

## Sponsoring the Parliamentary Internship Programme (PIP)

### What is the Parliamentary Internship Programme?

The Parliamentary Internship Programme, also known as PIP, is the leading non-partisan fellowship programme at the House of Commons for Canadian university graduates. Established by Parliament in 1969 by the Canadian Political Science Association, the Programme is supported by its patron, the Speaker of the House, friends of the Programme, other sponsors, and alumni. The 10 interns are selected through a competitive process and receive a stipend during the course of their 10-month internship. Each intern works for one government and one opposition Member of Parliament (MP) during the year. Interns also participate in civic engagement outreach, and organize comparative study tours to Quebec City, Brussels, London, Washington and Iqaluit.

Alumni have been elected to the House of Commons and provincial legislatures, while others have become ambassadors, deputy ministers, chiefs of staff to cabinet ministers and Rhodes Scholars. Alumni permeate the government and political landscapes of Ottawa and Canada's provincial capitals, as well as industry and academic and professional fields.

### Benefits of Sponsorship

PIP is supported by in-kind contributions from the House of Commons and financial contributions from a limited number of Sponsors and Friends. Sponsors provide core funding for the Programme and receive a charitable tax receipt from the Canadian Political Science Association for their donation.

PIP offers 5 categories of sponsorship – Platinum (\$40,000+), Gold (\$20,000+), Silver (\$10,000+), Bronze (\$2,500) and 'Friends of the Programme' (donations for key activities or in-kind donations).

*All sponsors receive:*

- An invitation to the annual private sponsors reception held in September for interns
- An invitation to the annual PIP Alumni Reception, a popular event that is attended by MPs and many high-profile figures;
- An invitation to the exclusive Spring Reception for all MPs and interns, held in Centre Block;
- Invitations to the annual Jean-Pierre Gaboury Symposium where interns present their annual research projects;
- Sponsor recognition at PIP events and acknowledgement on the PIP website;
- Meetings with the 10 interns and the chance to communicate with them about your issues;
- Opportunities to participate in an extensive, established network and build strong relationships with PIP interns, their MPs, alumni, and fellow sponsor organizations.

*Silver level sponsors and above:*

- Invitations to attend the three annual PIP luncheons hosted by the Speaker in the Speakers' private dining room for interns and their MPs.

*Gold level sponsors and above:*

- PIP creates unique opportunities for a limited number of sponsors. These vary depending on the level of their financial contribution and provide marquee sponsorship of annual PIP events, include a higher sponsor profile and a speaking role for sponsor organizations.

**To learn more about sponsorship, how to make in-kind donations, or sponsoring other activities, please contact Dr. Anne Dance, Director of the Parliamentary Internship Programme.**

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*Note: All event invitations and seating arrangements for Members of Parliament and other public office holders are handled by the Parliamentary Internship Programme and are in keeping with the guidelines and rules set out by the Ethics and Lobbying Commissioners.*

### **Sponsors and Friends, 2017-18**

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***Gold / Or*** (\$20,000) *Full*

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*The 2017-18 Parliamentary Interns*

***Bronze*** (\$2,500) *Places available*

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