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Northern Policy Institute's Experience North is Back!

December 12, 2019 – Are you looking for a way to make a difference in Northern Ontario? Northern Policy Institute's (NPI) *Experience North* is now accepting applications to welcome vibrant youth to join its team this summer.

NPI's [Experience North](#) summer placement program is geared towards data and policy oriented students looking for crucial hands-on experience. The program helps young professionals build capacity through partner relations, learn first-hand about the cut and thrust of public policy debate, and allows placements to give their perspectives and fresh ideas on how to support the growth of sustainable Northern communities. These 16-week placements run from May to August of 2020 and are located at host organizations across Northern Ontario.

Each summer placement receives a project that they will work on throughout the summer following NPI's mission to engage local communities and provide evidence-based analysis for effective decision making in Ontario's northern regions. At the end of the summer, placements will have developed research and analytical skills as well as a stronger understanding of issues facing Northern Ontario.

"As an international development student, I am fascinated with community-based social and economic growth. Experience North was an opportunity I couldn't pass. I was able to publish the research I worked on, and I also created many community connections along the way," Hilary Hagar, 2019 Experience North placement.

NPI is offering eight Experience North opportunities this year:

- **Haileybury** - Data Analysts (2)
- **Sault Ste. Marie** – Data Analysts (2)
- **Marathon** – Policy Analysts (2)
- **Sioux Lookout** – Policy Analysts (2)

Candidates must normally be eligible under the [Canada Summer Jobs Program](#). Criteria includes that candidates must be between 15 and 30 years of age at the start of employment, be a Canadian citizen, permanent resident, or person to whom refugee protection has been conferred under the Immigration and Refugee Protection Act, and have a valid social insurance number. Applications are due no later than **midnight eastern time February 2, 2020**. For more information on each position and how to apply, please visit:

www.northernpolicy.ca/experienorth

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About Northern Policy Institute:

Northern Policy Institute is Northern Ontario's independent think tank. We perform research, collect and disseminate evidence, and identify policy opportunities to support the growth of sustainable Northern communities. Our operations are located in Thunder Bay and Sudbury. We seek to enhance Northern Ontario's capacity to take the lead position on socio-economic policy that impacts Northern Ontario, Ontario, and Canada as a whole.

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