Infrastructure Institute Research Assistant

Faculty/Division: Arts and Science/School of Cities
Campus: St. George (Downtown Toronto)
Employee Group: USW Casual
Schedule: 14.5 to a maximum of 36.25 hours/week, as scheduled by supervisor
Duration: 6-month term

Start Date: February 26th 2024

The School of Cities at the University of Toronto was created to address the pressing issues facing urban areas to improve cities and urban regions. We take advantage of being located in one of the world’s most culturally diverse, dynamic and vibrant cities, and we implement key co-curricular, outreach and public engagement mandates. The Infrastructure Institute is a training, advisory, and interdisciplinary research hub at the University of Toronto's School of Cities. Our vision is to build local and global expertise in infrastructure planning, decision-making, and delivery.

The Infrastructure Institute is looking to hire a Research Assistant/Intern to work on projects related to transportation infrastructure development in Toronto, equity, affordable housing, and urban development. Please note this position is open to recent graduates or current Masters students only. Alternative Work Arrangements (e.g. hybrid) are available but this position does require in-person work in Toronto, so applicants must be based in the GTA.

Qualifications:
- Undergraduate degree
- Academic background and experience working in urban planning, geography, history, or related discipline.
- Experience with archival research

Job Duties:
- Synthesizing technical, qualitative, and contextual research data
- Collaborating with research team on developing reports for research and advisory projects
- Interpreting data independently from academic and non-academic literature
- Conducting media and policy scans
- Attending project and client meetings
- Conducting research on transit infrastructure, housing, and urban development
- Conducting archival analysis of Toronto transportation infrastructure projects, policies, and municipal strategies. Including City Council records, city staff reports, traffic studies, etc.

Please send a 1-page Cover letter and resume, attached as one document, clearly outlining your:
- Relevant experience
- Level of education
- Availability from now until the end of August

to infrastructure@utoronto.ca, with “Research Assistant” in the subject line by Thursday, February 15th at 11:59 pm.