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Public Sector Careers: Meet our Alumni Thursday, October 25, 2018 6-7PM at ACW 106 ([RSVP here](#))

Neil Shinkfield

Senior Business Expertise Manager, Service Canada (Ontario Region), Government of Canada (MPPAL class of 2013)



Neil is a Senior Manager in the federal public service with the Department of Employment and Social Development Canada (ESDC), where he has worked with Service Canada for the past 12 years. During this time, he has held or acted in numerous leadership positions including management and executive positions, as well as consultant and policy work. Neil earned a Masters of Public Policy, Administration, and Law (MPPAL) from York University, and a Bachelor of Arts from the University of Toronto in Public Policy and Political Science.

Ashley M. Cabral

Project Manager, Ontario Ministry of Community Safety & Correctional Services (MPPAL class of 2017)

Ashley's work focuses on leading the modernization and transformation of the Ministry's operations across Ontario's correctional institutions. Her core focus is on initiatives to improve the quality and efficiency of public service delivery. She has over 10 years of experience in policy development, program implementation, front-line delivery and strategic and operational planning in human services delivery from both the provincial level of government and not-for-profit organizations. Ashley has a Master's degree in Public Policy, Administration and Law (MPPAL) from York University. She is also the newest member to join the Institute of Public Administration of Canada's Toronto Regional Board of Directors leading the New Professionals portfolio. You can find her featured on [GovLoop](#), the "Knowledge Network for Government" to inspire public sector professionals to better service by acting as the knowledge network for government.

Tiago De Oliveira

Payroll Transformation Project Lead, City of Toronto (BPA class of 2014)

For the past 6 years, Tiago has been working with the City of Toronto supporting HR and Payroll operations. He is currently overseeing multiple transformation initiatives that will change the way the City manages their operations. A large part of his work includes change management, identifying and analyzing policies and procedures that require updates and sustainment, and consultations with various stakeholders including: HR, Payroll, I&T, City Clerks and City divisions that are transitioning. In 2014, Tiago completed the Bachelor of Public Administration Specialized Honours in Law, Justice and Public Policy, and a post-graduate certificate in Human Resources Management at York University. He is currently completing the Master of Public Policy, Administration and Law program at York University.

Munisha Basiram

Intern, Ontario Legislative Internship Program (BPA Class of 2017)



Munisha was recently selected to be part of the prestigious Ontario Legislative Internship Program (OLIP) for 2018-19. Prior to OLIP, Munisha worked for the Ontario Public Service, in the Sport, Recreation and Community Programs Division at the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport. As a former Program Coordinator in the Ontario Public Service, she has experience in program design, implementation and evaluation. Munisha obtained her Bachelor of Public Administration Specialized Honours in Management in 2017 and during her studies she held progressive leadership roles with the Public Policy and Administration Student Association (PPASA). During her presidency, PPASA was awarded the McLaughlin College Club of the Year and she was recognized with the Robert Tiffin Student Leadership Award for her contributions to the York University community.

York University: Part-Time, Executive-Style Master of Public Policy, Administration and Law (MPPAL)

The MPPAL is designed to provide mid-career professionals in the broader public service with the skills needed for effective public administration and public policy analysis, with an emphasis on the themes of law, social justice, program evaluation, leadership and public sector management.

Course offerings are tailored for part-time learners. Students can choose to attend classes at York's Keele campus or at York's convenient downtown Toronto location (at the York/Osgoode Professional Development Centre, 1 Dundas St. W.)

The first of the 2018-19 series of info. sessions about the MPPAL program (and the optional add-on Graduate Diplomas in Democratic Administration and Justice System Administration) will take place on:

**Wednesday, November 7, 2018
12:00 pm to 1:00 pm**

**Ontario Ministry of Government and Consumer Services
56 Wellesley Street W., Algonquin Room, 16th Floor
Refreshments will be provided.**

Register for this MPPAL info. session at: <https://laps.apps01.yorku.ca/machform/view.php?id=488570>

Alumni testimonials and other information about the value of the MPPAL program for career development can be found at: <https://ppal.gradstudies.yorku.ca/>



McLAUGHLIN COLLEGE

**Proudly Presents a Lunch Talk Featuring:
George Fallis**



**Battered but Unbowed:
The Canadian Welfare State**

**Wednesday, October 24, 2018
12pm – 1:30pm
140 McLaughlin College**

What is a welfare state? Is there a Canadian style? What are the alternatives to the welfare state? Why are there so many misconceptions about the welfare state? Has neo-liberalism rolled back the welfare state? Why don't progressives acknowledge the resilience and successes of the Canadian welfare state? Why can't Canada fill the gaps in its welfare state?

George Fallis is University Professor Emeritus, Departments of Economics and Social Science, at York University. He did his BA at the University of Toronto, his PhD at Princeton University, and worked for the federal government and a provincial research agency before joining York. At York, he has been Chair of the Department of Economics, Dean of the Faculty of Arts, and York's Academic Colleague on the Council of Ontario Universities.



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Trumping the US Empire

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This political outcome of the first great capitalist crisis of the 21st century was especially heightened, following on the outcome of the Brexit referendum and the electoral successes of hyper-nationalist anti-immigration parties in Europe, with Donald Trump's election to the presidency of the American empire. With this, the American empire's role in the making of global capitalism has come to be challenged from within rather than, as had been so widely expected, from without. The question that is posed in this context is whether the American state still has the capacity to manage global capitalism.

Professor Emeritus Leo Panitch, who is now a Senior Scholar at York University was Distinguished Research Professor in the Department of Political Science and Canada Research Chair in Comparative Political Economy until his retirement in 2016.

IPAC Ontario's 2018 Lieutenant Governor's Medal of Distinction in Public Administration

The Southwest, National Capital Region and Toronto Regional Groups are honoured to partner with the Office of the Lieutenant Governor of Ontario each year to recognize excellence in public administration in Ontario. Since 1990, when the Lieutenant Governor's Medal of Distinction in Public Administration was established in Ontario, outstanding recipients have been recognized for their exemplary leadership in this field throughout the province. Over the years, these individuals have distinguished themselves through their endeavours that have made significant contributions in leadership roles within public administration in Ontario. The selection committee reviewing the nominations includes representatives from federal, provincial, and municipal governments, and the academic community. The significant achievements of award recipients have made this province a better place to live. Public administration is an honourable calling, attracting those with a commitment to creating the best and most efficient ways of serving our communities at large.

Help the Ontario Groups of IPAC celebrate exemplary public service in the province. **Tell us about a leader, someone who has inspired others - even yourself.**

The nomination deadline is **December 7, 2018**.

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

The Centre for Sexual Violence Response, Support & Education is Now Officially Open!

Debbie Hansen, Executive Director, Community Support & Services, Joanie Cameron Pritchett, Manager of The Centre, along with the entire team cordially invite all members of the University community to an Open House.

Wednesday, October 24, 2018

11 am - 1 pm

Suite 301, York Lanes

Keele Campus, York University

Light refreshments will be served.

RSVP not required.

You'll meet the team responsible for providing support and services, tour The Centre itself and learn more about support networks, the Sexual Violence Policy and current initiatives such as training & education. We look forward to seeing you there.

The Centre for Sexual Violence Response, Support & Education coordinates supports and resources for all members of the community that have experienced sexual violence, receives disclosures and complaints, facilitates safety planning, and assists survivors through the complaint process.

For more information, visit Yorku.ca/thecentre or phone (416) 736-5211.

The LSAT Review Group - Providing Assistance with LSAT Preparation

We are undergraduate and graduate criminology, legal studies, philosophy, psychology, and political science students from various campuses who are based at York University, and we have formed a student group called The LSAT Review, and we are working on a special project to make learning the LSAT straightforward and accessible for students who are planning to pursue law school. We are interested in providing as many free and low-cost resources as possible for students who are interested in writing the LSAT and ultimately attending law school. We offer free introductory tutorials and materials, help with law school applications, a low-cost intensive 8-lesson crash course on the essentials of the LSAT, drill sessions, individual consultations, tutor referrals, and volunteer/work experience opportunities. We show students the fundamental methodology of the LSAT, and how it relates to principles of Aristotelian formal logic, deduction, and higher order critical thinking. We share with students the problem-solving skills needed to recognize the underlying pattern that informs all of the questions and work through all of the sections of the test: logical reasoning, reading comprehension, logic games, and the essay. We welcome students getting involved in our projects and contributing to our LSAT student community. All of our sessions are held at York University.

Feel free to contact us at:

able@yorku.ca and/or (416)262-2375

Best Wishes,
Sarah Holmes

Manager, Indigenous Relations & Inclusion - City of Thunder Bay

Under the strategic direction of the City Manager and operational direction of the Director – Corporate Strategic Services, you will provide advice and guidance to strengthen the City’s relationship with Indigenous communities and organizations and collaboratively support the Executive Management Team, and other senior management levels on Indigenous affairs and relationships. This is an exciting opportunity where you will develop and recommend an Indigenous and Anti-Racism model and action/implementation plan for the Corporation of the City of Thunder Bay, as well as lead a corporate team in achieving the City of Thunder Bay’s Anti-Racism and Inclusion Accord. For further information, [click here](#) and visit www.thunderbay.ca/jobs

Analyst / Investigator / Auditor , Office of the Commissioner of Official Languages - Compliance Assurance Branch Gatineau (Québec)

If you are passionate about promoting Canada’s linguistic duality and want to ensure that Canada has an inclusive culture which respects the language rights of its citizens, the Office of the Commissioner of Official Languages invites you to apply! The Office of the Commissioner of Official Languages is a small organization of 160 employees that offers a positive, collaborative and entirely bilingual work environment. The Commissioner of Official Languages is mandated by Parliament and is therefore independent from the government, but his staff are members of the federal public service and benefit from all of the related advantages, including flexible work, competitive salaries and professional development. The Analyst / Investigator / Auditor is responsible for handling complaints as part of a team responsible for processing complaints, preparing analysis, carrying out external audits and prevention interventions at the Compliance Assurance Branch of the Office of the Commissioner of Official Languages and providing advice on official languages. For more information, [click here](#).

Senior Researcher - Deloitte Future of Canada Centre

The Future of Canada Centre is Deloitte’s thought leadership and public policy hub. Reporting to the Research Lead, in this role you will, among other things, contribute to developing a narrative that supports preliminary drafts of all research reports; support the creation of all internal and external collateral related to research findings and; participate in day-to-day research activities as part of a research team that includes practitioners from our consulting practice. For more information, [click here](#).

Research Assistant - C.D. Howe Institute

The C.D. Howe Institute, Canada’s leading independent, non-partisan public policy research institute, seeks a Research Assistant to join its research team on a full-time, permanent basis. The role offers a unique opportunity to inform debates over economic, energy and social policy in Canada. This position reports to an Associate Director of Research and will work under the guidance of senior research team members to provide research support on a project-by-project basis. The ideal candidate will have a bachelor’s degree in economics, public policy or another quantitative field of study with a focus on industrial organization, energy and/or environmental policy (a master's degree or 1-2 years experience would be an asset). For more information, [click here](#).

Director, Network for the Advancement of Black Communities - York University

Reporting on a day to day basis to the Jean Augustine Chair and ultimately to the Dean of the Faculty of Education, the Director of the Network for the Advancement of Black Communities is responsible for driving this project, including strategy, communications, community engagement and data collection and analysis. The Network for the Advancement of Black Communities will aid in the development of policies, programs and initiatives that will engage the issues and concerns of black children, youth and families in Ontario. For more information, [click here](#).



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Director, Children's Services - City of Toronto

This senior leadership position with the City of Toronto's Children Service's Division is an opportunity for a results-oriented yet strategically minded leader who has extensive experience working in a legislative and unionized environment, and managing large scale projects, with an excellent track record of business transformation and change management. Reporting to the General Manager, you will direct the operational and business planning, management, implementation and service delivery of the City of Toronto's directly operated licensed child care centres (over 50) and its licensed home child care agency serving approximately 3,000 children each day. For more information, [click here](#).

AI Communications Lead - CIFAR

Reporting to the Director, Communications, working in a team of communications professionals, and working closely with the CIFAR AI team, this role will work across channels, including written articles (online and in print), social media, marketing material, and support of video, podcasts, institutional publications and more in support of CIFAR's leadership in AI research and innovation. For more information, [click here](#).

Public Affairs Intern - Crestview Strategy

Crestview is hiring for paid internships running January to May 2019. They're looking for qualified candidates from across the political spectrum and place added value on those with a digital skill set, research experience, communications experience, or graphic design experience. For more information, [click here](#).