

School of Public Policy and Administration

NEWSLETTER

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**This week we are pleased to present [Daniel Lim](#),
Bachelor of Public Administration (BPA)
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My name is Gwon Lim. Please call me Daniel if you ever see me in person. I'm a graduating student majoring in Public Administration (BPA) at York University. I'm just an ordinary man who lives with two dogs Woo-Ri and Jolie.

Except for a few of my friends, I have never told anybody this. I was first enrolled at York University in 2012 as an undecided major. Then, for five years as a part-time student, I was on a journey yet to discover what I will do in my life, what is meaningful to me, and what I am gifted to do. As you might expect, my school year was difficult and unsuccessful. In 2017, I was officially disbarred from my program for a year. This was the wake-up call for me to question what I will do for my life and to an extent who I ought to be. By these questions, I did not mean to simply ask what I like or don't like. I had to ask myself what truly moves my heart, what inspires me, what my talents are, and what I can offer to my community.

With those questions in mind, I continued my academic journey through Seneca College for Law Clerk Diploma. I learned three crucial lessons: I learned that I am gifted with administrative assistance. I learned that many people are not privileged to receive sufficient legal and governmental services even though it is freely available due to their social status and their financial constraints. Then, I asked the next question: How can I be a champion for those who are not fully privileged to receive public service?

Public Administration at York University was aligned with what I envisioned for my life, which is "to advance the public good." The program was designed to equip me "with multidisciplinary knowledge, critical skills, and abilities to realize their vision to advance the public interest." Today, I still hold onto the vision that everyone should benefit from public goods and services as their privilege, which is essentially public interest. Hence, I chose the BPA program so I can serve and assist the unprivileged and marginalized people in society.

I went through the peak and valley in my academic journey. I also wasted time. But I can't be happy enough to study in Public Administration because I know I can assist marginalized people and because I know now what I ought to be as an ordinary Canadian. I believe that my journey from now on will be full of interesting stories. Regardless of how many technical skills you learn, your identity and vision are the anchors of what path you will walk after you graduate. I suggest you ask yourself: Who am I? What can I do for my neighbours, communities, and Canada? Maybe you need time to think of yourself more than just your career goals. Otherwise, you will be bored of what you do. – Daniel Lim



Have you RSVP'd yet?

Grand Virtual Class Reunion

June 10, 2021, 6-8PM

THE PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE OF
PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION
with **Professor Emeritus Ian Greene**
as keynote speaker



Join us for a fun networking night to re-connect with classmates, YorkU
SPPA faculty members and other alumni, and win prizes!
Please share [video invitation](#) with your circle of former classmates.

[RSVP now](#)

SHAPING FUTURES IPAC 2021

Kindly mark your calendars for the Institute of Public Administration of Canada's (IPAC) annual 2021 National Conference, **August 23rd-25th!** IPAC 2021 will be a **hybrid** event, taking place both **virtually** for everyone across Canada and at the beautiful **Hilton Lac Leamy in Gatineau**, Quebec.

Subthemes

- Reconciliation with First Nations, Inuit and Métis
- Governance and Policy-Making
- Technology and Service Delivery
- An Inclusive and Enabling Workforce

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— OTTAWA · GATINEAU —

This conference is taking place on unceded lands of the Algonquin people.

REMINDER

June 1, 2021 nomination deadline for IPAC Awards

IPAC is proud to recognize the absolute best in public administration across Canada every year at its annual conference.

Please consider nominating colleagues for:

- [Award for Innovative Management](#), which aims to recognize and encourage innovation in all public organizations and across all orders of government
- [Promising New Public Servant Award](#), which recognizes excellent emerging public servants in the early stages of their careers.
- [The Regional Group Excellence Award](#), recognizing the best of IPAC's regional groups



Director of Research & Policy - Brookfield Institute for Innovation + Entrepreneurship

The Director, Policy and Research plays a leadership role in the strategic direction of Brookfield Institute's policy and research activities. In this role you would lead the short- and long-term strategic planning of Brookfield Institute's policy and research vision, goals and objectives, in collaboration with the Executive Director and the rest of the leadership team.

Head of Government and Regulatory Relations – Wealthsimple

Wealthsimple is looking for a Head of Government and Regulatory Relations to join their. The key responsibility of this role is to identify and execute on opportunities for Wealthsimple to advance political and regulatory priorities that are beneficial to its business and clients. This role will report to the Chief Legal Officer and work closely with the Communications team.

Research and Policy Director - Samara Centre for Democracy

The Research and Policy Director, in consultation with the Executive Director, will be responsible for setting and executing a vigorous research agenda that brings forward the evidence and reforms to drive positive change in Canadian politics and transform representative democracy. Action-oriented, comparative, and multilevel, this research focuses on three areas central to the health of Canada's democracy: legislatures, political parties, and citizen participation.

VP Stakeholder & Industry Relations and Director, Government Relations - Canola Council of Canada

The Canola Council of Canada is hiring for a VP Stakeholder & Industry Relations and a Director, Government Relations. These roles are an exciting opportunity to make a difference and positively impact on the growth and reputation of the Canadian canola industry and globally. You will work with a diverse and amazing team of experts at the CCC, and lead in the development of strategies to engage government on issues such as international trade, resolving market access issues, environment and sustainability, finance and tax, and enhancing innovation to achieve industry objectives.

Manager, Policy & Regulatory Affairs – Scotiabank

The Manager Policy & Regulatory Affairs, Government Affairs contributes to the overall success of Government Affairs through research, writing and advocacy to support to the goals, plans and initiatives of the team's business strategies and objectives. Ensures all activities conducted are in compliance with governing regulations, internal policies and procedures.

Executive Director - International Centre for Tax and Development (ICTD) at the Munk School of Global Affairs and Public Policy

ICTD is seeking an Executive Direction. This will be a new, semi-autonomous initiative under the auspices of ICTD. It will be headquartered at the Munk School, where ICTD's Toronto Hub is currently based. They are seeking an individual with strong drive and motivation, expertise related to sub-national revenue and/or public financial management and significant experience working on, setting up and leading programs in lower-income countries. This is a senior leadership position. However, ICTD has a longstanding commitment to mentorship and leadership development and encourages applications from more junior candidates with demonstrable leadership potential and commitment to the goals of the program.

Policy and Research Officer - Tourism Industry Association of Ontario

Research, analyze and develop policy recommendation on a range of federal, provincial and municipal legislative and regulative issues to support the association to maximize support for the tourism industry.

Director Policy Research & Strategy – OLG

Reporting to the VP, Social and Community Responsibility, the Director Policy, Research and Strategy is responsible for overseeing the policy and program design and research for Responsible Gaming programs in order to enable the implementation of strategies that are in adherence to market research, best practices and legislative requirements.

Senior Policy Advisor - Ontario Ministry of Finance

Don't miss this opportunity to lead the policy development process, including research and analysis, and to provide expert guidance as it relates to Ontario's automobile insurance market and regulatory system. We are looking for a team-oriented individual to join the Financial Institutions Policy Branch in the Automobile Insurance Policy Unit.

Research and Policy Analyst - College Student Alliance

The College Student Alliance (CSA) is hiring a Research and Policy Analyst. CSA is a non-profit, non-partisan organization that works collaboratively with post-secondary education (PSE) stakeholders and government to improve the college experience. We are an advocating voice on behalf of Ontario college students in partnership with student leaders. We have an elected student Board of Directors and full-time staff who carry out the wants and needs of our membership.

Articling Student 2022-2023 – Ontario Ombudsman

Under the direction of the Articling Principal, the Articling Student will provide legal support across the office and manage a caseload of files involving legal issues. During your employment at our office, you will be involved in all facets of our work and will provide a range of legal services, including legal advice and research, supporting the investigation of complaints, legal representation, policy development, and outreach under the supervision of the Articling Principal.

Communications Officers, Generalist Permanent – Ontario Ombudsman

As a Communications Officer, you'll be part of a versatile, dynamic team that handles all types of media, organizes events and outreach with the public and stakeholders, and curates the Ombudsman's print and digital communications – in English and French. If you're a bilingual, media-savvy communicator who's passionate about public service and government accountability, this position is for you.

Early Resolution Officer – Ontario Ombudsman

As part of the Early Resolutions team, you'll be the first contact for people coming to the Ontario Ombudsman's office with complaints about the Ontario government. Early Resolution Officers (EROs) triage and analyze complaints to clearly identify issues and determine how to resolve them or when to escalate them. EROs must be able to capably frame issues for escalation and for regular reporting to senior management. Each ERO manages a caseload of files, as well as assists with trend analysis to identify complaint patterns and potential systemic issues. In addition to receiving complaints by email and letter, EROs use their active listening and interviewing skills to take complaints over the phone and in person, at times dealing with complainants who may require special accommodation, or who may be frustrated and distressed by their experience with different government organizations.



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Investigator (Bilingual) – French Language Services Unit – Ontario Ombudsman

Investigators at the Ontario Ombudsman are responsible for both leading and working as a team on various investigative files. As an investigator, you will be accountable for investigations from inception to completion, which includes identifying issues, interviewing witnesses, and gathering and analyzing information, as well as writing clear and comprehensive reports. As part of the French Language Service Unit team, your work will play a crucial role in the development of the Commissioner's recommendations to improve policies and programs on French Language services. You will lead and work as a team on various investigative files on the delivery of governmental services in French as described in the French Language Services Act of Ontario. This opportunity will appeal to people who are keen to develop innovative solutions supporting individual rights identified in the French Language Services Act while respecting existing processes and procedures.

Senior Policy Advisor (3 positions) – Ontario Ministry of Children, Community and Social Services

Exciting opportunities are available in the Ministry of Children, Community and Social Services' Strategic Policy Division to support the provincial government's goal of building a more efficient, effective and accountable human and social services system that provides Ontarians with the right services at the right time.

Legislative Student Usher (part-time) – Legislative Assembly of Ontario

The Legislative Assembly of Ontario seeks a Legislative Student Usher who, as part of our Parliamentary Protocol and Public Relations Branch, in Toronto, ON, will assist in the day-to-day operation of Parliament by working in the Legislative Chamber while the House is in session.

Accountability, Procurement and Risk Management Manager – Town of Collingwood

Reporting to the Clerk, the Accountability, Procurement & Risk Management Manager is responsible for developing and overseeing the Town's procurement and risk management programs with a view of enhancing the transparency and accountability of the Town's operations.