**Event Briefing Package**

**Date:** Wednesday, March 28, 2018

**Time:** 6:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m.

**Location:** Junior Common Room
Trinity College, 6 Hoskin Ave.

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**Session Description**

The Ethics, Society & Law Careers Night will connect you with alumni who have successfully transitioned out of university and are navigating diverse career paths in order to provide you with a sense of the various ways you can integrate your education and career.

Some tips to help you prepare:

- Take some time prior to the event to consider what your goals are in attending
- Read the alumni bios and prepare career specific questions
- To get you started thinking about the types of questions you might like to ask the alumni panel, go through the “Questions you may have” section provided below.
- You will briefly introduce yourself to the alumni: think of what you want to say – include your name, year of study, what you’re studying, etc.
- For guidance on preparing for this event or networking in general, you can contact the Career and Academic Advisor at Trinity College, Jon Bray (jbray@trinity.utoronto.ca), to discuss strategy, best practices, or concerns.

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**Planned Agenda**

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<td>6:00pm</td>
<td><strong>Alumni guests and students arrive</strong> and the moderator provides some welcome remarks. Alumni guests introduce themselves.</td>
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| 6:30pm | Students and alumni break into **small groups for cross-table discussions**. Alumni will rotate between groups every 15 minutes.  
*Note: The moderator will announce the end of each speed networking round and will ask alumni to move to the next table and begin networking.*  
*Students will remain at their stations* |
| 7:15pm | The group will come back together to **debrief** about the conversations. |
| 7:30pm | Food is served and informal networking begins |
| 8:00pm | Event concludes |
Themes you may encounter throughout the event:

i. Careers are often Non-Linear: gaining transferrable skills and keeping an open mind will be important as you develop your career path.

ii. Planned Happenstance: attending events (like this one!) will increase the likelihood of “chance” circumstances that will help develop your career in one way or another (ex. finding a mentor, receiving important advice, making an important contact, etc.).

iii. Resiliency: challenges and failures are inevitable, but your success will be dependent on how you persevere through them.

iv. Social Networks: developing a personal network will be instrumental for your career development.

Questions you may have for the alumni guests:

- How did you decide what you wanted to do after graduation?
- Do you think graduate school is the best option for most people?
- What avenues did you explore to find job openings in your field?
- How did you find your first job out of school? What do you suggest a current student does to support their job search?
- What challenges have you faced in your career and how have you overcome them?
- What academic courses do you find most relevant to your day-to-day work?
- If you could go back and do one thing differently, what would that be?
- What do you find personally rewarding in your career?
- What do you do in a typical day?
- What was the most surprising part of your transition from university to work?

U of T Ethics, Society & Law alumni most frequently apply their skills in these industries:

- Education
- Legal
- Government
- Business Development
- Research
- Community and Social Services
- Media and Communication
- Entrepreneurship
- Healthcare Services
Alumni Bios

Tarik Bacchus, Program Supervisor, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration

Tarik graduated from UofT in 2006, having studied Criminology and Ethics, Society & Law and has spent the intervening years in various roles in the Social Services sector, with foci on poverty, employment, food security, homelessness and harm reduction. Throughout this period, Tarik has had the privilege of working on City of Toronto shelter policy, as well as contributing to research within the sector related to increasing our understanding of specific subpopulations among Toronto’s homeless. Tarik currently serves as Program Supervisor at Fort York Residence, overseeing operations for the 143 bed transitional men’s shelter.

Sasha Boutilier, Legislative Assistant and Issues Manager, Ministry of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation

I graduated this year with a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science, Ethics, Society, and Law, and Canadian Studies. I currently work in the Government of Ontario as Legislative Affairs and Issues Manager to the Minister of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation. During my undergrad I had the opportunity to work with the Chiefs of Ontario, Canadian Journalism Foundation, National Congress of Australia’s First Peoples, and University of New South Wales Indigenous Law Centre. Next year I’m excited to pursue a J.D. at New York University School of Law as an Institute for International Law and Justice Scholar.

Natalija Fisher, Organizer, Canadian Freshwater Alliance

Natalija has worked on freshwater challenges at the local, provincial and international scale – from directing a local stormwater startup, to working for Ontario’s Minister of the Environment, to leading Water Youth Network youth initiatives at global forums in Korea, Hungary, and Sweden. Natalija is a published author on the topics of water security and integrated urban water resources management. As Water Program Manager, at Environmental Defence Canada, she worked on strengthening provincial policy to curb plastic and excess nutrient pollution in the Great Lakes. Most recently, she has joined the Canadian Freshwater Alliance on a federal environmental law reform campaign to restore navigable water protections. Her undergraduate degree is from the University of Toronto, and she has a MSc in Water Resources Management from UNESCO-IHE, in the Netherlands.
Ryan Liss, Visiting Postdoctoral Scholar, University of Toronto, Centre for Ethics; and JSD Candidate, Yale Law School

Ryan Liss is a lawyer and academic working on public international law and criminal law. He is currently a Visiting Postdoctoral Scholar at U of T’s Centre for Ethics and is completing a JSD at Yale Law School, where he studies as a Trudeau Scholar and SSHRC Doctoral Fellow. Ryan holds degrees from U of T (Hons BA, and JD) and Yale (LLM). He clerked for Chief Justice Warren Winkler of the Court of Appeal for Ontario, and has held positions at the International Criminal Court, the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda, and with the Coalition for the ICC. Ryan has been involved in pro bono and clinic advocacy work on international human rights and constitutional rights in cases before the Supreme Court of Canada, the UN Human Rights Committee, and the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights. In July 2018, he will be starting a position as an Assistant Professor at Western University, Faculty of Law.

Nadia Zaman, Employment and Human Rights Lawyer, Rudner Law

Employment law is the perfect nexus between business, law, and people – and that is why I am so drawn to it. I enjoy representing both employers and employees, providing strategic advice and directly impacting people’s working lives. Prior to joining Rudner Law, I articled at Borden Ladner Gervais LLP and I obtained my Juris Doctor degree from the University of Toronto Faculty of Law. I was called to the Ontario bar in June 2016 and have been elected to the executive committee of the Ontario Bar Association’s Labour and Employment Law Section.

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