

Job Opportunity

PEI HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION
With funding from the
2019 CANADA SUMMER JOBS AGREEMENT

Seeks applications for a summer job opportunity

Competition Closing: May 10, 2019, 4 pm

**Submit resume by: email at contact@peihumanrights.ca 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 www.peihumanrights.ca.

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 increase awareness and understanding of human rights, including participation in DiverseCity or other festivals;

attend and provide logistical support for the Canadian Association of Statutory Human Rights Agencies national Human Rights Conference;

such other tasks as may be assigned from time to time

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 required to attend community activities outside of the city and may be required to work occasional evenings or weekends.

Remuneration: \$15.00/ hour including vacation pay (35 hours per week)

Skills: Excellent research, writing and communication.

Familiar with human rights issues.

Organized, independent, professional, and creative.

Ability to conduct sensitive interviews and summarize information gathered.

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.

Bilingualism will be considered an asset

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

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

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

Canada Summer Job Grant Priorities

The position will be filled based on merit, however, if there are equally qualified applicants priority will be given to those who self-identify as being part of the groups which the Canada Summer Jobs Grant Program identifies as being underrepresented or have additional barriers to the labour market including:

Recent immigrant youth and recent refugee youth

Indigenous Youth

Youth with Disabilities

Visible minorities

LGBTQ2 youth.