

## Welcome to FPA Voices Message from our Dean

One year ago, we sent you our very first issue of *FPA Voices*.

We began this magazine because we wanted to let you know about some of the fantastic people who work, study and who are alumni of the Faculty of Public Affairs.

We've met faculty members who are tracking the rise of Canadian political leaders, the frustrations of the Russian majority, and the struggles of women miners in Africa.

We've highlighted graduate students who are conducting research in places like Tunisia, Brazil, Kyrgyzstan, and here at home.

And we've shared the stories of some of our most promising undergraduates as well as the successes of our alumni.

Now, as we begin the new year, we are focusing on the future of FPA and Carleton University as a whole.

As part of *Collaborate*, Carleton University's most ambitious fundraising campaign ever, we are dedicating this issue of *FPA Voices* to some of the important projects we're hoping to nurture in the coming year.

Many of these projects involve greater support for the essential research conducted within the Faculty of Public Affairs—research that addresses regional and global challenges and contributes to the development of informed citizenship.

This knowledge is cultivated through the important work of our faculty members

who conduct nationally and internationally recognized research, publish books and journal articles, and speak publicly about their findings on society's most pressing issues.

To assist them in these endeavours, FPA plans to create annual **FPA Faculty Fellowships** that will enable professors to expand their research and teaching expertise. In addition, we plan to establish an endowed **Academic Research Chair** dedicated to the study of environmental sustainability.

We also believe strongly in nurturing the next generation of leaders in every sector of our society. Our Master's students are already making significant contributions to the public discourse through their research and work in their respective fields. We hope to support them through the creation of an **FPA Master's Fund**.

The Faculty is also dedicated to enriching the undergraduate experience by encouraging our students to study and volunteer abroad. These international experiences broaden our students' understanding of the world and we have pledged to support them through our **FPA International Experience Fund**.

Lastly, we continue our commitment to "bringing Public Affairs to the public and the public to Public Affairs" through our many events, which are supported by alumni and friends of our Faculty who believe in the importance of a public discussion about society's most pressing

This includes our annual **FPA Currents** lecture, which brings prominent speakers to the Carleton

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campus to address central themes in politics, policy, journalism and current affairs.

In 2017, FPA will also host a special twoday conference entitled **Visions for Canada, 2042** to celebrate Carleton's 75th anniversary and Canada's 150th anniversary.

This is in keeping with the theme of Carleton University's *Collaborate* campaign, which offers an opportunity to collaborate with us as we "do good" in service to our community and beyond.

So if you'd like to help us at FPA fulfill our mission to build better societies and better democracy, foster informed citizenship, and help prepare our future leaders, I encourage you to lend us a hand in this campaign.

And when you are in the Ottawa area, please know that you are always welcome at our many events on the Carleton campus. I hope to see you there.

All the best in the New Year,



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André Plourde Dean, Faculty of Public Affairs Carleton University COLLABORATE
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## FPA International Experience Fund

#### **Expanding Hearts and Minds**

According to fourth-year Political Science student Lauren Kteily, signing up for Alternative Spring Break was one of the best decisions she made in university.

Alternative Spring Break, or "ASB", is an extraordinary service-learning initiative that sends dozens of students to communities around the world to take part in a service project.

For Lauren, her ASB experience began in 2014 when she helped to rebuild a home devastated by Hurricane Katrina in New Orleans.

A year later, she travelled to Nicaragua, where she was part of a group of Carleton students who upgraded a village school and offered English lessons.

"It was incredible. I fell in love with these communities," recalls Kteily. "This experience encouraged me to pursue a career in human rights, working for an NGO. It was totally life-changing."





"It was such a great experience to go into a community where you are the minority and you aren't coming to take charge, but to share knowledge," says Maddison. "Working in an office with Malawians helped shape my belief that you have to learn from multiple

Maddison says she draws on these experiences in her current job with Youth Fusion, an organization that works to lower school dropout rates in Cree and Inuit communities.

Kaylee
Maddison and Lauren
Kteily were responsible for covering
their cost for these trips, with some financial
assistance from their academic units and the Faculty of Public
Affairs. There are no luxury accommodations: students typically bring their
sleeping bags and are often sleeping on the floor.

They are among the many students who reflect FPA's mission to prepare graduates to address regional and global challenges and help build better societies at home and abroad.

Visit the Future Funder website.

viewpoints."

### FPA Master's Fund

**Supporting Academic Discovery** 



As a Master's student in the Norman Paterson School of International Affairs (NPSIA), Ehren Edwards is studying the geopolitical challenges facing the Arctic — an increasingly accessible, yet fragile, northern region.

"Given our position and potential in the Arctic, it's important for Canadians to begin to self-identify as an Arctic state, not merely as a northern one," says Edwards. "Failure to grasp our role in the Arctic will be to the detriment of our national interest and to establishing best practices more globally."

Edwards hopes to gain first-hand experience as a student researcher in the Arctic, where he can learn more about the effects of the dramatic change underway. But he says the costs are prohibitive.

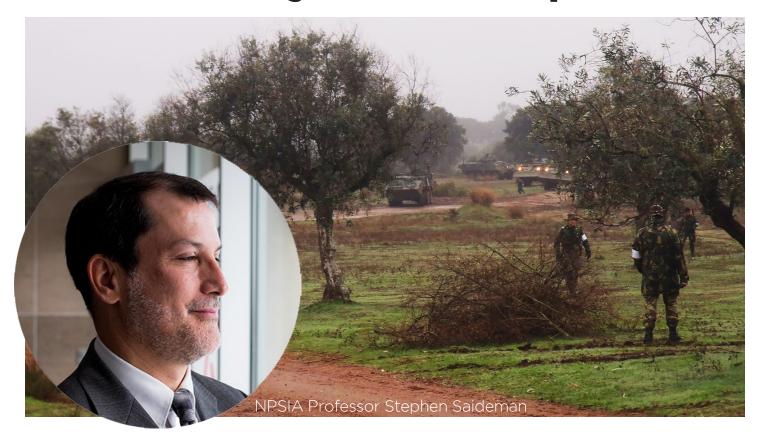
"My plan is to interview the people in remote communities who are witnessing this firsthand," says Edwards. "But the travel expenses and the cost of living in the North are daunting."

Edwards says a scholarship fund for Master's students would make it possible for him, and other Master's students, to conduct research, take internships, and pursue writing projects in places of the world that are difficult to reach.

"There is great value in learning what impact northern development efforts have had on these communities and what insights can be offered by the military, government, and research personnel," says Edwards.



## **FPA Faculty Fellowships**



Whether they're in Africa, Central America, or Canada, FPA researchers are collecting data and drawing conclusions that often have a significant impact on society.

But much of the research funding they receive is narrowly defined, which can make it challenging for them to engage in a comprehensive research project.

That's why the Faculty of Public Affairs is seeking to create Faculty Fellowships that will support our researchers as they produce and share their important findings.

Professor Stephen Saideman, the Norman Paterson Chair in International Affairs, has appreciated the assistance such a fellowship can provide. "I recently attended a NATO military exercise in Portugal," explains Saideman, a NATO scholar in the Norman Paterson School of International Affairs. "We were standing in the middle of a staged battle and I was the only academic there. Others were invited, but my fellowship enabled me to make the trip and interview the next generation of NATO officers."

Saideman adds the additional support can contribute to the hiring of research assistants, translating book manuscripts and attending research conferences.

All of these efforts contribute to FPA's mission to foster better democracy, better societies and informed citizenship.

#### Trailblazers in Philanthropy

As Carleton University launches its Collaborate fundraising campaign, we're fortunate to have the knowledge and experience embodied in our Master of Philanthropy and Nonprofit Leadership program close by.

The MPNL program, as we call it, is the first of its kind in Canada and is known for preparing the next generation of leaders in philanthropy and nonprofit organizations.

"As soon as we introduced it, it was fully subscribed," says Professor Susan Phillips, who started the program in the School of Public Policy and Administration (SPPA) in 2013. "Now, it's building leadership capacity and changing practice in a growing field."

The program focuses on evaluation in terms of impact measurement, governance and leadership, organizational development, and finance.



To learn more about our Master of Philanthropy and Nonprofit Leadership program, please visit the MPNL website.

#### Visions for Canada, 2042

In 2017, Canada will celebrate the 150th anniversary of Confederation and Carleton University will celebrate its 75th birthday. In commemoration of both of these events, the Faculty of Public Affairs is planning a special two-day conference in which FPA faculty members and others will be invited to imagine a future Canada—the Canada of 2042. The symposium will ask participants to discuss and debate their visions of what Canada will be like when Carleton turns 100.

#### **Academic Research Chair**

The challenges posed by our changing environment demand the utmost collaboration among our fields of study, industry, government, and civil society.

Here at the Faculty of Public Affairs, collaboration is an integral part of our work as we join together to address society's greatest challenges.

Our Academic Research Chair will be established to lead those collaborations, with a particular focus on environmental sustainability.

#### **FPA Currents**

Each September, FPA invites a distinguished guest to deliver a public lecture that offers a critical assessment of global society, governance, and the media.

Entitled *FPA Currents*, this highly popular event has featured Lyse Doucet, the BBC's chief international correspondent; Naheed Nenshi, the mayor of Calgary; and senior researcher and TVO host Allan Gregg.









# EU, NAFTA, MERCOSUR: How Legitimate are Regional Institutions?

Thursday, 21 January 2015 5:30 – 7:00 p.m. Pressed 750 Gladstone Ave. Ottawa

Author Meets Readers: an informal discussion on the latest research and books emerging from Carleton's Faculty of Public Affairs.

Everyone is invited to join the discussion on today's most pressing issues and challenges.

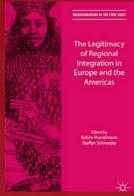


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**About the Book:** 

The Legitimacy of Regional Integration in Europe and the Americas brings together specialists of regionalism in Europe, North America and South America who demonstrate that the societal legitimacy of regional governance deserves attention because it affects the development - and relative success - of regional integration projects.







Join us as we explore new frontiers and innovative solutions during FPA Research Month, an event series that includes public lectures, research symposiums, panel discussions, and the best of graduate and undergraduate student research.

FPA Research Month takes place from February 24 to March 24, 2016. Highlights include the 2016 Bell Lecture on March 1st featuring the Honourable Kevin G. Lynch, former Clerk of the Privy Council, whose lecture is entitled "Can Canada Become an Innovation Nation—and Why Does it Matter?"

In addition, the FPA Research Month Closing Panel on March 24th will feature Kevin Page, the former Parliamentary Budget Officer, and Munir Sheikh, the former Chief Statistician of Canada, speaking with FPA Faculty on "A New Era of Information in Decision Making".

Learn about upcoming events during Research Month.





## Events

**Economics:** Departmental Seminar Series. **Several dates | More information here** 

**Social Work:** "Inspiration: Finding Hope and Promise in Nunavut" seminar with Mark Arnold and Michael Mulroney.

January 12 | More information here

**NPSIA:** "Upstream and Downstream Approaches to the Syrian Refugee Crisis" with Dominik Stillhart from the International Committee of the Red Cross.

January 12 | Contact karen.howard@ carleton.ca for more information

**Political Science:** "Unpacking Learning/ Volunteer Abroad Programs: Rationales for Participation in the Context of International Development Debates".

January 14 | More information here

Political Science: "Big Tent Politics: A Conversation with R. Kenneth Carty" with Globe and Mail columnist Lawrence Martin.

January 18 | More information here

**FPA:** "EU, NAFTA, MERCOSUR: How Legitimate are Regional Institutions?" Author Meets Readers featuring Achim Hurrelmann, Director of the Institute of European, Russian and Eurasian Studies (EURUS).

January 21 | More information here

Political Science: "Turkey in the Middle East, the Middle East in Turkey: State, Power, Identity in Global Turmoil" with Fuat Keyman, Professor of International Relations, Sabancı University / Istanbul.

January 26 | More information here



**African Studies:** "From a Constitutional to a Political Crisis in Burundi: Context and Impact in Burundi and Beyond" with Pacifique Manirakiza, Associate Professor, University of Ottawa.

January 27 | More information here

**EURUS:** "Democracy in Europe: At Risk in the Eurozone Crisis?" with Vivien Schmidt of Boston University.

January 28 | More information here

**NPSIA**: "2016 CFPJ Trudeau's First 100 Days in Office".

February 1 | Contact karen.howard@ carleton.ca for more information

**Journalism:** Kesterton Lecture: "Spotlight on Journalism" with Martin Baron, executive editor of The Washington Post.

February 3 | More information here

**Political Science:** "Reconciliation, Victimhood, and Accountability in Canada's Culture of Redress" with Matt James of the University of Victoria.

February 4 | More information here

**NPSIA:** Ambassadors Speakers Series with Russian Ambassador Alexander N. Darchiev.

February 8 | Contact karen.howard@carleton.ca for more information



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