

Department of Political Studies

Upcoming Events

2022 University of Saskatchewan, Department of Political Studies and the College of Law International Humanitarian Law Conference, February 4, 2022

The Canadian Red Cross and the University of Saskatchewan, Department of Political Studies and the College of Law present the ONLINE 2022 International Humanitarian Law (IHL) academic conference: Armed Conflict & Protection of Future Generations. The Conference will begin with an introduction to IHL, linking the topic to the law of armed conflict and be followed by a panel. This event will bring together experts in the field, including academics and practitioners to discuss the challenges that this topic raises, including the impact of war on children, the environmental impact of conflict, and new weapons technologies and what lies ahead.

Join experts as they discuss contemporary challenges related to armed conflict as well as the role of International Humanitarian Law (IHL) in protecting future generations.

FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

This conference has been accredited for 2.25 CPD hours by the Law Society of Saskatchewan.

Time:

11:00-11:45 CST Intro to IHL Optional introduction to the rules of armed conflict

12:00-13:30 CST Main event

Panel Discussion on **Armed Conflict & Protection of Future Generations**.

Note: This event will take place in English with simultaneous French translation and closed captioning in both languages.

Register here: https://canadianredcross.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_qrbkW1eKTbeqQohOGh6iGw



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Political Studies Speaker Series



The Department of Political Studies is pleased to announce a Speaker Series Event with guest Dr. Sarah Munawar, PhD, on Friday, March 11, 2022 at 1:30pm via Zoom titled: *A Care-Based Epistemology of Islam*. Dr. Munawar is a Punjabi-Muslim and settler living on and sustained by the occupied and unceded lands and waters of the the Coast Salish peoples—Sk̓w̓x̓wú7mesh (Squamish), Stó:lō and Səlílwətaʔ/Selilwitulh (Tseil-Waututh) and xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam) Nations.

She received her Ph.D in political science from the University of British Columbia and is also a political science instructor at Columbia College.

As a primary care-giver and mother, her research focuses on designing an intersectional and de-colonial ethic of care through Islamic thought that centres the epistemic authority of disabled Muslims and Muslim women as knowers of the “Islamic” and care-based modes of knowing Islam. Writing from the borderlands, she interrogates the limits of comparative political theory and the colonial

politics of recognition as paradigms for cross-cultural inquiry. Instead she offers political theorists, and Muslims, an Islamic-feminist and de-colonial epistemology that prioritizes body-sense, consent-based care, moral witnessing and collective accessibility in knowledge consumption and knowledge production.

Be sure to watch our [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#) pages for more information and links leading up to the event!

The Global Café

The Global Café is a unique space on campus, created to allow internationally-minded people to gather and discuss the fascinating world we live in and, more importantly, to build community amongst ourselves. This is our fourth year running the Global Café and the second year to partner with the Political Studies Student Association. Watch the Global Studies [Facebook](#) page for upcoming events.

For more information, contact martin.gaal@usask.ca



Student Support

Announcing the new USask Tutoring Network

The [USask Tutoring Network](#) is a recently launched platform focused on peer-to-peer help where students can find and [hire a Subject Tutor](#) for a specific course or in a subject area. An initiative of the University Library, in collaboration with USSU, this one-stop portal allows students to login using their secure campus NSID where they can review tutor profiles, arrange a session either online (via Zoom) or face-to-face, see upcoming sessions, and communicate with their tutor. Through the platform, students can also access and book appointments with the [Writing Help Centre](#) and [Math & Stats Centre](#) tutors as a free service offered by the University Library.



We are looking to increase the number of peer student tutors available and expand across disciplines. If you know of current USask students or recent alumni (within the past 5 years) who are interested in helping other students, who might be looking for an opportunity to earn some extra money, and have achieved a grade of 80% or higher, please encourage them to sign up to [Become a Subject Tutor](#) where they can create a profile, set their rate of service, and manage their appointments (online and face-to-face) all in the same platform.

Spring/Summer 2022 Classes

The [Department of Political Studies](#) will be offering the following classes **online** during the upcoming spring and summer terms. Many of our classes can be used towards our [certificates](#) in conjunction with your degree. Why not add a certificate to your program and boost your qualifications when you graduate!

Spring 2022

IS 110 - Global Issues (*Global Studies Certificate*)

POLS 204 - Canadian Political Institutions

POLS 222 - Indigenous Governance and Politics (*Indigenous Governance and Politics Certificate*)

Summer 2022

POLS 111 - Democratic Citizenship in Canada (*Politics and Law Certificate*)

POLS 205 - Canadian Politics and Society

[Registration](#) opens February 16th, 2022.

Academic Opportunities

The Department of Political Studies has added an internship placement to *POLS 383 - Career Internship*, and we are very excited to announce that we will run an internship program from May 9th - August 16th, 2022! Deadline to apply with resume, cover letter and references is February 18th 2022.

Continue to check our [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#) pages for updates!

For more information, or to apply, please contact political.studies@usask.ca

Department of Political Studies POLS 383 Career Internship Program

Office of Government Relations, University of Saskatchewan

This internship is open to third or fourth year political studies students to help with writing and research that support the University of Saskatchewan's relationship with all levels of government.

Truly Alive Youth and Family Foundation

Reporting to the Executive Director or their designate, the Student Intern will be expected to fulfill a variety of administrative and auxiliary tasks which will give them a wide range of experience related to working in the charity and non-profit settlement sector.

English Language Tutor, Pacific Links Foundation

Join us as a virtual volunteer tutor to help students from Vietnam practice and improve their English! Volunteer tutors will engage students in conversations in English and assist the students with their pronunciation, grammar, listening, and speaking skills.

Public Relations & Communications, Saskatchewan Teachers' Federation

Open to third or fourth year political studies students, this position provides an opportunity to get hands-on experience researching and tracking education policy issues; recording and tracking education-related debates and comments made in the Saskatchewan Legislature and in news reports; contribute to the development of stakeholder engagement planning to support the Federation's advocacy work.

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We acknowledge that we live and work on Treaty 6 Territory and the Homeland of the Métis. We pay our respect to the First Nations and Métis ancestors of this place and reaffirm our relationship with one another.

Winter 2022 Classes

IS 110 – Global Issues
IS 202 – Global Experiential and Cultural Learning
IS 212 - International Studies and Conflict
IS 401 - International Cooperation and Conflict

POLS 111 – Democratic Citizenship in Canada (Main Campus/STM)
POLS 112 – Justice and Injustice in Politics and Law (Main Campus/STM)
POLS 205 – Canadian Politics and Society
POLS 221 - Global Indigenous Politics
POLS 237 – Modern Political Theory
POLS 251 – Social Movements and Change
POLS 262 – Global Governance
POLS 306 - Local Governance and Policy (STM)
POLS 336 – Justice and Democracy
POLS 341 – Asian Government and Politics
POLS 343 - Ukraine Processes & Problems of Nation & State Building (STM)
POLS 364 – International Terrorism
POLS 372 - Peacebuilding and Political Reconciliation
POLS 405 - Canadian Elections and Political Parties (STM)
POLS 422 – First Nations Governance
POLS 446 – Development Challenges and Prospects



POLITICAL STUDIES STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION

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Christina McRorie

Hi folks! I'm honoured to be your PSSA President for the year. I'm in my 3rd year of International Studies with a minor in Economics, and am particularly passionate about social and planetary welfare. I joined PSSA because I'm keen to provide opportunities for political engagement and community-building. I'm always happy to chat or help however I can!

Ryley Hawkeswood

"Hey everyone , I am your executive VP External Affairs for the 2021/2022 school year. I am in my fourth year of pursuing a Political Studies degree. I joined this position because I am a very outgoing person, and love meeting people. Through external affairs I can bring the political studies and international studies students together to create a big community of like-minded people who love what they are learning. Feel free to reach out if you have any questions, or say hi if you see me on campus or virtually throughout the year! "



Quinn Rozwadowski

"Hello! My name is Quinn Rozwadowski, and I'm your VP-Operations & Finance for this year, as I hope to complete my Political Studies degree. I joined the PSSA Executive because I want to try to help guide the group towards offering a real sense of community among PS/IS students - something I think is particularly important after a tough last year, and while some classes remain online. Make sure to say hi if you see me in class or brush by in the halls, and feel free to reach out with any questions you have about the group, program, volunteering, or university life more generally!"



Minhal Raza

Hi Everyone! I am so honoured to be your VP of Internal Affairs for the 2021/22 year! This is my second year as part of the PSSA and also my second year in POLS. I am so excited for everyone to see what we have planned for this upcoming year and I cannot wait to meet this amazing group of students in person - especially after the last year. As your VP of internal affairs I am extremely thrilled to be working with such a talented and hard-working executive that is so passionate about making your student experience as spectacular as possible.



Shadman Sharar

"Hey guys, I'm your VP of International Studies for the 2021/2022 academic year. This is my first year on the executive and I'm lucky to be working with an amazing team right out of the gate. I'd love to get to know a lot of you and I hope to give you guys the best student experience possible. We have a lot of things planned so stay tuned!"

