# **Job Opportunity**

#### PEI HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

With funding from the 2018 CANADA SUMMER JOBS AGREEMENT

#### Seeks applications for a summer job opportunity

Competition Closing: Friday April 27, 2018 4 pm

Submit resume by: email at <a href="mailto:contact@peihumanrights.ca">contact@peihumanrights.ca</a> OR

in person at 53 Water Street Charlottetown, PEI

**Job Title:** Legal Intern (Summer Student)

**Employer:** The PEI Human Rights Commission is an arms length agency created by the PEI *Human Rights Act*. The Commission investigates, resolves and adjudicates complaints filed under the *Act*. We develop and deliver educational programs to the public and we work with education partners to develop human rights education programs for schools. We answer inquiries from the general public and businesses. Staff lawyers represent the Commission at Panel, judicial review and Court of Appeal hearings. For more information about the Commission go to <a href="https://www.peihumanrights.ca">www.peihumanrights.ca</a>.

**Tasks and Responsibilities** The successful applicant should be prepared to:

conduct legal research and prepare written memorandums in relation to a variety of Human Rights Issues;

review complaints and make recommendations to legal counsel regarding how the law applies to the particular facts;

participate with legal counsel in conducting interviews and investigating complaints;

attend Court and Panel Hearings if any are scheduled during the term of employment;

assist with the development of Public Legal Education materials including distributing Human Rights Education and Promotional Material at festivals across PEI;

make presentations to the Community to increase awareness and understanding of Human Rights.

**Duration**: 8 weeks with a possible extension (dates to be determined).

**Hours &Location:** The intern will primarily work 8 am - 4 pm from the office in Charlottetown, but may be asked to attend community activities outside of the city and may be asked to work occasional evenings or weekends.

**Remuneration:** \$15.00/ hour including vacation pay

**Skills:** Must have excellent research, writing and communication skills.

Must have familiarity with Human Rights issues.

Must be highly organized, independent, professional, and creative.

Must have the ability to conduct sensitive interviews and summarize the information gathered.

Bilingualism will be considered an asset.

**Education:** Completion of first or second year of law school is preferred.

Paralegal and undergraduate students who have a focus on Human Rights Issues

may be considered.

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## Participant Definition under the Canada Summer Jobs Grant - Applicants must be:

Between 15-30 years of age at the start of employment.

Registered as a full time student during the preceding academic year and intend to return to school on a full time basis during the next academic year.

A Canadian citizen, permanent resident or person on whom refugee protection has been conferred under the *Immigration Refugee Protection Act* 

### The Canada Summer Jobs Grant establishes the following priorities for participants\*:

A student with a disability, an Aboriginal student, or a student who is a member of a visible minority.

\* The position will be filled based on merit, however, if there are equally qualified applicants priority will be given to those who meet the Canada Summer Jobs Grant Priorities for 2018.