

POLICE LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

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Rotman Leadership Program Trains Police Executives

TORONTO – A fifth group of police executives graduates on May 14, 2004 from an MBA-style program at the University of Toronto's Joseph L. Rotman School of Management. Their newly acquired management and leadership skills will help them to better meet the challenges in today's complex, ever changing policing environment. For the third year, the program includes national participants from the Canadian Forces Military Police.

The Police Leadership Program was developed as a partnership between the Rotman School of Management and the Ontario Association of Chiefs of Police (OACP). The first MBA-style program for police executives in Canada, it is an intensive, four-week course with a customized curriculum that focuses on leadership and strategy. The program also covers financial management, human resources, and communications.

"Today's police leaders need the ability to make strategic decisions that ensures the public continues to benefit from a high level of service and protection," said Professor Joseph D'Cruz, Academic Director of the Police Leadership Program at the University of Toronto's Rotman School of Management. "Police executives need many of the same skills and processes that make business managers successful."

The current class represents 11 police services from across Ontario and the military police. The program features classroom instruction by Rotman faculty, peer interaction, plus presentations by business leaders and police-related speakers, such as Toronto Police Services Chief Julian Fantino, RCMP Commissioner Giuliano Zaccardelli and OPP Commissioner Gwen Boniface.

"Graduates of this program have demonstrated that the knowledge gained from this learning experience is immediately applicable to their roles in all police services, whatever their size and location," said Glenn Stannard, Chief of the Windsor Police Service. "Every police service must be prepared to protect the public against crime that can originate locally or internationally. To do that, police executives need to know how to maximize the effectiveness of their departments. This is exactly the type of understanding obtained from the Police Leadership Program."

The ceremonial graduation for the current class takes place at the Rotman School, Friday, May 14, 2004 beginning at 4:00pm. Attending the ceremony will be police chiefs and senior officers, civic representatives, OACP members, the graduates' families, and alumni of the program.

The University of Toronto's Joseph L. Rotman School of Management is on a mission to become one of the world's top ten business schools. Located in North America's 3rd largest financial centre, the Rotman School is taking an innovative approach to management education, built around integrative thinking and business design. For more information and to find out why The Financial Times and BusinessWeek rank Rotman among the leading business schools internationally, visit www.rotman.utoronto.ca.



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Police Leadership Program – Graduates, Spring 2004

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Superintendent Bob Chapman, Durham Regional Police
Superintendent Eric Girt, Hamilton Police Service
Staff Sergeant Dave Hossack, Barrie Police Service
Inspector Robin Jones, Ontario Provincial Police
Inspector Peter McEwen, Guelph Police Service
Superintendent Ken McFarland, Windsor Police Service
Inspector Paul Pedersen, York Regional Police Service
Lieutenant-Colonel J.F. Savard, Canadian Forces, Department of National Defence
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