

Community-Engaged Research (CER) Graduate Student Internship Program

The Community-Engaged Research (CER) Graduate Student Internship Program, facilitated through the Faculty of Social Sciences' [Community Research Platform](#) (CRP), provides opportunities for MA and PhD students to work with CRP partner organizations on research projects that support organizational needs and priorities and have tangible benefits for communities.

Project: Putting the Public in Public Art: Artist-led Consultation

Job Description: [Centre\[4\] Art + Research](#), a collaboration between the Community Research Platform (CRP) and Centre [3] for Artistic and Social Practice, is supporting the City of Hamilton's Placemaking and Public Art team in facilitating an artist-led public consultation process to elicit community input on the development of the City's new Public Art Master Plan.

Centre[4] is seeking an MA or PhD student intern to join a multistakeholder team comprised of City of Hamilton staff, artists and an Art and Research Integration Consultant, to support various aspects of this project. Key tasks include (but are not limited to):

1) Environmental Scan and Literature Review

- a. Undertake a review of academic and grey literature pertaining to the use of art and artist-led interventions as a tool for public consultation.
- b. Undertake an environmental scan of artist-led consultation initiatives (for public art consultation and more generally).
- c. Prepare a report synthesizing key findings, major themes, best practices, and recommendations for promising arts-led consultation initiatives.

2) Data Analysis and Reporting

- a. Support data analysis and contribute to the final project report back for the City of Hamilton.

3) Documentation

- a. Participate in all stakeholder meetings throughout the project (approximately 6) and take detailed notes with specific focus on both the process and outcomes of the collaborative project.

Required Skills and Experience:

- Demonstrated interest in community-engaged research
- Familiarity with arts-informed research practices
- Experience in qualitative research/ participation on research teams is an asset
- Skills in searching, synthesizing and reporting on findings from academic and grey literature
- Experience working as an artist, with artists, arts practices, arts organizations an asset

- Strong communication, interpersonal and writing skills

Duration of Internship: June 24th to December 13th, 2024. Approximately 7.5 hours per week.

Value of Award: \$7,000 (paid in 3 installments: beginning, middle and end of internship)

Application Deadline: June 10, 2024

To Apply:

Please ensure that you have discussed your interest in this opportunity with your supervisor. As part of your application process, we require an email from your supervisor confirming that they support your application. If your supervisor has any questions about the graduate internship program, please encourage them to reach out to the Community Research Platform Program Manager, Leora Sas van der Linden.

Please email applications to sasvandl@mcmaster.ca. Ensure the subject line includes the internship posting title and attach a resume and cover letter as one PDF.

In the body of the email, include the following:

- Internship Posting Title
- First and Last Name
- Pronouns
- McMaster Email Address
- MacID
- Student Status (MA or Phd)
- Department/Program

The Cover Letter (1-2 pages) should describe how your academic, work and volunteer experiences prepare you for the internship position. Please include any relevant research experience, highlight knowledge/experience related to working in the community or with a community partner and highlight other relevant experience as it pertains to the community organization and/or to the specific job posting. Please also confirm that you are in good academic standing and financial standing with the university.

For inquiries contact Leora Sas van der Linden, CRP Program Manager at sasvandl@mcmaster.ca