

## Municipal Internship Program for Land Use Planners

### Who:

We're looking for recent post-secondary graduates who are interested in pursuing a career in municipal planning. The program is open to students with a planning degree from an accredited university program or a related degree plus at least two senior-level planning courses. If you will have graduated by May 2012 (or within the last two years), you're eligible to apply.

### What:

We're offering a 24-month experience as an intern in an Alberta municipality or planning service agency. You will have the opportunity to learn about municipal planning and gain first-hand planning experience, all while developing as a professional and being mentored by planners in the field. You will be encouraged and supported to pursue your professional planning designation by making CIP Logbook submissions during your internship.

### Where:

You will live in a dynamic community in Alberta and work with a dedicated team of municipal staff who are willing to support your training and development. Towns, municipal districts, counties, cities, and planning service agencies are all part of the program, so opportunities are widespread across the province. The host organizations for the 2012 program will be posted on our website in December 2011.

### When:

Internship placements begin in May 2012 and run for a 24-month period, until April 2014. Interviews will occur in February and March 2012.

The deadline to apply for the 2012-14 program is **January 27, 2012.**

### Why:

#### Opportunity and Adventure

Alberta is experiencing significant growth and development during a period when many senior planners are retiring. From reviewing subdivision applications, revising the land-use bylaw, designing a strategic planning framework and conducting site inspections, the career opportunities abound for enthusiastic, highly trained, skilled and dedicated individuals.

#### Meaningful and Rewarding

Municipal planning is a diverse and challenging career field. Whatever your specific planning interest, you will likely find a great career opportunity in the municipal field.

#### Personally Fulfilling

Most public servants will tell you that they find their jobs rewarding. This is particularly true of municipal employees who often work directly with the public. The Internship Program connects you with the local community and supports you in your career development. As one of our former interns, Garrett says, "The Internship Program is an incredible way for a recent graduate to begin to develop a career in land use planning. The broad spectrum of the program allowed me to experience not only multi-faceted aspects of planning, but also gain exposure to the inner-workings of municipal government. The internship has been an excellent tool for establishing me in the planning field."

### How:

For more information on the Municipal Internship Program for Land Use Planners and how to apply, visit our website at:

**[www.municipalaffairs.alberta.ca/ms/internship](http://www.municipalaffairs.alberta.ca/ms/internship)**

If you wish to contact Internship Program staff at Alberta Municipal Affairs by phone, please call **780-427-2225**, or toll-free in Alberta at 310-0000, then dial 780-427-2225.