

Announcing the TMU Democracy Internship

Are you a student in the Faculty of Arts with a passion for civic engagement, democratic politics and social justice? If so, TMU's Democracy Internship may be for you.

The TMU Democracy Internship provides an opportunity for students to acquire valuable experience and develop practical skills through university-based initiatives, civic organizations and community partners working to strengthen democratic engagement, institutions and practices in Canada.

The internship provides a stipend for students to work up to 120 hours with internal and external partners. These include the Broadbent Institute, Equal Voice, Apathy is Boring, and CIVIX. Duties and responsibilities, which are determined by each partner, may include research assistance, event planning, media communications, and public outreach.

Students with a keen interest in civic engagement, democratic politics and social justice are encouraged to apply. Successful applicants will demonstrate strong academic, communication and organizational skills and an interest in community-based research and advocacy.

The internship is open to undergraduate and graduate students in the Faculty of Arts at TMU. Interns will receive a \$3000 stipend to enable their participation.

This internship is funded through the generous support of the Chic Family in honour of Jackie Chic.

To apply: Applicants must submit a cover letter outlining their interests and experience to date; a grade transcript and their resume; and a writing sample.

Application Form: <https://forms.gle/x1SgzZ4QxmFdmqXo7>

Deadline: April 14, 5:00 PM

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For more information on each position, please see the following document:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/11DXRN_nW74fbkp94JXsexEodnjeiq69qzyQt7LUWm8c/edit?usp=sharing

About Broadbent Institute:

[The Broadbent Institute](#), founded in 2011, is Canada's preeminent social democratic think-tank. Founded by Ed Broadbent, and guided by the Broadbent Principles for Canadian Social Democracy, the Institute produces original research, convenes progressive dialogues, and trains new leadership to equip social movements working to advance justice and equality.

The Broadbent Institute welcomes the opportunity to offer a summer internship for the role of Research Analyst to conduct a research project, working economic, social, and public opinion datasets within the Institute's work streams of Climate Action, Decommodification, Empowering Workers, Rights & Democracy, and/or Science & Tech for All. As a Research Analyst at the Broadbent Institute, you will have the opportunity to work in close collaboration with our Director of Policy and Engagement, as well as other senior managers, on key priorities for a national think tank, and gain insights and experience in supporting key departments within a nonprofit organization.

Key Responsibilities:

- Data entry, data interpretation, and data analysis in support of Institute's ongoing policy research, development and communication priorities
- Research tasks to support projects carried out by the Director of Policy and Stakeholder Engagement
- Participating in the development of communications products for social media, e-mail, and other digital platforms based on analysis
- Web content management, writing and editing of analysis and op-ed pieces
- Engaging in general research, analysis and summarizing source material to support needs of Institute
- Performing other such functions in support of the organization's work as may be assigned

Candidate Qualifications:

- ❖ Interest in legislative or public policy research and analysis or in the development of legislation, regulations, or public policy
- ❖ An understanding or interest in learning more about the strategic role of public policy in progressive campaigning, as used by the labour movement, community organizations, the environmental movement, the anti-racist movement, and or other social movements
- ❖ Detail-oriented, well-organized, and capable of managing multiple requests and switching between priorities as directed
- ❖ A team player, and with the ability to work with a diverse group of individuals, or independently, as required.

- ❖ Strong written and verbal communication skills
- ❖ Experience using Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint, or equivalent processors, is a requirement
- ❖ Experience using Wordpress, Datawrapper, and statistical analysis applications such as STATA, SPSS, R, etc. is an asset
- ❖ Knowledge of and experience publishing on social media and online is an asset
- ❖ Bilingualism is a major asset

Internship Timeline:

Duration: June - August 2025

Hours: Interns can expect to work up to 120 hours throughout the duration of the internship.

Location: Remote, with the possibility of in-person meetings and mentorship.