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Ontario's Ethical Framework and Public Service in Turbulent Times

Presented by Derek Lett

Bachelor of Arts in Public Policy & Administration, Class of 1991

Wednesday, November 13, 2019

12:00pm-1:30pm

140 McLaughlin College, Senior Common Room



It is often said that the only constant is change. This is true both locally and globally as governments struggle to offer stable leadership in the face of rapid demographic, economic, technological, ecological and cultural shifts that societies are experiencing. This presentation will examine Ontario's public sector ethics framework as it applies to provincial public servants and elected officials and explain how the public service values of professionalism, integrity and neutrality can be helpful to public servants, and aspiring public servants, as useful guides in navigating these turbulent times.

Derek Lett has worked in the Ontario Public Service for the past 27 years. He is currently the Director of Operations, Outreach and Education in the Office of the Integrity Commissioner, an independent Office of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario. Mr. Lett holds a Specialized Honours B.A. in Public Policy and Administration from York University, a Masters in Public Administration from Queen's University, a Certificate in Change Management from Rotman School of Management, University of Toronto, and a Certificate in Alternative Dispute Resolution from the Faculty of Law, University of Windsor. He is the recipient of the Ministry of the Attorney General's Prix Excelsior Award for "professionalism, exceptional dedication and commitment to public service in Ontario" as well as the Alumni Recognition Award and the Practicum Award from York University's School of Public Policy and Administration.



McLAUGHLIN COLLEGE

Ethics: My Beliefs from Life and Learning

Presented by Ian MacDonald

President Emeritus, York University

Thursday, November 14, 2019

from Noon to 1:30 pm

140 McLaughlin College, Senior Common Room



Ian Macdonald will reflect on practical issues and dilemmas that he has faced over the course of sixty-two years as an academic, deputy minister in the Ontario Government, university president, corporate director, and volunteer in the not-for-profit world.

IAN MACDONALD is President Emeritus (York); Professor Emeritus of Economics and Public Policy; Former Director of the Master of Public Administration Program (Schulich). Ian was President of York University from 1974 to 1984. He is a graduate of the University of Toronto and Oxford University (Rhodes Scholar at Balliol College). He is former Chief Economist of Ontario and Deputy Treasurer of Ontario and Deputy Minister of Treasury, Economics, and Intergovernmental Affairs. From 1994 to 2003, he was the Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Commonwealth of Learning; He is a Fellow of McLaughlin College and a past Director of a number of international academic organizations. In 1977, Ian was made an Officer of the Order of Canada. He was awarded the 125th Anniversary of the Confederation of Canada Medal, the Queen Elizabeth II Silver, Gold, and Diamond Jubilee Medals, and the Canadian Centennial Medal. Ian was the winner of the Vanier Medal for public service and is a recipient of a variety of honorary degrees in Canada and abroad. He is also former Chair of Hockey Canada.

IPAC Ontario's Lieutenant Governor's Medal of Distinction in Public Administration

The Southwest, National Capital Region and Toronto Regional Groups are honoured to partner with the Office of the Lieutenant Governor of Ontario each year to recognize excellence in public administration in Ontario.

The Lieutenant Governor's Medal of Distinction in Public Administration is considered Ontario's highest honour for public service. It is presented annually by the Lieutenant Governor to an individual who has displayed dedication, commitment, and leadership in the field of public administration in Ontario. Current or former practitioners from any level of government and public sector agencies, boards and commissions in Ontario, teachers or students of public administration are eligible for nomination.

The process to select the Medal recipient is a serious undertaking that is administered with care and professionalism. It is also a time for celebration - public service is an honourable and vital calling that is not appropriately recognized. We hope you agree. The integrity of the Medal and the honour that it brings depends on the ongoing support for the process.

We need your help.

You can:

- Nominate suitable candidates for the Medal,
- Celebrate the achievements of the Medal recipients, and
- Learn from and build on the traditions of strong public administration in Ontario as evidenced through the Lieutenant Governor's Medal of Distinction in Public Administration.

Please join us in our work to recognize excellence in public administration in Ontario. **Nominations can be submitted by members and non-members of IPAC. Self-nominations will also be accepted.**

The Ontario Groups of IPAC will **receive nominations** for the 2019 Lieutenant Governor's Medal of Distinction in Public Administration **until January 31, 2020.**

For further information, please visit the [IPAC website](#).

Call for Papers: Mobilizing Justice Conference

This is the first call for submissions to **Mobilizing Justice: Interdisciplinary Perspectives on Law, Crime, Justice and Mobilities, May 11th to 13th, 2020** - hosted by the **Centre for Interdisciplinary Justice Studies (CIJS)**, at The University of Winnipeg.

Theme: Mobilizing Justice will offer a venue for scholars in the social sciences, humanities, legal studies and other fields to critically examine how issues of law, crime and justice intersect with issues of mobility, and how justice is mobilized through individual and collective action. The field of interdisciplinary justice studies has much to offer and much to learn from mobilities paradigms. The current historical moment is a time of exceptionally mobile information and capital, forced migration due to war and climate crisis, punitive restrictions on the movement of people across borders, and movement of people inside borders. The mobilizations of resistance to these injustices provide an urgent context for grappling with questions of justice and mobility on multiple scales. Mobilizing Justice will bring interdisciplinary scholars of law, crime and justice together with community activists and professionals for a critical dialog on a wide range of issues related to movement, mobilities and the mobilization of justice.

In addition to proposals that directly address the conference theme, we also welcome individual papers and thematic sessions that engage more generally with the critical study of crime, law, order, and social justice.

Featured Keynote Speakers:

Additional featured speakers and topics will be announced when confirmed.

Jeff Ferrell, Sociology, Texas Christian University and Visiting Professor of Criminology, University of Kent - **Drift: Illicit Mobility, Alternative Activism, Uncertain Knowledge**

Laverne Jacobs, Law, University of Windsor - **Mobilizing Justice from Lived Experiences of Disability: Contemplating Disability Epistemologies**

Submission Procedures: Proposals for papers, panels, or other submissions must be submitted electronically and will be accepted on a rolling basis until **March 31, 2020**. Proposals should be sent by e-mail to: CIJS@uwinnipeg.ca.

For further information and additional conference details, please contact Steven Kohm at (204) 786-9102 or s.kohm@uwinnipeg.ca and visit the [CIJS website](#).

Keele and Glendon Remembrance Day ceremonies planned for Monday, Nov. 11



Faculty, staff and students are invited to attend York University's Remembrance Day ceremonies on Monday, Nov. 11.

The Keele Campus ceremony will take place in the Harry W. Arthurs Common from 10:30 to 11:15 a.m. Community members are asked to gather in the Vari Hall Rotunda at 10:15 a.m. before proceeding out to the flagpole at 10:30 a.m.

The Glendon Campus ceremony will take place from 10:45 to 11:15 a.m. at the Glendon flagpole.

The 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month marks the signing of the armistice – on Nov. 11, 1918 – that ended the First World War.

At 11 a.m. that day, the guns on the Western Front fell silent after more than four years of continuous warfare.

Remembrance Day honours the men and women who were killed during the two world wars and other conflicts. Previously known as Armistice Day, it was renamed Remembrance Day after the Second World War.

To view the full Y-File article, [click here](#).

Career Centre News - November 2019

The Career Centre is pleased to provide you with our calendar of activities for November 2019. Please view our [online calendar](#) for details and registration.

Did you know the Career Centre can help **support students participating in classroom or community based experiential education**? If you are an EE Coordinator or a Professor with an EE course component, the Career Centre can deliver workshops and activities to help your students determine which skills they would like to develop during their experience, reflect on their experience afterwards, and much more!

We are offering several workshops and webinars this month, including:

- **Resume & Cover Letter Writing Group Activity Session** Friday November 8 from 11am-1pm and Friday November 22 from 11am-1:30pm
- **Interview Preparation Group Activity Session** Monday November 11 from 10am-12pm
- **Job Search & Networking Strategies Workshop** Wednesday November 13 from 10am-12pm
- **Suit Yourself: Personality and Career Choice Workshop** Thursday November 14 from 9:30am-12pm
- **You've Got Skills & Self Reflection Workshop** Monday November 18 from 10am-12pm
- **How to Effectively Use LinkedIn** Tuesday November 19 from 10am-12pm
- **On the Job Success Webinar** Monday November 25 from 2-4pm
- **Ways to Make Money while Studying Webinar** Tuesday November 26 from 10am-12pm
- **Who am I? Self Assessment Game** Wednesday November 27 from 1-4pm

Students are encouraged to register for these workshops, webinars and other activities through [Experience York](#) (the Career Centre's online job posting and registration system).

Students are invited to drop by the [Career Lounge](#) to meet with a Career Peer Educator about their job search, resume and cover letter writing, referrals and support for career exploration, connecting with employers and so much more.

No appointment is necessary!

For further information, please visit the [Career Centre website](#).

Volunteer for the 2019 York Cares United Way Campaign



Volunteers are needed! The York Cares United Way Campaign Committee is currently seeking volunteers to join York University's 2019 campaign.

The United Way of Greater Toronto is a local catalyst of social change, with more than 200 organizations receiving its funding. These are organizations that provide critical programming and services to adults, youth and children across the region, including the York University community.

The United Way is a partner of York University. York's students are regularly placed in United Way-funded agencies to complete experiential portions of their programs. The University continues to engage in important social research that informs the priority-setting of the United Way.

This year, the York Cares United Way Campaign will launch in November, and it needs volunteers to help support inter-Faculty activities, represent the campaign by encouraging participation, and support the annual pancake breakfast and other events such as the auction.

If you are interested in sharing your time for this worthy cause, contact yucares@yorku.ca.

To view the full Y-File article, [click here](#).

York University – York Cares United Way Campaign

POVERTY ISN'T LETTING UP IN THE GTA. NEITHER ARE WE.



There are many reasons to love our community. **York University partners with [United Way Greater Toronto](#) because we believe in supporting the communities in which we live, study and work.** Our goal is to raise \$180,000 and we hope you can help.

Unfortunately, our community faces growing challenges, like youth unemployment, homelessness and poverty. More than **850,000** people are living on low incomes across Peel, Toronto and York Region. In Toronto, **1 in 4** children live in a low-income family. The GTA is the child poverty, housing unaffordability and income - inequality capital of Canada. Given the harm that these issues bring to our friends, neighbours and fellow community members, we can't ignore them any longer. **Tens of thousands of individuals are struggling to find a path out of poverty—but you can help.** By showing your local love and donating to United Way, you'll power our network of **270** community agencies in neighbourhoods across the GTA and make local issues like homelessness and child poverty #UNIGNORABLE. Your support will help people when, and where, they need it most— changing lives today and tomorrow.

Make Your Donation Today

PS. A gift in any amount makes a big difference. To make an even bigger impact, The [Alice and Grant Burton Challenge Gift](#) is matching all new Leadership donations (\$1,200+), or increases to Leadership donations, that directly support United Way Greater Toronto.

For further information about the United Way Greater Toronto and to make a donation, please visit: <https://www.unitedwaygt.org/tower>

[2020-2021 International Youth Fellowship Program - AGA Khan Foundation Canada](#)

AKFC is searching for individuals who can demonstrate a commitment to international development, are driven by the desire to make a meaningful change in the world, and are ready to apply their skills and experience to a challenging overseas internship.

The program offers extraordinary **training** and an **eight-month overseas placement to recent university graduates and young professionals** between the ages of 18 and 30.

The program this year includes two streams: **International Development Management (IDM)** and **International Microfinance and Microenterprise (IMM)**. With fellowship positions in fields as diverse as early childhood education, enterprise development, and gender analysis and integration, the program is an exceptional opportunity for students from a variety of disciplines.

Application deadline: January 31, 2020. [APPLY NOW](#).

In the last 30 years, over 500 young Canadians have participated in AKFC's **International Youth Fellowship Program** – an extraordinary opportunity to become a leader in global development.

This prestigious Fellowship is a launching pad for diverse careers in the government, non-profit, media and finance sectors. It offers a training program and an eight-month overseas placement to recent university graduates and young professionals under 30.

[Learn more](#) and [download the International Youth Fellowship brochure](#).

Celebrate 30 years of the AKFC International Youth Fellowship program by [walking a mile in the shoes](#) of five former Fellows. Their stories offer an understanding of the positive impacts this transformative experience has on the lives of participants and the communities where they work.

[Policy Development Officer \(2 openings!\), Shelter Support and Housing Administration - City of Toronto](#)

Reporting to the Manager, Strategic Policy and Service Planning or Manager, Housing Stability Services, the Policy Development Officer has varying responsibilities including developing strategic and operational policies; strategies and program evaluations for the housing and homelessness service delivery system; leading stakeholder engagement; supporting training and communication activities directed at service providers.

[Assistant Deputy Minister, Operations Division - Ministry of Labour, Training and Skills Development](#)

The Operations Division is looking for an Assistant Deputy Minister who can deliver on this mission by delivering programs and services specific to Occupational Health and Safety, Employment Practices and Job Protection and is committed to innovative, progressive compliance approaches in pursuit of improved occupational health and safety and fair employment practices in Ontario's workplaces.

[Contract Lecturer - Department of Politics and Public Administration, Ryerson University](#)

Ryerson is looking for seasoned pros to lecture on subjects including "Women, Power and Politics", "Ontario Politics and Government", and "Urban Sustainability Policy".

[Manager, Strategic Initiatives - Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario \(AGCO\)](#)

The Strategy & Policy Division is seeking a policy professional to lead policy initiatives and provide advice and support to the Executive Committee and senior management on a wide range of regulatory policy issues affecting the sectors regulated by the AGCO (cannabis, alcohol, gaming, and horse racing), with a primary focus on the cannabis sector. Reporting to the Director, Strategic Policy & Planning, Policy and Planning Branch, you will lead cross-functional teams in a collaborative manner to develop innovative regulatory approaches, liaise with external stakeholders to ensure support and gain policy insights, and evaluate existing programs. You will prioritize project initiatives and requirements to meet project timelines and ensure ongoing alignment and integration with the AGCO's regulatory approach and governmental priorities.

[Chief Executive Officer – Dying with Dignity Canada](#)

Dying With Dignity Canada is seeking a dynamic Chief Executive Officer (CEO) who is passionate about human rights to lead the national charitable organization. Headquartered in Toronto, the CEO will lead mission-based activities to advocate for, educate about, and support choice in end-of-life care and dying for people across Canada. The Board is seeking an experienced non-profit sector senior leader with the required skills, knowledge and mindset to deliver on key priority areas. The CEO will work collaboratively and effectively with the Board, a dedicated staff team of 13, and volunteer Chapter leaders in key Canadian communities.

[Corporate Affairs Coordinator - 48North](#)

In this role, your time will be split between communications and government relations, with responsibilities that include: monitoring, identifying and analyzing public policy, regulatory, and political developments, issues, and trends relevant to 48North; supporting the management of 48North's relationships with governments and regulators at a both political and civil service level and supporting with proactive efforts to ensure 48North is cultivating the right relationships; and supporting 48North's advocacy and thought leadership efforts.

[Research Coordinator - Mental Health Research Canada](#)

Mental Health Research Canada is a national charity dedicated to improving the lives of Canadians living with mental illness, their families and caregivers, by advancing impact-focused mental health research through collaborations and partnerships. In this role, you would plan and coordinate the elements of research study protocol, and the management of operating policies and procedures; promote research capacity building among community-based groups, corporate organizations and the education sector; monitor the progress of research activities; and effectively manages relationships with organizational research partners.



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