**DEPARTMENT:** School of Political Studies

**TERM:** FALL 2021

**PROFESSOR:** Jennifer Wallner

**RESEARCH TITLE:** *Program Evaluation of the Undergraduate Program in Public Administration (PAP)*

**NUMBER OF STUDENT:** 4

**LANGUAGE:** Bilingual

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**RESEARCH DESCRIPTION:**

Students in this course will assist Professor Wallner as she undertakes an evaluation of the undergraduate program in Public Administration with the School of Political Studies. Our task is to uncover and identify strengths and weaknesses in the program, and chart the course to innovate and improve our offerings to meet the needs of the students and meet the highest level of quality.

Students working with Professor Wallner will benefit from learning more about their own program while simultaneously contributing to fellow and future students, providing first-hand input into the evaluation report that needs to be generated. Furthermore, students will gain considerable professional knowledge, through this experiential learning opportunity, included in meetings, learning internal dynamics of the complicated world of university governance.

Experience with *Excel* preferred.

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**KEY LEARNING ACTIVITIES:**

- Examine current course offerings of the public administration program at the University of Ottawa;
- Develop reflexive commentaries on the strengths and weaknesses of the program to be included in a final report submitted to the Senate Committee of the University of Ottawa;
- Devise forward-thinking proposals to refresh the public administration undergraduate program to ensure that we are offering the best possible education and experience for our students;
- Participate in working group meetings with senior leadership of the School of Political Studies and the Faculty of Social Sciences;
- Gain first-hand experience in program evaluation and writing technical reports of this kind.