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The 2019/2020 Legislative calendar marks the 44<sup>th</sup> cohort of the Ontario Legislature Internship Programme. OLIP is a very special partnership between the Ontario Legislative Assembly and the Canadian Political Science Association. Many thanks go to both the Hon. Ted Arnott, the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly and Todd Decker, the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, along with the Board of Internal Economy for their enthusiastic support of the programme.

Since the rise of COVID-19 and the government mandated state of emergency, the interns have been working from the safety of their homes in accordance with public health directives, and are using this opportunity to learn about how the Ontario Legislative Assembly responds and adapts in uncertain times. They continue to serve their MPPs by scheduling and attending virtual meetings, and by providing research or any other support their offices require. Beyond the work in their offices, they have been hard at work researching and writing their academic papers. Finally, they are finding new ways to approach their OLIP committee work, and are diligently planning a virtual symposium to present their paper topics to friends and colleagues.

Although we cannot meet in person with our stakeholders, sponsors, or each other, we strive to maintain OLIP's strong sense of community by staying connected through digital means.

### ADMINISTRATIVE TEAM UPDATES

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None of the excellent work that happens through OLIP would be possible if not for the support of the programme's Administrative Team.

OLIP Coordinator Michael Vidoni has been with us for two years. Michael's compassion and guidance have proven essential to the function of the programme. I am continuously grateful for his exceptional hard-work and dedication.

Former OLIP Coordinator and Committee Clerk Jocelyn McCauley has moved on to an exciting position as the Accountability Officer for the Town of Collingwood. Although we were sad to see her go, I am excited to welcome Meghan Stenson as our new OLIP Coordinator! Meghan is a Table Research Clerk with the LAO, and her enthusiasm for the programme has already shown. She is a fantastic fit for the role, and I am confident that she will excel as an OLIP Coordinator.

Rick Sage continues to assist in the curation of OLIP history as part of our digitization process. Beyond this he is always very available to the interns to help with paper research and advice on their roles in member's offices. I am very grateful for Rick's ongoing support.

Our Programme Manager, Elisa Natarelli has been with us for over three years now. For her, it is business as usual as she continues to support the programme and our interns in any way possible while working remotely. All the administrative team and the interns rely greatly on Elisa's excellent work.

## INCOMING COHORT

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This year, we received a record breaking number of applicants, totalling 224 applications. Additionally, for the first time in OLIP history, we conducted our interviews for the 2020-2021 cohort entirely via the video conferencing tool Zoom. The outcome was successful, and I am very excited to welcome our 2020-2021 cohort:

*Mackenzie Bonnet* received an Honours Bachelor of Arts in political science and ethics, society and law from University of Toronto, and is a Master of Public Policy and Global Affairs candidate at the Munk School of Global Affairs and Public Policy. Bonnet is from Goderich, Ontario.

*Amelia Boughn* received a Bachelor of Arts in history from the University of British Columbia, and is a Master of Science in global health candidate at McMaster University. Boughn is from Toronto, Ontario.

*Andrea Colastini* received an Honours Bachelor of Arts in political studies from Queen's University and is a Master of Public Administration candidate at Queen's University. Colasanti is from Chatham, Ontario.

*Gurkamal Dahahn* received a Bachelor of Public Administration with an Honours Specialization in Management from York University. Dhahan is from Brampton, Ontario.

*Ritika Gupta* received a Bachelor of Arts in political science and history from the University of Guelph. Gupta is from Mississauga, Ontario.

*Monica Mann* received a Bachelor of Arts in economics, communication and anthropology from McGill University, and is a Master of Public Policy, Administration and Law candidate at York University. Mann is from Toronto, Ontario.

*Meriem Mezdour* received a Bachelor of Social Science in international development and globalization and is a Master of Arts candidate in political science with development studies option at McGill University. Mezdour is from Ottawa, Ontario.

*David Nightingale* received a Bachelor of Arts in French, business and political science at the University of Waterloo, and is a candidate for bilingual Master of Public and International Affairs at York University. Nightingale is from Kitchener, Ontario.

*Alexander Stover* received an Honours Bachelor of Arts in history and political science from University of King's College in Halifax, and is a Master of Arts candidate in political science at McMaster University. Stover is from Oakville, Ontario.

*Chelsea Tao* received an Honours Bachelor of Arts in ethics, society and law, and criminology and sociolegal studies from University of Toronto. Tao is from Mississauga, Ontario.

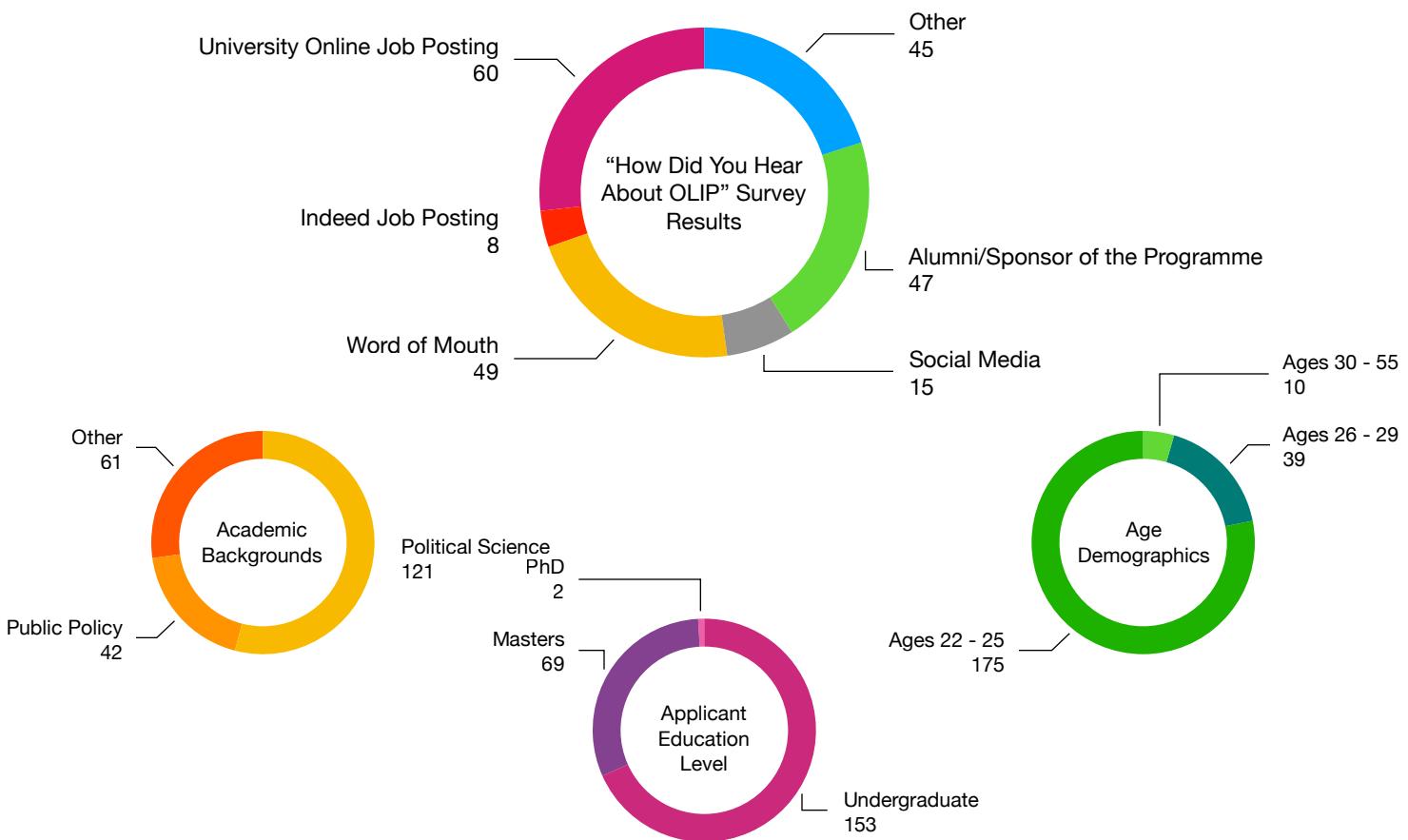
## RECRUITMENT

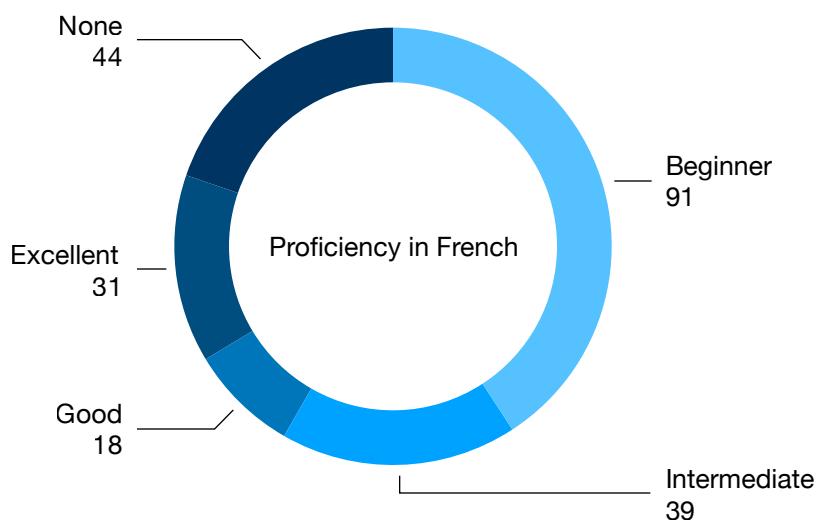
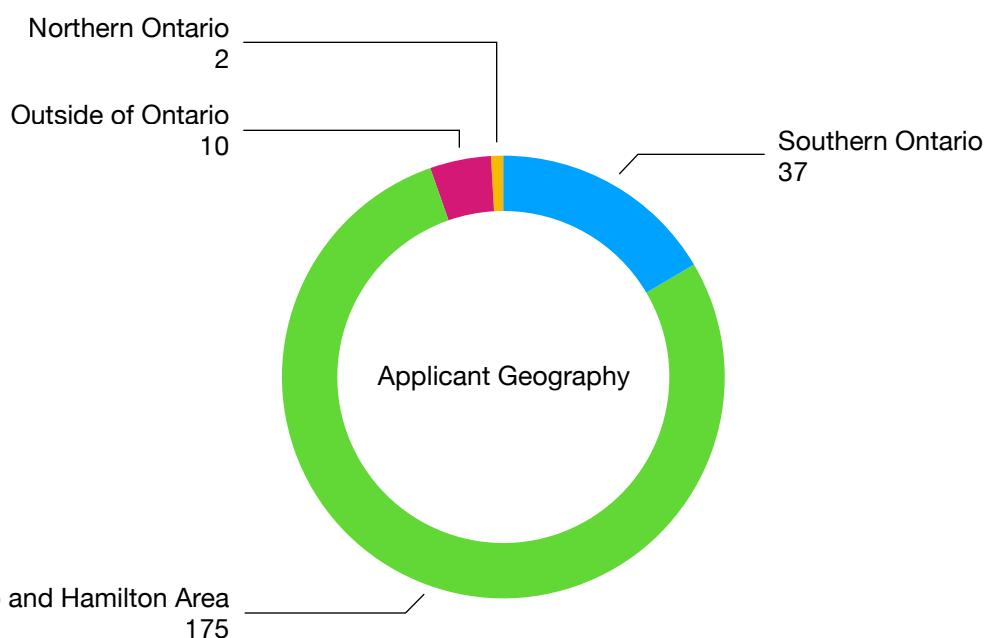
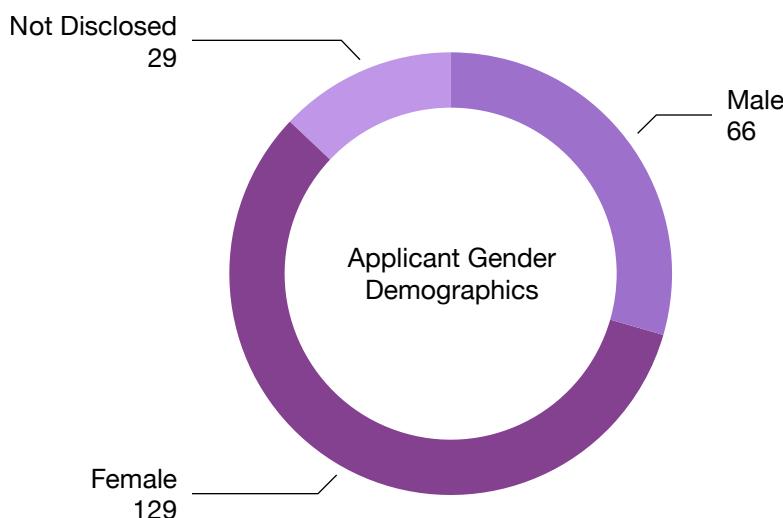
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As previously noted, this year OLIP received a record breaking 224 applications. Some factors that contributed to this increase in the number of applications include:

- Creating a specific social media recruitment strategy with multiple posts per week from December 1 to January 31
- Working directly with university career centres to host information sessions and asking them to promote the event on their social media, website, and events calendar
- Posting on all university career centre job boards across Canada
- Sending an email with OLIP social media, recruitment session date/ time, and overview of the programme to departments to be forwarded to students in early January
- Holding an online information session that was promoted heavily to schools without in-person sessions
- Enlisting all interns to assist with in-person information sessions and leveraging alumni connections to promote the session
- Eliminating the costs associated with having applicants submit official transcripts until they are selected for interviews

To further improve our recruitment strategy, and to see what worked, we incorporated a “How Did You Hear About OLIP” survey at the end the application. Additionally, we utilized the digital nature of the application system to produce various statistics. We returned the following results:





## VALUE OF SPONSORSHIPS

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Despite the generous support of the Legislative Assembly, the academic and educational study components of the programme would not be as enriching without the support of our sponsors. Their support allows us to augment what the interns learn and experience. The study tours to other parliaments and legislatures bring depth and breadth to the interns' learning, and for this we thank all our sponsors. This year's cohort visited Ottawa, Quebec City, and Yellowknife. Due to the global pandemic, the remaining study tours (CPSA Conference and London, UK) will not take place this year. Efforts are being made to virtually visit a number of legislatures/parliaments around the world. Our sponsors continue to support us despite the impact of COVID-19 on their businesses, and for that we are grateful. They continue to make time for our interns, meeting with them via Zoom. We work hard to acknowledge their generosity at every opportunity, and I encourage you to view the sponsor page in the magazine.

## MEETINGS

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The interns have had an incredible year for meetings, attending 140 meetings to-date. They continue correspondence with previously-booked meetings contacts offering to meet digitally.

### *Academic Sessions*

Dr. Greg Inwood, Ryerson University, Former OLIP Academic Director  
 Dr. Graham White, University of Toronto, Former OLIP Academic Director  
 Dr. Jonathan Craft, University of Toronto  
 Professor Fausto Natarelli, York University  
 Dr. Patrice Dutil, Ryerson University  
 Dr. David Trick, Ryerson University  
 Dr. Kirsten Stefanik, Windsor Faculty of Law

### *Alumni*

Hannah Iles, Office of the Integrity Commissioner  
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 Jaskiran Shoker, Counsel Public Affairs  
 Mitch Davidson, StrategyCorp  
 Shireen Salti, Executive Director of the Canadian Arab Institute  
 Karim Bardessy, Ryerson Leadership Labs  
 Vanessa Dupuis, Loblaws  
 Nish Chankar, McMillan Vantage  
 Matthew Klassen, PC Caucus

Braelyn Guppy, Ryerson Leadership Labs & Linda Bui, Counsel of Ontario Universities  
Richard and Lorraine Sage, Retired OLA Staff and OLIP Coordinators  
Alex Overton, Western Law School  
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Tim McMillian, Mcmillan Vantage  
Aaron Denhartdog, Aurora Cannabis  
Sasha Tregebov, Behavioural Insights  
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Waqas Iqbal, Senior Policy Advisor, Ontario Digital Service, Cabinet Office  
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Tonia Grannum, Clerk of Procedural Services  
Valerie Quioc Lim, Senior Clerk of Committees  
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Liron Taub, Legislative Counsel  
Grace Renwick, Research Librarian  
Eileen Lewis, Research Librarian  
Jessica Knoll, Research Librarian

Lisa Pereira, Manager of Human Resources  
Debi LaMantia, Director of Parliamentary Protocols and Public Relations  
Alex Saunders, Manager of Purchasing and Operations  
Steven McGowan, Staff Sergeant, Operations  
Michael Donofrio, Director of Broadcast & Recording Services  
Jelena Bajcetic, Director of Precinct Properties  
Alison Jones, Director of QP Press Gallery  
Peggy Brooks, Director of Hansard and Reporting  
Mavis Reid, Director of Human Resources  
Steven Green, Director of Information Services

*Government and Opposition Meetings*

Hon. Doug Ford, Premier  
Hon. Christine Elliott, Deputy Premier and Minister of Health  
Hon. Paul Calandra, Government House Leader  
Mike Schreiner, Leader of the Ontario Green Party  
Hon. Raymond Cho, Minister of Seniors and Accessibility  
Hon. Stephen Lecce, Minister of Education  
Hon. Laurie Scott, Minister of Infrastructure  
Hon. Vic Fedeli, Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade  
Hon. Todd Smith, Minister of Children, Community, and Social Services  
Hon. Peter Bethlenfalvy, President of Treasury Board  
Jonathan Trentadue, Manager of Cabinet Operations  
Andrew Bevan, Former Chief of Staff to Premier

*Media*

James Cohen, Journalist for the Toronto Star  
Mark Bulgutch, Journalist and Professor at the Ryerson School of Journalism  
Steve Paikin, Journalist for TVO  
CBC Meeting/Tour  
Matt Galloway, Radio Personality for CBC One  
Martin Regg Cohn, Columnist for the Toronto Star  
Jane Lytvynenko, Reporter for BuzzFeed News

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Sheena Weir, Law Society of Ontario

Doug Anderson, Ontario Nurses Association  
Mark Train, Professional Fire Fighters Association  
Paul Yeung, Harvey Cooper, Public Affairs Association of Canada  
Maya Milardovic, Co-operators  
Sandra Dykxhoorn, Ontario Power Generation  
Dave Bulmer, AMAPCEO  
Ronja Kroger and Francoise Granda-Desjardins, Bombardier  
Ryan Clark, Advocacy Solutions  
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Catherine Lapsley, Counsel Public Affairs  
Sophie Helpard, The Centre for Israel and Jewish Affairs

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Councillor Kristyn Wong-Tam, City of Toronto Councillor  
Sylwia Przedzicki, City of Toronto Clerk  
Josh Matlow, City of Toronto Councillor  
Diane Silver, Senior Planner for the City of Toronto  
Josh Layton, City of Toronto Councillor  
Barbara Hall, Former Mayor of the City of Toronto

*Other*

Silvana Danesi, Executive Director of the CPSA  
Ed Burtnynsky, Artist and Environmentalist  
Stephan Jost, Director of the Art Gallery of Ontario  
Josh Basseches, Director of the Royal Ontario Museum  
Elizabeth McIsaac, President of the Maytree Foundation  
J Stephen Andrews, Ontario Catholic Schools Trustees Association  
Jay Young, Outreach Officer for the Archives of Ontario  
Ed Iacobucci, Dean of the University of Toronto Law School  
Andrew Koolsbergen, The Canadian Council for Public-Private Partnerships  
Terry Fallis, Author and Consultant  
Chief Justice Strathy  
Kendall Anderson, Samara Centre for Democracy  
Ginny Roth, Cresview Strategy  
Sean Mullin, Brookfield Institute  
Kevin McGurk, UK Consul General  
Andrew Harrison, Partner at BLG LLP  
Kwame McKenzie, Wellesley Institute

## ACADEMIC SESSIONS

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In addition to the meetings that are arranged by the interns themselves, I work with the interns to develop a list of topics and arrange speakers accordingly. This supports the exposure and education of our interns in specific academic areas. The Academic Sessions typically occur every Friday and this provides a very rich and informative experience, allowing for more time to further delve into topics and issues. This year's cohort is on track to do the same. The topics of the academic sessions that have occurred thus far are:

Federalism in Canada

Consensus Government and the Northwest Territories

Political Staff

Decoding Prime Ministerial Power

Higher Education and Policy Issues

Public Private Partnerships and Integrity in the Ontario Public Service

## THE CLERK'S POSTER COMPETITION AND LIBRARY PAPER PRESENTATIONS

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Because of the cancellation of the CPSA conference, we decided to provide the interns with a poster presentation opportunity. The Clerk was kind enough to agree to chair a poster presentation session, complete with award for best results. In addition to this, the Legislative Library has agreed to partner with OLIP to hold an on-line conference that would allow all of the interns to present their papers in a longer format. In addition to Library staff, all Members of the Legislative Assembly and staff all also invited to join the on-line session. This will allow the interns the opportunity to present their papers and for greater exposure of their research. The Interns look forward to presenting their paper topics:

Misha Apel, *"Now Let Us Pray": An Analysis of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario's Prayer Schedule*

Marion Davies, *A Pink Palace, or a Huge Red Toad? Examining how architecture influences political life: a case study of the Legislative Building of Ontario*

Jennifer Han, *Party-Sans Meetings: The Role of All-Party Groups at the Ontario Legislature*

Jeremy Istead, *Staff Training and Workplace Culture Within MPP Offices in the Legislative Assembly of Ontario*

Meaghan Irons, *Interjections: Heckling in the Ontario Legislature by Ontario Members of Provincial Parliament*

Kieran Lawlor, *Protecting the Precinct: The Evolution of Security at Queen's Park*

Clare MacDonald, *The Private Side of Public Life: The Impact of a Legislative Career on the Work-Life Balance of MPPs*

Eric Osborne, *What did they study? Educational Backgrounds of MPPs*

## **SUMMARY**

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The Ontario Legislature Internship Programme continues to be a success because of the very generous and committed partners and alumni we have. Additionally, staff of the Legislative Assembly and the Board of Internal Economy have all been very supportive.

A big thank you to the Board of the CPSA as well as to Silvina Danesi and Michelle Hopkins who are a tremendous support on a regular basis and are integral to the success of our programme. Thanks also to Tim Howard who also has been very helpful. Finally, thank you to Sean Hart who continuously works very hard to ensure our online application system runs smoothly.



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*Note : Pour les besoins du présent document, il est entendu que le masculin comprend le féminin et qu'il est utilisé dans le seul but d'éviter d'alourdir le texte.*

Le calendrier des travaux législatifs 2019/2020 a marqué l'arrivée de la 44<sup>e</sup> cohorte du Programme de stage à l'Assemblée législative de l'Ontario. Le PSALO est le résultat d'un partenariat bien spécial entre l'Assemblée législative de l'Ontario et l'Association canadienne de science politique. Un grand merci à l'honorable Ted Arnott, président de l'Assemblée législative, et à Todd Decker, greffier de l'Assemblée législative, ainsi qu'à la Commission de régie interne pour leur soutien enthousiaste du programme.

En raison de la propagation de la COVID-19 et de l'état d'urgence imposé par le gouvernement, les stagiaires travaillent en toute sécurité depuis leur domicile, conformément aux directives de la santé publique, et profitent de cette occasion pour apprendre comment l'Assemblée législative de l'Ontario réagit et s'adapte en période d'incertitude. Ils continuent à servir leurs députés en organisant des réunions virtuelles auxquelles ils participent et en effectuant des recherches ou en fournissant tout autre soutien requis dans le bureau auquel ils sont assignés. Au-delà de ces fonctions, ils s'attellent à mener à bien leurs propres travaux de recherche jusqu'à la remise de la version finale de leur article. Enfin, ils inventent de nouvelles façons d'aborder leur travail en comité et planifient diligemment un colloque virtuel où seront présentés les sujets de leurs articles à leurs amis et collègues.

Bien que nous ne puissions pas rencontrer en personne nos partenaires et commanditaires ni nous rencontrer entre nous, nous nous efforçons de maintenir le sentiment d'appartenance profond bien propre au PSALO en restant branchés par le biais des moyens de communication numériques.

## L'ÉQUIPE ADMINISTRATIVE EN POSTE

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L'excellent travail accompli dans le cadre du PSALO ne serait pas possible sans l'appui de l'équipe administrative du programme.

Michael Vidoni, coordonnateur du PSALO, est avec nous depuis deux ans. Son empathie et ses conseils se sont avérés essentiels au bon fonctionnement du programme. Je lui suis continuellement reconnaissant pour son travail et son dévouement exceptionnels.

Jocelyn McCauley, ancienne coordonnatrice du PSALO et greffière de comité, a accepté un poste fort intéressant de responsable de l'imputabilité à la ville de Collingwood. Bien que son départ nous ait attristés, je suis heureux d'accueillir notre nouvelle coordonnatrice, Meghan Stenson. Commis aux recherches pour le Bureau à l'ALO, elle montre déjà beaucoup d'enthousiasme pour notre programme. Elle est la personne toute désignée pour occuper ce poste de coordonnatrice; aussi suis-je convaincu qu'elle excellera dans l'exercice de ses fonctions.

Rick Sage continue d'aider à la conservation des archives du PSALO dans le cadre de notre processus de numérisation. De plus, il est toujours à la disposition des stagiaires pour les aider dans leurs travaux de recherche et les conseiller sur leur rôle au sein des bureaux des députés. Je lui suis très reconnaissant pour son soutien indéfectible.

La gestionnaire de notre programme, Elisa Natarelli, travaille pour nous depuis trois ans maintenant. Elle continue comme avant à soutenir le programme et nos stagiaires par tous les moyens possibles tout en travaillant à distance. Toute l'équipe administrative et les stagiaires comptent beaucoup sur son excellent travail.

## NOUVELLE COHORTE

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Cette année, nous avons reçu un nombre record de candidatures, soit 224. En outre, pour la première fois dans l'histoire du PSALO, nous avons mené nos entrevues pour la cohorte 2010-2021 entièrement via l'outil de vidéoconférence Zoom. Le résultat a été fructueux et je suis très heureux d'accueillir notre cohorte 2020-2021 :

*Mackenzie Bonnet* a obtenu son baccalauréat ès arts spécialisé en science politique et en éthique, société et droit à l'University of Toronto et est candidate à la maîtrise en politiques publiques et affaires internationales à la Munk School of Global Affairs & Public Policy. Bonnet est originaire de Goderich, en Ontario.

*Amelia Boughn* a obtenu son baccalauréat ès arts en histoire à l'University of British Columbia et est candidate à la maîtrise en santé mondiale à la McMaster University. Boughn est originaire de Toronto, en Ontario.

*Andrea Colastini* a obtenu son baccalauréat ès arts spécialisé en science politique à la Queen's University et est candidate à la maîtrise en administration publique à la Queen's University. Colasanti est originaire de Chatham, en Ontario.

*Gurkamal Dahahn* a obtenu son baccalauréat en administration publique avec une spécialisation en gestion à la York University. Dhahan est originaire de Brampton, en Ontario.

*Ritika Gupta* a obtenu son baccalauréat ès arts en science politique et en histoire à l'University of Guelph. Gupta est originaire de Mississauga, en Ontario.

*Monica Mann* a obtenu son baccalauréat ès en économie, communication et anthropologie à l'Université McGill et est candidate à la maîtrise en politiques publiques, administration et droit à la York University. Mann est originaire de Toronto, en Ontario.

*Meriem Mezdour* a obtenu son baccalauréat en sciences sociales en développement international et mondialisation et est candidate à la maîtrise ès arts en science politique avec option en développement à l'Université McGill.

*David Nightingale* a obtenu son baccalauréat ès arts en études françaises, administration des affaires et science politique à l'University of Waterloo et est candidat à la maîtrise bilingue en affaires publiques et internationales à la York University. Nightingale est originaire de Kitchener, en Ontario.

*Alexander Stover* a obtenu son baccalauréat ès arts spécialisé en histoire et en science politique à l'University of King's College à Halifax et est candidat à la maîtrise ès arts en science politique à la McMaster University. Stover est originaire d'Oakville, en Ontario.

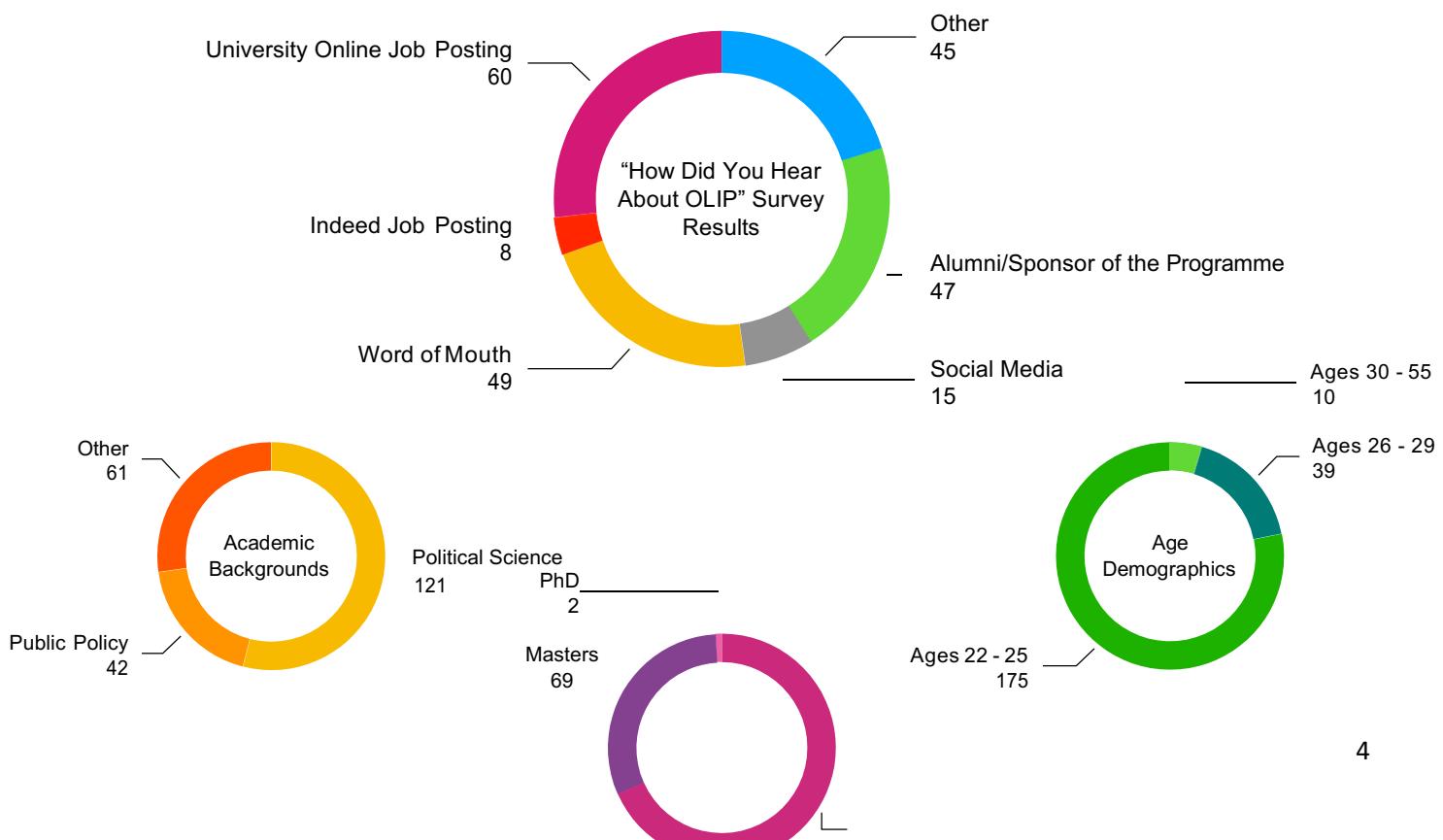
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## RECRUTEMENT

Comme nous l'avons noté précédemment, le PSALO a reçu cette année un nombre record de 224 candidatures. Certains facteurs peuvent expliquer cette hausse du nombre de candidatures :

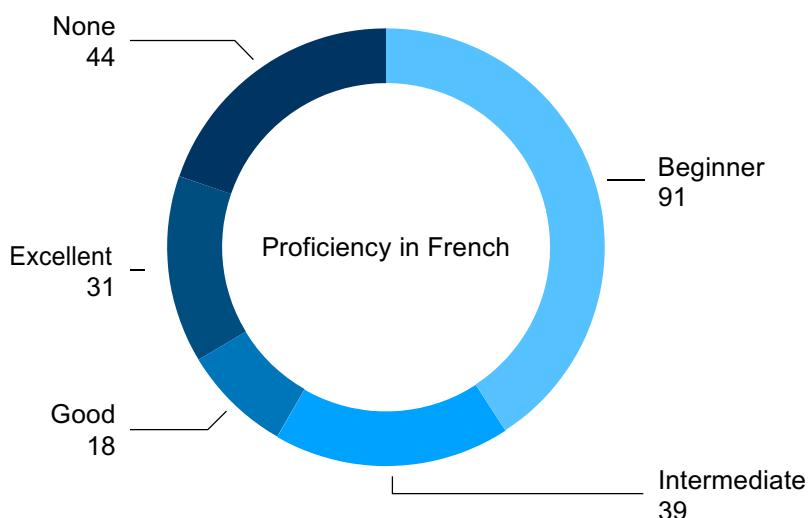
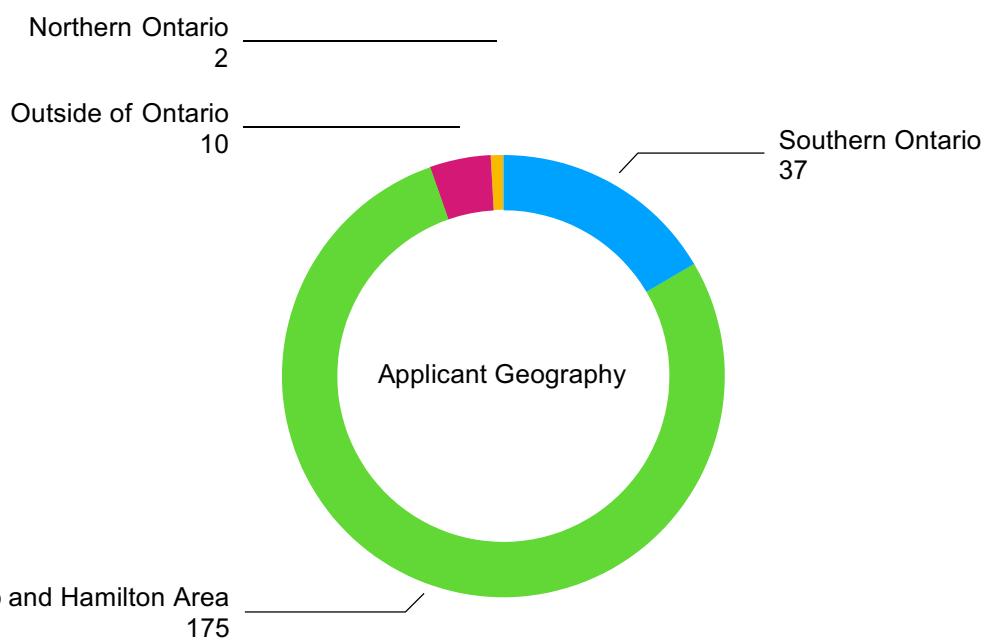
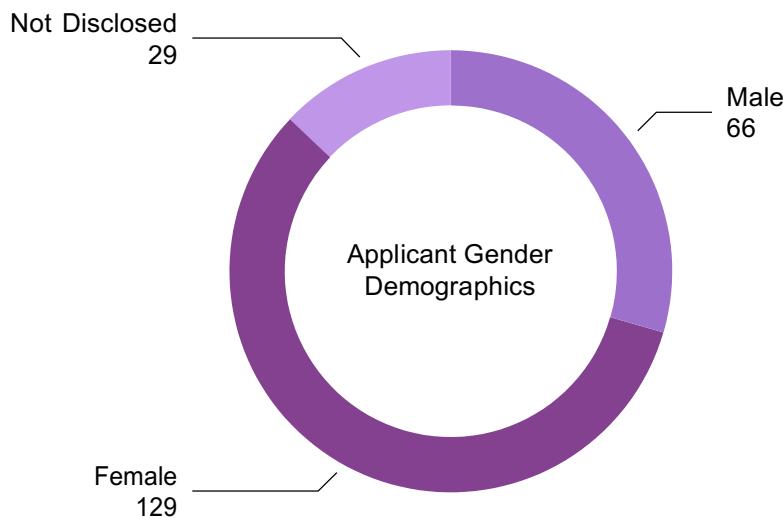
- création d'une stratégie de recrutement au moyen des médias sociaux avec la publication de plusieurs billets par semaine du 1<sup>er</sup> décembre au 31 janvier;
- collaboration directe avec les centres de carrières des universités pour l'organisation de séances d'information et leur promotion sur les médias sociaux, le site Web et le calendrier d'événements de ces universités;
- affichage dans tous les centres de carrières universitaires au Canada;
- envoi d'un courriel aux départements avec les médias sociaux du PSALO, la date/heure de la séance de recrutement et un aperçu du programme, courriel devant être transmis aux étudiants au début de janvier;
- tenue d'une séance d'information en ligne ayant fait l'objet d'une vaste promotion auprès des établissements d'enseignement (sans séance en personne);
- recours à tous les stagiaires afin qu'ils prêtent leur concours pour des séances d'information en personne et mise à contribution des contacts des anciens stagiaires en vue de promouvoir ces séances;
- élimination des coûts liés à l'obligation pour les candidats de soumettre leurs relevés de notes officiels avant qu'ils soient sélectionnés pour une entrevue de recrutement.

Afin de peaufiner davantage notre stratégie de recrutement et pour savoir ce qui a fonctionné, nous avons ajouté la question : « Comment avez-vous entendu parler du PSALO? » à la fin du formulaire de candidature. De plus, nous avons mis à profit la nature numérique de notre système de candidature pour produire diverses statistiques. En voici les résultats :



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## IMPORTANCE DES COMMANDITES

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Malgré le généreux soutien de l'Assemblée législative, les volets formation et visites d'étude du programme ne seraient pas aussi riches sans l'aide de nos commanditaires. Leur appui nous permet de bonifier l'apprentissage et l'expérience des stagiaires. Les visites d'autres assemblées législatives et parlements approfondissent et élargissent les connaissances des stagiaires, ce pour quoi nous remercions tous nos commanditaires. La cohorte de cette année s'est ainsi rendue à Ottawa, à Québec et à Yellowknife. En raison de la pandémie mondiale, les autres visites d'étude (congrès de l'ACSP et London, R.-U.) n'auront pas lieu cette année. Des efforts sont en train d'être déployés en vue de permettre la visite virtuelle d'un certain nombre d'assemblées législatives/parlements de par le monde. Nos commanditaires continuent à nous soutenir malgré l'impact de la COVID-19 sur leurs entreprises et nous leur en sommes reconnaissants. Ils continuent à accorder du temps à nos stagiaires par le biais de rencontres Zoom. Il nous est important de souligner à chaque occasion la générosité de tous nos commanditaires. Je vous encourage d'ailleurs à consulter la page que nous leur consacrons dans le magazine.

## RÉUNIONS

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En matière de réunions, les stagiaires ont eu droit à une année incroyable, soit 140 jusqu'à présent. Ils continuent à correspondre avec les personnes pour lesquelles des réunions étaient déjà prévues et qui offrent de les rencontrer virtuellement.

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#### *Government and Opposition Meetings*

Hon. Doug Ford, Premier

Hon. Christine Elliott, Deputy Premier and Minister of Health

Hon. Paul Calandra, Government House Leader

Mike Schreiner, Leader of the Ontario Green Party

Hon. Raymond Cho, Minister of Seniors and Accessibility

Hon. Stephen Lecce, Minister of Education

Hon. Laurie Scott, Minister of Infrastructure

Hon. Vic Fedeli, Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade

Hon. Todd Smith, Minister of Children, Community, and Social Services

Hon. Peter Bethlenfalvy, President of Treasury Board

Jonathan Trentadue, Manager of Cabinet Operations

Andrew Bevan, Former Chief of Staff to Premier

#### *Media*

James Cohen, Journalist for the Toronto Star

Mark Bulgutch, Journalist and Professor at the Ryerson School of Journalism

Steve Paikin, Journalist for TVO

#### *CBC Meeting/Tour*

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Ryan Clark, Advocacy Solutions  
Brett Broadway, Insurance Brokers' Association of Canada  
Elizabeth Laratta, CIBC  
Alain Brandon, Loblaws  
Sue Murray and Susan Gordan, Canadian Life and Health Insurance Association  
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Josh Matlow, City of Toronto Councillor  
Diane Silver, Senior Planner for the City of Toronto  
Josh Layton, City of Toronto Councillor  
Barbara Hall, Former Mayor of the City of Toronto

*Other*

Silvina Danesi, Executive Director of the CPSA  
Ed Burtnynsky, Artist and Environmentalist  
Stephan Jost, Director of the Art Gallery of Ontario  
Josh Basseches, Director of the Royal Ontario Museum  
Elizabeth McIsaac, President of the Maytree Foundation  
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Jay Young, Outreach Officer for the Archives of Ontario  
Ed Iacobucci, Dean of the University of Toronto Law School  
Andrew Koolsbergen, The Canadian Council for Public-Private Partnerships  
Terry Fallis, Author and Consultant  
Chief Justice Strathy  
Kendall Anderson, Samara Centre for Democracy  
Ginny Roth, Cresview Strategy  
Sean Mullin, Brookfield Institute  
Kevin McGurgan, UK Consul General  
Andrew Harrison, Partner at BLG LLP  
Kwame McKenzie, Wellesley Institute

## SÉANCES DE FORMATION

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En plus des réunions organisées par les stagiaires eux-mêmes, je travaille avec eux pour élaborer une liste de sujets et trouver les conférenciers qui conviennent. Cette démarche soutient la visibilité et la formation des stagiaires dans divers champs de recherche. Les séances de formation ont généralement lieu tous les vendredis; elles permettent aux stagiaires de vivre une expérience très enrichissante et d'approfondir des sujets très pointus. La cohorte de cette année est en voie de faire de même! Les thèmes abordés jusqu'ici au cours des séances de formation sont les suivants :

- le fédéralisme au Canada;
- le gouvernement de consensus et les Territoires-du-Nord-Ouest;
- le personnel politique;
- décoder le pouvoir du premier ministre;
- l'enseignement supérieur et les enjeux politiques;
- les partenariats public-privé et l'intégrité de la fonction publique en Ontario.

## LE CONCOURS DE PRÉSENTATIONS VISUELLES DU GREFFIER ET LES EXPOSÉS EN LIEN AVEC LA BIBLIOTHÈQUE

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En raison de l'annulation du congrès de l'ACSP, nous avons décidé d'offrir aux stagiaires une séance de présentations visuelles. Le greffier a eu la gentillesse d'accepter de présider cette séance, assortie d'un prix pour la meilleure présentation. En outre, la bibliothèque de l'Assemblée législative a accepté de s'associer au PSALO pour organiser une séance en ligne qui permettrait à tous les stagiaires de présenter leurs communications dans un format plus long. En plus des employés de la bibliothèque, tous les membres de l'Assemblée législative et leur personnel sont invités à participer à cette séance. Les stagiaires pourront ainsi présenter leurs articles et mieux faire connaître leurs recherches. Les stagiaires sont impatients de présenter les sujets de leurs articles :

Misha Apel, *"Now Let Us Pray": An Analysis of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario's Prayer Schedule*

Marion Davies, *A Pink Palace, or a Huge Red Toad? Examining how architecture influences political life: a case study of the Legislative Building of Ontario*

Jennifer Han, *Party-Sans Meetings: The Role of All-Party Groups at the Ontario Legislature*

Jeremy Istead, *Staff Training and Workplace Culture Within MPP Offices in the Legislative Assembly of Ontario*

Meaghan Irons, *Interjections: Heckling in the Ontario Legislature by Ontario Members of Provincial Parliament*

Kieran Lawlor, *Protecting the Precinct: The Evolution of Security at Queen's Park*

Clare MacDonald, *The Private Side of Public Life: The Impact of a Legislative Career on the Work-Life Balance of MPPs*

Eric Osborne, *What did they study? Educational Backgrounds of MPPs*

## **EN RÉSUMÉ**

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Le Programme de stage à l’Assemblée législative de l’Ontario continue d’être un succès grâce à la générosité et à l’engagement de nos partenaires et anciens stagiaires. De plus, le personnel de l’Assemblée législative et de la Commission de régie interne ont tous été d’un grand soutien.

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