

School of Public Policy and Administration

NEWSLETTER

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Our Student Profiles are Back for Winter 2022!



Hello Everyone! My name is Reva Mulani, and I am in my final year of the Hons. Bachelor of Public Administration (BPA) program, specializing in Law, Justice and Public Policy. I did not start my academic journey in Public Administration, but rather, in Business. I was intrigued by Marketing and got my diploma in Business Administration, where I gained experience as a marketing coordinator and social media marketer. During my last year of college in 2019, I felt drawn towards learning more about government and how the law plays a role in our policies. I was home-schooled from an American syllabus growing up, so the inner workings of a Canadian-centred government were still new to me, and I was ready to learn. After countless hours of research into a program that encompassed my interest in the law, government, and public policy, I finally came across the School of Public Policy and Administration (SPPA) at York University that allowed for a multi-disciplinary public service focus. Joining my program in 2020, I entered with an open mind and was ready to make new connections. I quickly gained an interest in the [Public Policy and Administration Student Association \(PPASA\)](#) as I had a strong desire to be a part of the community that was serving and helping me expand my network. At the PPASA, I became the Director of Academic Affairs for the 2021-2022 academic year where I helped guide students in the program with any questions related to academic advising and general support as needed.

In addition, I have been privileged to be taking part in the [AP/PPAS 4995 6.0 Practicum in Public Administration](#) through which I am placed within the Ministry of the Attorney General (MAG) as part of the Project Implementation Branch (PIB) under the Corporate Services Management Division (CSMD). Within this opportunity, I have learnt to expand my skill set and network with those who share the same goals as I do. In learning about the Ministry, I came in with an open mind in understanding how people got to where they are and assisting in large projects that are currently transforming as well as modernizing the Justice sector, which is the best part of this practicum. I recall my supervisor at this practicum placement telling me at orientation that the OPS is a “*people’s business*” where we have to keep in mind the needs and wants of the public first and foremost when crafting policies or executing a public service.

If I am able to offer up a piece of advice from my time at York, it would be to not be afraid of taking chances. I remember being wary of joining the waitlist for [AP/PPAS 4995 6.0 Practicum in Public Administration](#) at first, as I was fearful of having my graduation timeline misaligned or not getting selected. However, it was through the lovely guidance of the BPA program advisor Stefanie Lamonaca Caputo and the Director of the School of Public Policy and Administration, Professor Alena Kimakova, that I applied for and attained guidance, support and reassurance through the process. The amount of support that was available to me throughout that endeavour was unforgettable, and is always available throughout the program as well. Although I am in the last semester of my program and will be graduating in Winter 2022, I hope to further my education at York University in the near future and remain an alumna that cherishes her time in the BPA Program.



**Municipalities, good governance and sustainability:
Bringing progressive strategies to life**

5th Annual Municipalities of the Future Symposium hosted by the School of Public Policy and Administration

We are pleased to announce that our 5th annual Municipalities of the Future Symposium will proceed as a **hybrid in-person and virtual event**. This year the event will take place downtown Toronto at [Vantage Venues](#), 150 King St W, Toronto, ON and on Zoom on Wednesday, March 23, 2022 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.



Keynote address:

Delivering through Partnership

by

**Vinay Sharda, Associate Deputy Minister, Policy, Planning & Agency Relations
Ontario Ministry of Transportation**

You can [view event agenda and speaker bios on our website](#)

[Register now](#)

In-person capacity for the event is strictly limited to a maximum of 70 persons and the York University Covid-19 Vaccination Mandate applies to all guests (<https://www.yorku.ca/bettertogether/>). Please only select in-person attendance if you are committed to doing so. A waitlist will be maintained for in-person participation, and a confirmation email will follow if your seat is confirmed or not. Virtual participants will also be able to network in smaller breakout rooms on Zoom.



This event is co-sponsored by the Association of Municipal Managers, Clerks and Treasurers of Ontario (AMCTO).

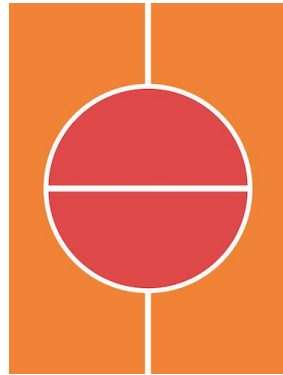
McLaughlin College Event

McLaughlin College Annual Public Policy Lecture 2022

Our Age of Anxiety and the Rule of Law

Presented by

Prof. Stephen J. Toope



Wednesday, March 9th, 2022 from 12:30pm to 2:00pm, via Zoom

[Registration](#)

Many people all around the globe feel uneasy, lost and anxious. A major contributor to our great unease is a widely perceived deficit of political legitimacy that has made it easier for populist nationalists to undermine liberal democracies. To address that anxiety we must restore belief in our collective ability to build healthier societies. We need to do two things. One is to draw upon our shared history of making progress, flawed though the contemporary reality may be and will always be. The other way is to embrace an action-oriented pragmatist ethos. That ethos is particularly important as we seek to restore belief in the rule of law. The rule of law is one of the great achievements of the modern world. Yet it is under deep threat. We need to reconstruct a rule of law for today, using our inherited intellectual resources. I propose a recalibrated and revitalized rule of law for our age of anxiety.



STEPHEN J. TOOPE OC, LL.D. is 346th Vice-Chancellor of the University of Cambridge, the first non-UK national to hold the post. He was Director of the Munk School of Global Affairs at the University of Toronto, and President, the University of British Columbia. A former Dean of Law, McGill University, Toope was also Chair of the United Nations Working Group on Enforced and Involuntary Disappearances. Toope publishes in global journals on human rights, international dispute resolution, international environmental law, the use of force, and international legal theory, and has lectured at universities around the world.

[Policy Development Officer - Toronto Public Health](#)

Reporting to the Associate Director of the Toronto Drug Strategy Secretariat, the Policy Development Officer participates as a member of a team in implementing the Toronto Overdose Action Plan, the Toronto Drug Strategy, and initiatives related to drug and alcohol policy issues.

[Manager, Public Policy - CSA Group](#)

The Manager, Public Policy forms part of the Public Policy Team, whose objective is to grow and strengthen CSA's public policy activities to increase CSA's policy impact and profile and to increase awareness of standards as a tool for policymaking with key decision-makers. They will conduct desk research, literature reviews, data analysis, and develop policy briefs that promote CSA Group's interests and broaden the organization's policy impact.

[Senior Policy Analysts \(two positions\) - Ontario Chamber of Commerce](#)

The Ontario Chamber of Commerce (OCC) is seeking two Senior Policy Analysts to help develop the public policy positions for Canada's largest provincial chamber of commerce. While both positions will be responsible for covering a range of policy issues, one will lead the OCC's health sector work and the other will be responsible for building out the OCC's climate work and launching a new Policy Council.

[Senior Manager, ONPHA Centre for Housing Excellence - Ontario Non-Profit Housing Association](#)

The Senior Manager, ONPHA's Centre for Housing Excellence is responsible for leading the day-to-day work of the team who support members through policy, advocacy, government relations, research, education and member special assistance. The Senior Manager will provide direction, planning and project management to the team.

[Government and Community Relations Assistant - York University](#)

In this role you will play a supporting role to the government and community relations initiatives in the Office of the President. You will also assist in the preparation of material to support meetings with government officials and community stakeholders, writing online content for the website, collecting data and preparing correspondence.

[Sr. Market Research Associate – HOOPP](#)

HOOPP are looking for an experienced market researcher to join the team and help them better understand their internal and external stakeholders through a wide range of tracking, exploratory and project-based studies.

[Senior Manager, Credit Union Policy - Financial Services Regulatory Authority of Ontario](#)

Accountable for managing the delivery of Credit Union Policy Unit initiatives, including those that are in support of the implementation of the new *Credit Unions and Caisses Populaires Act, 2020* and its related regulations, as well as the department's overall Credit Union strategies.

[Senior Research - Centre for Equality Rights in Accommodation](#)

Reporting to the Manager of Research, the successful candidate will lead complex, multi-stakeholder research initiatives in support of CERA's comprehensive approach to advancing the right to housing through policy-relevant research, advocacy, community engagement and government relations.



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[Advisor, Policy and Stakeholder Relations – ORION](#)

The successful applicant will require a strong understanding of government policy. They will demonstrate the ability to build effective relationships and manage these together with a broad range of internal and external stakeholders, including varying levels of government leadership.

[Policy Advisor – LCBO](#)

Reporting to the Senior Director, Corporate Affairs, you will work with internal and external partners to support LCBO policy development and assist in implementing changes to the beverage alcohol marketplace in Ontario. In addition to providing research, analysis and decision support, this position performs program administration tasks, prepares briefing materials and presentations.

[Policy Consultant – TTC](#)

Reporting to the Head, Constable Services, the Policy Consultant will lead the development and implementation of current and new policy and program initiatives for the Revenue Protection and Special Constable Services departments within the TTC.

[Head of Climate Action - C40 Cities](#)

The Head of Climate Action Implementation will report to the Regional Director for North America and work closely C40's sectoral and programme to support the region's cities in accelerating the implementation of the most impactful climate actions to radically reduce GHG emissions and to safeguard communities from climate hazards such as droughts and flooding.

[Senior Research and Policy Analyst - Greenbelt Foundation](#)

The successful applicant will work on projects including tracking Greenbelt implementation through the Municipal Comprehensive Review process and updating Greenbelt towns and villages profiles using 2021 census data. Advance progress in municipal natural asset management, including by coordinating partners and implementation of the Foundation's natural asset management strategic plan.

[National Government Relations Advisor - Canadian Mental Health Association](#)

Reporting to the National Director, Public Policy, the National Government Relations Advisor would join the National team as a staff or a consultant working full time or part-time commensurate with experience and credentials, to drive systems change in mental health at the federal level.

[Manager, Policy and Research - Skilled Trades Ontario](#)

Skilled Trades Ontario is currently seeking a Manager, Policy & Research to manage and provide leadership in the formulation and implementation of policy and research programs critical to the strategy and goals of Skilled Trades Ontario.