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# Student Profiles

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# Master of Public Policy Class of 2017

The goal of the Master of Public Policy program is to train policy professionals who will find leadership positions in government, private and not-for-profit sectors.

# Jessie Arthur

**Hometown:**

Calgary, AB

**Educational Background:**

- MSc, Geophysics, University of Calgary
- BSc (Industrial Internship Program), Geophysics, University of Alberta, 2003

**Work/Volunteer Experience:**

- Geophysicist, ConocoPhillips, 2013-2015
- Seismic Processor & Reservoir Geoscientist, CGGVeritas, 2007-2010
- Jr Geophysicist, EBA Engineering Consulting, 2004-2007
- Helitack Wildfire Crew Member (Seasonal), Province of Alberta, 2000-2004

**Direction of Capstone:**

Geothermal energy policy development in Alberta and public consultation process of the national energy regulator.

# Kirsten Boda

**Hometown:**

Salem, Oregon

**Educational Background:**

- BA, Behavioural Sciences, Ambrose University

**Work/Volunteer Experience:**

- Aftercare Housing Caseworker, The Mustard Seed, 2015-2016
- Member of Behavioural Sciences Program/Canadian Poverty Institute Advisory Board, Ambrose University, 2014-2016
- Volunteer at Distress Centre Calgary, 2013-2014

**Direction of Capstone**

An evaluation of the costs of social isolation on funding to subsidized housing programs in Calgary; the impact of government subsidized child care in Alberta on the poverty rates of families with young children.

# Andrea Boras

**Hometown:**

Calgary, AB

**Educational Background:**

- BA, Political Science, University of Alberta

**Work/Volunteer Experience:**

- Bilingual Flight Attendant, West Jet Airlines, 2012- current
- Junior Research Analyst, Rainmaker Global Business Development, Jan 2016- Aug 2016
- Precision Drilling Corp. Accounts Payable and Vendor Support, 2010 - 2011
- Vice President of Finance, University of Alberta Athletics Board (UAB), 2010-2012

**Direction of Capstone:**

Government and stakeholder relations and the interface between public policy decisions/business as it relates to economic development projects in Canada.

# Sara Brooks

**Hometown:**

Calgary, AB

**Educational Background:**

- BA, Philosophy, University of Calgary

**Work/Volunteer Experience:**

- Social Media Manager, Calgary PartySafe, Calgary, 2014-2016
- Peer Counselor, The Sanctuary at Shambhala Music Festival, 2012-2013

**Direction of Capstone:**

Health and social policy with a specific focus on harm reduction and drug policy reform.

# Schenley Brown

**Hometown:**

Oakville, ON

**Educational Background:**

- BJ (President's List), Major in Print & Investigative, University of King's College
- BMgmt (Honours), Major in Public Administration, Dalhousie University

**Work/Volunteer Experience:**

- Account Manager, Corus Entertainment, Barrie, ON 2012-2016
- Public Relations Coordinator, Barrie & District Christmas Cheer, Barrie, ON, 2013 - 2015
- Volunteer, Christmas Food Drive, Barrie Food Bank, Barrie, ON, 2012 - 2015
- Research Assistant, Dept. of Investigative Journalism, University of King's College, Halifax, NS, 2011

**Direction of Capstone**

Drug and health product approval, and regulation in Canada.

# Isabel Cabrera

**Hometown:**

Saint Petersburg, Russia

**Educational Background:**

- BA, Law, Universidad Autonoma de Santo Domingo (UASD)

**Work/Volunteer Experience:**

- International and inter-institutional relations coordinator, Foundation for the Access to Justice, Legal Education, and Entrepreneurship (FUNAJEEL), 2013-2015
- Sectorial Support for Industries, SMEs and Free Economic Zones, National Competitiveness Council (CNC), 2011-2012

**Direction of Capstone:**

Analysis of policies that encourage the economic diversification of Alberta through the development of renewable energy.

# Jonah Cooper

**Hometown:**

Liberia

**Educational Background:**

- MEDI, University of Waterloo
- BCom, Grant MacEwan University

**Work/Volunteer Experience:**

- Economic Development Officer, Akisqnuq First Nation, BC 2015-2016
- Economic Development Analyst, Aboriginal Affairs Canada, 2012-2013
- Volunteer, Liberian Friendship Society of Canada, 2010-2012

**Direction of Capstone**

Examination of the policy impacts of city charters with respect to the municipal and provincial fiscal relationships.

# Glecy Cuenco

**Hometown:**

Calgary, AB

**Educational Background:**

- BSc in Social Work, University of the Philippines (cum laude)
- Diploma in Social Development, Coady International Institute, St. Francis Xavier University

**Work/Volunteer Experience:**

- Program Coordinator, Ethno-Cultural Council of Calgary, 2013-2014
- Glyn Berry Program Access Representative to the Philippines, AGRITEAM Canada, 2012
- Executive Director, Pharmaceutical Association of the Philippines (PHAP) Foundation, Inc., 2003-2010
- General Manager, AY Foundation, Inc. (Yuchengco Group of Companies), 1995-2002

**Direction of Capstone:**

The Philippines' shift to federalism and broad implications on social policy formulation as well as implementation. Evaluation of shared measurement system in Calgary's program to end homelessness.



# Graeme Davidson

**Hometown:**

Kingston, ON

**Educational Background:**

- BA & Sc (Earth, Atmospheric, and Oceanic Sciences; History), McGill University

**Work/Volunteer Experience:**

- English as a second language teacher, France 2012-2016
- Boys and Girls Club counselor, 2008-09

**Direction of Capstone**

Greenhouse gas emissions reduction and climate change mitigation.

# Shae Doyle

**Hometown:**

Calgary, AB

**Educational Background:**

- BA, Major in Political Science, Minor in Philosophy, Minor in Geography, University of Calgary

**Work/Volunteer Experience:**

- Constituency Assistant, Legislative Assembly of Alberta October 2016 - current
- Charity Relations Coordinator, Benevity, July 2016 - Present
- Government Relations Team Lead, SupportWorks, May 2016 - Present
- Eco-Store Coordinator and Event Committee, Green Calgary, March 2013 - December 2015

**Direction of Capstone:**

The balance between utilizing Canada's natural resources and ensuring leadership in climate change action, aboriginal relations, and environmental conservation. Economic and social implications if Canada teeters too far in one direction or the other.

# Brittany Finlay

**Hometown:**

Calgary, AB

**Educational Background:**

- BSc, Neuroscience (First Class Honours), McGill University

**Work/Volunteer Experience:**

- Clinic Operations Coordinator, Country Hills Physiotherapy, Calgary, 2015-current
- Honours Student Researcher, Montreal Neurological Institute, McGill University, 2014-2015
- Student Research Assistant, Hotchkiss Brain Institute, University of Calgary, 2014

**Direction of Capstone**

An evaluation and comparison of current vaccination policy across Canadian provinces.

# Victor Gallardo

**Hometown:**

Mexico City, Mexico

**Educational Background:**

- MA, Economics, University of Alberta
- BComm, ITAM, Mexico

**Work/Volunteer Experience:**

- FTR & Energy Congestion Analyst – Midwest ISO, TransAlta, May 2016 – Current
- Financial Analyst – Liquid Pipelines, TransCanada Pipelines, Dec 2012 – Dec 2015
- Power Market Analyst – Northeast U.S. Power Markets, Capital Power, July 2010 – Nov 2012
- Real-Time Energy Trader – Northeast U.S. Power Markets, Twin Cities Power, April 2009 – May 2010

**Direction of Capstone:**

Feasibility of non-profit electricity aggregation systems as an alternative to current energy conservation initiatives in Canada.



# Amber Griffith

**Hometown:**

Richmond, QC

**Educational Background:**

- BA in Political Science, Concordia University, Montreal

**Work/Volunteer Experience:**

- Recruitment Coordinator, Imperial Oil, 2013-2016
- Volunteer, Canadian Mental Health Association, 2014
- Generalist, Digital Support, Yellow Pages Group, 2012

**Direction of Capstone**

Canadian diplomatic relations with developing countries, focusing on free trade agreements and human rights issues.

# Kiran Gurm

**Hometown:**

Richmond Hill, ON

**Educational Background:**

- MSc, Environmental Science, University of Zürich, Switzerland
- Honours Bachelor of Arts, Geography, Wilfrid Laurier University

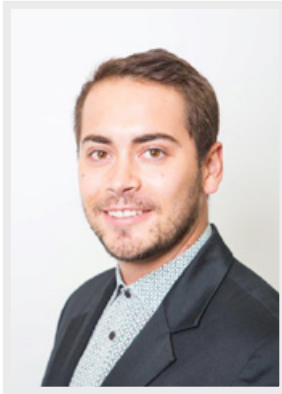
**Work/Volunteer Experience:**

- Community Relations Coordinator, Enbridge, 2015-current
- Consultant, Glenogle Energy Inc., Calgary, 2014-2016
- Lab/Research Assistant, Dept. of Evolutionary Biology & Environmental Studies, University of Zurich, 2011-2013
- Program Recruiter – International Liaison, Dept. of Evolutionary Biology & Environmental Studies, University of Zurich, 2012-2013

**Direction of Capstone**

Evaluating national park policies in Canada to critically assess whether Parks Canada goals are being achieved, as well as the implications of those policies on balancing environmental well-being of the park and visitor experiences.

# Zach Harmer

**Hometown:**

Fort McMurray, AB

**Educational Background:**

- BA, University of Alberta, Political Science, minor in French Language and Literature

**Work/Volunteer Experience:**

- Intern, International Organization for Migration, February to August 2016
- Executive Secretary, Geneva Interns Association, March to June 2016

**Direction of Capstone:**

Integrating new immigrants: Best practices and what defines success?

# Erik Henningsmoen

**Hometown:**

Airdrie, AB

**Educational Background:**

- BAPT (Hons.), Geographic Information Systems, Southern Alberta Institute of Technology
- BA, International Relations, University of Calgary

**Work/Volunteer Experience:**

- International Projects Advisor, University of Calgary (2014 - 2015)
- Research Intern, Frontier Centre for Public Policy (2014 - 2015)
- Research Assistant, ECMap Project, University of Alberta (2013 - 2014)
- Research Intern, National Defense University (2012)
- Junior GIS Technician, Calgary Fire Department (2012)

**Direction of Capstone**

Comparative cyber security policy.

# Cee-Jay Jackson

**Hometown:**

Calgary, AB

**Educational Background:**

- BA, Political Science, University of Calgary

**Work/Volunteer Experience:**

- Consultant and Athletic Developer for Top Level Football Calgary, 2016
- Research project with the Political Science Department, "What events led to a heightened U.S. presence in the Persian Gulf, leading up to the Gulf War," 2015.
- Defensive Backs coach for the Hilltopper Bantam and Midget Football Associations.

**Direction of Capstone:**

Drone Policy and their use in the military.

# Brianne Jenner

**Hometown:**

Oakville, ON

**Educational Background:**

- BA, Cornell University: Major in Government and Minor in Law and Society

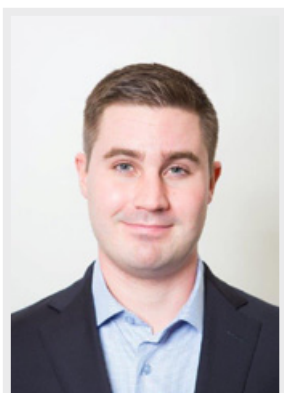
**Work/Volunteer Experience:**

- Olympic Athlete (National Women's Hockey Team), Motivational Speaker - current
- Right to Play Representative

**Direction of Capstone**

Investigating the effects of hosting a major international event (e.g. Olympics) on a city or region's social capital.

# Dylan Klemen

**Hometown:**

Edmonton, AB

**Educational Background:**

- BA (with distinction), Political Science and Philosophy, University of Alberta

**Work/Volunteer Experience:**

- Researcher, Edmonton Social Planning Council, 2015-2016

**Direction of Capstone:**

Canadian and Albertan international trade policy.

# Braeden Larson

**Hometown:**

Fort Nelson, BC

**Educational Background:**

- BA (Honours), Politics, Acadia University

**Work/Volunteer Experience:**

- Field Operator, Endurance Energy, 2014 - 2016
- Statistician, Acadia Axemen Baseball Team, Acadia University, 2015
- President of Roy Jodrey House, Acadia University Student Union, 2014-2015

**Direction of Capstone**

Negating the effects of boom and bust cycles on resource dependent communities.

# Lisa Ledoux

**Hometown:**

Dauphin, MB

**Educational Background:**

- BA, Honours, International Studies, University of Regina

**Work/Volunteer Experience:**

- Volunteer, in a number of development based non-government organizations, 2000-2009

**Direction of Capstone:**

International and domestic development analysis and poverty alleviation issues. Evaluation of Canadian urban shelter policies and their relation to homelessness trends.

# Blake Leew

**Hometown:**

Calgary, AB

**Educational Background:**

- Joint MBA/MPP Candidate, University of Calgary
- BSc, Queen's University Geotechnical Engineering

**Work/Volunteer Experience:**

- ICON West Construction, 2014-Present, Project Manager TELUS Sky
- EllisDon Construction, 2008-2014, Project Manager
- Golder Associates, 2003-2008, Project Engineer
- Inn from the Cold, 2014-Present, Volunteer Meal Host

**Direction of Capstone**

Policies related to construction, development and housing. A possible investigation of municipal building and development regulations in various markets and their effect on the cost and supply of housing.

# Harrison Lin

**Hometown:**

Taipei, Taiwan

**Educational Background:**

- BA, University of Calgary, Economics (Applied Energy Specialization), Minor in Business Management and Society

**Work/Volunteer Experience:**

- Supply Management Analyst, Canadian Natural Resources Limited, 2016-Present
- Executive VP, Society of Undergraduates in Economics, 2014-2015
- Intern, Canadian Natural Resources Limited, 2014
- Intern, Zippy Technology Corporation, 2013
- VP of IT, Society of Undergraduates in Economics, 2012-2013

**Direction of Capstone:**

A focus on international energy markets and the environment using public policy and regulations.

# Marisa Makin

**Hometown:**

Calgary, AB

**Educational Background:**

- BA, Communications and Culture, University of Calgary
- International exchange, Political Science, Sciences Po Lille

**Work/Volunteer Experience:**

- Womenswear Business Coordinator, Holt Renfrew, Calgary, 2016
- Personal Shopping Assistant, Holt Renfrew, Calgary, 2016
- Business assistant, Lauren Bagliore Design House, Calgary, 2014-2015
- Assistant to the editor-in-chief internship, November Magazine, Paris, 2014
- Marketing and creative intern, SSENSE, Montreal, 2012

**Direction of Capstone**

The Canadian fashion and art industries and their relationship to government fine arts funding as cultural exports.



# Maria Luisa Mendonca

**Hometown:**

Calgary, AB

**Educational Background:**

- BA, Political Science and International Relations, University of Calgary

**Work/Volunteer Experience:**

- Program Coordinator for the Survivors of Torture Program, Calgary Catholic Immigration Society (CCIS), 2016-Current, Calgary, AB.
- Internship at a non-profit organization (Community Based Rehabilitation CBR) in Northern Ghana. May 2015-August 2015
- Assistant to the Members, Immigration and Refugee Board of Canada (IRB), 2015-2016
- Immigration Assistant Internship, Government of Quebec, May 2013-August 2013.

**Direction of Capstone:**

Investigating and researching the impact of immigration policies in Canada; Canada's decisions and regulations in relation to global migration trends.

# Paige MacPherson

**Hometown:**

Pickering, ON

**Educational Background:**

- BA, Dalhousie University: Political Science

**Work/Volunteer Experience:**

- Elections Reporter, Weekend Anchor and Video journalist, Sun News Network/Vancouver 24 Hours, 2012-2015
- Communications Officer and AIMS on Campus (student outreach program) Founder, Atlantic Institute for Market Studies, 2011-2012
- Intern, Manning Centre for Building Democracy, 2009
- Alberta Director, Canadian Taxpayers Federation

**Direction of Capstone**

I would like to pursue a capstone exploring the impact of education choice policies on student performance outcomes in Calgary and Edmonton schools, perhaps with a particular focus on disadvantaged students.

# Nancy Moke

**Hometown:**

Edmonton, AB

**Educational Background:**

- Bilingual BComm, HR Mgmt., University of Alberta

**Work/Volunteer Experience:**

- Talent Analyst/HR Analyst, Shell Canada, 2013-present
- Member, Board of Directors, Alliance Jeunesse de Famille Society, 2013-2015
- Pay and Integrity Officer, Public Works and Government Services, 2011-2013

**Direction of Capstone:**

Interest in international sustainable development with a focus on health.

# Harkamal Nijjar

**Hometown:**

Calgary, AB

**Educational Background:**

- BA, Sociology and Law & Society, University of Calgary

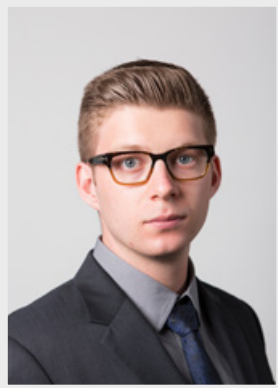
**Work/Volunteer Experience:**

- YMCA Preschool Assistant, Working with 1st Generation Children and Immigrant Families, 2012-2016
- Set-up Volunteer, Dilwalk Foundation, 2013 - 2016

**Direction of Capstone**

Health and Social Policy within provincial education and Canadian immigration policy.

# Vladislav Oujegov

**Hometown:**

Riga, Latvia / Calgary, AB

**Educational Background:**

- BA, International Relations, University of Calgary

**Work/Volunteer Experience:**

- Commercial Specialist, U.S. Department of Commerce, 2014 - Present

**Direction of Capstone:**

Foreign policy decision-making, specifically in relation to emerging trends in international trade; analysis of export promotion and investment attraction strategies.

# Dhwani Paul

**Hometown:**

Calgary, AB

**Educational Background:**

- BSc, Biological Sciences and Anthropology, University of Calgary

**Work/Volunteer Experience:**

- Intern, Tanzania Maternal, Newborn and Child Health Project, Cumming School of Medicine, University of Calgary, Calgary, 2016
- Enumerator, Statistics Canada, Calgary, 2016
- Sunday School Coordinator, ISKCON Calgary, 2008-Present
- Research Assistant, Carnat Centre, Alberta Health Services, Calgary, 2014-2015
- Field Research Assistant, R.B. Miller Biogeoscience Institute, University of Calgary, Calgary, 2013
- Co-President of The Arthritis Club, University of Calgary, 2014-2016

**Direction of Capstone**

Health system design; food policies, health promotion and chronic illnesses in Canada, especially among children.

# Vanessa Perrin

**Hometown:**

Medicine Hat, AB

**Educational Background:**

- BA, Political Science, University of Lethbridge

**Work/Volunteer Experience:**

- Constituency Assistant, Hon. Robert E. Wanner- Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, MLA Medicine Hat, 2016
- Campaign Volunteer for Medicine Hat-Cardston-Warner, 2015 Federal Election

**Direction of Capstone:**

Provincial health policy as it relates to balancing quality of care with economic feasibility.

# Kristy Peterson

**Hometown:**

Millarville, AB

**Educational Background:**

- BJ, Ryerson University - Gold Medal Recipient, Faculty of Communication and Design

**Work/Volunteer Experience:**

- Producer - Alberta Primetime Edmonton (2011-2014), Global News Calgary, 2014-2016
- Research Assistant, Ryerson University School of Journalism, Toronto, 2010-2011
- Editorial Assistant, Global News Toronto (2009-2010), CBC London, England, 2011

**Direction of Capstone**

Urban Policy - economic development, city charters, relations between municipal government and the provincial and federal levels. Energy Policy - government decisions on energy projects, stakeholder relations, influence of interest groups.

# Patrick Michael Rosser

**Hometown:**

Jasper, AB

**Educational Background:**

- BA, Economics, Biology minor, University of Calgary

**Work/Volunteer Experience:**

- Vice President of the Society for Undergraduates in Economics, UCalgary, 2015-2016
- Consultant, Accenture Community Consulting Project, Alberta Cancer Foundation, 2016
- President of the Spanish Language club, Grant MacEwan University, 2010-2012
- Volunteer - Various projects - City of Edmonton - 2010-2012

**Direction of Capstone:**

Reforming the Canada Pension Plan; Health care reform (federally and provincially) and cost/benefit analysis of the implementation of a universal drug plan in Canada.

# David Sandoz

**Hometown:**

Neuchatel, Switzerland

**Educational Background:**

- BA, International Relations, University of Calgary
- Study Abroad Program, University of Seoul, Korea
- Information Technology Diploma, Switzerland

**Work/Volunteer Experience:**

- Policy Analyst, Alberta Human Services, Government of Alberta, 2013-Present
- Calgary Regional Lead, Human Services' United Way Campaign, 2014-Present
- Research Assistant, Faculty of Social Work, University of Calgary, 2010-14
- Multicultural Counselor, Immigrant Services Calgary, 2013-14
- Volunteer, Operations Manager, International Translation Foundation, 2013-14

**Direction of Capstone**

Implementation of Citizen-Centered Integrated Service Delivery Model within government; how basic income may help break the social welfare wall.

# Mason Saunders

**Hometown:**

Oakville, ON

**Educational Background:**

- Honours Bachelor in International Development and Globalization with a Minor in Law University of Ottawa, 2013

**Work/Volunteer Experience:**

- Assistant Campaign Manager, 2015. Federal Election
- Chief of Staff to the Member of Parliament for Oakville, 2014-2016
- National Service Desk Data Analyst for Conservative Party of Canada, 2013-2014
- University of Ottawa Pride Centre: Big Brother mentorship program, 2012-2013

**Direction of Capstone:**

Global commodity chains and their influence on contemporary trade and development models.

# Marina Spahlinger

**Hometown:**

Stuttgart, Germany

**Educational Background:**

- MA, First Class Honors, Languages - Interpreting and Translating (German, French, English), Heriot-Watt University

**Work/Volunteer Experience:**

- Regulatory Coordinator, Genalta Power, 2014 - present
- Research Assistant, School of Public Policy, Jan. - May, 2016
- Senior Analyst and Project Lead, Stakeholder Information Management, Communica Public Affairs, 2011 - 2014
- Translator, English, French, German, 2008 - 2011

**Direction of Capstone**

International energy markets, policies and regulations.



# Karen Spencer

**Hometown:**

Calgary, AB

**Educational Background:**

- BSc in Chemical Engineering, University of Calgary

**Work/Volunteer Experience:**

- Volunteer, Calgary Food Bank, 2016
- President and CEO, private company, 2008 - 2014
- Oil and Gas Consulting, 2015 - present
- Management roles, Oil and Gas - Larger and smaller firms, 2001 - 2007
- Director, Mountain View Academy School Board, 2005 - 2007
- Oil and Gas Engineer, various companies - technical, economics roles - Edmonton, Calgary, 1982 - 2000

**Direction of Capstone:**

An evaluation of the public consultation process in major pipeline applications before the NEB, and how it should change for the future.

# Michael J Swanson

**Hometown:**

Claresholm, AB

**Educational Background:**

- LLB, University of Alberta
- LLM, Food & Agricultural Production, University of Calgary

**Work/Volunteer Experience:**

- Volunteer Coordinator, Inn from the Cold, Calgary, 2009-2016
- Volunteer, 2016 Cross-Border Cattle Health Conference, Calgary
- Volunteer Student Member of University of Calgary Faculty of Law Academic Planning Committee and Graduate Student Admissions Committee, 2015

**Direction of Capstone**

Food and Agriculture Policy including livestock health and livestock disease with specific reference to Alberta.

# Austin Thompson

**Hometown:**

Calgary, AB

**Educational Background:**

- BA, Double Major: Economics & Development Studies, University of Calgary

**Work/Volunteer Experience:**

- Econometrics Tutorial Instructor, Student Success Center (PASS Program) — University of Calgary, 2015-2016
- Volunteer Group Study Program Director, Society of Undergraduates in Economics — University of Calgary, 2015-2016

**Direction of Capstone:**

Analyzing regulatory responses to disruptive innovation from the sharing economy.

# Braden Thorvaldson

**Hometown:**

Calgary, AB

**Educational Background:**

- BA (with Distinction), Economics, University of Calgary

**Work/Volunteer Experience:**

- Math Tutor, 2012-2015

**Direction of Capstone**

Canadian foreign policy and foreign relations.

# Estée Trudeau

**Hometown:**

Calgary, AB

**Educational Background:**

- BA, Honours in Political Science and International Development Studies, Dalhousie University, 2009

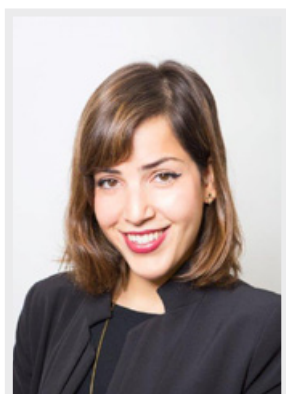
**Work/Volunteer Experience:**

- Stakeholder Consultation and Engagement Coordinator, Alliance Pipeline, 2012-2016
- Co-Chair & Chair of Aboriginal Relations Work Group, CDN Energy Pipeline Association, 2013 – present
- Stakeholder Engagement Consultant, Dialogue Partners, 2012
- English Language Instructor, Lima, Peru, 2010

**Direction of Capstone:**

U.S.-Canada relations, the evolution of Canadian international trade agreements and promotion of its commercial interests abroad.

# Eden Vaknin

**Hometown:**

Tel Aviv, Israel

**Educational Background:**

- BA, Economics and Political Science (Honours), Tel Aviv University

**Work/Volunteer Experience:**

- Research Assistant, Dept. of Political science, Tel Aviv University, Tel Aviv, Israel, 2016
- Regional Coordinator, “Perach” Tutorial Project, Holon, Israel, 2015-2016
- Volunteer, Garden Library for Refugees and Migrant Workers, Tel Aviv, Israel, 2015-2016
- Intern, Office of Knesset Member Tamar Zandberg, the Israeli Parliament, Jerusalem, Israel, 2015
- Co-Founder, Israel’s Student Forum for Pluralism in Economic Studies, Tel Aviv, Israel, 2014-2016

**Direction of Capstone**

Women’s participation in the labour force and proportion in white and blue collar positions in Israel, as well as prevention of human trafficking and regulation of prostitution / sex trade.

# Karen Guzmán Vanegas

**Hometown:**

Bogotá, Colombia

**Educational Background:**

- Universidad de Los Andes: Specialist in Risk and Information Economics, 2010
- Universidad Externado de Colombia: Bachelor's degree in Finance and International Relations, 2005

**Work/Volunteer Experience:**

- Advisor, Ministry of Finance and Public Credit of Colombia, 2007 – current
- Member, Board of Directors, Bucaramanga Central Market, 2015 – 2016
- Teaching Assistant, Economics, Universidad Externado de Colombia (Bogotá), 2003 – 2005

**Direction of Capstone:**

Economic and social policies that will be structured to ensure the implementation of peace agreements in Colombia.

# Brittney Whittaker

**Hometown:**

Calgary, AB

**Educational Background:**

- BA, double major in Political Science and Law and Society, University of Calgary

**Work/Volunteer Experience:**

- Intern, Economic and Trade Policy, Embassy of Canada, Washington, D.C, 2015

**Direction of Capstone**

An evaluation of regulation on the digital economy and the resulting implications on innovation and economic development.

# Krystle Wittevrongel

**Hometown:**

Calgary, AB

**Educational Background:**

- BA, Development Studies, University of Calgary
- BSc, Biological Sciences, University of Calgary

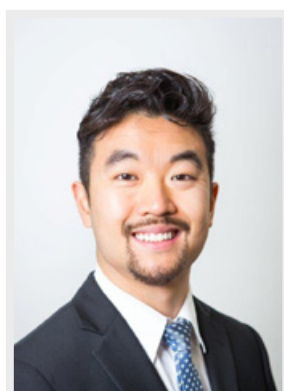
**Work/Volunteer Experience:**

- Community Support Program for Survivors of Torture, Calgary Catholic Immigration Society, 2008-Current
- Board Member: Coalition for Equal Access to Education Board of Directors, 2015-Current
- Program Coordinator, Immigrant Youth Outreach Project: Calgary Catholic Immigration Society, 2012-2016
- Youth Development Specialist: Beltline Youth Centre, Boys and Girls Clubs of Calgary, 2011-2012

**Direction of Capstone:**

Social and economic policy including the implications of specific immigration policies on the welfare state in Canada.

# Jeremy Wong

**Hometown:**

Calgary, AB

**Educational Background:**

- BA, Political Science University of Calgary:
- M. Div., Ambrose Seminary: Theology

**Work/Volunteer Experience:**

- Pastor, Calgary Chinese Alliance Church, 2011- Present
- Intern Pastor, Toronto Alliance Church, 2010
- Street level worker, The Mustard Seed, 2009

**Direction of Capstone**

International relations on trade and security, specifically regarding Canada, U.S. and Asia.







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