



School of Public Policy & Governance  
UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO

# Open House

*Presented by the SPPG Team  
at the School of Public Policy and Governance*

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# Master of Public Policy Program

Fall 2018



# Open House Agenda

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- Welcome to the School of Public Policy & Governance
- Introductions
- SPPG Excellence
- MPP: Courses
- MPP: Internships
- MPP: Alumni
- MPP: Admissions & Online Application
- Questions?



# Quick Facts

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- ✓ First MPP program launched in 2007
- ✓ Approximately 80 students in each cohort
- ✓ Comprehensive curriculum with 13/16 core courses + a required internship
- ✓ SPPG faculty bring expertise from several interdisciplinary backgrounds
- ✓ SPPG events form a hub for policy discourse
- ✓ Full stream of co-curricular programming for career preparation
- ✓ Over 400 Alumni, forming an active alumni network



# Student Leadership at SPPG

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Beyond the Headlines



Policy  
innovation  
initiative



Ford + SPPG Conference



School of Public  
Policy & Governance  
Students'  
Association



Gender, Diversity and  
Public Policy Initiative



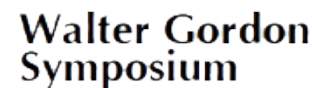
Spectrum



Public Good Initiative



Public Policy &  
Governance Review



Walter Gordon  
Symposium  
Committee



# Comparing 18 Public Policy & Admin Programs in Canada

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## 1. SPPG Program:

- ✓ 2-year full-time program
- ✓ Offers the most policy focused core-courses
- ✓ Unparalleled employment statistics

## 2. Comparing Internship Programs:

- × Do not require internships = 12 programs
- ✓ Require internships = 6 programs



# MPP: Courses



# Course Overview

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## MPP1

- 8 core PPG courses (4.0 FCEs)



## MPP Summer term

- Internship course PPG2006Y (1.0 FCE)



## MPP2

- 5 core PPG course (2.5 FCEs)
- 3 graduate-level elective courses with a policy-lens (1.5 FCEs)



# First Year Courses

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## MPP1 Fall

- Governance and Institutions
- Microeconomics for Policy Analysis
- Quantitative Methods for Policy Analysis



## MPP1 Fall/Winter

- The Policy Process
- The Social Context of Policy-Making



## MPP1 Winter

- Macroeconomics for Policy Analysis
- Putting Policy into Action: Strategic Implementation of Public Objectives
- Program Evaluation for Public Policy

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# Second Year Courses

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## MPP2 Core Courses

- Current Issues/Problems in Public Policy and Practice I
- Topics in Applied Economics for Public Policy
- Capstone Course: Integrating Issues in Public Policy
- Comparative Public Policy and Transnational Forces
- Ethics and the Public Interest (OR) Moral Foundations of Public Policy



## MPP2 Electives

- Panel Data Methods for Policy Analysis
- Developing Innovation Eco-Systems
- Public Opinion And Policy Making
- The Role Of Science In Public Policy
- Policy Development
- Urban Policy
- The Role of Government
- Priority Topics in Public Administration
- Comparative Health Systems and Policy
- Issues in Indigenous Law And Policy In Canada
- Renewable Energy Policy

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# Collaborative & Combined Degree

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## Collaborative Specializations

- Asia Pacific Studies (MAPS)
- Environmental Studies
- Ethnic and Pluralism Studies
- Public Health Policy
- Sexual Diversity Studies



## Combined Degree Program

- JD-MPP (Law – Master in Public Policy)



# Centre for International Exchange (CIE) Opportunities

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- The Hertie School of Governance (Berlin)
- The Paris School of International Affairs ~ Sciences Po (Paris)
- The Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy ~ LKY (Singapore)
- The National Graduate Institute for Public Policy (Japan)
- Non-standard exchange opportunities ~ as available (e.g., Chinese University of Hong Kong)



# MPP: Internship



# Internship Overview

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The SPPG program **requires an internship**, which translates to:

- Career Services support via staff and faculty

Therefore, administration has an interest in:

- Seeing all students secure an internship  
*(Class of 2018: 100% found internship)*
- Increasing the number of job postings available  
*(Class of 2018: 232 internship opportunities posted)*



# Internship FAQs

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- Class of 2018, Placement Rate: 100%
- Internship Requirements:
  - Duration: minimum 10 weeks (typically 12 – 19 weeks)
  - Policy-relevant work
  - Paid internships: Hourly Rate Range: \$13 – \$39
- All MPP are paired with a Faculty Advisor to help them maximize their internship learning and development



# What support does SPPG provide?

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- Professional Development sessions
- Employer Marketing Days
- Cover letter and resume workshops
- Mock Interviews
- SPPG Job Postings
- Create Your Own Internship
- Blackboard Online resources





# Internship Placements



Canada

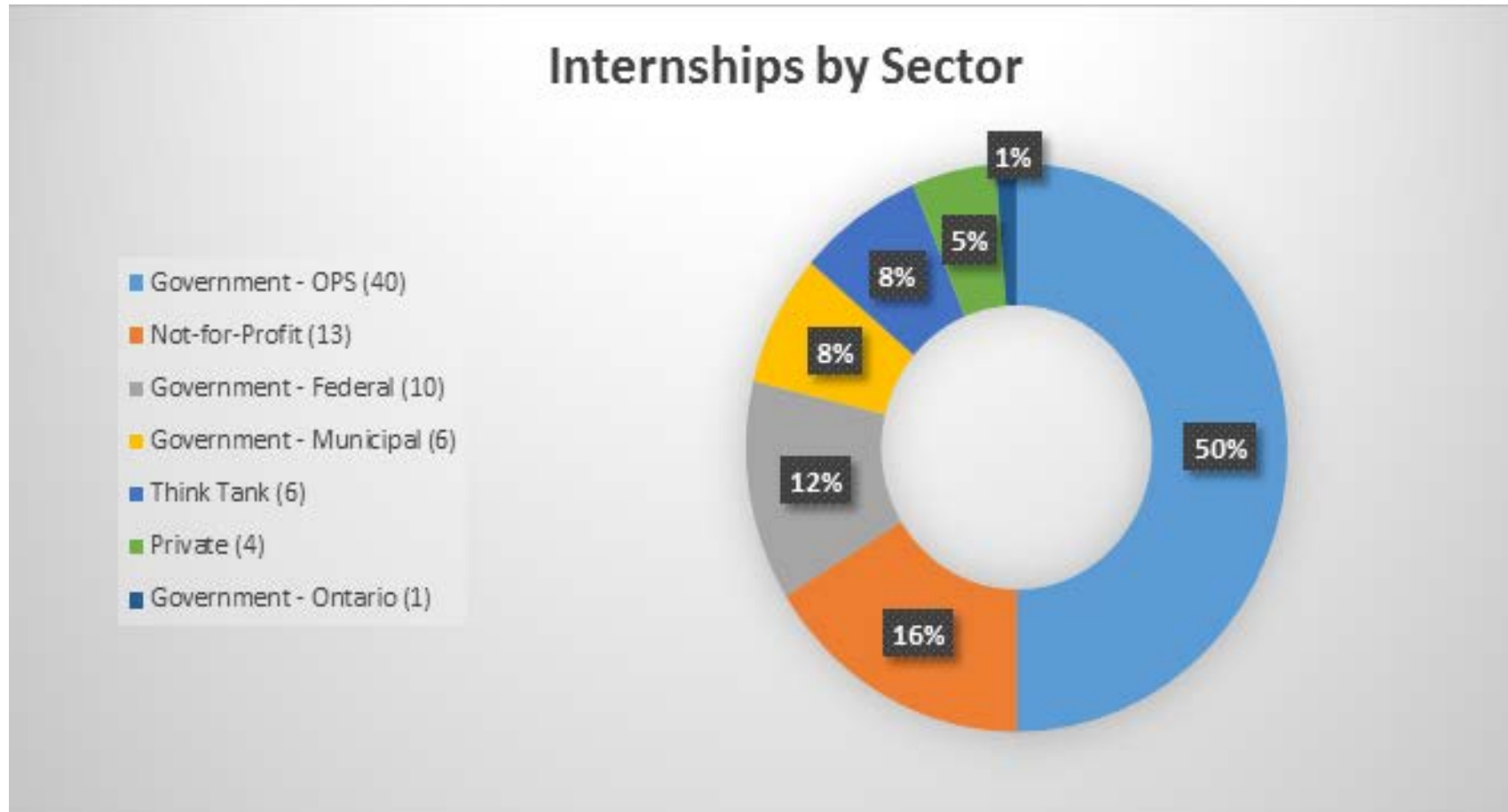


- Attorney General
- Cabinet Office
- Children and Youth Services
- Citizenship and Immigration
- Community and Social Services
- Consumer Services
- Education
- Energy
- Environment and Climate Change
- Finance
- Government Services
- Infrastructure
- Labour
- Municipal Affairs and Housing
- Natural Resources
- Transportation
- Treasury Board Secretariat



# Internships by Sector

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MPP: Alumni



# Alumni

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- Tight-knit group of 461 Alumni
- Most alumni have advanced into mid/senior-level policy positions

## **Class of 2017:**

- 3 months after graduation, 82% employed

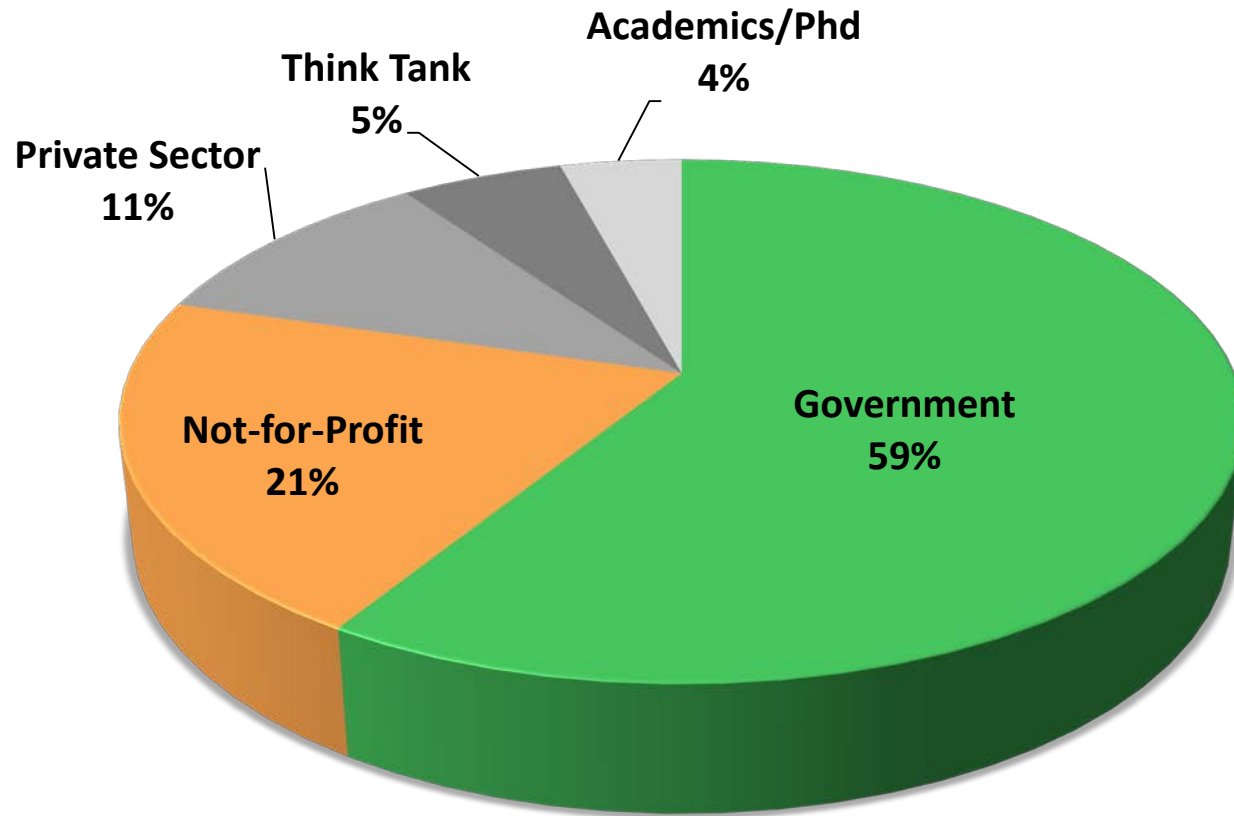
## **Class of 2016:**

- 3 months after graduation, 85% employed



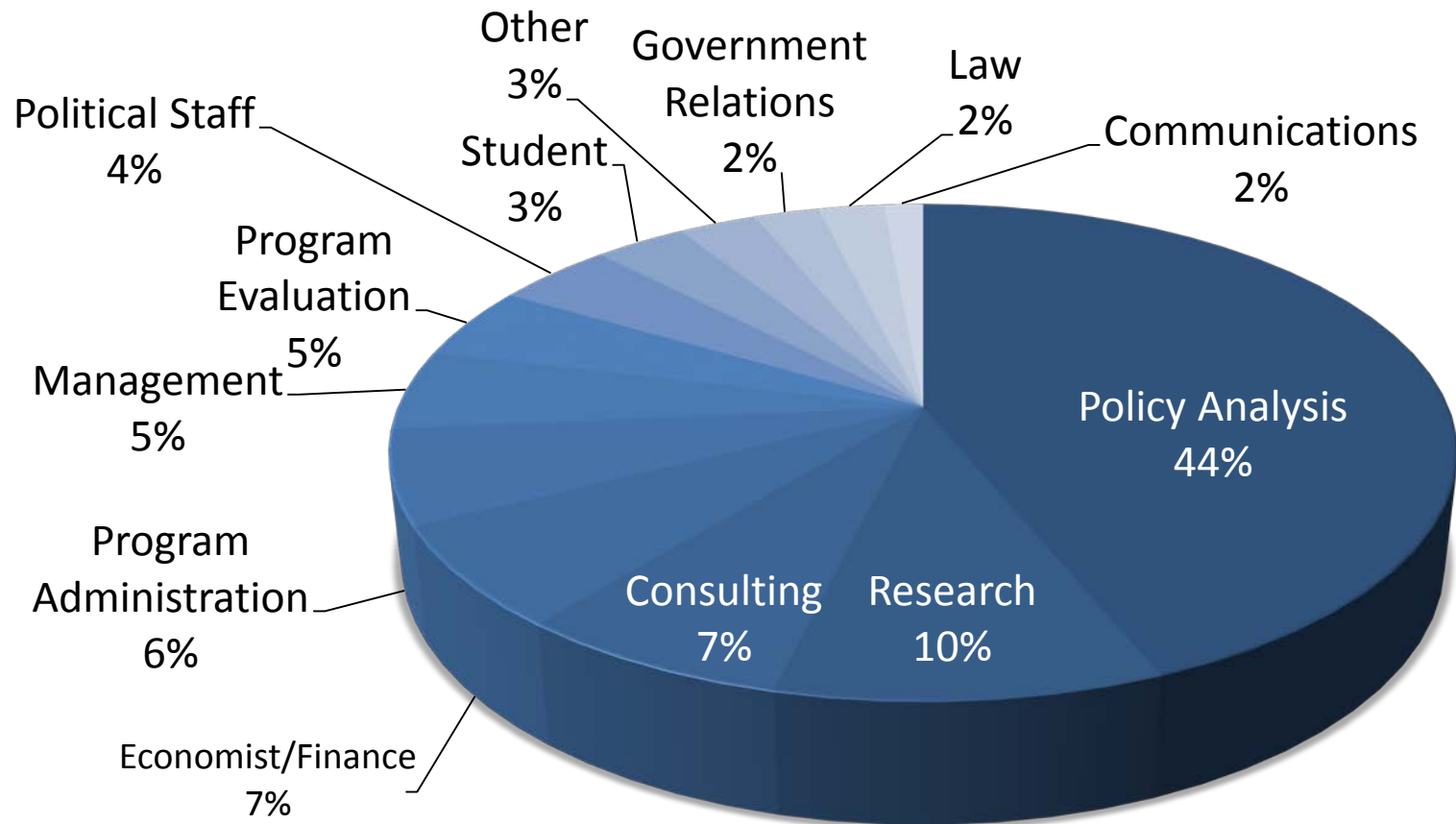
# Alumni: Employment by Industry

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# Alumni: Job Function

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# Alumni: Location

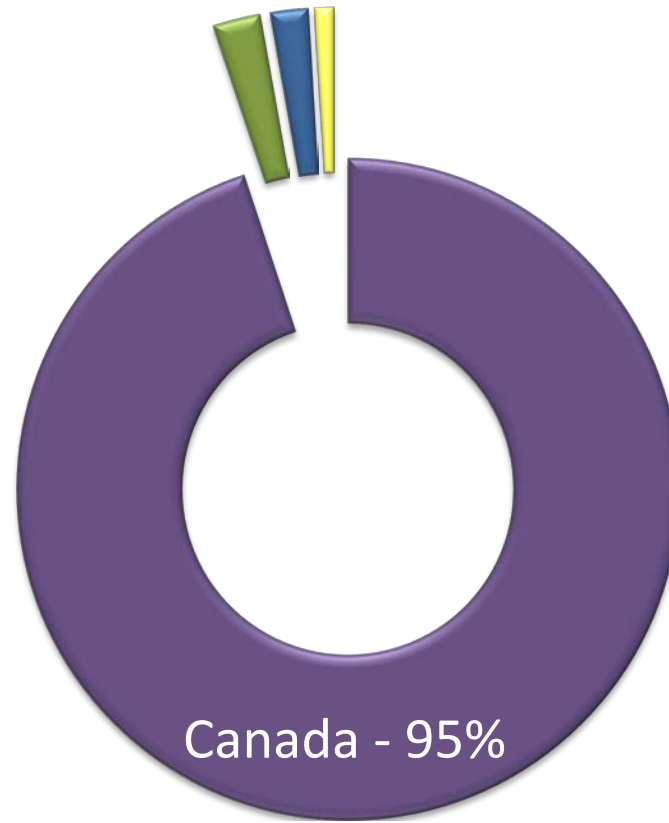
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■ Canada - 95%

■ USA - 2%

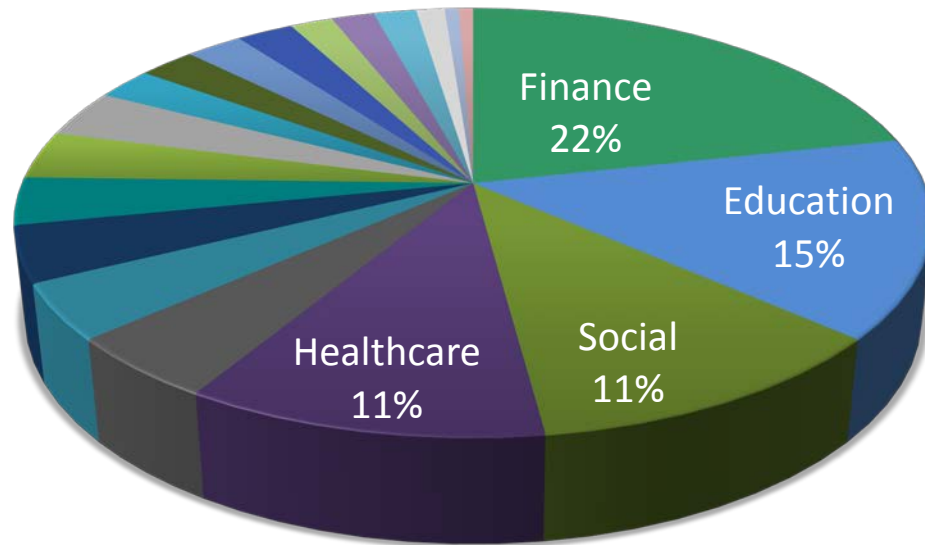
■ United Kingdom - 2%

■ Other - 1%



# Alumni: Area of Focus

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## Breakdown of Area of Focus:

Finance	22%	Civic Engagement	4%	Client Services	2%
Education	15%	Housing	4%	Immigration	2%
Social	11%	Labour	4%	Transportation	2%
Healthcare	11%	Aboriginal Affairs	2%	Regulatory	1%
Environment	5%	Economic Development	2%	Agriculture	1%
Energy	4%	Intergovernmental	2%	Manufacturing	1%





# MPP: Admissions & Online Application



# Admissions

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- MPP Program Admission, Minimum requirements
- MPP Program Application:  
School of Graduate Studies Online Admission Application (OAA) at: [apply.sgs.utoronto.ca/](https://apply.sgs.utoronto.ca/)
- MPP Program Application Important Dates:  
**January 19, 2018** - Fall 2018 Admissions and Online applications close  
**February 2, 2018** - Deadline for receipt of supporting documentation and reference letters, for Fall 2018 applications



# Admissions

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## MPP Program Application components:

- ✓ MPP Online Application form
- ✓ Statement of Purpose
- ✓ Resume or Curriculum Vitae
- ✓ Letters of Recommendation
- ✓ Transcripts



# Questions?

Please email: [sppg.admissions@utoronto.ca](mailto:sppg.admissions@utoronto.ca)

