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 set terms, usually 4-months, 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 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, Entrepreneurship in Education, Continental Natural Gas Production, Health Policy Studies and Mining Studies. 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 2014 summer interns: Left to right: Matthew Lo, Jason Chau, Loreena Percy, Taylor Jackson, Alyson Tan, Aaron Jacobs, and Feixue Ren.

Work terms
Winter – January to April
Summer – May to August
Fall – September to December

Stipend
$2,000 per month paid semi-monthly.
$2,500 per month for candidates who have completed a graduate degree.
Reasonable domestic travel expenses reimbursed.

Mailing List
To receive notification of upcoming internships, seminars, contests and more, use the online form at:
http://www.fraserinstitute.org/education-programs/students/subscribe.aspx

Applications
Applications must include a résumé, cover letter, and writing sample (or portfolio). Applications submitted via email to internship@fraserinstitute.org must use the email subject header "internship application" and must be received by the application deadline.

Your cover letter should indicate which area of policy you are most interested in and qualified for and list academic references. Writing samples should be brief example (i.e. 6 pgs) of your research and writing abilities (for research).

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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Summer 2015

The Fraser Institute has research internship opportunities to announce for the summer term:

Work term: May 4, 2015 – August 31, 2015
Location: Vancouver
Application deadline: February 27, 2015

Description:

The interns will support ongoing and new research in one of the following areas: economic policy, education policy, health policy, or mining policy. Successful candidates will provide assistance with research and analysis, developing specialized expertise in key public policy subjects that are critical to enhancing the quality of life and advancing the prosperity, security and freedom of Canadians and others around the world.

Specific duties may include:

• Initiating and independently leading research projects to understand, explain and solve important public policy problems using the best available evidence and tools of applied economics.
• Performing quantitative policy analyses and writing reports, articles, opinion columns, etc.
• Conducting literature reviews, data collection, or data analysis.
• Coordinating and collaborating with research colleagues and external academics.
• Other research support duties as required by their supervisor.

Candidate Qualifications:

• A recent graduate with a Bachelor’s degree in a relevant field (such as, economics, political science, environmental science, international development, education, health, or resource economics) and proficient in MS computer applications.
• Excellent verbal and written communication skills with a demonstrated ability to communicate complex, scientific and economic concepts to a lay audience.
• Previous experience researching or working with economic policy, education policy, health policy or natural resources policy.
• A desire to contribute to the debate around public policy issues.

**Please mention any academic references that you may have or attach reference letters.