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This week we are pleased to present

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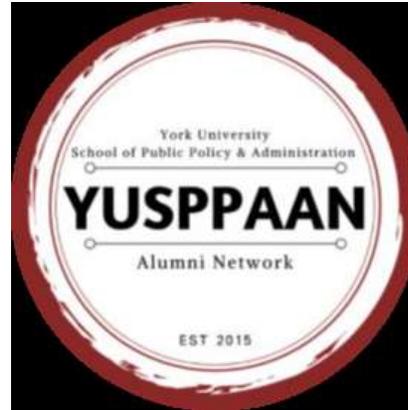
My name is Yuvraj S. Aujla, and I am a first-year student in the Bachelor of Public Administration (BPA) program. While it has only been a short time that I have had the honor of being a Lion in the BPA program at York University, being a student of this major has been an enormous learning experience thus far. All courses that are deemed mandatory by the BPA program along with the elective courses offered by the University provide great insight into how Canadian governmental institutions and international governing bodies function. My overall knowledge base has widened as the program also enabled me to learn about topics such as microeconomics and physics.

The BPA program has also aided me in my search for a suitable career to pursue in the future as the program greatly exposes all its students to the world of public policy and administration. Though I always knew that I would like to work in the public sector, it was not until I began my post-secondary education at York that I could solidly envision what that would look like. The faculty of Liberal Arts and Professional Studies, the School of Public Policy and Administration (SPPA) as well as Program Directors ensure that students are well informed about various public sector information sessions and internships.

In my short time, I have had the privilege to attend the annual Ontario Public Service breakfast where the Assistant-Deputy Minister of Ontario's Anti-Racism Directorate was the keynote speaker in addition to attending a two-day conference held by the Institute of Public Administration of Canada. Such events and aids from the University have helped alleviate some of the anxiousness that arises from trying to map out your professional life.

Currently, I have the honor of being one of six Junior Ambassadors for the [Public Policy and Administration Student Association \(PPASA\)](#), which allows me to participate in extracurriculars which have always been a great part of my schooling experience. Outside of the University, I am a member of the Canadian Army Reserves and am also a Security Guard for the William Osler Health System working at Brampton Civic Hospital. Both roles complement my degree as I not only gain valuable experience, fulfill my passions, and gain various perspectives on key public services, but stimulate my mind as to what policy changes could be made to better the lives of residents. I am also the Director of Legislative Committee for the organization Take a Stand which does policy work for the City of Brampton which are then reviewed by city officials for potential implementation.

Overall, I believe that the Bachelor of Public Administration program at York University is unparalleled by any competing universities and is a genuine developmental experience for its students. My advice for any future students is to fully engage with the events and opportunities offered by the program as they immensely enhance your university experience and open opportunities for you in the future.



Hello SPPA Community!

Are you interested in watching and cheering on the Toronto FC this summer? Do you also want to socialize and network with the School of Public Policy and Administration community (students, faculty/staff, alumni)?

The SPPA's student and alumni associations (GSAPPAL, PPASA, and YUSPPAAN) are planning a school-wide Toronto FC event. Seats will be in the 200 section with an MLSE discounted rate of \$25 per person. Family and friends are welcome!

We want to know your interest in attending one game between June and August 2022. Let us know what you think by completing this survey by **5pm on April 29, 2022** at: <https://forms.gle/3Z36arhkhF3Jdrct5>.

Further information will be provided after we review the responses.

Thank you!
GSAPPAL, PPASA & YUSPPAAN





Call for Nominations

The Institute of Public Administration of Canada (IPAC) awards recognize excellence in public service and public administration across Canada. In IPAC's 75th anniversary year, the organization seeks to identify individuals whose work exemplifies the very best in public service across Canada. **The awards will be conferred at the Annual Conference in Toronto from September 7-9, 2022.**

The **Vanier Medal** is here to stay as the country's signature award for public service, given annually to an individual with outstanding medium- to long-term service in public administration.

The IPAC Award for Innovative Management, Promising New Public Servant Award, and Public Sector Leadership & Excellence Award have been removed and revised in favour of new awards.

New awards include IPAC Awards in Public Administration Excellence across four categories: Emerging Leader, Established Leader, Innovation, and the award for Distinguished Service in Mental Health Promotion.

Our regional and academic awards, however, have remained unchanged and will continue to be distributed as standard. Find these listed below:

- **IPAC Regional Group Excellence Award**
- **J. E. Hodgetts Awards and Prix Roland Parenteau**
- **National Student and Thought Leadership Awards in Public Administration**

Please [click here](#) for more information and nomination forms for the IPAC Award and Recognition Program.

All nomination packages are due by **Friday, May 27, 2022 at 11:59 PM.**

**Global Labour Research Centre
2022 Graduate Student Symposium: Critical Conversations in Work and Labour
Call for Proposals**

The Symposium will take place on selected days from **October 11-15, 2022**.

We welcome submissions from **graduate students** and **postdoctoral fellows**, particularly on current topics in the study of work and labour. This year, we will also accept **4-5 submissions from upper-year undergraduate students from York University's Work & Labour Studies program**.

SUBMISSIONS

The Symposium accepts proposals **internationally**. Submissions are open to undergraduates, graduate students, and emerging academics.

Please submit your proposal and supporting information [here](#).

The submission deadline is **Thursday, June 30, 2022, by 11:59 pm ET**. Participants will be notified of the status of their proposal by mid-September 2022.

For more information, please contact glrc@yorku.ca

[Visit our website for more information](#)

[Senior Policy Associate, Critical Minerals and Supply Chain - Tesla](#)

The role includes a combination policy, regulatory and advocacy work. You will be part of Tesla's North American Policy Team. This role will include traditional functions such as monitoring, providing advice regarding new product development, the regulatory environment, and advocacy with government entities.

[Community Engagement and Issues Specialist - Metrolinx](#)

These staffers are a critical part of major new transit projects around the region. A typical day may involve meeting with a city councillor, responding to calls and emails from the public, strategizing about Metrolinx's communications narrative, drafting content for e-newsletters, or building relationships with non-profits in the neighbourhood.

[Community Relations and Public Affairs Lead - Safehaven Project for Community Living](#)

The Community Relations and Public Affairs Lead will report to the Director of Strategy and Systems Innovation and will promote and develop the organization's capacity to engage, nurture and scale relationships with its stakeholders, in particular government offices, community organizations, employees, clients and volunteers.

[Internships \(5 positions\) - C.D. Howe Institute](#)

IMCO Policy Research interns will have an opportunity to research and co-author C.D. Howe Institute projects, which may be published by the Institute if they meet its peer-review standards, and on which they will be expected to present toward the end of their internship. Interns will also be expected to respond, within the timelines identified, to requests for data, literature reviews, or analysis from senior research staff pertaining more generally to Institute research projects or presentations.

[Junior Policy Advisor \(Summer position\) - Retirement Homes Regulatory Authority](#)

Students will learn about policy development principles and best practices in a regulatory organization that is adjacent to government. Contribute to policy development related to seniors' issues and the retirement homes sector

[Regulatory Affairs Policy Advisor - Hydro One Networks](#)

This position will perform tasks such as conducting regulatory research to support internal policy development; coordinating drafting of individual submissions; monitoring and analyzing regulatory policy developments in Ontario and more.

[Policy Advisor - Ontario Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing](#)

Working as part of the Market Housing Policy Branch team, you will lead and/or participate in developing policy, programs and legislation/regulations in support of the government's market housing initiatives and the use and disposition of government surplus lands.

[Government Affairs Manager, Canada – Binance](#)

You will be part of a diverse global Government Affairs team, working with different cross-functional teams to identify and analyse key policy issues, developments, and market sentiment. You will be expected to partner closely with local government officials and organisations to help educate the general public.

[Consultant, Government Relations - Earncliffe Strategy Group](#)

Earncliffe Strategy Group is looking for experienced and motivated Government Relations Consultants who hold a unique balance of project management experience, writing and interpersonal skills together with strong business acumen and a proven track record working in strategic communications.

[Senior Manager, Public Affairs - Rogers Communications](#)

As the Sr Manager Public Affairs, you will bring a strategic focus and discipline to protect and advance corporate reputation, engage employees and enable business results, specifically in the areas of public policy, regulatory, and government relations

[Education Policy and Advocacy Specialist - Plan International](#)

The role will ensure Plan International becomes a recognized thought leader on education in all contexts - including development, humanitarian, and protracted crises - and will offer analysis and recommendations to both internal and external sectoral stakeholders on the global education crisis that has been brought on and exacerbated by COVID-19 and climate change.

[Manager, Poverty Reduction and Community Engagement - Region of Peel](#)

This role offers the unique opportunity to establish broad policy and program direction, implement strategic priorities; work collaboratively with stakeholders and residents to address social issues, build capacity of collaborative networks and identify key metrics that address poverty, systemic issues, and community wellbeing faced by marginalized and equity deserving groups to advance the social and economic interests of Peel's most vulnerable residents.

[Manager, Government Relations - Toyota Canada](#)

The selected candidate will build strong collaborative relationships with key government and industry stakeholders in an effort to be recognized as a trusted advisor. The candidate will make sure policy development outcomes ensure TCI operates in an environment that allows us to provide the best products to its Canadian customers.

[Communications Specialist/Executive Assistant – Stryker](#)

In this role you will be responsible for providing executive and strategic support to the VP, Managing Director by ensuring professional, timely, proactive administrative support and collaborative communications.

[Research roles - March of Dimes Canada](#)

[Research Associate](#): The position is responsible for completing and leading research, strategic initiatives, and the sharing of knowledge within MODC.

[Research Coordinator](#): The position is responsible for supporting research, strategic initiatives, and the sharing of knowledge within MODC.

[Research Assistant](#): the Research Assistant will play a key role in facilitating the conduct of research and knowledge translation activities related to the strategic priorities outlined in MODC's strategic plan, Champion Equity, Empower Ability.

[Senior Advisor, Regulatory Affairs - Nuclear Waste Management Organization](#)

Reporting to the Manager, Regulatory Affairs, the successful candidate will be a member of a dedicated team responsible for the impact assessment and CNSC license for a deep underground geological repository. This position will provide leadership and direction in the development and implementation of processes that will enable the NWMO to receive and maintain all required permissions and approvals from the government departments and ministries (Federal and Provincial) and that will enhance regulatory certainty, compliance and efficiency.

[Constituency Assistant – Office of Michael Coteau, Member of Parliament for Don Valley East](#)

Reporting to the Member of Parliament, the constituency assistant provides casework, executive and administrative support services. Operationally speaking, the position is key in helping to advance and facilitate the Member's main objectives and priorities through outreach, communications, event planning and other strategic activities. This is a full-time contract position. Applicants should have experience working in an office setting providing reception or administrative support and post-secondary education from a recognized institution, or an acceptable combination of education, training and relevant experience. To apply, please submit your cover letter, resume, and salary expectation. For further information, contact michael.coteau@parl.gc.ca

[Virtual hiring event: work at Vaughan's community centres!](#)

There's a lot to love about a part-time job at Vaughan's [community centres](#) – and [we're hiring!](#)

Meet with the [Recreation Services](#) team during our virtual hiring event on **Saturday, May 7 from 9am to 5pm.**

Interviews will be held for the following positions:

[Camp Specialists](#) & [Program Specialists](#): Art, Basketball, Dance, Gymnastics, Badminton, Tennis, Sports

[Community Day Program Assistant](#)

[Integration Counsellor](#)

Fifty 20-minute interviews will be conducted online. To be considered for an interview, email your resume to recjobs@vaughan.ca by **Wednesday, May 4 at 11:59pm.**

Title the SUBJECT of the email 'Virtual Hiring Event' followed by the name of the position you'd like to be interviewed for. e.g., SUBJECT: Virtual Hiring Event: Recreation Attendant.

Selected candidates will be contacted to arrange an interview time and be emailed a virtual meeting link.

Please visit vaughan.ca/RecJobs for more information about the job opportunities available.



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