Canada Just Got Smarter
The School of Public Policy provides a practical, global and focused perspective on public policy analysis and practice in three areas:

1) International Policy  
2) Economic & Social Policy  
3) Energy & Environmental Policy

Our mission is to get public policy right. This means strengthening Canada’s public service and bridging the gap between business, government and academia. These are the keys to unleashing Canada’s full economic potential – domestically and internationally.

We fulfill our mission by:

BUILDING CAPACITY IN GOVERNMENT  
The Master of Public Policy (MPP) program trains students to hit the ground running, offering them practical, hands-on and intensive experience in policy development and analysis.

PRODUCING INFLUENTIAL RESEARCH  
Our research papers and communiqués offer in-depth analysis on the most pertinent issues of the day and create specific recommendations for policy makers.

IMPROVING PUBLIC POLICY DISCOURSE  
We bridge the gap between business, government and academia by creating forums for communication and best-practice sharing.

PROVIDING A GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE  
The School of Public Policy has launched an initiative with two other highly regarded foreign policy institutes to create a critical mass of foreign policy expertise.
A major portfolio for The School is its Executive Programming and Outreach. We bring together leading experts from business, government and academia to examine and discuss pressing policy matters at an array of events. This past year we hosted 73 events of varying size and nature, and many featured influential policy figures. For example, in April 2013, we hosted Hon. Joe Oliver at the launch of our Extractive Resource Governance Program in Calgary. In December, as part of an ongoing project devoted to energy literacy, we hosted a conference in Calgary to reveal our findings of a pan-Canadian survey of First Nations. And in February, David Dodge delivered a speech on reawakening market efficiency and growth after the global financial crisis of 2007-2008 at a conference in Toronto.

In September, we welcomed our third Master of Public Policy class consisting of 30 students, with an impressive average incoming GPA of 3.7, higher than any other year. Additionally, with the Haskayne School of Business, we launched the country’s first joint Master of Business Administration/Master of Public Policy program, and with the Faculty of Law at the University of Calgary, we created the first joint Juris Doctor/Master of Public Policy program in western Canada.

Through our Extractive Resource Governance Program, we have consulted with government and industry agencies from over 15 countries around the globe. And, building on our work abroad, in March, we co-hosted the Trilateral Borders Conference in Phoenix, Arizona.

Increasing our extensive library of publications, 38 titles were added in 2013/2014. The research portfolio also saw the appointment of Dr. Ian Brodie, former Chief of Staff to Prime Minister Stephen Harper, as Research Director, as well as the addition of 16 influential experts who joined The School as fellows.

A great deal of thanks is owed to the faculty, staff, advisory council and fellows here at The School whose efforts produced these successes. And to those who have engaged us over the past year by following our work, attending our events or through some other means, thank you for your continued support and interest in our work.

Sincerely,

Jack Mintz
DIRECTOR AND PALMER CHAIR
THE SCHOOL OF PUBLIC POLICY

I am pleased to present the 2014 Annual Growth Review from The School of Public Policy. At the end of each financial year, The School publishes this document as a recap of its activity and to acknowledge major milestones. I would like to highlight a few items that you will come across in the pages that follow.
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Major News

MARCH 2014
Hosted the James S. Palmer Lecture at the University of Calgary, with a keynote speech by Robert Kaplan, Chief Geopolitical Analyst for Stratfor, on the topic of “The Revenge of Geography”.

MARCH 2014
Eight Master of Public Policy students and six MBA students from the University of Calgary traveled to Israel to study Israeli policy as a week-long course.

FEBRUARY 2014
Launch of the “Canada Just Got Smarter” campaign to announce The School’s 27 appointed fellows (see page 16).

Hosted Hon. Diane Finley, Minister of Public Works and Government Services Canada, at a symposium on defence procurement in Ottawa.

JANUARY 2014
Official announcement of two new joint graduate degrees offered through The School: the Master of Business Administration/Master of Public Policy, and the Juris Doctor/Master of Public Policy.

DECEMBER 2013
Jack Mintz named Vice-President and Chair of the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council.

OCTOBER 2013
4th Annual Symposium in Tax and Economic Growth, focusing on the theme of “Urban Growth and Finance Symposium.”

MAY 2013
Hosted Hans-Werner Sinn, President of Ifo Institute for Economic Research, at our Imperial Oil Distinguished Lecture Series.

MAY 2013
Hosted a symposium for the federal government’s Deputy Minister Committee on Economic Trends and Policies.

JUNE 2013
Ian Brodie, former Chief of Staff to Prime Minister Stephen Harper, joined The School as Research Director.

JUNE 2013
4th Annual Executive Program in Government Affairs held in Banff, Alberta.

APRIL 2013
Official launch event of the Extractive Resource Governance program with a keynote speech delivered by Hon. Joe Oliver, current Minister of Finance, and former Minister of Natural Resources. Other speakers included Rilwanu Lukman, former Secretary General of OPEC, and Paul Collier, Director, Centre for the Study of African Economies, Oxford University.

Other News:
- Over $290,000 from event ticket sales and sponsorships
- $1.265 million in new money for the health promotion program
- $500,000 to build a Canadian energy policy network that will analyze and propose policy related to energy systems
- $250,000 to support a new program in intergovernmental transfers with a focus on equalization
- $150,000 individual donation to support student awards over 10 years
- $190,000 from the Aurea Foundation to support tax and fiscal policy studies
September 2013 saw the third cohort of students enter the Master of Public Policy program. The calibre of students entering the program was the highest to date in terms of grade point average, with this year’s average entrance GPA at 3.7. The class of 2014 is made up of students from across Canada and countries around the world, including Liberia, Malawi and Ecuador.

Student Experience

Israeli Policy Course
Eight students from The School of Public Policy traveled to Israel in February 2014 for a week-long course devoted to studying the differences between Israeli and Canadian public policy.

The course involved stops in Tel Aviv, kibbutz Hagoshrim and Jerusalem so that students could listen to a series of distinguished academics and practitioners lecture on security issues; energy and environmental policy in Israel; the issue of settlements; Israeli law and human rights; elections and politics; and health care, among other issues.

Examples of lecturers included Uzi Arad, former national security advisor to Prime Minister Netanyahu, and Amir Weissbrod, head of the Bureau for Middle East Affairs at Israel’s Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Case Competition
In February 2014, students from the Master of Public Policy program took part in the 2014 National Public Administration Case Competition at the University of Toronto. The School of Public Policy team was composed of Naomi Christensen, Brandeis Tilleman, Katrina Sholdice and Mandy van Waes, accompanied by their coach Dr. Jean-Sébastien Rioux. The group competed against 11 other representative policy schools from across the country in a case analysis of a complex policy topic: the legal and tax status of charitable organizations in Canada.
New Joint Programs

Starting in September 2014, The School of Public Policy and the Haskayne School of Business at the University of Calgary will offer Canada’s first joint Master of Business Administration/Master of Public Policy program. This joint degree provides students with an even broader range of skills that are highly valued in the private and public sectors.

A Juris Doctor (JD)/Master of Public Policy (MPP) will also be offered starting in the fall of 2014 through the University of Calgary’s Faculty of Law and The School of Public Policy. The program combines the study of law and public policy across a wide spectrum, including resources and the environment, economic and social issues, and international policy, and involves areas such as taxation, regulation, public finance and policy development and implementation.

Student Research

One of the key components of the Master of Public Policy degree is the capstone project. This practical, hand-on element results in a wide range of projects devoted to timely issues. Examples of student work include:

**The State Infrastructure Bank Finance Model: Potential for a Canadian Application**
By: Philip Bazel
This paper considers the potential benefits of adopting the State Infrastructure Bank finance model in Canada, and examines the rationale for its application.

**A Licence to Fill: Private Organizations and Water Conservation in Alberta**
By: Jessa Bedford
This paper outlines the downfalls of the legislation in Alberta for water conservation, and outlines recommendations that the province could take to improve water conservation.

**Real-Time Pricing and Demand Response in Alberta’s Electricity Market**
By: Roman Karski
This paper uses a basic econometric model and data analysis to estimate the degree to which electricity demand varies as a result of change in electricity prices. The potential for real-time pricing to curtail electricity load and generate savings is also estimated.

**The Calgary Interfaith Food Bank and Corporate Donations: Reclamation, Redistribution and Logistics Management**
By: Nicole Jackson
This paper reviews the Calgary Interfaith Food Bank’s donor streams, distribution processes, and receiving social service agencies to identify challenges and opportunities.

**Aboriginal Employment in the Alberta Oil Sands: Success and Barriers to Success**
By: J. Susan Jose
This paper suggests that Alberta needs an increased Aboriginal representation in the workforce, especially in the oil sands industry, and outlines differences in hiring practices between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal employers in the industry.
Here are just some of the jobs our alumni hold:

**Christopher Apps**  
Mining Coordinator,  
Taku River Tlingit First Nation

**Daniel Boucher**  
Executive Assistant/Director of Operations, Office of Devinder Shory, Member of Parliament

**Jennifer Rumas**  
Standards & Regulatory Compliance Lead at ATCO Energy Solutions Ltd.

**Parminder Raeewal**  
Associate Research Fellow, Institute of Energy Economics, Japan, Asia Pacific Energy Research Centre

**Sue Jose**  
Intergovernmental Affairs Consultant, City Manager’s Office, City of Calgary

**Jocelyn Gerke**  
Project Manager, Information Services Branch, Alberta Energy Regulator

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**Alumni Success**

The class of 2013 graduated from the Master of Public Policy program in November 2013. Equipped with a powerful skill set and hands-on policy experience, our graduates found employment in a variety of roles and an array of industries.
Master of Public Policy Speaker Series

The MPP Speaker Series brings experienced and influential policy personnel into the classroom to interact with our students. This feature of the Master of Public Policy program allows students to hear the insights of leaders from the private and public sectors, and it offers valuable networking opportunities. A list of 2013/2014 speakers is provided below.

Hon. Chris Alexander, Minister of Citizenship and Immigration, Government of Canada

Uzi Arad, Executive Fellow, The School of Public Policy, and former National Security Advisor to Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu

Kimberly Armstrong, Deputy Attorney General, Government of Alberta

Val Carter, Director, The Success Centre Inc.

Andre Corbould, Chief Assistant Deputy Minister, Floor Recovery Task Force

Hon. Jonathan Denis, Minister of Justice and Solicitor General, Government of Alberta

Eileen Dooley, Certified Career Coach and Team Lead, McRae Inc.

Jim Ellis, Chief Executive Officer, Alberta Energy Regulator

Drew Fagan, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Infrastructure, Government of Ontario

Hon. Kyle Fawcett, Associate Minister for Recovery and Reconstruction for Southwest Alberta, Government of Alberta

Jean René Halde, President and Chief Executive Officer, Business Development Bank of Canada

Peter Howard, President and Chief Executive Officer, CERI

Robert Jennings, Jennings Capital

Ambassador Tim Martin, Canadian Ambassador to Colombia

Ambassador John Negroponte, former U.S. Ambassador to Iraq

Michael Porter, Bishop William Lawrence University Professor, Harvard Business School

Hon. Justice William A. Tillman, Court of Queen’s Bench, Alberta

Annette Trimbee, Deputy Minister, Service Alberta

Deborah Yedlin, Business Columnist, Calgary Herald

Deborah Yedlin
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Economic and Social Policy

Publications

Keeping the Genie in the Bottle: Grading the Regulation of Canadian Financial Institutions
John Chant
MARCH 2014

Simulated Replacement Rates for CPP Reform Options
Kevin Milligan and Tammy Schirle
March 2014

The Rise and Fall of Social Assistance Use in Canada, 1969-2012
Ron Kneebone and Katherine White
FEBRUARY 2014

Income Adequacy Among Canadian Seniors: Helping Singles Most
Jack Mintz and Philip Bazel
FEBRUARY 2014

The Value of Caregiver Time: Costs of Support and Care for Individuals Living with Autism Spectrum Disorder
Carolyn Dudley and Herbert Emery
JANUARY 2014

How a Guaranteed Annual Income Could Put Food Banks Out of Business
Herbert Emery, Valerie Fleisch and Lynn McIntyre
DECEMBER 2013

2013 Annual Global Tax Competitiveness Ranking: Corporate Tax Policy at a Crossroads
Jack Mintz and Duanjie Chen
NOVEMBER 2013

The Timing and Direction of Statutory Tax Rate Changes by the Canadian Provinces (technical paper)
Ebenezer Adjeic, Bev Dahlby and Ergete Ferede
NOVEMBER 2013

Provincial Tax Rate Adjustments in Canada (Communicé)
Ebenezer Adjeic, Bev Dahlby and Ergete Ferede
NOVEMBER 2013

The Prudential Regulation of Financial Institutions: Why Regulatory Responses to the Crisis Might Not Prove Sufficient
William White
OCTOBER 2013

The Challenge of Defining Medicare Coverage in Canada
Herbert Emery and Ron Kneebone
OCTOBER 2013

Enhancing the Alberta Tax Advantage with a Harmonized Sales Tax
Jack Mintz and Philip Bazel
SEPTEMBER 2013

Wireless Competition in Canada: An Assessment
Jeffrey Church and Andrew Wilkins
SEPTEMBER 2013

Redistribution of Income: Policy Directions
James Davies
AUGUST 2013

Income Inequality and Income Taxation in Canada: Trends in the Censuses 1980-2005
Kevin Milligan
AUGUST 2013

Income Inequality, Redistribution and Economic Growth
Bev Dahlby and Ergete Ferede
AUGUST 2013

Trends, Peaks, and Troughs: National and Regional Employment Cycles in Canada
Margarita Wilkins and Ron Kneebone
JULY 2013

The Fiscal, Social and Economic Dividends of Feeling Better and Living Longer
Ludovic Brunel, Daniel Dutton, Herbert Emery and Ken Fyie
JUNE 2013

Repairing Canada’s Mining-Tax System to Be Less Distorting and Complex
Jack Mintz and Duanjie Chen
MAY 2013

All the Workers We Need: Debunking Canada’s Labour-Shortage Fallacy
Kevin McQuillan
MAY 2013

No More Second-Class Taxpayers: How Income Splitting Can Bring Fairness to Canada’s Single Income Families
Jack Mintz and Matt Krzepkowski
APRIL 2013

Research and outreach efforts fall within a framework of five programs designed to address specific policy areas within economic and social policy: Tax and Economic Growth, Social Policy, Health Policy, Financial Markets Regulation, and Digital Economy.
Research Symposia and Roundtables

MARCH 27, 2014
Calgary, Alberta
**Reputational, Regulatory and Political Risk in Tax Evasion and Tax Avoidance**
The School assembled some of North America’s most prominent tax experts for a roundtable devoted to tax evasion and avoidance. Sessions focused on defining these complex terms, and understanding the various tax regimes worldwide and how companies’ international operations are affected by them.

JANUARY 28-29, 2014
Calgary, Alberta
**Equalization Grants Conference**
With the expiry of Canada’s equalization formula on March 31, 2014, fiscal policy experts came together for a discussion of potential changes to the program under a revamped formula.

DECEMBER 19, 2013
Edmonton, Alberta
**Policy in Motion Knowledge Transfer Roundtable**
Research from The School’s Health Policy Program was presented and discussed to a group of public health officials and researchers.

NOVEMBER 28, 2013
Ottawa, Ontario
**Proposals for Canada/Québec Pension Plan Expansion: Are We on the Right Path?**
This conference, hosted by The School and CIRANO, brought together policy experts from across Canada to discuss proposals to expand the Canada/Quebec pension plan. Discussions focused on implications the proposals would have on saving rates, labour markets and the economy.

OCTOBER 9-10, 2013
Calgary, Alberta
**Urban Growth and Finance Symposium**
The School’s fourth annual Symposium in Tax and Economic Growth was a two-day event focused on the topic of “Urban Growth and Finance.” Preston Manning delivered a keynote speech at the opening dinner on October 9th. The following day featured sessions where experts from government, business and academia examined the issues of municipal taxation, infrastructure financing and urban growth patterns, among others.

MAY 21, 2013
Toronto, Ontario
**Financial Markets Regulation Roundtable**
This full-day roundtable focused on evaluating financial regulations that emerged following the 2008 Financial Crisis. Experts debated whether policy responses have struck an appropriate balance between market stability and economic growth.

MAY 10, 2013
Calgary, Alberta
**Sustaining Prosperity: Fault Lines and Policies for Long-Term Societal Well-Being**
This symposium brought government, business and community leaders together to discuss the fault lines, the opportunities and the appropriate policy responses necessary to sustain the long-term prosperity of Canada and its regions.

Public and Campus Community Events

FEBRUARY 10, 2014
Toronto, Ontario
**Post 2008: Re-Awakening Market Efficiency and Growth**
Featuring: David Dodge, former Governor of the Bank of Canada

OCTOBER 9, 2013
Calgary, Alberta
**Strengthening the First Level of Government: Municipal Government**
Featuring: Preston Manning, President and CEO, Manning Centre for Building Democracy

SEPTEMBER 24, 2013
Calgary, Alberta
**Restoring the Alberta Advantage: Time for an HST**
Featuring: Jack Mintz, Director and Palmer Chair, The School of Public Policy

SEPTEMBER 10, 2013
Calgary, Alberta
**Lunch with the Honourable Maxime Bernier**
Featuring: Hon. Maxime Bernier, Minister of State (Small Business and Tourism, and Agriculture)

MAY 8, 2013
Calgary, Alberta
**Fault Lines and the Future of Market Democracies**
Featuring: Ragurham Rajan, Eric J. Gleacher Distinguished Service Professor of Finance, University of Chicago’s Booth School of Business
Energy and Environmental Policy

Publications

The Taming of the Skew: Facts On Canada's Energy Trade
Trevor Tombe
MARCH 2014

Aboriginal-Canadians and Energy Literacy: A Survey of Opinions and Thoughts on Energy
Michal C. Moore, André Turcotte and Jennifer Winter
FEBRUARY 2014

Energy Efficiency: Finding Leadership Opportunities
William D. Rosehart and Hamidreza Zareipour
FEBRUARY 2014

Should Canada Worry About a Resource Curse?
Alan Gelb
JANUARY 2014

The "Green Jobs" Fantasy: Why the Economic and Environmental Reality Can Never Live Up to the Political Promise
Michal Moore and Jennifer Winter
OCTOBER 2013

The Canadian Manufacturing Sector, 2002-2008: Why Is It Called Dutch Disease?
Stephen Gordon
SEPTEMBER 2013

Not So Fast: How Slower Utilities Regulation Can Reduce Prices and Increase Profits
G. Kent Fellows
MAY 2013

Research Symposia and Roundtables

OCTOBER 30, 2013
Calgary, Alberta
Energy Efficiency Roundtable: Opportunities for Improvement in Alberta
Using new research on Alberta’s energy efficiency as a basis for discussion, this roundtable focused on identifying opportunities for the province to become a leader in this area.
SEPTEMBER 26, 2013
Calgary, Alberta
The Future of Energy Regulation and Policy Development: Conflict, Compromise or Cooperation?
Experts in energy regulation explored various regulation topics at this full-day symposium. Discussion focused on the changing roles of energy regulators; hurdles and challenges for applicants, regulators and other stakeholders; and potential solutions for ensuring the sector prospers while mitigating environmental impacts.

Public and Campus Community Events

DECEMBER 5, 2013
Calgary, Alberta
What Do First Nations Really Think About Energy?
Featuring: Michal Moore, Area Director, Energy and Environmental Policy, The School of Public Policy
André Turcotte, Assistant Professor, Carleton University’s School of Journalism and Communication, and President, Feedback Research Corporation
Jennifer Winter, Research Associate, Energy and Environmental Policy, The School of Public Policy

JUNE 4, 2013
Calgary, Alberta
Global Crises, Global Solutions
Featuring: Bjorn Lomborg, Adjunct Professor, Copenhagen Business School, and Director of the Copenhagen Consensus Center

MAY 6, 2013
Calgary, Alberta
The Green Paradox
Featuring: Hans-Werner Sinn, President of Ifo Institute for Economic Research

The Energy and Environmental Policy area produces diverse research and event outputs relating to domestic and international energy issues. An underlying goal is to balance environmental concerns against the need to advance the energy industry, which is recognized as a key driver of the Canadian economy and other economies around the world. Some of the themes receiving ongoing attention include regulatory systems and practices, energy trade, impacts on other industries and energy literacy.

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The Canadian Manufacturing Sector, 2002-2008: Why Is It Called Dutch Disease?
Stephen Gordon
SEPTEMBER 2013

Not So Fast: How Slower Utilities Regulation Can Reduce Prices and Increase Profits
G. Kent Fellows
MAY 2013
International Policy

Publications

China's State-Owned Enterprises and Canada's FDI Policy
Wendy Dobson
MARCH 2014

Canada-Korea Free Trade: A Watershed in Economic Integration with Asia
Eugene Beaulieu
MARCH 2014

Prioritizing Defence Industry Capabilities: Lessons for Canada from Australia
Craig Stone
JANUARY 2014

Canadian Defence Commitments: Overview and Status of Selected Acquisitions and Initiatives
Elinor Sloan
DECEMBER 2013

Climate Change and the Trading System: After Doha and Doha
Dan Ciuriak and Natassia Ciuriak
NOVEMBER 2013

Diplomacy, Globalization and Heteropolarity: The Challenge of Adaptation
Daryl Copeland
AUGUST 2013

China's State-Owned Enterprises: How Much Do We Know? From CNOOC to Its Siblings
Duanjie Chen
JUNE 2013
Research Symposia and Roundtables

MARCH 16-18, 2014
Phoenix, Arizona
**NAFTA at 20 Years: Toward Greater Trilateralism?**
For the second year in a row, The School partnered with the College of Public Programs at Arizona State University and Tecnológico de Monterrey, Mexico City Campus, to host a symposium devoted to trilateral trade and border issues.

MARCH 11-12, 2014
Calgary, Alberta
**Emerging Markets & Mounting Tension: Doing Business in the Face of Potential Conflict in the Indo-Pacific**
This event centred on strategic issues relating to Canada’s economic and diplomatic ties with the broad region between India and the Pacific Ocean. A keynote speech was delivered by Robert D. Kaplan, Chief Geopolitical Analyst at Stratfor, who spoke about mounting tension in the region and the threats this poses.

FEBRUARY 19, 2014
Ottawa, Ontario
**Getting the Biggest Bang for Our Buck: A Symposium on Making Defence Procurement Work for Canada**
This symposium focused on reforms to Canada defence procurement strategy. The event examined the prospect of leveraging Canada’s industrial capabilities for military procurement, and featured an announcement by Hon. Diane Finley, Minister of Public Works and Government Services, of the creation of a defence analytics institute.

DECEMBER 10-11, 2013
Calgary, Alberta
**Proceed With Caution? State-Owned Enterprises and the Need for a New Approach to Investment Policy**
Leading experts, practitioners and policy makers in the area of foreign direct investment and state-owned enterprises assembled at this symposium to explore Canada’s policies in this area. Research was presented and spurred discussion amongst attendees.

NOV 25-26, 2013
Vancouver, B.C.
**The Asian Ship is Sailing: What Canada Needs to Do to Get on Board**
Canada’s trade with Asia was the focus of this two-day symposium. Participants debated whether Canada has gone to sufficient lengths to foster economic ties with Asian markets and potential strategies for advancing the Canada-Asia agenda.

JUNE 3, 2013
Ottawa, Ontario
**Making Sense of Canada’s Trade Policy Agenda**
This symposium examined pressing issues concerning the world trade system, specifically where the trading system is headed and what useful research is already underway, or could be undertaken, to help policy makers steer the system in the right direction.

APRIL 17-19, 2013
Calgary, Alberta
**Extractive Resource Governance Inaugural Symposium**
This symposium was the launch event for the Extractive Resources Governance Program at The School of Public Policy. Over the course of three days, a diverse group assembled to discuss best practices for establishing sound public policies in resource-based economies.
Public and Campus Community Events

MARCH 12, 2014
Calgary, Alberta
*The Revenge of Geography: The Coming Global Crisis (James S. Palmer Lecture)*
Featuring: Robert D. Kaplan, Chief Geopolitical Analyst, Stratfor

MARCH 11, 2014
Calgary, Alberta
*Asia’s Cauldron: Conflict Across the Indo-Pacific*
Featuring: Robert D. Kaplan, Chief Geopolitical Analyst, Stratfor

MAY 6, 2013
Calgary, Alberta
*The Impending Euro Crisis (Imperial Oil Distinguished Lecture Series)*
Featuring: Hans-Werner Sinn, President of Ifo Institute for Economic Research

APRIL 18, 2013
Calgary, Alberta
*Can Africa Be Canada? Will Africa unlock its resource wealth for prosperity?*
Featuring: Paul Collier, Director, Centre for the Study of African Economies, Oxford University

APRIL 18, 2013
Calgary, Alberta
*Breakfast with Hon. Joe Oliver*
Featuring: Hon. Joe Oliver, Minister of Finance, and former Minister of Natural Resources, Government of Canada

APRIL 17, 2013
Calgary, Alberta
*Extractive Resource Industries in the Developing World*
Featuring: Rilwanu Lukman, former Secretary General of OPEC
Executive Programs and Policy Briefings

The School’s Executive Programs and Policy Briefings provide training on very specific policy practices. These workshop-style sessions are tailored to smaller groups looking to gain in-depth policy expertise. In the 2013/2014 financial year, The School put on six Executive Programs and 21 Policy Briefings.

The Fourth Annual Executive Program in Government Affairs was held in June 2013 in Banff, Alberta, where over 30 delegates received rigorous training on how to effectively manage relationships between their organizations and government.

As part of its new Extractive Resource Governance Program, The School hosted several sessions devoted to the regulation and development of extractive industries. Several of these sessions drew representatives from governments overseas, including a Colombian delegation that traveled to The School to learn about best-practices in regulation, and a group from Romania who came to learn about developing shale gas reserves.
The Extractive Resource Governance Program fosters policy capacity in three areas that are critical to the establishment of a sustainable resource economy:

• Fiscal policies for growth and stability
• Improved regulatory regimes
• Sustainable community development and regional planning

The program provides a platform to harness Canadian and international research and expertise in these areas. As part of this effort, The School engages governments, industry, academics and other relevant groups to identify policy gaps and develop strategies for bridging them. This includes in-country consultations and providing opportunities for stakeholder groups to collaborate like the symposium held at the program’s launch.

To date, The School has consulted with and developed policy training sessions for government and industry agencies from:
• Brazil
• Colombia
• Republic of the Congo
• Ghana
• Indonesia
• Malaysia
• Mexico
• Mongolia
• Romania
• Tanzania

In April 2013, The School held a formal launch for its Extractive Resource Governance Program. The two-day event drew an international audience as delegations from Europe and Africa travelled to Calgary to participate in informative sessions focused on policy related to extractive industries. Attendees were also treated to keynote speeches from three prominent policy figures: Rilwanu Lukman, former Secretary General of OPEC, the Honourable Joe Oliver, Minister of Finance and former Minister of Natural Resources, and Paul Collier, Director, Centre for the Study of African Economies, Oxford University.
Canada Just Got Smarter

In February 2014, The School launched its “Canada Just Got Smarter” campaign to showcase its fellows. While some of them have been working with us for several years, many joined The School during the 2013/2014 financial year.

The School of Public Policy Fellows

Uzi Arad, 
Executive Fellow 
Former National Security Advisor to Israeli Prime Minister Netanyahu

Duanjie Chen, 
Research Fellow 
Expertise in Chinese state-owned enterprise, public finance and taxation

Bev Dahlby, 
Distinguished Fellow 
Expertise in tax policy and fiscal federalism, equalization

Wendy Dobson, 
Research Fellow 
Expertise in international business and finance with focus on Asian markets

Martha Hall Findlay, 
Executive Fellow 
Former MP for Willowdale; Chief Legal Officer of EnStream

Tom Flanagan, 
Distinguished Fellow 
Expertise in politics, First Nations, federalism

Robert Fonberg, 
Executive Fellow 
Former Deputy Minister of National Defence; Expertise in global and regional economics, trade, and security and cyber issues

David Hackett, 
Executive Fellow 
Expertise in oil market trading and analysis; President of Stillwater Associates

Toby Jenkins, 
Executive Fellow 
Expertise in urban planning and business; President of Columbia Developments

Tom Jenkins, 
Executive Fellow 
Former Chair of the Government of Canada’s military procurement review panel; Chairman of OpenText

Vijay Jog, 
Research Fellow 
Expertise in marginal effective tax rates, pension funds and tax exempt savings

Laurence Kotlikoff, 
Distinguished Fellow 
Expertise in US debt, debt ceiling, fiscal cliff, entitlement programs, unfunded liabilities; Economist at Boston University

As Canada’s flagship school of public policy, The School has amassed a wealth of policy expertise that is unrivaled amongst Canadian policy schools. Invaluable expertise comes from fellows that have been appointed by The School. The roster of fellows consists of recognized policy experts from across business, government and academia, many of whom have extensive experience in prestigious and influential positions.
Our People

Executive

Ian Brodie, Research Director
Dr. Brodie (Ph.D., University of Calgary) joined The School of Public Policy in 2013. He is Research Director and teaches in the Master of Public Policy program. From 2006 to 2008, Dr. Brodie worked as the Chief of Staff for Canadian Prime Minister Stephen Harper. Dr. Brodie was the first permanent Executive Director of the Conservative Party following the merger of the Canadian Alliance and the PC Party. After leaving government, Dr. Brodie worked in international and multi-lateral finance as Strategic Advisor at the Inter-American Development Bank. He worked as IDB’s ‘Sherpa’ for the 2012 Summit of the Americas in Cartagena and represented IDB at G-20 meetings. He also worked with Hill & Knowlton Canada advising blue-chip clients on their public affairs strategies and interactions with government. From 1997-2003, Dr. Brodie was Associate Professor of Political Science at the University of Western Ontario. His 2002 book, Friends of the Court, was the first comprehensive study of interest group litigation in Canada. His academic work has been published in Comparative Politics, Canadian Journal of Political Science, and elsewhere.

Robert Mansell, Academic Director
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