



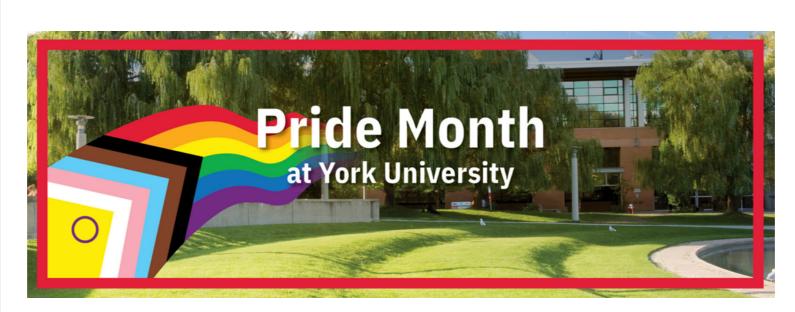






# YORK U ALUMNI NEWS

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### Join us in celebrating Pride Month at York

This Pride Month, York is proud to celebrate the contributions, ongoing accomplishments, and activism of the 2SLGBTQIA+ community. Learn about the work, research and events that are occurring during the month, and join in person or virtually using the hashtags #YUPride or #PrideMonth! Happy Pride! Read more.



#### **National Indigenous History** Month celebrates history,

cultural traditions It is a time to learn from and engage with Indigenous peoples, cultures, languages, and the ways in which they have shaped Canada. Read more.



#### York U to confer eight honorary degrees during **Spring Convocation**

Throughout the 2024 Spring Convocation ceremonies, running from June 7 to 21, York University will confer honorary degrees to eight individuals in recognition of their contributions to community building, advocacy for social justice and philanthropy. Read more.



#### **Graduands to cross stage** for 2024 Spring

**Convocation in June** 

Between June 7 and 21, more than 7000 graduating students will put on their finest regalia and participate in the time-honoured tradition of celebrating years of academic hard work when York University's 2024 **Spring Convocation gets** underway. Read more.



### Mattering must be central in youth suicide prevention

With rising suicide rates and evidence pilling up on dangers of excessive social-media use, York researcher in mattering and 'anti-mattering,' says letting adolescents know they matter is more important than ever. Read more.



#### Lassonde student turns space aspirations into a career reality

Fourth-year mechanical engineering student Rehan Rashid, in York University's Lassonde School of Engineering, always dreamed of working at NASA – the ultimate goal of every space enthusiast. He's already done so three times now, thanks to internships and his time at York. Read more.



# PhD candidate, Sam

**Skinner '19 Heads to World** Championship

In a remarkable tale of dedication and discipline, Sam Skinner has achieved what many might consider the pinnacle of dual careers in both law and sport. Beginning their journey into Muay Thai kickboxing in September 2016, the same month they embarked on JD program at Osgoode Hall Law School, they have now been invited to join Team Canada at the prestigious IFMA World Championship tournament in Greece. Read more.



#### York alumnus helps Ghana farmers flourish

Moustapha Seck (BEng '20), an electrical and electronic engineering graduate from York University's Lassonde School of Engineering, has created a company in Ghana that provides loans, market access and guidance to small-scale farmers in



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**National Bank Open** Tennis fans, it's that time of year! Mark August 4-12 in your calendars. Purchase tickets today.

# **ALUMNI EVENTS**



June 11 | 6 p.m. ET | York U Alumni Mixer in Hamilton Reconnect with other alumni and expand your professional network at our upcoming alumni mixer

June 12 | 12:00 p.m. ET | Scholars' Hub @ Home | Queer



**Representation in Comics and Graphic Novels** Featuring Jonathan Warren, Associate Professor, English Department, Faculty of Liberal Arts & Professional Studies and Dr. Alison Halsall, Associate Professor, Department of Humanities, Faculty of Liberal Arts & **Professional Studies** 



June 26 | 12 p.m. ET | Scholars' Hub @ Home | Partnerships for Safe and Sustainable Transportation Featuring Alison Macpherson, Professor, School of Kinesiology and

Health Science, Faculty of Health