

# **Take Our Kids to Work at York University**

### Wednesday, November 3rd, 2021

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York University is excited to participate in the annual *Take Our Kids to Work program*™ (TOKTW), initiated by *The Learning Partnership*. This is an annual event when Grade 9 students step into their future and get a glimpse into the working world, as well as document their experience in a final report for their teacher.

#### **About the Event**

This year, due to COVID-19 restrictions, TOKTW Day will take place *virtually* as a conference-style event where students are able to sign up and attend different sessions throughout the day based on their interests. Each session will include background information on the topic/field, explore different careers and educational pathways, as well as interactive activities and time for students to ask any questions they may have. The program is open to all University community members and we encourage those who can, to join us!

#### Why support the TOKTW Day initiative?

- TOKTW bridges the gap between the workplace and young people by introducing skills, abilities and knowledge they will need for the future.
- TOKTW provides employers the opportunity to explain to students what skills are most important in the workplace communication, team work, time management and more!
- The program gives employers a chance to promote their industry and professionals within it so that they can attract future specialists in their fields. It also gives students a glimpse into different fields that they may be interested in.
- TOKTW supports York University's collaboration with the TD Community Engagement Centre, committed to building a more engaged university and maintain interest of the surrounding community as an Anchor Institution.

## **Registration and Event Instructions:**

- Any student interested in participating may use the link below to register.
   Registration is open until November 1, 2021.
- <a href="https://hr2.apps01.yorku.ca/machform/view.php?id=22173">https://hr2.apps01.yorku.ca/machform/view.php?id=22173</a>
- After registering, students will receive event instructions and the necessary zoom links to attend the selected sessions. This information will be sent to the email provided upon registration.
- Please ensure you attend **both** the opening session AND the closing session
   there will be prizes! Parents are welcome to join these sessions as well.



#### **Event Schedule**

8:40 - 8:55	*Welcome/Acknowledgements		
	Options A	Options B	
9:00-9:55	Sustainability – The Environment & Creating a better future	9:00-9:55	Behind the Scenes: Unexpected Careers in Support of the Arts
10:00-10:55	Careers in Design, Construction, Maintenance & Utilities	10:00-10:55	Careers in Astronomy/Natural Phenomenon
11:00-11:55	Student Success: How to be Successful in Post-Secondary Education	11:00-11:55	Seneca College & Certificate Programs
12:00-1:00	Lunch Break/Athletics & Recreation		
	12:00-12:30 – Athletics & Rec		
	12:30-1:00 - Lunch		
1:00-1:55	Student Success: Guidance & Career Education	1:00-1:55	Advancing Equity, Diversity & Inclusion Within Learning & Working Environments
2:00-2:55	Marketing and Communications	2:00-2:55	Careers in Human Resources
3:00-3:55	Careers in Engineering (Lassonde)	3:00-3:55	
4:00-4:15	*End of Day Closing		

<sup>\*</sup> all students are requested to attend these sessions.

# **Program Overviews**

# Welcome/Acknowledgements

Mary Catherine Masciangelo, Assistant Vice-President, Human Resources & Chief HR Officer Byron Gray, Manager Community Engagement Centre

**Zoom:** https://yorku.zoom.us/j/93476202052?pwd=R1Z6WFo0dUM2bk5MZExuTVpMTS9SQT09

Meeting ID: 934 7620 2052

Passcode: 187520

#### Sustainability – The Environment & Creating a Better Future

Nicole Arsenault, Program Director Sustainability Brent Brodie, Sr. Procurement Analyst & Project Lead

**Zoom:** https://yorku.zoom.us/j/95773609223?pwd=QXlhaVJjRUtvWkhQZGxTaTRNamRmdz09

Meeting ID: 957 7360 9223

Passcode: 555071

Interested in how you can be a climate change champion and make huge impacts in your community all while working at York? If you answered yes or you just want to know what we're talking about, then this session is not to be missed! Sustainability is a growing field of social justice, environmental science and civil engineering to build a future that puts the planet first. It is more important than ever for students and highly-trained professionals to understand what's at stake and how we can all be sustainability champions in our lines of work. Brent will discuss how the university can harness its power for good by buying with impact and Nicole will discuss careers in sustainability and her experience as being a sustainability professional and influencer at York.

#### **Behind the Scenes: Unexpected Careers in Support of the Arts**

Jacquie Lazar, Manager, Performance Facilities Tom Osborne, Operations Manager

**Zoom:** https://yorku.zoom.us/j/91002928868?pwd=WnlGTEhtb3hoNkVIZTVXaGtPZHBndz09

Meeting ID: 910 0292 8868

Passcode: 689375

This session will discuss York's School of AMPD, and the unexpected careers that can emerge from an arts education. Specifically, this will include careers in theatre, dance, music, and touch upon visual arts, computational arts, cinema and media arts, and design. The panel will also include virtual tours of the school's state of the art studio spaces.

# Careers in Design, Construction, Maintenance and Utilities of Buildings and Grounds

TBD

**Zoom:** https://yorku.zoom.us/j/95138128011?pwd=M0R4eXhJQ1lZb2lha1NJ0Fl5LzQwQT09

Meeting ID: 951 3812 8011

Passcode: 970744

This panel includes a team of professionals who strive to enhance the quality of campus life for all students, faculty and staff, and visitors. They are responsible for providing a safe, clean, productive, and well-maintained physical learning and working environment. Facilities Services coordinates new construction and renovation projects, delivers utilities such as heating, cooling, and electricity, as well as maintaining the university facilities and grounds. If you are interested in learning more about career options in Facilities Services, this is the right panel for you!

### **Careers in Astronomy/Natural Phenomena**

Elaina Hyde, Assistant Professor Dept. Physics & Astronomy

**Zoom:** https://yorku.zoom.us/j/96720303116?pwd=SUFJb0JUTmxSdnNTMG5FRmxoajZlZz09

Meeting ID: 967 2030 3116

Passcode: 331460

The Allan I Carswell Observatory will give a short tour of the telescopes at York University followed by a talk on a few of our activities as well as careers in astronomy. We will discuss outreach, research and some of our favourite aspects of astronomy in a 1-hour presentation.

# **Student Success: How to be Successful in Post-Secondary Education**

Riaz Nandan, YFS President Sobhi Fanos, Manager Financial Aid

**Zoom:** https://yorku.zoom.us/j/98238021220?pwd=MXNvVituSUovdGVzZFVVei9TYW1Zdz09

Meeting ID: 982 3802 1220

Passcode: 292263

This session is an extremely important one to attend! It will outline the different resources available to current and future York students, including how to get involved in clubs, leadership roles and York events, as well as how to be successful in post-secondary education. It will also include information on financial options that are available to students who need assistance in funding their education.

### Seneca College & Certificate Programs

Natyra Ramadani, Acting Student Recruitment Officer

Zoom: https://yorku.zoom.us/j/92574209716?pwd=Qmt4aU96Rmp0Q0Q4VjNST050RXhsdz09

Meeting ID: 925 7420 9716

Passcode: 016412

Seneca is taking on the great challenges of our time – rebuilding the economy, equity and sustainability – while navigating through the pandemic safely. We're delivering great polytechnic education that combines rigorous academics with practical training. From health care to technology, business to creative arts, community services to arts and sciences, the presentation will cover full-time program options, academic pathways, real-world learning and services and supports available to Seneca students.

#### **Athletics & Recreation**

**Zoom:**https://yorku.zoom.us/j/99400967559?pwd=bGt2eDdBNHhkUGpYeFZRMjFCZGFhZz09

Meeting ID: 994 0096 7559

Passcode: 234796

During the lunch hour, our Athletics & Recreation department will be hosting some fun activities to get you moving! They will also be providing an overview of the many amenities available to students, as well as several programs they run for non-students

throughout the year! Lastly, they will provide keen insight on the numerous career options available within this field and the courses available to get you there.

#### **Student Success: Guidance and Career Education (Bilingual)**

Shana Baptiste, Coordinate, Career and Skills Development Center

Zoom: https://yorku.zoom.us/j/95969089951?pwd=WXBvWEhiUUNsc0RhSHFKVXVkWFo4dz09

Meeting ID: 959 6908 9951

Passcode: 415547

This panel is for those who need help making connections between their current and/or past experiences and the skills required in the workforce of today. The Glendon Career and Skills Development Centre will teach you how to convert your experiences into actual skills so that you can better prepare for your future. You will also get additional tips on how to assess your current skills and career opportunities via myBlueprint.

# Advancing Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Within the Learning and Working Environments

Byron Gray, Manager Community Engagement Centre

**Zoom:** https://yorku.zoom.us/j/93428982531?pwd=bDN3R1B1bzhnVEo3SE1Xd3ZiVHZnUT09

Meeting ID: 934 2898 2531

Passcode: 471904

So, Equity, Diversity and Inclusion...and your career...let's talk!

#representationmatters These key terms have been tossed into many conversations in workplaces across the globe. This panel discussion will allow participants to consider how significant EDI is, the role it plays in the way that organizations are changing, how people are learning to interact with one another, and how EDI can impact on your values and career choices.

## **Marketing and Communications**

Page Casmiro, Senior Communications Manager, TELUS Gabriel Mederos Director, IP & Creator Marketing, Wattpad.

**Zoom:** https://yorku.zoom.us/j/98901496675?pwd=ZlQ5SFdaOFpkaE5DeWJaQVhQV0VCUT09

Meeting ID: 989 0149 6675

Passcode: 683304

This session will highlight the various career options in marketing and communications, including advertising, social media, media/influencer relations, digital content strategy and more. If you're looking to become a communications leader, this is the session for you!

#### **Careers in Human Resources**

Lauri Green, Director, HR Services Debbie Montanera-Bojda, Director, HR Administration & Services Aileen Chan, Manager, Health and Safety Engagement and Programs **Zoom:** https://yorku.zoom.us/j/94067023032?pwd=OHhDY3p0L0c2dzZ0aVE1cDV2NmhXZz09

Meeting ID: 940 6702 3032

Passcode: 197488

This session will outline the different careers in Human Resources. If you are interested in learning about the management, planning, development and directing administrative functions of an organization for employee success – this is the panel for you! HR is much more than just recruitment! Many educational backgrounds can become HR certified.

## **Careers in Engineering (Lassonde)**

Lisa Cole, Director Programming (K2I Academy)

Michelle Tsui-Woods, Associate Director of Operations & Development (K2I Academy)

**Zoom:** https://yorku.zoom.us/j/91778864469?pwd=aitSMUI1Z2E1dy9sNVpJYytRejdYZz09

Meeting ID: 917 7886 4469

Passcode: 937585

Panelist Lisa Cole will provide an interactive activity involving STEM, outlining the various careers and education pathways students can take in this field. She will also speak to the Lassonde Engineering programs.

#### **End of Day Closing**

Byron Gray, Manager Community Engagement Centre

**Zoom:** https://yorku.zoom.us/j/94951212591?pwd=NUVhRmovUG42eGRJRG9DMXRjMGFPdz09

Meeting ID: 949 5121 2591

Passcode: 770131