society and Women’s Empowerment - ParlAmericas

“Promoting Women’s Political Leadership in Latin America and the Caribbean” is a 3-year project that will provide direct support and capacity building to: 1) improve the management and sustainability of women’s organizations in Latin America and the Caribbean and; 2) enhance their delivery of activities to promote enabling environments for women’s political leadership. Reporting to the Director General of ParlAmericas, the Senior Project Manager is responsible for the overall management and implementation of the project in accordance with the Donor Agreement and ParlAmericas operating procedures and good practices. 2 The Senior Project Manager is responsible for establishing collaborative and effective working relationships with partner organizations to ensure that project activities are planned and implemented in accordance with: agreed-upon budgets, timelines, and performance targets, as well as financial, operational, security and other requirements of the Donor Agreement. The Senior Project Manager will represent ParlAmericas with donors, multilateral partners, and national parliaments. S/he must possess sound knowledge of international development programming, gender mainstreaming and civil society strengthening, in addition to political acumen, diplomacy, and partnership management skills. To be successful in these roles, the Senior Project Manager must have strong leadership, problem solving and decision-making competencies, sound knowledge of work planning, budgeting, financial administration, results-based project management, monitoring, evaluation and reporting practices, and capacities to transfer these skills through coaching and the preparation of pedagogical tools and related guidelines. For more information, [click here](#).

Lead, Policy, Research and Development - IESO

The Lead, Policy, Research & Development will be recognized within IESO and the energy sector for their thought leadership and intellectual contributions to electricity and energy sector development and evolution. The Lead will have a leadership role in setting, driving and delivering on IESO’s research and development agenda in the area of policy options and alternatives. The incumbent will lead and deliver advanced research, analysis and value added recommendations regarding the operational, structural, policy and regulatory challenges and opportunities facing IESO, Ontario’s electricity sector and the broader energy sector. The work of the Lead will span the entirety of IESO’s mandate. For more information, [click here](#).

Manager, Stakeholder Engagement - Workplace Safety Insurance Board

As a public representative of the WSIB, advocating on behalf of the company brand with external stakeholders across all communication channels and vehicles in a way that attempts to maintain a positive image of the company. Leading the external communications strategy for the business and ensuring a consistent message around Rate Framework. Help to create and execute and lead the change for this new rate setting model that supports business objectives. Develop, prepare and distribute materials as it relates to Rate Framework. Attend and conduct outreach visits and presentations with stakeholders’ communities including employers and labour groups and unions around Rate Framework across the province. For more information, [click here](#).

Government Relations Specialist - Honda Canada

The role of the Government Relations Specialist is to provide research, analysis and recommendations regarding legislative, regulatory and government policy changes which affect Honda’s business, to enable management to develop an effective government relations lobbying strategy and manage Honda’s risk exposure to proposed changes. Specifically, the Government Relations Specialist plays a key role in working with Honda’s government relations team to lobby on major issues/policies affecting Honda’s business operations to mitigate/manage the impact of government action. For more information, [click here](#).

Project Director, Right to Education - People for Education

The Project Director, reporting to People for Education’s Executive Director, and with coordination support from People for Education staff, will be responsible for coordinating and managing the Right to Education project and conducting research as required. The work will involve an iterative process, working closely with an Advisory Committee of experts who will play an integral role in the development of a draft Right to Education Framework. For more information, [click here](#).



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Research Officer - The Society of United Professionals

The Society of United Professionals, IFPTE Local 160, is seeking a Research Officer to support a broad range of union activities including collective bargaining, organizing, policy development, campaigns and strategic planning. The successful applicant will have a minimum of a Bachelor's degree in, or equivalent experience related to, economics, business, industrial relations, political science, public policy or equivalent; and three years of related experience in such areas as financial analysis, advocacy/applied research and labour relations. For more information, [click here](#).

Executive Director - Citizens for Public Justice

Citizens for Public Justice (CPJ) is a national organization of members inspired by faith to act for justice in Canadian public policy. Their mission is to promote public justice in Canada by shaping key public policy debates through research and analysis, publishing and public dialogue. CPJ is beginning a search for a new Executive Director, to carry forward the mission of CPJ. The executive director will be a person of articulate Christian faith, called to serve in the public sphere as an advocate of public justice, and committed to advancing the CPJ mission in Ottawa and throughout Canada. For more information, [click here](#).

Rooming House Policy Researcher - Parkdale Neighbourhood Land Trust

The Neighbourhood Land Trust (NLT) seeks a Rooming House Preservation Policy Researcher and Organizer to develop and lead a campaign for a comprehensive policy framework for dwelling room protection and replacement in Toronto - to assure that this important rental housing stock is not lost. The ideal candidate will be an early or mid-career professional with a background in urban planning and or public policy development, and a strong commitment to neighbourhood inclusiveness and social equity. A strong capacity for stakeholder and community engagement is a must. For more information, [click here](#).

Project Lead, Transportation Services - City of Toronto

The Project Lead develops, implements, monitors, and evaluates detailed plans and recommends policies, programs, and/or procedures regarding specific requirements related to Transportation Services, and conducts research into assigned areas ensuring that such research takes into account developments within the field, corporate policies and practices, legislation and initiatives by other levels of government. For more information, [click here](#).

Political/Economic Specialist - United States Consulate, Toronto

The Political/Economic Specialist is responsible for researching and information gathering, establishing and maintaining contacts, and reporting on economic and political issues. He/she reports to the Political-Economic Chief and is responsible for general support of the Consul General, Political-Economic Chief, and the Political-Economic Officer on a daily basis as well as during special events/visits. Duties also include trade facilitation in cooperation with Commercial Service Officers and staff. For more information, [click here](#).

Supervisor, Healthy Public Policy – Toronto Public Health - City of Toronto

Major Responsibilities include: Develops, implements, monitors, and reviews detailed operational plans and recommends policies/procedures regarding program specific requirements; manages assigned projects and supervises, provides mentorship to and coaches assigned staff, ensuring effective teamwork, high standards of work quality and organizational performance; provides input into and administers assigned budget, ensuring that expenditures are controlled and maintained within approved budget limitations. Supervises external consultants, on a project specific basis; Leads the development of new/revises Research Ethics Review policies, procedures, guidelines, and reports; uses written reports, consultations and briefings to disseminate research and policy related recommendations and influence change (e.g. speaking engagements, presentations, participation in conferences, publications and working with other city divisions). For more information, [click here](#).