



Fraser Institute Internship Program

Internships are a unique opportunity for university students to contribute to the work of the Fraser Institute.

Student interns work for 4-month terms, under the direct supervision of a policy or program staff person in one of Fraser Institute's four national offices. Undergraduate and graduate students, and recent graduates, are eligible to apply. All student interns must have a high level of written and verbal English proficiency, and excellent computer skills. Additional skills will be also required for each specific project.

Research interns provide research assistance to policy departments, and contribute their research, analysis and writing skills to a study intended for publication in a specific research area. Responsibilities may include primary research, literature reviews, survey design and execution, statistical analysis, and technical and editorial writing.

Past projects include Canada-U.S. relations, Canada-China relations, Children First: School Choice Trust, Entrepreneurship in Education, School Chain Showcase, Continental Natural Gas Production, Health Policy Studies and our Mining Survey. Intern research may also be published and disseminated to a wide audience.

Program interns provide assistance to the Institute's programs and outreach initiatives, and develop the knowledge and skills necessary to manage successful programming in a think tank environment. Responsibilities may include database management, event co-ordination, communication, and outreach.

All interns participate in regular seminars and discussions, attend Institute events, and network with policy experts.

Internship opportunities are described on the following pages.



Fraser Institute Summer 2008 Vancouver interns (from left): Lulu Zhou, Bonnie Lui, David Karp, Kathryn Mitrow, James Lombardi, John Menzies.

Work terms

Winter – January to April

Summer – May to August

Fall – September to December

Stipend

\$2,000 per month paid in semi-monthly instalments.

\$2,500 per month for candidates who have completed a graduate degree.

Reasonable domestic travel expenses will also be reimbursed.

Mailing List

Receive notification of upcoming internships, seminars, contests and more. Use the online form at:

<http://www.fraserinstitute.org/education-programs/students/registration-form.aspx?ekfrm=378>

Applications

Applications must include a resume, cover letter, and writing sample. Applications may be submitted via email to internship@fraserinstitute.org and must be received by the application deadline.

Your cover letter should indicate which project(s) you are most interested in and qualified for. Writing samples should be brief example (i.e. 6 pages) of your research and writing abilities.

FAQs

A comprehensive internship application FAQ section is available at:

<http://www.fraserinstitute.org/education-programs/students/questions-from-students.aspx>



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Winter 2011

Work term: January to April, 2011
Application deadline: November 5, 2010

Project descriptions

The Fraser Institute has one research internship opportunity for the Winter term which can be based in our Calgary or Montreal office depending on the location of the successful applicant.

Research internship

Global Petroleum Survey 2011 ***Calgary or Montreal***

The intern will assist the Senior Economist and the Economist, Global Resource Centre in preparing the Institute's annual survey of petroleum industry executives and managers regarding barriers to investment in oil and gas exploration and production in various jurisdictions around the world.

The intern will be mainly responsible for updating contact lists and obtaining new and repeat survey participants in order to increase response rates, and compiling the results as requested. The 2010 survey attracted more than 600 respondents familiar with the upstream oil industry investment opportunities in more than 130 jurisdictions worldwide. For more information on the petroleum survey, visit our website (fraserinstitute.org).

Applicants should be: enrolled in economics, political science, energy studies, business or a related field; able to write well and possess strong interpersonal skills; be familiar with Excel; and, have excellent telephone and email communications skills.

Program internship

There are no program internships available for the winter term.