

School of Public Policy and Administration

NEWSLETTER

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MPPAL Student, **Rana Nasrazadani**, among York's Top 30 Changemakers Under 30

Rana Nasrazadani is an advocate, activist, educator, public speaker and former competitive swimmer. Her work focuses on the intersections of accessibility, human rights and education in Canada. Informed by her lived experience navigating interlocking systems of oppression, Rana uses her passion for accessibility and equity to drive her comprehensive strength-based approach to disability rights advocacy. She has designed and facilitated workshops based on challenging ableism, creating accessibility, and centering the importance of youth voice and lived experience. Rana is currently a member of Ontario's K-12 Education Standards Development Committee, which is working to develop a province-wide standard to improve accessibility within the education system. She has been featured in *The Toronto Star*, CBC, and has been a guest speaker at advocacy events across Ontario. As a student at York, she has championed accessibility work on campus, particularly in her roles as a president's ambassador and co-chair of Enable York. She successfully consulted on several projects regarding the university's accessibility initiatives, including serving on an accessibility consultation committee where she advised architects on accessible design for the upcoming York University Markham Centre Campus. Rana holds a Bachelor of Arts with Honours in Human Rights and Equity Studies and is **currently pursuing a Master of Public Policy, Administration and Law (MPPAL) degree.**

Congratulations to Rana!

View the rest of the [Changemakers](#) here.



"It is an honour to be named one of York University's inaugural Top 30 Changemakers Under 30, alongside an incredible group of young alumni who are making a positive impact in Canada and around the world."

SPPA Professor [Brenda Spotton Visano](#) contributes article to the Toronto Star:

The Financial Empowerment and Problem Solving Program is about to lose its funding. That's a huge problem for those who need it most.

Read the full article at the [Toronto Star](#)



New report offers analysis of COVID-19's impact on inequality in Canada

A report released March 17, 2021 by Islamic Relief Canada (IRC) titled, [One Year Later – Unmasking COVID-19](#), concludes that the pandemic threatens to worsen economic inequality and further marginalize vulnerable groups. The report is authored by York Sociology PhD student **Grace Barakat**, under the supervision of **Brenda Spotton Visano**, University professor at the School of Public Policy and Administration and Department of Economics in the Faculty of Liberal Arts & Professional Studies.

Read the full store in [yFile](#).

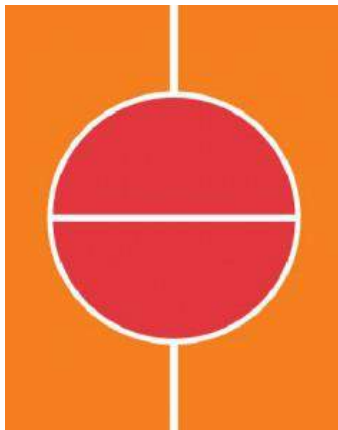


McLaughlin College Union Debate

The fourth and final Union Debate for the academic year will take place on
Thursday, April 1, 2021 from 12:30 - 2:00 pm

The panelists will consider
The Future of Democracy

Zoom Webinar [link](#)



Public Health 2021 National Conference

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

Anyone who is interested in improving the health and well-being of the entire population should be attending this conference. Public Health 2021 is the meeting place for a wide range of disciplines and sectors, at various career stages, all striving for a common goal. The conference may be of particular interest to: academics and researchers; students/trainees; policy-makers, administrators and managers; health promotion workers; front-line public health workers; media; people working in urban, rural, remote and small communities and anyone with an interest in public health.

IMPORTANT DATES

- [Registration opens](#): Thursday 8 April
- Call for submissions closes: Thursday 6 May
- Preliminary Program launched: Tuesday 10 August
- Public Health 2021: Wednesday 6 October to Friday 8 October

BENEFITS OF A VIRTUAL PROGRAM

The virtual conference allows you the opportunity to:

- Pay reduced registration rates and gain virtual access to 30 sessions including plenary, symposiums and workshops;
- Avoid paying travel costs and learn in your personal work environment at your own pace;
- Gain additional insight and inspiration with unlimited, on-demand access to the presentation gallery for one year;
- Engage with speakers via online polls and audience Q&A; and
- Engage with others in the networking lounge to create lasting connections and collaborations.



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York Activity Event with Nav, Raptors SuperFan!

York University and [ZERV](#) (a Schulich Startup) want you to stay active and healthy as we finish off the 2020/2021 academic year strong.

President Lenton, along with special guest SuperFan Nav Bhatia, invite you to join them for a special York University community event on **Wednesday, April 7th, 2021 at 7:00 PM.**

For more information visit [Instagram](#), [Twitter](#), and [Facebook](#).

[Register today](#)

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[Various positions \(5 positions\) - Centre for Equality Rights in Accommodation](#)

CERA is hiring for a number of new positions ranging from researcher to more senior and manager-level positions. Great opportunities for people interested in working on the right to housing! Note: CERA is planning to continue its remote work arrangements post-pandemic, so this position is open to candidates across Canada (tell all your friends).

[Project Coordinator - Ontario's Big City Mayors](#)

OBCM is looking for a Project Co-ordinator. OBCM provides a voice for big city mayors in policy debates that impact Ontario cities. Through policy development, advocacy, discussion and partnerships, Ontario's Big City Mayors support strong and effective cities.

[Revenue Policy Advisor - York Region](#)

Reporting to the Supervisor, Development Charge Policy, the Revenue Policy Advisor is responsible for providing advice to Senior Management regarding the financial impact of growth, including growth forecasts, development charges, potential new revenue sources; maintaining and assisting in developing the modelling and analysis necessary to support that advice as well as monitoring and advising on legislative changes impacting growth and the funding of growth.

[Government Relations Summer Intern - McMillan Vantage](#)

The Vantage Government Relations Summer Intern is a full-time contract role from May 3 through to end of August. It is ideal for a student entering their final year of a program in political science, government relations or public policy or economics or a student seeking an internship to complete one of these programs. Students without the above academic background will be active in their community and/or have been involved in campaigns or political process at the federal or provincial level of government.

[Energy Specialist - CD Howe](#)

CD Howe is looking for an energy specialist to join its research team on a full-time, permanent basis. The role offers a unique opportunity to inform and lead debates over economic policy in Canada.

[Government Relations Specialist - Sun Life](#)

Sun Life's Government and Regulatory Affairs team is looking for a government relations professional to provide advocacy, research and writing support to the Director, Government and Regulatory Affairs, as part of the advocacy process on a broad range of government and regulatory issues that impact Sun Life provincially and federally.

[Manager, Government Relations and Public Liaison - City of Brampton](#)

Reporting to the Senior Manager, Public Affairs this role will lead the Government Relations and Public Liaison program within the Public Affairs business unit. The position manages the Government Relations and Public Liaison initiatives to support the Mayor, Members of Council and Office of the Chief Administrative Officer. The Manager will partner with all orders of Government (local, regional, provincial, federal) to develop positive intergovernmental relationships and raise the profile of the City of Brampton. The Manager will also be the liaison with municipal associations focused on a provincial and national scale. Collaborating with internal stakeholders this position will also identify and align projects, initiatives and services that could be eligible for external funding.

Senior Policy Advisor and Press Secretary (2 separate roles) - Ontario Long-term Care Association

The OLTC is looking for a Senior Policy Advisor. This new role is designed for a collaborative, system-level thinker who is able to bridge operational and systemic issues and understands both the health care and long-term care sectors. They are also looking for a permanent, full-time Press Secretary to lead their media relations strategy.

National Director, Government Relations - Habitat for Humanity

As National Director of Government Relations, you will manage Habitat Canada's federal government relations and expand our partnerships with national organizations playing key roles related to affordable housing. You will also work collaboratively with 50 local Habitats to develop strategies and provide resources that they can use for similar efforts in their regions.

Planner, Policy and Research (2 positions) - City of Toronto

The City is hiring for 2 positions, one related to environment policy and the other focused on housing. Environment Position (Permanent): will focus on environment policy and implementation including, Toronto Green Standard review of development applications, research and initiatives related to provincial policy, the Biodiversity Strategy and other related initiatives. Housing Position (Temporary 12 months): will focus on housing policy and implementation including, review of development applications related to rental housing demolition, replacement and site intensification, development of housing policy and regulation, and housing research and analysis.

Senior Policy Advisor – LCBO

Are you a seasoned Policy Advisor looking for an opportunity to work for a crown agency corporation? The LCBO's Corporate Affairs department is looking for a Senior Policy Advisor to assist with the development and implementation of multi-stakeholder projects and initiatives related to the beverage alcohol marketplace. Reporting to the Manager, Corporate Affairs, your expertise will ensure sound policy and program development and robust research, analysis and decision support for senior leaders at the LCBO.

Senior Advisor - Toronto Community Housing

The Senior Advisor's mandate is to manage and supervise a team of OCHE staff, in the successful execution of the OCHE's mandate to review and attempt to resolve arrears and loss of subsidy files referred to it by TCH, or those brought to the attention of the OCHE from residents and other stakeholders. The Senior Advisor guides the office in its development and implementation of policies, practices and procedures relating to the execution of its mandate, as well as critically reviewing and interpreting relevant TCH and City policies, procedures and guidelines, as well as applicable legislation and regulations.

Director of Policy and Communications and Community Wellness Policy Analyst - Chiefs of Ontario

Chiefs of Ontario are recruiting for multiple policy positions. The Director of Policy and Communications is responsible for managing First Nation and government policy analysis, secretariat communications, relations, cross-sector initiatives and other areas of priority as needed. The director is responsible for overseeing research, policy analysis, data collection, the development and delivery of policy initiatives, reports and other written materials. The Community Wellness Policy Analyst. will support the Community Wellness Sector in analyzing, developing positions and working with the Policy and Relationship sector when it comes to legislation and regulations.



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[Policy Programs Manager – Facebook](#)

The Policy Programs Manager, Canada role reports to the Director of Policy, Canada, and will work closely with teams across the company. The objective of this role is to develop and execute policy engagement strategies to support the company’s efforts on the full range of Internet policy issues, and to facilitate authentic conversations with a diverse array of Canadian thought-leaders, including academics, civil society leaders, influencers and experts. The successful candidate should be passionate about the services we provide and the people that we serve. They should believe in the positive democratizing force of the Internet and be excited by the opportunity to challenge conventional wisdom through creative partnerships and engagements. This is an extraordinary opportunity to join a team working on some of the most complex policy issues in an exciting, fast-paced environment.

[Canada Money Laundering Risk Officer- Paypal](#)

Delivering on the regulatory requirements for PayPal Canada Co (PPCA), this position is responsible for developing, maintaining and overseeing PPCA’s Anti Money Laundering (AML) Program in coordination with the Global Head of AML. This role will drive a data-driven and risk-based approach that meets both the PayPal global framework and all local regulatory requirements. This position will report to the PayPal Canada Risk and Compliance Officer with a dual reporting to PayPal’s Global Financial Crime division.

[Manager, Insights & Strategy – Loblaws Companies Limited](#)

Bring your fast-thinking, analytical, strategic mind to our team to translate customer’s thoughts and mindsets into actionable outcomes. Unpack and frame pain points and problems into rich insights through a range of qualitative research methods. Come work for a team that values curiosity, diversity and learning from one another. The Customer COE team gives you the chance to excel and helps you to strive for success from within by collaborating with team members who have a range in qualitative and analytical skillsets.

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

Reporting to the Program Manager, Social Policy, is responsible for providing policy support and strategic advice to the Department; interpreting federal and provincial legislation and regulations, monitoring and assessing impact on Regional policies and practices, including planning initiatives and providing advice on performance measurement; researching, developing and analyzing innovative and strategic policies and programs to respond to human services, agencies and community needs; preparing environmental scans; and developing cross-functional linkages to ensure that policies and programs align with Department, Provincial and Federal goals; preparing briefing notes and committee report