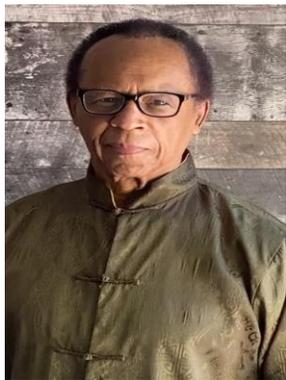


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NEWSLETTER

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Professor Lorne Foster appointed York Research Chair in Black Canadian Studies and Human Rights



We are pleased to announce that effective July 1, 2021 Professor Lorne Foster was appointed York Research Chair in Black Canadian Studies and Human Rights for a five-year term. He also serves as the Director of the Institute for Social Research and the Director of the Diversity & Human Rights Certificate, the first academic-industry human rights training partnership. His trailblazing work on public policy formation and scholarship on the human rights approach to inclusive organizational change ranks among the best in its field. This work has consistently helped to open doors to new scholarly explorations. For more information on Professor Foster's work, please view his [faculty profile](#).

SPPA welcomes new faculty member in the area of Canadian local governance

We are excited to share the news that our faculty ranks have expanded effective July 1, 2021 with the appointment of Dr. Zachary Spicer as Associate Professor at SPPA.



Dr. Zachary Spicer has been serving as the Director of Research and Outreach with the Institute of Public Administration of Canada (IPAC). He holds a PhD in Political Science from The University of Western Ontario and began his career as an Assistant Professor in the Department of Political Science at Brock University after completing post-doctoral fellowships at the University of Toronto's Institute of Municipal Finance and Governance and the Laurier Institute for the Study of Public Opinion and Policy at Wilfrid Laurier University. He has also served as a Senior Policy Advisor with the Ontario Public Service. He is the recipient of both the Susan Clarke Young Scholars' Award and the Norton Long Young Scholars' Award from the Urban Politics Section of the American Political Science Association. You can view [Professor Spicer's faculty profile](#) on our website.

SPPA CALL FOR EXPERIENTIAL EDUCATION PROPOSALS

Help our students learn from you!

You are invited to nominate and host experiential education projects for take-up by our undergraduate students at the School of Public Policy and Administration (SPPA) during the Fall 2021-Winter 2022 academic terms.

SPPA delivers [Experiential Education Courses](#) in policy analysis and program evaluation, among others, that have a track record of working with public sector organizations and achieving results.

Core experiential learning assignments are featured in **PPAS 4200 Applied Public Policy Analysis and PPAS 4310/20 Program Evaluation I & II** in particular. In these courses groups of fourth-year students advise on client projects, culminating in presentations and/or reports by April 2022. Host organizations are consulted on project requirements and interim milestones once their project is selected. Any project costs for these pro bono engagements are nominal.

This initiative offers practical benefits for government, non-profit organizations and SPPA. Students look to learn from the real challenges of project choice, complexity, and management. At the same time, the projects enable host organizations to tackle pressing issues in times of uncertainty and change.

Please complete a form for each project proposal by clicking on [MachForm: Experiential Education Project Proposal](#) and submit your forms online to SPPA by Monday, **August 23, 2021**. SPPA will collect and sort proposals with an eye to project fit, quality, and timeliness.

If you have questions or would like to discuss your project ideas, please contact:

- Policy Analysis – Professor John Wilkins at wilkins@yorku.ca; or
- Program Evaluation – Professor Alena Kimakova at akimakov@yorku.ca.

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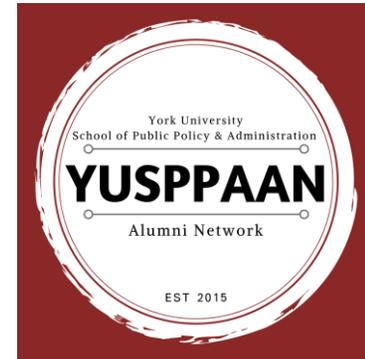
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YUSPPAAN Podcast **Learning from Leaders** *Two New Episodes!*



Key values and skills sets for public service with Derek Lett

In this episode, Derek Lett reflects on his impressive public service career and on his recent experience with the Ontario's COVID-19 Long-Term Care Commission. He speaks about the key takeaways from working on such a complex and current issue. Additionally, Derek provides his expert advice in terms of the key values and skill sets that anyone interested in joining the public service should have to be successful. Currently the Acting Director of the Safety Program Development Branch in the Transportation Safety Division of Ontario's Ministry of Transportation. Derek has 29 years of experience working for the Government of Ontario, and is the recipient of prestigious awards such as the Ministry of the Attorney General's Prix Excelsior Award for "professionalism, exceptional dedication and commitment to public service in Ontario" and the Alumni Recognition Award from York University's School of Public Policy and Administration.

Working in Government Policy vs. Operations with Fausto Natarelli

Join us to hear our conversation with Fausto Natarelli, an Adjunct Professor at the York University School of Public Policy and Administration. Prior to teaching, Fausto was a distinguished senior provincial and regional municipal public servant with 35 years of service. He is the recipient of prestigious awards such as the Ontario Public Service Amethyst Award and the York University School of Public Policy and Administration Alumnus of the Year Award among others. In this podcast, Fausto speaks about the difference between working in policy versus operations and provides valuable advice to aspiring public servants on how to join and have a successful career in government.

York University's Career Education and Development August 2021

Employer Networking Opportunities

The Virtual Career Fair is happening on Thursday, September 23 so be sure to SAVE THE DATE! Did you know that employers will host virtual events as early as August to recruit for full-time employment after graduation, paid internships, and summer 2022 opportunities? Check out [upcoming webinars](#) designed to help you build your confidence and prepare for your job search.

Webinars

Access career-focused webinars designed to help you with your job search and prepare you for upcoming employer networking events. August webinars include Resumé and Cover Letter Writing, Job Search and Networking Strategies, Interview Preparation and more! Check out the [Events Calendar](#) for details.

T.A.S.T.E. Mentoring

Have you thought about joining the T.A.S.T.E (Take a Student to Engage) Mentoring Program? T.A.S.T.E. helps connect students with mentors to build their professional network, learn more about the career paths available to them after graduation and get inspired to start their career journey

Virtual Career Lounge

The Virtual Career Lounge is back! Drop in to receive assistance from our Career Peer Educators with resumé and cover letters, interview prep, building a LinkedIn profile and more. No appointment needed!

[See the summer schedule.](#)

Experience York

Check out [Experience York](#) to apply to a range of full-time and part-time jobs, part-time jobs including internships and summer 2022 job postings. Students and new grads can also register for webinars and 1:1 virtual job search and career counselling appointments.

Questions? Contact Career Education & Development at career@yorku.ca!

[Head of Government Experience \(GX\) Canada – Xero](#)

Our mindset is fully aligned with the Canadian Cabinet Directive on federal regulatory policy which highlights the importance of regulations protecting and advancing the public interest, having a clear rationale built around the social and economic well-being of Canadians, and for the process around them being developed needing to be modern, open, and transparent leading to outcomes that support a fair and competitive economy.

[Bilingual Policy Analyst - Council of Ministers of Education, Canada \(CMEC\)](#)

The analyst will work in several areas of education policy, including pan-Canadian and international work, early childhood education and elementary and secondary education, as well as data analysis. This role will appeal to individuals with strong research, writing, and analytical skills (to produce complex written reports for a range of stakeholders that includes ministers of education and the public), and the intellectual curiosity and rigour to monitor and investigate emerging developments in education.

[Associate Planner, Policy and Advocacy - BILD](#)

The Building Industry and Land Development Association is currently seeking an energetic, organized, results-oriented individual with a passion for the home building and development industry to become an integral part of its team as Associate Planner, Policy & Advocacy. Reporting to the Senior Vice President, and additional senior department staff, our new team member will be a strong advocate and critical thinker, with a strategic mindset.

[Policy Analyst - Ontario Federation of Indigenous Friendship Centres \(OFIFC\)](#)

In this role, you will advance supportive public policy aimed at addressing file area related issues and the well-being of the Urban Indigenous communities in Ontario. This includes advocating on behalf of and providing support to Friendship Centres; undertaking policy research, analysis and advocacy on issues related to Friendship Centres and within area of specialization towards the achievement of improved outcomes for urban Indigenous people.

[Director Policy and Communications - Registered Practical Nurses Association of Ontario \(WeRPN\)](#)

Reporting to the CEO, the Director of Policy and Communications will be responsible for providing government relations and strategic advice to the WeRPN staff, Chief Executive Officer and Board of Directors, on a wide range of health and nursing policy issues. In addition, you will lead communications throughout the organization. You will work with government officials, external organizations, WeRPN staff, board and membership to identify issues, compile and analyze information, and provide advice on appropriate policy positions and communication strategies.

[Manager, Policy - Prosper Canada](#)

Prosper Canada is seeking a dynamic and motivated manager to advance its policy and advocacy efforts. In this exciting new role, you will help inform policymakers of the financial challenges of people with low incomes in Canada and coordinate its efforts to identify and promote policy and regulatory solutions to these challenges, including expanding access to quality community financial help services through government programs and investments.

[Manager, Economic Development Policy – Amazon](#)

Amazon is looking for an experienced economic development professional to support its growing business operations and real estate footprint in Canada. In this role, you will be responsible for engaging with government and economic development officials to expand Amazon's presence and lead all economic development initiatives in Canada as an individual contributor.

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[Associate Manager, Inclusive Local Economic Opportunity Initiative - United Way of Greater Toronto](#)

United Way Greater Toronto is looking for an Associate Manager, Strategic Initiatives (ILEO) to support this initiative. Reporting to the Director, Strategic Initiatives, the Associate Manager will assist the ILEO team in executing a stakeholder engagement strategy which includes written and digital content creation, liaising with UWGT and partner communications teams, and providing general project support for ILEO activities.

[Government Relations Specialist – CAA](#)

CAA Club Group’s Government Relations team is looking for a Government Relations Specialist to join their team. The Government Relations Specialist will be responsible for creating partnerships by generating awareness and engaging elected officials at the municipal and provincial levels of government and CAA members and stakeholders. They will devise advocacy projects and identify opportunities that help to maximize CAA member involvement.

[Analyst - Council of Ministers of Education, Canada](#)

This position supports the successful implementation of flagship projects that assess the knowledge and skills of students at the pan-Canadian and international levels, such as the Pan- Canadian Assessment Program (PCAP) and the Programme for International Student Assessment (PISA). The Analyst, Learning Assessment Programs, applies his or her expertise to the preparation and verification of assessment materials and contributes to the drafting of reports for educators, education decision makers, and other stakeholders.

[Director, Workplace Strategy and Transformation – Metrolinx](#)

Our Design division which is a part of Planning and Development requires a Director, Workplace Strategy and Transformation who will provide senior leadership oversight and governance for: comprehensive workplace end to end planning, design and implementation of workplace transformation and the new hybrid model for work including addressing emerging and adaptive needs for the new blended model of work, alignment of work and decision-making with provincial realty directives, and effectively works with Business Units to support their day to day needs and core functions.



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