

Advancing Sustainable Agriculture on Parliament Hill

GreenPAC is thrilled to announce a one-of-a-kind internship opportunity for young leaders in sustainable agriculture from the prairie provinces.

Since 2018, the GreenPAC [Parliamentary Internship for the Environment program](#) has placed exceptional young environmental leaders (18-30) on Parliament Hill in Ottawa for paid, ten-month internships with Members of Parliament from across the political spectrum. Interns gain invaluable experience and a behind-the-scenes look at how government works while supporting elected decision-makers who are driving change for the environment. After the program, interns have gone on to play exciting roles in the public, private and nonprofit sectors, and in some cases, even run for office themselves.

This year, we are excited to offer special spots in our program for young leaders in sustainable agriculture! This program stream is intended to simultaneously advance environmental leadership in Canadian agriculture *and* elevate rural voices in the environmental space. This program stream runs from approximately September 2023 to June 2024 and comes with a stipend of \$27,500 CAD. No political experience or university degree is required.

Candidates must be:

- Between 18-30 years old (inclusive) as of September 1, 2023,
- From prairie provinces (Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba)
- Legally eligible to work full-time in Canada
- Have firsthand farming experience (of any kind)
- Be passionate about the environment, food systems, and sustainable agriculture

The internship program also offers a range of other opportunities. Interns will meet with **expert guest speakers, attend workshops and conferences**, and engage in **interjurisdictional and constituency travel**. Our program has previously hosted a COP27 negotiator, MPs, Sustainable Agriculture Lead, agriculture journalist, and CEO of CAMBIUM Indigenous Professional Services. Our sustainable agriculture interns attended the Guelph Organic Conference, Organic Summit and Parliament Day and the Innovative Farmers Conference.

Applications open on **April 4th, 2023**, and are due by **11:59 pm (EST) on May 3rd, 2023**. More information about the program and application form can be found [here](#).

JOIN US: Ami Gagné, Program Director for the Parliamentary Internship for the Environment, will host an Instagram Live (@greenpac.canada) on **Wednesday, April 19th at 8:00 pm ET** where she will be answering all of your questions (and sharing some tips and tricks for applications!).

Please feel free to contact us at internship@greenpac.ca if you have any questions or require reasonable accommodations.