

CJPP **CAREER NIGHT** **PATHWAYS** **TO SUCCESS**

February 27, 2025
5:30-9pm
Peter Clark Hall

**CRIMINAL
JUSTICE
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POLICY**

EVENT SCHEDULE

5:30pm	Main Hall	Welcome
5:40pm	Main Hall	Panel 1: Law & Courts
6:30pm	Main Hall	Panel 2: Law Enforcement
	North Wing	Panel 3: Public Policy & Community Services
7:20pm	Main Hall	Panel 4: Policing
8:10pm	Main Hall	Social & Networking

PANEL 1: LAW & COURTS

Amanda Komljenovic

Assistant Crown Attorney, Durham Region

Amanda has been employed as an Assistant Crown Attorney for three years and has worked in Guelph-Wellington, Durham, and Halton region. Amanda prosecutes a variety of Criminal Code offences at the case management and trial level in both the Ontario and Superior Court of Justice. Prior to becoming a Crown, Amanda worked as a criminal defence lawyer.

Evelyn Locke

Case Management Coordinator - Toronto South Crown Attorney's Office

Evelyn graduated from the CJPP major at the University of Guelph in 2024 and, during this time, was an executive member of the CJPP Society. Evelyn is currently working as a Case Management Coordinator in the N-Z pod for the Toronto South Crown's Office and previously worked in the Ministry as a Summer Student and a Legal Administrative Secretary. Evelyn has enjoyed putting her degree and all she learned at the University of Guelph into action.

Josh Wallace

Lawyer, McCarthy Tétrault

Joshua is a lawyer completing a corporate rotation at McCarthy Tétrault, and recent graduate of the Lincoln Alexander School of Law at Toronto Metropolitan University. Prior to law school, Joshua obtained a Bachelor of Arts degree at the University of Guelph, with a double major in Criminal Justice Public Policy, and Political Science. Joshua then completed a Master's Degree in Public Policy and Administration at Toronto Metropolitan University, before working as a Policy Advisor with the Ministry of Children, Community, and Social Services. Joshua is the inaugural winner of the Enbridge Award for Black Law Students, the Rubin Thomlinson LLP Workplace Human Rights Award, and Spring Forward Award at Lincoln.

Marisa Parsons

Paralegal, Marshall Law

Marisa is a licensed paralegal who is passionate about employment law and human rights, contributing to advocacy efforts for the wrongly convicted and social justice reforms. She obtained her master's degree specializing in administrative law and policy reform. Currently, Marisa is passionately working in private practice as a Paralegal at Marshall Law, a boutique law firm downtown Toronto focusing on employment law, civil sexual assault, and civil litigation. Marisa brings a deep commitment to social justice and human rights to her role. Her ability to connect with clients ensures that they are heard and address their legal needs with empathy and tenacity, making her a trusted advocate.

PANEL 2: LAW ENFORCEMENT

Danielle McLaren

Border Services Officer & Student Coordinator, Canada Border Services Agency

Danielle started their career with the Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA) as a Student Border Services Officer in 2006. Danielle has transitioned through many roles within CBSA, both within enforcement and administration. Danielle currently work as a district Student Coordinator and Board Member for student hiring. Danielle earned a Bachelor of Arts undergraduate degree in CJPP in 2008.

Eleni Bobotsis

Research Analyst – Offender Management Unit, Hamilton Police Service

Eleni Bobotsis is a Research Analyst with the Offender Management Unit at Hamilton Police Service, specializing in data analysis to support the management and enforcement of bail compliance and warrant apprehension. A University of Guelph alum, Eleni is currently completing the final semester of her master's degree in CCJP at Guelph. In her role, Eleni works to develop evidence-based strategies that inform police practices, enhance public safety, and reduce the risk of re-offending by high-risk individuals. She is particularly focused on supporting the Ministry of the Solicitor General's Bail Compliance and Warrant Apprehension Grant, working to improve collaborative efforts between police and Crown attorneys to strengthen the response to repeat and violent offenders.

Steph Ekmanis

Acting Social Programs Officer – Volunteer Coordinator, Grand Valley Institution for Women

Steph has worked worked for Correctional Service Canada (CSC) for over 15 years at the Federal Women's Institution in Kitchener, Ontario. Steph's current title is *Acting Social Programs Officer – Volunteer Coordinator* for Grand Valley Institution for Women. Additionally, for 13 years Steph was a Behavioural Counsellor, and this remains their substantive position. Steph has worked alongside Primary Workers (the women's institutional equivalent of a CX-2) and primarily operated out of the Structured Living Environment (SLE), a specialized unit that houses offenders with high mental health needs. Steph is delighted to offer their years of experience in a correctional environment to the students at U of G.

Thomas Jeneway

Municipal Law & Property Standards Enforcement Officer, Muskoka Lakes

Thomas is a current 4th year Criminal Justice and Public Policy student, and a current member of the Campus Safety Office (CSO) Student Auxiliary Unit at the University of Guelph. Thomas is also currently working for The Township of Muskoka Lakes with the hopes of a career in law enforcement upon graduating. Thomas is most interested in the intersection of youth and indigenous peoples within the justice system.

PANEL 3: PUBLIC POLICY & COMMUNITY SERVICES

Emma Kelly

Complaints and Research Analyst - Human Rights Office, City of Toronto

Emma is a human rights practitioner working with the City of Toronto's Human Rights Office as a Complaints & Research Analyst. Prior to entering the human rights field, she worked in academic research and the non-profit sector with a focus on gender-based violence and procedural fairness. She got her start in the University of Guelph-Humber's Justice Studies program and went on to get a Master's degree in Criminology and Criminal Justice Policy from the University of Guelph, where she studied 2SLGBTQ+ perceptions of procedural justice and police legitimacy.

Jason Morris-Jung

Manager - Climate Policy Hub, Indigenous Services Canada

Jason Morris-Jung is the Manager of the Climate Policy Hub at Indigenous Services Canada, where he is leading a departmental strategy to address climate risks and build resilience in Indigenous communities. Previously, Jason worked in the International Affairs Branch at Environment and Climate Change Canada and at the Social Sciences and Humanities Council on Indigenous Research. Prior to entering the public service, Jason worked as an academic in a Singaporean university and on international development projects in Vietnam, Indonesia and Southeast Asia. Jason has a PhD in Environmental Sciences, Policy and Management from the University of California – Berkeley, and his publications include *Unearthing Politics: Environment and Contestation in Post-Socialist Vietnam* (2022) and *In China's Backyard: Policies and Politics of Chinese Resource Extraction in Southeast Asia* (2017).

Josh Todd

Clinical Counsellor

Having graduated from the University of Guelph in 2014 from the CJPP program, Josh has since completed a Graduate Certificate in Concurrent Disorders and has completed his Masters of Science in Psychology. Josh has worked in a variety of settings with some of the most vulnerable individuals in Canada. Josh has worked in government-funded residential rehabilitation, private rehabilitation, community outreach, bail supervision, crisis response with the Belleville Police Service and, currently, working as a Clinical Counselor in an addiction and mental health treatment center for men.

Safiyah Husein

Director of Policy, John Howard Society

Safiyah is a dedicated policy professional with a background in law and social justice. She has a BSc from York University and a JD from the University of Windsor Faculty of Law. Safiyah leads the policy activities of the John Howard Society of Ontario (JHSO). JHSO works to highlight systemic issues within the criminal legal system and promote evidence-based policies that prevent criminalization, reduce recidivism, and enhance community safety while protecting the rights and dignity of individuals affected by the system.

PANEL 4: POLICING

Gord Cobey

Chief of Police, Guelph Police Service

Chief Gord Cobey is currently in his 32nd year of policing. He joined the Guelph Police Service in March 2019, after serving for 25 years as a member of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police. Gord began his policing career working in uniform policing roles in northern communities and rural municipalities in the Province of Manitoba. He has worked throughout Canada, the United States and abroad in the areas of Drug Enforcement, Intelligence Operations and Employee Management Relations.

In 2018 Chief Cobey was appointed as a Member of the Canadian Order of Merit of the Polices Forces by the Governor-General of Canada. He is very proud to be a member of the Guelph Police Service and honoured to be speaking at this event.

Julia Roizman

Police Constable, Toronto Police Service

PC Julia Roizman has been an Officer with the Toronto Police Service since 2014 and is currently working in the Marine Unit. Over the years PC Roizman has worked in various sections and units within the service, including: The Primary Response Unit, The Criminal Investigative Bureau, and The Community Response Unit. PC Roizman recently completed a 3-year project with the Integrated Gang Prevention Task Force as part of the Gun & Gang Unit. PC Roizman is a dedicated officer and believes that policing is an extension of the communities in which they serve.

Tina Ryan

Staff Sergeant - Professional Development Recruiting Unit, Guelph Police Service

Staff Sergeant Tina Ryan started her policing journey with the Toronto Police Service in 1996 where she served as a front-line officer, making her way into a Detective Constable role as a Fraud Investigator. In 2001, Tina transferred to the Guelph Police Service and worked in front-line patrol, and in 2007 moved back to a Detective Constable role in Frauds, moonlighting as a Warrant Writer for major cases that came in. Tina was promoted to Sergeant in 2012 and assigned to the Special Victims Unit and Major Case Unit, where she managed and investigated sexual offences, six homicides as well as numerous complex investigations. In May of 2018, Tina was promoted to the rank of Staff Sergeant and in this role, she been a front-line supervisor overseeing a Platoon and then within our 911 Communications Centre. Most recently, Tina has transferred to our Professional Development Recruiting Unit, where she is excited and honored to contribute her vast experience and knowledge.

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