

**MASTER OF
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**MASTER OF
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Welcome to the Munk School

The world needs leaders, and those leaders need to understand complicated social problems, deep political disagreements, challenging economic environments, and coming changes to the climate that will reshape our world. Here at the Munk School, we train professionals to deal with these and many other issues. Our faculty includes world-renowned scholars of economics, political science, sociology, history, social work and other disciplines, alongside public policy practitioners who bring a wealth of hands-on experience in the public, private, and non-profit sectors.

When you join the Master of Global Affairs (MGA) or the Master of Public Policy (MPP) program, you will learn to think critically about Canadian and global challenges. Your classes will push you to rigorously evaluate policies, to ask not just how things are done today, but how they can be done better. You will participate in a variety of student leadership initiatives, from the Beyond the Headlines podcast to the Indigenous Policy Initiative. You will learn how to negotiate in complex strategic environments, how to adapt a government to the digital age, and how to lead a team of talented colleagues.

As two year programs, the MGA and MPP combine both academic and practical training. During your first year, you will be introduced to the core theories and tools of multiple disciplines, covering topics like global security, the social context of public policy, human rights, innovation policy, economics, strategic negotiation, and adapting government to the digital age.

The following summer, the expert staff of the School will help you find an internship that matches your skills and interests. In the second year, you will bring the experience of that internship back into the classroom and into your extracurricular activities while deepening your expertise and preparing to launch your career.

Daily life at the Munk School includes lots of classes, but just as importantly, you will spend your time surrounded by a rich community of peers, alumni, faculty, fellows, staff, and visitors. On a single day, you might attend a class taught by a former high-ranking civil servant in the morning, have lunch with friends studying for their Master of Global Affairs or Master of Public Policy, attend a workshop on the authoritarian censorship on social media given by a visitor in the afternoon, and network with alumni in the evening.

From the day you arrive at the Munk School for our Math-Econ Prep Courses until the day you walk across the stage in Convocation Hall to receive your diploma, you will be challenged to think both big and small. Whatever challenges you take on in your career, we hope you prepare for them by spending some time with us here at the Munk School of Global Affairs and Public Policy.

— **Michael Donnelly,**
Director of Professional Master's Programs,
Munk School of Global Affairs & Public Policy



Why choose the Master of Public Policy and the Master of Global Affairs Degree Programs at the Munk School?

- U of T is ranked #1 in Canada and #23 in the world according to the Times Higher Education's World University Rankings 2024
- The Munk School is in the heart of downtown Toronto, one of the most dynamic and diverse cities in the world
- Our network has over 1000+ MPP and 900+ MGA alumni worldwide
- MGA & MPP Programs are two-year, full-time, in-person professional Master degrees, with a mandatory internship in the summer between years one and two
- Our faculty of experts come from a wide range of backgrounds and give both programs an interdisciplinary advantage
- Students gain practical hands-on work experience to enhance competitiveness in the global market
- A leader in research, teaching and global engagement, the Munk School has dozens of teaching programs, centres, and research labs.
- Students benefit from a rich support network which helps prepare them for thriving in global affairs and public policy careers



Learn from the experts

The Munk School boasts a distinguished faculty of world-class scholars and seasoned practitioners in global affairs and public policy. Comprised of interdisciplinary experts from both public and private sectors, they link theory with real-world experience. Their unparalleled expertise spans international relations, economic policy and global justice, for example, shaping cutting-edge research and advising international organizations, governments, and NGOs in Canada and worldwide.

Through our Master of Global Affairs and Master of Public Policy degree programs, students gain the necessary tools to become effective leaders, addressing the complex challenges of our interconnected world with insight and innovation while receiving rigorous academic training and real-world relevance.

Left to Right (from top row): Professor Ron Levi, Assistant Professor Rie Kijima, Professor Shiri Breznitz, Professor Phillip Lipsky, Professor Darius Ornston, University Professor Dan Breznitz; (second row) Assistant Professor Moussa Blimpo, Professor Ron Deibert, University Professor Janice Stein, Founding Director of the Munk School of Global Affairs & Public Policy, Professor John Robinson, Professor Lynette Ong, Professor Ayelet Shachar; (third row) Assistant Professor, Teaching Stream Gabriel Eidelman, Associate Professor Jonathan Craft, Professor Daniyal Zuberi, Associate Professor Michael Donnelly, Director of Graduate Programs, Assistant Professor Laura Garcia-Montoya, Associate Professor Phil Triadafilopoulos; (fourth row) Professor Drew Fagan, Professor Ito Peng, Professor Arjumand Siddiqi, Professor James Radner, Assistant Professor, Teaching Stream Janet Mason, Associate Professor Tom Kemeny.



Master of Global Affairs (MGA)

The Munk School's Master of Global Affairs is a two-year program that combines rigorous academic study with a global summer internship.

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Online Prep Courses in Math & Stats and Micro-Economics are offered in the summer before Year 1 for incoming students to help sharpen students' quantitative skills needed for this degree program. There is no additional cost for these recommended prep courses.

Year One

Core courses:

- Global Development
- Global Innovation Policy
- Global Security
- Human Rights and Global Justice
- Microeconomics for Global Affairs*
- Macroeconomics: Markets, Institutions and Growth*
- Statistics for Global Affairs

Elective one: choose one of three options:

- GLA2029H — Sustainability in the World: A Living Lab Course
- GLA2027H — Ethics and Global Affairs
- GLA2034H — Decision-Making & Strategic Thinking

Elective two: choose from a list of year two elective offerings each year

**an intermediate level is available for students with advanced knowledge in this subject*

Global Internship Course- GLA1007Y (between Year 1 and Year 2)

The Munk School's MGA Program connects students to internships in top-tier international and national institutions, businesses, and civil society organizations. This is a mandatory 10-16 week summer internship.

Year Two

Core courses:

- Research Methods for Capstone
- Capstone Seminar
- + 5 elective courses

Students must take a minimum of 1.5 full courses or three electives in a chosen emphasis. The completion of a particular emphasis will be recognized on your transcript at graduation.

Year Two emphases:

- Development
- Innovation Policy
- Human Rights and Global Justice
- Markets
- Global Security
- The Digital World
- Global Policy

MGA students are required to take a total of 9.0 full courses or 18 half courses.

Capstone project

The Capstone Project is a culminating assignment that ties all the foundational elements of the MGA curriculum—collaboration, practical work experience, and innovative problem-solving—together in a single project. Through the capstone, you will have the opportunity to apply your knowledge to the needs of real-world clients.

Past Capstone clients have included:

- Scotiabank - Global Financial Services
- Canadian Partnership for Women and Children's Health
- Ministry of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade
- UNICEF Standing Group of National Committees; Stephen Lewis
- CIFAR (Canadian Institute for Advanced Research)
- Global Affairs Canada

"The best part of my capstone was being able to work closely with the provincial government and gain insights on the policy process directly from policy leaders. I am grateful to have contributed to a policy framework which may shape a future digital strategy for the province and impact businesses in our local communities."

— Justine Tanguay, MGA '21, on her capstone project consulting for the Ontario Ministry of Economic Development, Job Creation, and Trade

Joint programs & specializations

In addition to the standalone Master of Global Affairs program and dual degree programs, you can complete a combined degree program, collaborative specialization, or study abroad on an exchange.

Combined Programs:

- Juris Doctor/Master of Global Affairs (JD/MGA)
- Master of Global Affairs/Master of Business Administration (MGA/MBA)

Collaborative Specializations:

- Collaborative Master's Specialization in Contemporary East and Southeast Asian Studies
- Collaborative Specialization in Ethnic, Immigration, and Pluralism Studies
- Collaborative Specialization in Environmental Studies

Dual degrees

Munk School students have the opportunity to stretch their degree across continents by earning two distinct and complementary master's degrees in just over two years.

Students in a dual degree program benefit from the unique academic strengths of each institution, the depth of the networks centered in their geographic region and their wide-reaching internship resources — gaining a multidisciplinary approach to global affairs and a multicultural perspective.



Study in London at LSE

Master of Public Administration (MPA) from LSE / Master of Global Affairs (MGA) from U of T

Spend your first year at the top University in London pursuing a Master of Public Administration, followed by a global internship, and the second year in Toronto studying for the MGA.



Study in Paris at Sciences Po

Master of Public Policy (MPP) from Sciences Po / Master of Global Affairs (MGA) from U of T

One of the world's leading schools for political science and international relations, students pursue a Master of Public Policy in Paris during the first year, complete a summer internship, and join the Munk School's MGA program for the second year.



Study in Berlin at the Hertie School

Master of International Affairs from the Hertie School / Master of Global Affairs (MGA) from U of T

Gain a Master of International Affairs degree at a leading European hub for research, policy and public engagement before completing your global internship and joining us at the Munk School for your MGA degree.

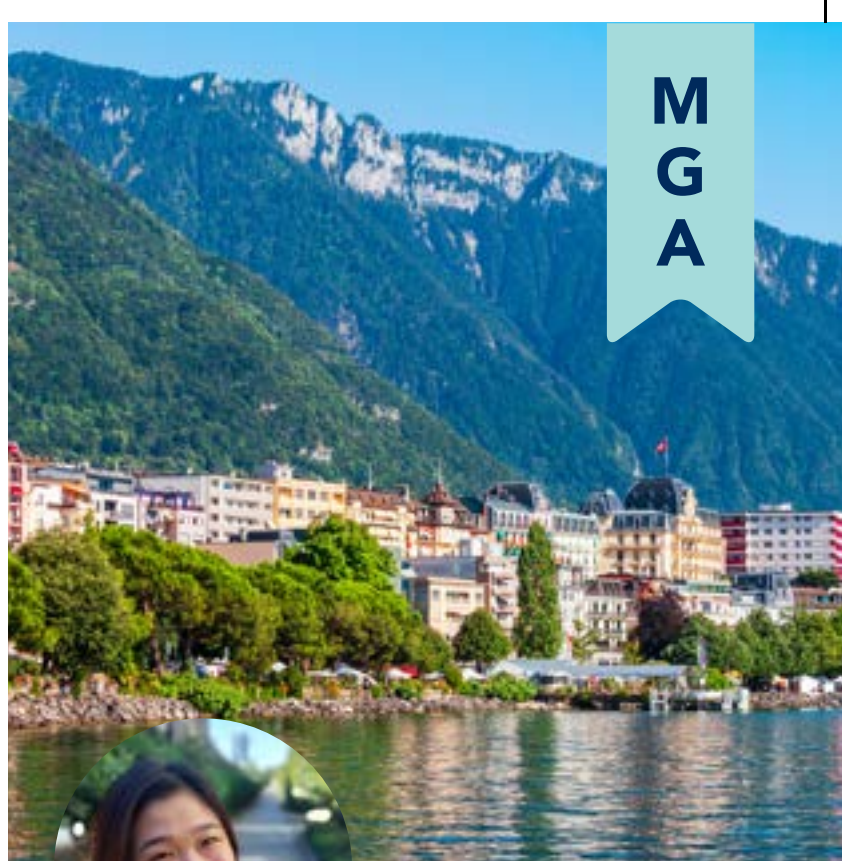
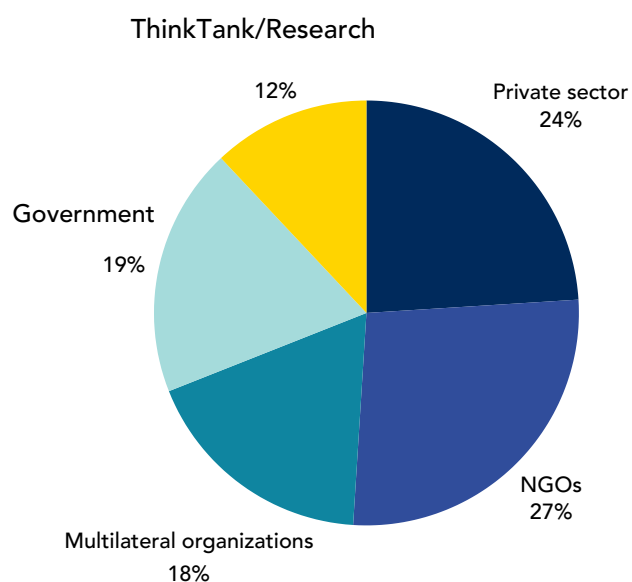
Internships

The internship is a core part of the MGA program. You will have the opportunity to gain real-world experience and connections in top-tier corporations, international and national institutions, and civil society organizations.

Our dedicated Global Internship Manager provides students with career support and professional development opportunities to help you land your internships. Some MGA Internship partners have included the World Bank, OECD, UNICEF, Global Affairs Canada, Manulife, KPMG, and the UN Environment Program (UNEP).

MGA students have completed internships in 63 countries to date, with more than 320 placement hosts.

MGA internships by sector



Yunji Wang, MGA '25

My internship was at the Global Education Cluster at UNICEF, Geneva. My role focused on advocating for education in emergencies. I developed strategic management skills by creating and leading the communication plan for the Annual Meeting in Nairobi, where I learned how to create engaging content and execute a social media strategy aligned with the meeting's objectives. This critical skill is one I continue to use today, both in my professional and personal life. The highlight was organizing the Annual Meeting in Kenya, where I had the chance to not only open the last day of the conference but also meet global experts united in delivering quality education to children. Learning from practitioners who witness these crises firsthand was eye-opening, and I discovered my love for dynamic teamwork and cross-sectoral collaborations. This experience confirmed my passion for humanitarian response and global development, bringing me closer to my goal of managing global development projects and eventually starting my own social enterprise.

What can you do with an MGA degree?

Careers Team and Support:

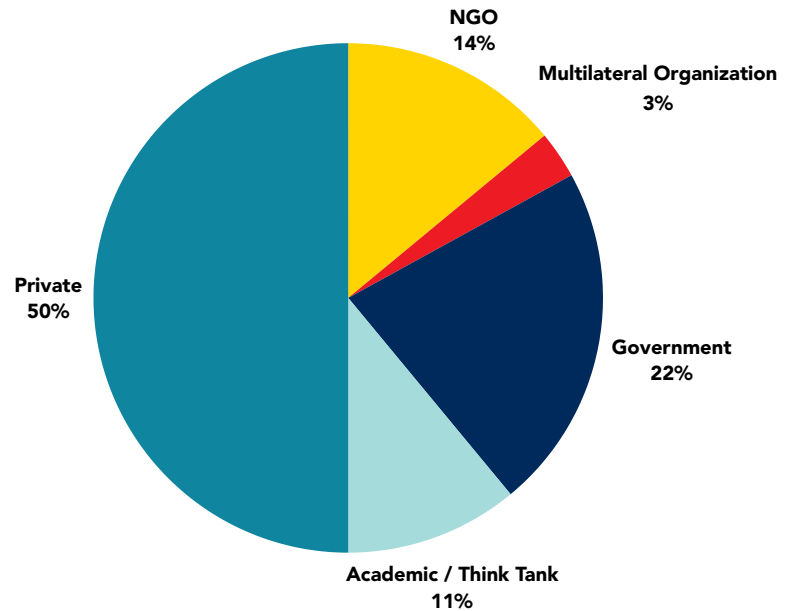
Navigating the intricate global affairs landscape demands academic rigour and robust career support. That is where the Professional Development and Career Strategies (PDACS) Office comes in, seamlessly integrating comprehensive services to ensure you are prepared for the dynamic job market.

Our dedicated Careers Team provides personalized guidance throughout the program, laying a foundation for success with immersive first-year workshops and one-on-one support. As you progress into your second year, we shift our focus to career planning and job search strategies. Our holistic career development approach ensures you possess the skills and experiences needed to achieve your aspirations. Whether you are exploring new career paths or refining interview skills, our expert team is committed to nurturing your professional growth.

Our support does not end after graduation, with our rich and expansive alumni network and ongoing career services, you will receive continued guidance and opportunities as you advance in your career—confidently navigating and thriving in the ever-evolving realm of global affairs.



MGA alumni employment by sector:



Recent jobs held by MGA graduates include:

- US Diplomat, US Department of State
- Manager, Sustainability and Climate Change, Deloitte Canada
- Grants Officer, Alberta Machine Intelligence Institute
- Assistant Director, Atlantic Council
- Desk Officer, Global Affairs Canada
- Project Manager, Transparentem
- Humanitarian Access Manager, Norwegian Refugee Council
- UN Fellow, United Nations
- Senior Policy Analyst, Ontario Ministry of Colleges and Universities
- Communications Manager, Covenant House Toronto
- Associate, ESG Global Advisors Inc
- Humanitarian Affairs Manager, Doctors Without Borders / Medecins Sans Frontieres (MSF)

Alumni spotlights

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Edward Kawooya, MGA '16
Senior Manager, Third Party Cyber, Data & IT Risk, RBC

What did you like most about the MGA program?

I loved the fact that the MGA was not your typical academic degree with a focus on only theory. The global arena is complex and ever-changing, which requires us to be more open-minded, flexible and pragmatic when tackling everyday issues. What I found unique was that the program provided students with an opportunity to take theory and apply it in real-life settings with its research, policy labs, innovative capstone and internship programs. We also got to engage decision-makers within non-government, government and private sector organizations to understand how they are both impacted and shaped by global policies. Above all, I cherish and found it humbling to be part of a dynamic and ambitious group of global students from all walks of life looking to make a difference in their homes, communities, and countries.

How has your MGA helped you in your career?

The MGA helped me realize that my academic background could be leveraged in a variety of sectors—be it government or private sector. Through the course offerings and teaching staff, I developed an interest in capital markets and regulatory decision-making. I took this interest and had the opportunity to work within the Ontario Public Service, helping to shape public policy issues and regulatory matters. Through this experience, I was able to build a strong network, which propelled me into the financial services sector working in Regulatory Compliance, Operational Risk, Data Management and Cybersecurity at the bank.



Emily Tsui, JD-MGA '21
Legal Officer/Foreign Service Officer, Diplomatic, Criminal, and Security Law at Global Affairs Canada

I have always wanted a career doing challenging cross-border and international work, and the JD/MGA program has allowed me to combine my interests in law and international affairs to do so. The combined program allowed me to gain hands-on experience to learn more about working in law in an international setting.

Through the MGA internship program and the IHRP fellowship, I got a chance to work at the Permanent Court of Arbitration in Singapore and the International Residual Mechanism for Former Criminal Tribunals in The Hague. These experiences, and the academics of the combined program, taught me how to work on complex files. I look forward to applying these skills while working at a large international law firm.



M P P

Master of Public Policy (MPP)

The MPP's core curriculum provides students with a foundation in quantitative and qualitative analysis, governance, the policy process, comparative analysis, and policy implementation. The core curriculum also includes a mandatory summer internship.

Online Prep Courses in Math & Stats and Micro-Economics are offered in the summer before Year 1 for incoming students to help sharpen students' quantitative skills needed for this degree program. There is no additional cost for these recommended prep courses.

Year One

During the first-year of the MPP program (MPP1), you will take 8 courses which consist of 7 core MPP1 courses and 1 core elective course:

Core courses (8 courses):

1. Governance, Institutions and Public Policy
2. Microeconomics for Policy Analysis
3. Macroeconomics for Policy Analysis
4. Quantitative Methods for Policy Analysis
5. Social Context of Policy-Making
6. Implementation of Program Evaluation
7. Strategic Policy Implementation

Elective credit (0.5) from either:

- Sustainability in the World: A Living Lab Course or Decision-Making and Strategic Thinking

Internship between Year 1 and Year 2

As part of the MPP program, you will complete a mandatory paid summer internship between year 1 and year 2 with an employer within the public, private or non-profit sector.

Year Two

During the second-year of the MPP program (MPP2), you will study economics and qualitative-based courses while having an opportunity to explore graduate level policy courses closer to your interests in policy, such as, AI, environment, global issues, etc.

Core courses:

1.5 required credits

- Politics and the Policy Process
- Topics in Applied Economics for Public Policy
- Capstone Course: Integrating Issues in Public Policy
- Choose: 0.5 elective credit from either:
 - Ethics and the Public Interest or
 - Moral Foundations of Public Policy
- Choose: 0.5 elective credit from either
 - Comparative Public Policy or an alternate international/global focus course as approved by the MPP program director
- Choose: 1.5 elective credits, of which one elective must be an MPP elective course and the remaining courses may be taken with other University of Toronto graduate units

Capstone project in MPP2

The MPP Capstone course requires students to apply the skills, analytic approaches, and policy knowledge that had been acquired during the MPP program to individually develop a coherent policy agenda to improve the social and economic well-being of Canadians.



Joint programs & specializations

In addition to the standalone Master of Public Policy program, you can also complete a combined degree program, collaborative specialization, emphases, or study abroad.

Four collaborative specializations:

- Contemporary East and Southeast Asian Studies (CESEAS)
- Environmental Studies
- Harney Program in Ethnic, Pluralism and Immigration Studies
- Sexual Diversity Studies

One combined program:

- Juris Doctor/Master of Public Policy (JD/MPP)

Choice of three emphases:

- Emphasis in Economics for Public Policy: you can complete three economics or stats-based elective courses.
- Public and Non-Profit Management and Administration Emphasis: you can complete three elective courses that can span from environmental to legal to digital courses.
- Social and Urban Policy Emphasis: you can complete three credits that might span from urban planning to health to Indigenous policy studies.

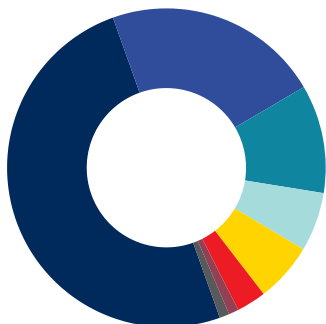
Internships

While studying in the MPP program, you will complete a paid policy internship between your first and second year of study. Under faculty supervision, the internship offers you a chance to apply your knowledge to issues in the public, private or non-profit sectors.

Most importantly, this internship will help you clarify your career direction, gain perspective on classroom learning, and provide invaluable experience and the network-building needed to secure employment after graduation. Internships may relate to any aspect of policy planning, analysis, decision-making and implementation.

At the end of your internship, you will submit a written research report providing an original analysis of the policy and/or organizational issues explored during your internship.

Internship employment by sector Summer 2023



50%	Ontario Public Service
22%	Federal government
11%	Private sector
6%	Government (other)
6%	Non-profit
3%	Municipal
1%	International organization
1%	Academia



Adley Ho, MPP '24

In 2023, I completed my MPP internship as a Strategy Analyst at the Canada Infrastructure Bank (CIB), a federal Crown corporation with a mandate to invest in sustainable infrastructure that benefits Canadians. As a member of the Strategy team, I supported initiatives in areas including sustainability, corporate reporting and planning, government relations, impact measurement, and sector strategies. I conducted research on climate resiliency for infrastructure and analyzed the potential role for the CIB as a catalyst for private investment. My analysis contributed to the development of new initiatives that leveraged the CIB's investments to improve climate resiliency, while aligning with federal government priorities.

The rigorous MPP programme at the Munk School has equipped me with the necessary skills to succeed in a highly dynamic and fast-paced workplace. I quickly applied my quantitative and qualitative research and analysis skills to produce high-quality deliverables that informed decision-making. Presentation opportunities, especially from the Strategic Policy Implementation course and various case competitions, have built my confidence in briefing senior leaders.

My internship experience highlighted the versatility of a policy degree, demonstrating the various opportunities to apply my policy analysis skills. I was fortunate to work part-time with the CIB, complementing my policy studies while continuing to contribute to sustainability projects from the summer. As I join the CIB as a full-time analyst after graduation, I am eager to explore opportunities across the public and private sectors to further my career as a policy analyst.

What can you do with an MPP degree?

Careers services:

Our dedicated MPP Career Services Team is committed to supporting your job search throughout your time at the Munk School and after. Our goal is to connect students to internships and full-time jobs in sectors students are passionate about.

Career Services support includes professional development workshops, a policy-focused job board, career advising, as well as mentoring and networking opportunities.

MPP New Graduate Employment: Class of 2023

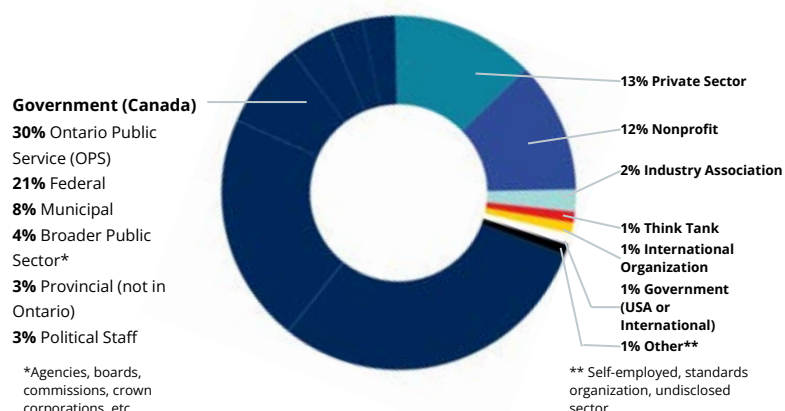
- 93%: Three months after convocation, over 93% of MPP graduates from the Class of 2023 secured full-time employment in policy-relevant roles.
- \$70,492: the average starting salary for the graduating MPP Class of 2023

Fun Fact:

96% of MPP alumni would recommend the MPP program to other interested candidates.



MPP Alumni Employment (2009-2023)





Alumni spotlight

James Drummond, MPP '15
Policy Analyst, Regulatory Policy Division,
Public Governance Directorate, OECD

What did you like most about the MPP program?

What I liked most was the strong sense of community built by the program. Unlike my previous degrees, the MPP program immediately emphasized and reinforced its cohort model that began in the first weeks with the math prep course and orientation week. From there, taking the majority of courses together provided a lot of opportunities to get to know and work closely with so many smart, amazing people and see policy problems from many different perspectives...This was also reinforced by extracurriculars, like the Public Good Initiative or the Ford + Munk case competition, where I got to work closely on practical and applied policy problems, deepening the connection with classmates. As a result, not only did this community help me get through the program, but it also resulted in strong friendships that have lasted years after graduating.

How has the MPP helped you in your career?

The MPP has helped my current career at the OECD in two ways. First, participating in an academic exchange to Sciences Po in Paris, France provided me both with the opportunity to improve my understanding of policy issues from an international perspective, as well as invaluable in-person opportunities to meet and network with OECD staff. Having this knowledge and network helped when I applied for internship positions after I returned to Toronto for my final semester. Second, the practical, policy-oriented communication skills we learned during the program have been an important factor in my tenure at the OECD.

Synthesizing policy problems, thinking critically about solutions, identifying practical options, and communicating clear and analytically sound solutions are core parts of my job. Especially early in my career at the OECD, I regularly called on experiences gained from the MPP program, that allowed me to contribute meaningfully to OECD projects and workstreams, giving me opportunities to move upwards in my career.



Alumni spotlight

Anna-Kay Russell du Toit, MPP '18

TD Bank, Manager of Social Projects and Issues Management

Anna-Kay also volunteers much of her time as the co-founder and Director of Funding Partnerships for the Canadian Black Policy Network and as the Director of Strategy & Governance for Leading Change Canada.

What did you like most about the MPP?

"What I loved most about the MPP program was having the room to delve deep into the subject of public policy and apply it to my lived experiences to better understand the sector and how I could personally contribute to it. I entered the MPP program with a degree in environmental studies and little knowledge of political science and economics.

At times, I wasn't sure it was the right fit; however, through the skills and knowledge I gained in my courses, internship, and involvement in extracurricular activities — like the Public Policy & Governance Review and Equity, Diversity & Public Policy Initiative — I left the program feeling not only more confident in what public policy actually is, but also how I could use it to effect positive change in my communities."

How has the MPP helped you in your career?

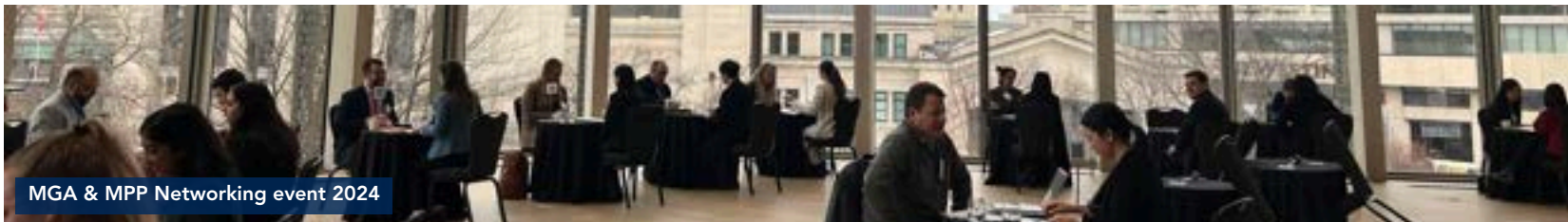
"I entered my MPP program very curious about the ways in which the policy process impacts those outside of government. While completing my degree, I had the opportunity of co-founding the program's inaugural collaboration with the Harvard Kennedy School's Black Policy Conference. By engaging in work like this during my MPP, I gained invaluable insights into the influence that policies have on communities and vice versa."



Toronto Black Policy Conference

In November 2019, MPP alum Eunice Kays Yeboah, Sharnelle Morgan and Anna-Kay Russell founded the inaugural Toronto Black Policy Conference. Held at the the Munk School's Campbell Conference Facility, the conference theme was Black Inclusion and Innovation, and applied an anti-Black racism lens to explore what innovation means for Toronto's Black communities now and in the future.

The successful event was subsequently followed by the creation of the Canadian Black Policy Network (www.cbpn.ca), a "policy-driven forum which seeks to provide unique opportunities to collaborate, innovate and find sustainable solutions for policy issues affecting Canada's Black communities."



Extra-Curricular Opportunities in MGA & MPP Programs

Student Leadership Initiatives

As a student in the Munk School's professional programs, you will engage in various enriching experiences, including participation in our Student Leadership Initiatives (SLIs), case competitions, and conferences. These initiatives go beyond traditional classroom learning, offering hands-on opportunities to publish journals, host podcasts, and consult on real-world challenges. By immersing yourself in these activities, you will gain valuable experience and the chance to apply and strengthen your skills, enhancing your value in the competitive job market.

Student Leadership Initiative spotlights

Public Good Initiative

The Public Good Initiative (PGI) is a student-leadership initiative that provides pro-bono consulting services to non-profit organizations. Drawing on the skills and expertise of PGI consultants, the PGI seeks to meaningfully contribute to the public good and make a positive impact on the policy and research capacity of non-profit organizations.

"Working as a Public Good Initiative (PGI) Consultant for World Education Services and as a PGI Director were the most rewarding experiences I had during my time at the Munk School. It offered me the opportunity to apply my coursework in a real-world setting, while developing valuable policy skills, including managing client and stakeholder relationships, and developing policy products such as briefing notes, literature reviews and jurisdictional scans. PGI provided me with a unique opportunity to engage in important, exciting, and challenging projects."

—Reem Sheikh- Khalil, MPP '21
PGI: Director, Client Relations

PATH

"As an incoming Master of Global Affairs (MGA) student, navigating career options can be daunting. PATH: Career Introduction and Exploration Series is here to support you. PATH offers panels, networking opportunities, and workshops throughout both program years, helping you understand the value of your degree and explore diverse career paths. Each month features a different sector within global affairs, bringing together professionals, alumni, and faculty to engage with students. These sector-specific panels provide insights into various careers, emerging trends, and essential skills. Student-led and organized, PATH also offers the opportunity to build essential transferable skills by managing logistics, finances, and marketing, as well as designing panels and recruiting panelists, thereby enhancing leadership and project management abilities—ensuring that you are well-equipped to achieve your career goals."

—Chloë Harle, MGA '24, served as Co-Chair of
PATH: Career Introduction and Exploration Series.

Mentorship

The Munk School Mentorship Program pairs students with Munk School Fellows, including educators, private sector leaders, and policy-makers, creating dynamic, mutually beneficial relationships. This program provides invaluable career insights and exemplifies the Munk School's commitment to interdisciplinary learning and real-world readiness. With every student who requested a mentor being matched, the program showcases the fellows' dedication to student success. The impact of the mentorship program extends beyond the classroom to foster a community passionate about addressing global challenges.

Exchange programs

All our students have the opportunity to study abroad for the fall term of their second year at one of our many partner institutions.

Application for an exchange term is a competitive process managed by [U of T's Centre for International Experience \(CIE\)](#).

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Admissions

MPP & MGA degree programs

The admissions process is a holistic one as the MPP & MGA Admissions committee will review every aspect of your application before making a decision. Please refer to the Munk School website for more detailed [MPP & MGA Admissions information](https://munkschool.utoronto.ca/masters-programs): <https://munkschool.utoronto.ca/masters-programs>

Admissions requirements

Academic Record

You will have successfully completed a four-year Bachelor's degree (in any discipline) or equivalent, from a recognized university.

GPA Requirement

You are required to have a minimum Cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) of mid-B (3.0), and a Final year minimum GPA of B+ (3.3), of 300 and 400 level courses.

(Admission is highly competitive and meeting this requirement does not guarantee admission.)

International Student Degree Equivalency Requirements

If you are an international student you should refer to [U of T's School of Graduate Studies International Equivalency tool](https://rb.gy/259ds9) to find out if your degree meets the School of Graduate Studies requirements to apply. [Learn more:](https://rb.gy/259ds9) <https://rb.gy/259ds9>

Quantitative & Qualitative Requirements

You require both qualitative and quantitative skills to succeed in the MGA & MPP programs. Therefore, you will need to demonstrate competency in these areas to strengthen your application for admission.

English Language Proficiency Test

You are required to submit official [English test scores](https://rb.gy/ngu3xx) if and only if (a) you do not have a degree from a Canadian university and (b) the language of instruction and examination for your degree was not English. [Learn more:](https://rb.gy/ngu3xx) <https://rb.gy/ngu3xx>

Other requirements

If you have completed your admitting degree (undergraduate degree) outside of Canada, you are required to write the Graduate Record Examination (GRE) General Test (www.ets.org/gre). (For MPP Program ONLY). The MGA Program does not require the GRE Test.

Dual Degrees; Combined Degree Programs and Collaborative Specializations:

If you are applying to any of the Dual Degree Programs and Combined Degree Programs, you will have to meet the requirements and deadlines of both degrees and programs to which you are applying. If you are interested in a Collaborative Specialization, once you are admitted to the MGA or MPP degrees, you can then apply to one of the Collaborative specializations offered through these degrees.

MGA Statistics for the cohort entering in 2024:

- 103 students in the Class of 2026
- 33% international students
- 11 countries represented
- 57% female, 42% male, 1% other
- 3.7 average final year GPA

MPP Statistics for the cohort entering in 2024:

- 112 students in the Class of 2026
- 23% international students
- 8 countries represented
- 69% female, 30% male, 1% other
- 3.7 average final year GPA



How to Apply

MPP & MGA degree programs

Apply Online

Submit your application online via U of T's School of Graduate Studies Online Application website (GradApp): <https://admissions.sgs.utoronto.ca/apply>.

Admissions Checklist:

- Official transcripts for all post-secondary studies (at the time of application, unofficial transcripts are accepted)
- Minimum two academic references
- Statement of purpose
- Optional diversity essay
- Proof of English Language Proficiency test if required.
- Online Kira video talent question and written response question
- Curriculum vitae (or resume)
- GRE is required only if you completed your undergraduate (admitting) degree outside of Canada (MPP Only)

Upload your documents into GradApp online and pay the \$125 application fee:
<https://admissions.sgs.utoronto.ca/apply/>

Dual Degrees with the MGA Program:

Applicants to the dual degrees — MPP/MGA, MIA/MGA, MPA/MGA — must apply through the partner institution (Sciences Po, Hertie School of Governance or London School of Economics).

Key dates for admission

Applications for Fall 2025 entry opens on: September 27, 2024

First Deadline: January 27, 2025
(For both programs)

Second Deadline (MGA Only): April 1, 2025
(Applicants will not be considered for MGA entrance scholarships if you apply by this deadline).

The first round of offers will go out in the first week of March.
Admission decisions will be made in two to three rounds.

Funding opportunities

MPP & MGA degree programs

You can fund your degree through a combination of:

- MPP & MGA merit-based entrance scholarships (no application required)
- Funded awards (e.g., MPP2 Cadario scholarship, MGA2 scholarships)
- External scholarships, such as SSHRC and OGS awards
- Government student loans (OSAP and other provincial loans)
- US Federal Direct Loan Program (for US citizens only)
- A loan or lines of credit from a bank

Funding for diverse communities:

- Inclusive Excellence Admissions Scholarships for Black and Indigenous Master's students
- Dr. Connie Carter Global Affairs Award, awarded to a Year 2 Student from a CARICOM country
- Thomas E. Keirans & Mary Janigan MGA Fellowship, awarded to a new Canadian or permanent resident
- The University of Toronto's Indigenous Tuition Initiative provides funding for nine First Nations and Indigenous American students

Other funding opportunities:

- Student Leadership Initiative Fellowships
- Paid internships
- Research assistant positions
- Teaching assistant positions



Funding for international students:

In addition to the MGA & MPP's scholarships, which are awarded to admitted students based on merit, international students can also search for eligible awards and scholarships through the: [University of Toronto, School of Graduate Studies website for international student awards.](https://www.sgs.utoronto.ca)

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