

Northern Policy Institute adds two new summer interns

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Northern Policy Institute (NPI) CEO Charles Cirtwill is pleased to announce the expansion of our presence to Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario through the addition of two summer interns, Kaylie Dudgeon and Mandy-Jean Masse.

Experience North, Northern Policy Institute's summer internship program, builds capacity through experience as interns learn first-hand about the cut and thrust public policy debate leading to the sustainable development and long-term economic prosperity of Northern Ontario.

"We are pleased to have Kaylie and Mandy-Jean join the Northern Policy Institute team this summer. Not only will they gain from a unique learning experience, their new positions help us to ensure input and advice is received from the perspective of the community of Sault Ste. Marie", said Cirtwill.

Masse will focus on providing evidence-based advice for effective decision making through several relevant policy topics including the cost and safety records of twinned highways per kilometer in Northern Ontario, the status of biofuel and bioenergy policy in the region, and a study on the current [Provincial Policy Statement \(PPS\)](#), as it relates to the [Growth Plan for Northern Ontario](#).

Dudgeon's role is geared towards improving Northern Policy Institute's public relations and communications strategies, ensuring consistent branding, and assisting in outreach events in the area.

Masse and Dudgeon are two of ten interns joining NPI in communities across Northern Ontario.

Other areas of focus include forestry tenure models, water quality issues in First Nations Communities, a 'northern immigration strategy', and minimum income trends.

Both Dudgeon and Masse are located at the [NORDIK Institute](#) office at [Algoma University](#). The Institute gratefully acknowledges this in-kind support, and will continue to work toward facilitating more partnerships between Northern organizations in the future.
