PCJ-GreenPAC Internship

January 11, 2020 - April 16, 2020
Approximately 8 to 10 hrs/week

Background

GreenPAC is a non-partisan, non-profit organization working to build and support environmental leadership in elected office. We do this in three ways: (1) We help elect environmental leaders of all major parties running for office and have run successful endorsement campaigns in the Federal (2015, 2019), Manitoba (2016), B.C. (2017) and Ontario (2018) elections; (2) We run a Parliamentary Internship for the Environment program, now in its third year, which places interns with MPs to support environmental leadership on Parliament Hill and helps prepare young Canadians for careers as environmental champions; and (3) We work with individuals and community groups across the country to build local civic engagement with elected officials on the environment (this is a new program area for GreenPAC, stemming from 2019’s 100 Debates on the Environment).

GreenPAC is an ambitious, curious and creative group with a good sense of humour. We want our work to be rewarding and fun. We currently operate as a virtual team, with staff in Toronto, Hamilton, and Ottawa.

Position Objective

The student will be responsible for three main areas of work: (1) pre-election candidate research to help us prepare for a snap election; (2) capitalizing on the student’s expertise of peace and conflict studies, producing a five-part blog or social media series on peace, conflict and justice in Canada through an environmental lens; (3) assisting with planning and rolling out our annual event series and social media.

Duties and Responsibilities

Pre-election candidate research – 45%
Working with GreenPAC staff and volunteers to help us prepare for a snap election by carrying out research on candidates, parties and the elections in general, including keeping staff and supporters apprised of emerging environmental election issues. Research the work of previously-elected GreenPAC-endorsed candidates and keep our records up to date on their activities.

Justice, conflict and the environment blog series – 10%
Create a short one page proposal for a blog series that would link the student’s research interests with environmental issues (either international or domestic). Create five 600-1,200 word blog posts that move through the proposed issue at hand.

**Event Planning and social media support – 40%**
Work with the Senior Communications Manager to plan and execute our annual series of events and develop content for social media.

**Reflective paper – 5%**
Write a short essay (500-1000 words) describing the advanced student placement experience and reflect on its applicability to the PCJ academic program (to be graded by the faculty supervisor).

To apply for this position, please email a resume, cover letter, and writing sample to info@greenpac.ca by December 16, 2020