



Saskatchewan Legislative Internship Program

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2016-2017 Internship**

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Dear Mr. Speaker:

It is my honour to transmit to you, the Sixteenth Annual Report of the Saskatchewan Legislative Internship Program (2016-2017).

We want to thank you and all Members of the Legislative Assembly for your support of this very important program. We also want to thank the Members who worked with the Interns and assisted in this learning experience.

Sincerely,

Bob Cram
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Overview of the Program

The Saskatchewan Legislative Internship Program (SLIP) provides four senior university students or recent graduates with an opportunity to experience the day-to-day operations of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan. Interns are paired with elected members of the Assembly who serve as mentors and provide a practical perspective on the role and work of MLAs. During their eight-month internship, participants are normally assigned for approximately eleven weeks with an MLA from the government caucus and for another similar period with an MLA from the opposition caucus.

In addition to the practical experience provided through the MLA mentors, the Program contains significant academic components. The interns receive six academic course-credits at either the University of Saskatchewan or the University of Regina. These credits are determined through evaluations of the interns' participation during the Program and through the preparation of individual research projects and group reports on assigned activities and travel experiences. The travel experiences include visiting parliaments and legislative assemblies in other jurisdictions, including Ottawa, in order to allow for comparisons with their internship experiences in Saskatchewan.

Through their internship experience, the Program helps these young people:

- Prepare themselves as future leaders and for future careers,
- Understand our province better and the challenges and public policy issues it faces,
- Appreciate and understand legislative and political processes in a hands-on and practical way through mentorship by MLAs,
- Learn how to write briefing documents,
- Gain an appreciation for how our provincial legislative processes compare to those of Canada and other jurisdictions internationally,
- Become exposed to rural and urban municipal politics and current policy issues affecting the municipal level of government in Saskatchewan,
- Participate in designing an experience for themselves that allows them to self-direct some of their own learning, and
- Develop through active experience their own skills in administration, communications, marketing, planning, negotiation, delegation, conflict resolution, teamwork and leadership.

Contact Information

Further information about the Saskatchewan Legislative Internship Program can be obtained from the Program's website at: www.legassembly.sk.ca/internship. The program has been suspended for 2017-18, but should be reinstated for 2018-19. Questions about the program can be directed to:

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2016-2017 Highlights

- Four interns participated in the fifteenth internship under the Saskatchewan Legislative Internship Program. Since 2002, 66 university students have participated in the Program.
- Since 2002, 65 former and current Members of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan have participated as mentors for interns.
- The program schedule was revised so that it would run from October to May instead of January to July. The new schedule aligns better with the schedule of the legislative session.
- As part of the new schedule, the normal two 13-week mentorships with MLAs were reduced to 11 weeks.
- The comparative-study tour in February/March included Ottawa, London, Brussels and Geneva, which allowed the interns to examine international governance and security through meetings with officials from the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO), the European Union (EU) and the United Nations (UN).
- As part of the internship's community-service component, the interns volunteered at the Regina office of the Canadian Mental Health Association.
- The tenth annual SLIP fundraising event raised \$1,703, which is normally used to enhance the interns' out-of-country travel experiences.
- As a result of cuts to the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan's 2017-18 budget, the Board of Internal Economy has decided to suspend the SLIP program for the 2017-18 year effective June 30, 2017, thus allowing the 2016-2017 interns to complete their internship.
- The suspension of the 2017-2018 internship meant that this group of interns did not have to spend much time promoting the program to potential internship applicants for a subsequent year, so they had less exposure to marketing experiences.

2016-2017 Saskatchewan Legislative Interns



Rachelle Bistrizan was born and raised on a farm near Zehner, Saskatchewan. In 2013, she graduated from Greenall High School in Balgonie, Saskatchewan with Gold Honours. From primary school on, Rachelle was very active in athletics. At the age of four, Rachelle began taking dance lessons in Pilot Butte. This sparked a life-long passion for dance, which led to Rachelle becoming a competitive dancer for over thirteen years. During that time, Rachelle competed in dance competitions throughout western Canada and the United States. She performed in many styles of dance including jazz, ballet, lyrical, tap and hip hop. In addition to dance, Rachelle was also heavily involved in her high school's cheerleading program, performing on both the dance and stunt team.

From a young age, Rachelle was also very active in both her school and community. It began at her church, where she altar served for over five years as well as assisted with the children's program. Rachelle also volunteered for many years with the Regina Ski Club. She helped out at their annual ski swaps and at their SaskTel Challenge Cup, a ski race for disabled skiers and boarders. During both primary and secondary school, Rachelle sat on many committees, was a member of the student leadership council and volunteered in many school events, including food collections, penny drives, and sports tournaments. Rachelle has continued her community work into her post-secondary education. During her second year of studies she volunteered with the SEARCH program in North Central Regina. She prepared hot meals as well as interacted with members of the community, engaging in discussions about HIV/AIDs, the cycle of poverty, and the social determinants of health. Beginning in 2015, Rachelle also began volunteering for the children's program at SOFIA House, a second-stage crisis shelter for woman in Regina.

Rachelle is currently in her fourth year of studies at the University of Regina and will convocate in the spring of 2018. She is working towards a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science with a minor in Classical History. In conjunction with her degree, she is also completing the Local Government Authority Advanced Certificate. Rachelle has been on the Dean's List and received the Academic Silver Scholarship in each year of her studies. Prior to university, Rachelle never envisioned herself pursuing the study of politics. However, as she began to take classes in Political Science, she soon discovered an interest and passion for the field. Of particular interest to her are topics within Political Science related to provincial and municipal governance.

Upon completion of her degree, Rachelle hopes to continue to travel and expand her knowledge of global affairs, people, and culture. She also plans on furthering her education with a Masters focused on either Public Administration or Public Policy. Finally, she envisions herself embarking on a career in the public service, working in the sphere of policy development or administration. In her spare time, Rachelle enjoys spending time and doing activities with her friends and family, such as travelling, skiing, camping, and cooking.

“Reflecting back on the past eight months, it is hard to fully encapsulate all the opportunities, experiences, and perspectives I have gained from this internship. . . . To summarize, this internship has been one of the greatest learning and personal growth experiences of my life thus far. Throughout my time in this program, I have learned everything from understanding the process of budgetary estimates to navigating an underground subway system in a foreign country. . . . As the only intern still in their undergraduate studies I came into this program somewhat intimidated, but also eager to further develop my knowledge of the political and legislative process beyond what I had already learned in the classroom. . . . I found both of my MLA mentorship terms to be extremely valuable. Each MLA I had the pleasure of working with offered me unique opportunities and experiences that greatly contributed to my overall learning during this internship. . . . Finally, I want to speak about the greatest highlight of the internship for me, which was, by far, the Comparative Study Tour. As someone who had never been east of Winnipeg, it was fascinating for me to travel to Ottawa- never mind to Europe.”

Rachelle Bistrizan, 2016-2017 Saskatchewan Legislative Intern



Alicia Miller was born in Regina and has lived there her entire life. She attended Campbell Collegiate High School to pursue the International Baccalaureate Program. Throughout high school she worked full time while maintaining some of the top grades in her class and graduated in 2009 with Honours.

Alicia was accepted into the Business Program at the University of Regina straight out of high school and awarded several entrance scholarships both by the university and through her place of work. In 2012 she transferred to the Faculty of Arts to pursue a degree in International Studies with a focus on International Affairs and in 2016 convocated with Great Distinction with some of the top grades of her faculty. During her studies, Alicia also worked three jobs, volunteered with several organizations, and took care of her grandfather. She centred her degree on taking classes that tackled social justice issues as well as many classes in political science. She has earned over a dozen scholarships throughout the time it took her to complete her degree. She will be pursuing a Master’s Degree in Global Governance and Conflict in the fall at the University of Waterloo where she was awarded full funding for her studies.

Alicia has spent a great deal of her time volunteering within her community. She has painted houses for low-income families, tutored classmates in various subjects, been a volunteer Advocate with the Regina Sexual Assault Centre for many years, and was a volunteer before becoming a manager at the Ten Thousand Villages in Regina, a non-profit organization dedicated to fair trade, female empowerment, and economic sustainability. Her time at Ten Thousand Villages helped shape her morals and goals for her future, resulting in her changing her degree in 2012. She hopes that in her future she will be able to use her knowledge and her passion for social justice to enact positive change within her community.

Alicia is an avid environmentalist. This past summer she has spent a lot of her time with Fruit for Thought, a local non-profit, promoting local food systems through coordinating harvests of fruit trees in the backyards of Regina citizens and donating that fruit to local organizations that feed vulnerable community members. She will be working with them again this summer, hopefully adding to what they are able to do as a small organization. She is also currently working on a composting partnership with local community gardens to make use of the food waste from these harvests. She has worked with the

City of Regina in order to promote the Blue Bin Recycling Program in order to educate those in her community about the importance of recycling as well as reducing waste as a whole. She bikes wherever she can, enjoys eating as locally as possible, and has always preferred employment with small, locally-owned businesses and organizations.

In her free time, Alicia likes to be active. She enjoys kayaking, camping, hiking, yoga, and has been a year-round cyclist for three years on top of fifteen years of regular biking. Alicia also loves to travel, spend time with her grandfather, keep up-to-date with current events, and hopes to one day become fluently bilingual in French, which she has studied consistently throughout her education.

“One cold morning in early October, I walked up the stairs into this marble palace ready to take on this internship with my new peers. I was anxious to dive right in and start getting everything done as soon as humanly possible and did not want to let a single moment go to waste. With all of the meetings we managed to arrange and all of the work we had to do, I was eager to make use of my recently minted undergraduate degree by applying my acquired knowledge to all of our tasks at hand. I came into this internship as a fiery political fiend, thinking I knew a thing or two about how government worked, and I quickly realized just how wrong I was because I actually knew not much at all, which was a hard lesson for me to learn. Previously, I had been one of those people who supported party politics, but my time spent with people from both sides of the House helped me learn that nothing is as simple as it is sometimes made out to be. There are always things you don’t know, processes and decisions you don’t fully understand, and information left out depending on who the audience is. Thanks to this internship, I have a much fuller understanding of government processes as a result of all of our meetings and our time with our MLAs. . . . My time in SLIP has been so unique compared to any other experience I have ever had. Nowhere else would I have been given the opportunity to have close personal discussions with high-ranking government officials, ministers, and various public servants. I have been exposed to job opportunities that I didn’t even know existed before this internship.”

Alicia Miller, 2016-2017 Saskatchewan Legislative Intern

David Sparling was born and raised in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan. He attended St. George School for his elementary education and graduated from Bishop James Mahoney High School in 2013. From grades nine through twelve, David was a member of Bishop Mahoney’s honour roll. During his final year of secondary education, he received the University of Saskatchewan Greystone Scholarship and finished with the second-highest average among his graduating class. He was also an active member of Bishop James Mahoney’s concert and jazz bands throughout high school, playing the alto saxophone. He also swam frequently, played for the Saskatoon Pirates water polo team, and regularly volunteered for St. Anne’s Parish. David also pursued his interests of creative writing and acting during his secondary education. In 2013, he wrote, directed, and acted in a one-act play for Bishop James Mahoney’s annual showcase of the arts.



David spent the next three years as an undergraduate student at the University of Saskatchewan’s College of Arts and Sciences. Strongly attuned to the social sciences, David completed a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political

Studies with a minor in History. He convocated from the University of Saskatchewan in May of 2016 (with Great Distinction) after three years of study. David was also in the top ten percent of students in his college and was invited to join the Golden Key International Honour Society in 2015.

Outside of school, David has been fortunate enough to hold several fulfilling full-time and part-time jobs. From September 2014 to April 2015, he worked as a casual employee at the University of Saskatchewan's Education and Music Library. Directly before and after his participation in the Saskatchewan Legislative Internship Program, David was employed as a museum docent and research assistant at the Diefenbaker Canada Centre, a museum and prime ministerial archive located on the University of Saskatchewan campus. At the Diefenbaker Canada Centre, David was responsible for leading historical tours of the university campus and museum exhibits, as well as conducting research on Canadian history and politics for future exhibits. Now that his time at the Legislative Building is behind him, David considers his participation in the Saskatchewan Legislative Internship Program to be his most rewarding experience as a student.

During his spare time, David is a voracious reader who also enjoys creative writing, video games, and spending time with his friends and family. In addition, David enjoys learning new languages and can speak some French and Spanish. His other hobbies and interests include walking, swimming, boating and paddle-boarding. Following the conclusion of the internship, David plans to return to the University of Saskatchewan to upgrade his BA to a Four-Year Honours degree. His longer-term goals include obtaining a second degree and eventual become a published author of fiction.

“As my time in the Legislative Building draws to a close, I can truthfully say that the Saskatchewan Legislative Internship Program has been an incomparable learning opportunity for me. The eight months that I have spent as a Legislative Intern have passed in a blur, filled with so many memorable experiences and events that it would take a small novel to record-them all. From myriad meetings with cabinet ministers and distinguished public servants, to in-depth projects with my MLA mentors, to the adventures of exploring new countries and new opportunities, the SLIP program has surpassed my every expectation. I feel as though it is no exaggeration to say that I will leave the internship as a changed person, and I will certainly look back with fondness on my time with the program for the rest of my life. . . . The Saskatchewan Legislative Program has been a once-in-a-life experience for me as a student, as a citizen, and as a person. I sincerely hope that many more Saskatchewan university students will be able to benefit from this incredible opportunity in the future, and that all supporters of the program will continue to lend their considerable talents to ensuring that this amazing program will return in the future for new interns to enjoy.”

David Sparling, 2016-2017 Saskatchewan Legislative Intern



Anna Tsui was born and raised in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan. Anna was enrolled in French Immersion throughout her school years, and attended Bishop J. Mahoney and the Saskatoon Christian School during high school, graduating in 2012. Growing up, Anna played violin with several orchestras, worked at several summer camps, and lifeguarded and taught swimming lessons in her spare time.

After high school, Anna attended the University of Saskatchewan where she developed her interest in public policy and Indigenous issues. Wanting to learn more about Canada's history and what that meant to her in today's context, she pursued a bachelor's degree in Aboriginal Public Administration. In the spring of 2016, Anna convocated with High Honours and the award for Most Outstanding Graduate in Aboriginal Public Administration.

Besides her interest in Indigenous issues, Anna has engaged herself in other areas of social justice. For the past two years Anna had been an active volunteer for the NGO World University Service of Canada (WUSC) at the U of S. She has served as a Student Refugee Program Coordinator and as Co-chair of the WUSC U of S Local Committee. This gave her hands-on experience advocating for refugee rights, raising awareness, and personally welcoming student refugees to the U of S each year. This past December, she also participated in the Dressember challenge with a group of girls from the U of S, where she wore a dress every day in the month of December to raise money and awareness about the victims of human trafficking.

One of Anna's other passions is travelling and immersing herself in new opportunities. In 2014, she spent the summer at Université Laval in Quebec where she participated in the Explore French Immersion Program. Most recently, Anna travelled to Tanzania this past summer with a group of Canadian and Tanzanian students, with the NGO Uniterra, to work on a collaborative research project in the northern regions of Tanzania. During her time there, Anna researched how agriculture and small scale farming can lead to sustainable livelihoods and the importance of engaging Tanzanian youth within the agricultural sector in order to help achieve food security. A report of their findings has been published online, with the aim of being disseminated into the Tanzanian agricultural community.

In the fall, Anna will be pursuing a Masters in Public Policy and Administration at Carleton University. In the future, she hopes to work in the area of public policy and development, both locally and in the global context. In her spare time, Anna enjoys spending time with friends, volunteering, playing violin, camping, canoeing and enjoying the outdoors.

"As I reflect on the past eight months, the SLIP program has been full of many memories and once in a lifetime experiences. It has been one of the most eye-opening and educational periods of my life thus far, and it is hard to believe how the internship has flown by. Looking back to where I was one year ago, it is incredibly hard to summarize the things that I have learned and how I have grown in my political views and perspectives. Before the internship I had just completed my B.A. and applied to the program hoping to further my theoretical knowledge of how the government and policy process worked, and to also see if the realm of government was a field that I could see myself working in into the future. Eight months later, I can gladly say that the internship has helped affirm my interest in public policy and I will be pursuing a Master in Public Policy and Administration in the fall."

Anna Tsui, 2016-2017 Saskatchewan Legislative Intern

2016-2017 Legislative Mentors

The Saskatchewan Legislative Internship Program thanks the following Members of the Legislative Assembly who volunteered their time to serve as mentors to the 2016-2017 Interns. Without their participation and leadership, this Program would not be possible.



Top Row (Left to Right): Carla Beck, Regina Lakeview; Warren McCall, Regina Elphinstone-Centre; Eric Olauson, Saskatoon University; Doug Steele, Cypress Hills.

Bottom Row (Left to Right): Lori Carr, Estevan; David Forbes, Saskatoon Centre; Nicole Rancourt, Prince Albert Northcote; Warren Steinley, Regina Walsh Acres.

Since 2002, 65 former and current Members of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan have mentored Saskatchewan Legislative Interns. David Forbes served as a mentor to his tenth intern.

For a complete list of MLA mentors since the inception of the Program, please refer to the Saskatchewan Legislative Internship Program's website: www.legassembly.sk.ca/internship.

Components of the 2016-2017 Program

Orientation Component

The Office of the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly organized orientation meetings for the interns. Most of these meetings took place during the first two weeks of the internship.

The interns met with the Honourable Vaughn Solomon Schofield (Lieutenant Governor of Saskatchewan) and the Honourable Corey Tochor (Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan). The interns also met with staff and officers of the Legislative Assembly and representatives of the government and opposition caucuses and central agencies in executive government.

The orientation component included meetings with officials of the Johnson-Shoyama Graduate School of Public Policy, as well as members of the news media and the Saskatchewan Federation of Labour.

A list of the people who met with the interns as part of the orientation component is provided in Appendix B.

Core Component

The interns began their assignments (“term one”) with four members of the Legislative Assembly (two from the government caucus and two from the opposition caucus) on October 24, 2016. These assignments continued until February 10, 2017, with a break in the middle from December 16, 2016 to January 23, 2017. The interns were then reassigned (“term two”) to another four members from the other side of the House (two from the government caucus and two from the opposition caucus), and these terms began on February 20, 2017. The second term assignments concluded on May 5, 2017.

Members of the Legislative Assembly from both caucuses volunteer each year to serve as mentors to the Saskatchewan Legislative Interns. Written mentorship proposals are prepared by each MLA. After a meeting between the interns and the volunteer MLA mentors from each caucus, the interns decide on the pairing of each intern to each mentor. The 2016-2017 interns and MLA mentors were paired (first term and second term) as follows:

Rachelle Bistriztan	Doug Steele, Cypress Hills Nicole Rancourt, Prince Albert Northcote
Alicia Miller	Carla Beck, Regina Lakeview Lori Carr, Estevan
David Sparling	Eric Olauson, Saskatoon University David Forbes, Saskatoon Centre
Anna Tsui	Warren McCall, Regina Elphinstone-Centre Warren Steinley, Regina Walsh Acres

During their assignment to private members, the interns were given opportunities to accompany their assigned members to meetings, conferences, and consultations. The interns also visited constituency offices and experienced the work that MLAs do to address the concerns and interests of their constituents. All expenses incurred by the interns in participating in these events and activities were paid by the Program.

Academic Component

The Saskatchewan Legislative Internship Program provides interns with six academic credits towards an undergraduate degree through its recognition as a course at the University of Saskatchewan (Political Studies 482.6) and the University of Regina (Political Science 480). Interns are required to register in one of these courses in order to participate in the Program. In addition to the course credits, enrolment in these courses provides each intern with some student benefits, such as liability insurance and Workers’ Compensation coverage.

At the end of the internship, each intern received a grade that recognized his or her participation in the program. The academic director determined each intern’s final grade based on the following weighting:

<u>Grading Component</u>	<u>Weighting Factor (%)</u>
Evaluation of several individually-prepared research projects on topics pertaining to legislative processes, public policy, politics or public administration	30
Evaluation of a jointly-prepared report on the interns' comparative-study (out-of-province) trip	20
Evaluation of a jointly-prepared report on the interns' observations and experiences during their travel within Saskatchewan	20
Evaluation of each intern's activities with his or her assigned MLAs	10
Evaluation of the interns' joint participation in a community-based activity in a volunteer capacity	5
Evaluation of each intern's completion of assigned administrative duties relating to their internship	15

Intern Development Component

The intern development component is undertaken through a special fund ("intern development fund"), which is supported by university, corporate, and organizational sponsors, as well as donations from individuals. The University of Saskatchewan administratively manages this fund.

In-Province Meetings and Events

The intern development fund is used to support special projects that are identified by the interns to enhance their experience in the Program. These projects include transportation and accommodation costs related to the interns' travel to other jurisdictions, as well as attendance at workshops, conferences, meetings, and consultations with major organizations and with people in leadership positions from various sectors of Saskatchewan. The interns are responsible for all of the logistical arrangements associated with these projects.

In 2016-2017, the interns' in-province experiences included attending several conventions, meetings, and events as observers/visitors. The following is a list of some of the conventions, meetings, and events the interns attended:

- Courthouse Briefing with Justice Peter Whitmore of the Saskatchewan Court of Appeal and Ms. Jennifer Fabian, Registrar and Executive Legal Officer
- Diefenbaker Canada Centre-self-guided tour (University of Saskatchewan)
- First Nations Feast Protocol (Lecture)-All Nations Hope
- Johnson-Shoyama Graduate School of Public Policy-various public lectures (University of Regina)
- Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities, Convention
- Saskatchewan Urban Municipalities Association, Convention

The 2016-2017 Saskatchewan Legislative Interns were also provided the opportunity to meet with the following community and political leaders:

Current and former Provincial Political Representatives

Hon. Tina Beaudry-Mellor, Minister of Social Services and Minister Responsible for the Status of Women
Mr. Ryan Meili, MLA Saskatoon Meewasin
Hon. Paul Merriman, Government House Leader
Hon. Don Morgan, Minister of Education, Minister of Labour Relations and Workplace Safety, Deputy Premier
Hon. Greg Ottenbreit, Minister of Rural and Remote Health
Mr. Frank Quennell, Former NDP Minister of Justice and Attorney General
Mr. Roy Romanow, Former Premier of Saskatchewan
Hon. Christine Tell, Minister of Central Services
Hon. Nadine Wilson, Provincial Secretary
Mr. Trent Wotherspoon, Leader of the Opposition
Hon. Gordon Wyant, Minister of Justice and Attorney General

Provincial Government Deputy Ministers and Ministry Officials

Ms. Susan Amrud, Associate Deputy Minister of Justice
Ms. Lisa Broda, Program Manager of Systemics, Investigations and Research, Advocate for Children and Youth
Mr. Rick Burton, Deputy Minister of Agriculture
Mr. Kent Campbell, Deputy Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs
Ms. Cammy Colpitts, Assistant Deputy Minister of Agriculture
Mr. Keith Comstock, Assistant Deputy Minister of Government Relations
Mr. Kevin Fenwick, Deputy Minister of Justice, Former Ombudsman
Mr. James Froh, Interlocutor for First Nations and Métis Relations
Ms. Lin Gallagher, Deputy Minister of the Environment
Mr. Nithi Govindasamy, Deputy Minister of Highways and Infrastructure
Dr. Louise Greenberg, Deputy Minister of Advanced Education
Ms. Clare Isman, Deputy Minister of Finance
Mr. Max Hendricks, Deputy Minister of Health
Mr. Brad Henry, Executive Director, Northern Municipal Services, Ministry of Government Relations
Ms. Alanna Koch, Deputy Minister to the Premier
Ms. Twyla MacDougall, Acting Deputy Minister of Parks, Culture and Sport
Mr. Alastair MacFadden, Assistant Deputy Minister of the Economy, Labour Market Development
Mr. Doug Moen, Former Deputy Minister to the Premier, Former Deputy Attorney General
Mr. Corey O'Soup, Advocate for Children and Youth
Ms. Leeann Palmer, Program Manager of Advocacy and Public Education, Advocate for Children and Youth
Ms. Candice Pete, Executive Director, Northern Engagement, Ministry of Government Relations
Mr. Dave Tulloch, Assistant Deputy Minister of Justice, Corporate Services Branch
Mr. John Wright, Former Deputy Minister of Finance

Others

Dr. Gordon Barnhart, Former Lieutenant Governor of Saskatchewan, Former Clerk of the Senate
Ms. Stefani Langenegger, CBC Saskatchewan
Ms. Grace Rath, Saskatoon Lighthouse
Mr. Cody Sharpe, Policy Coordinator, Upstream

Mr. Ron Styles, President and CEO of Sasktel
Ms. Vianne Timmons, President of the University of Regina
Dr. Bill Waiser, Historian and Author

Northern Saskatchewan Tour

The 2016-2017 interns had a successful and educational trip to the northern part of our province, May 8-12, 2017. They visited the communities of La Ronge, Sucker River, Stanley Mission, Missinipe and Grandmother's Bay where they met with a number of local officials and representatives. A full list of the people they met is included in Appendix D. On their way back south on May 12, the interns met with MLA Delbert Kirsch in Rosthern, and he took them on a tour of the Batoche National Historic site and taught them much about the history and culture of the Métis people of the prairies.

Out-of-Province Experiences

An important element of the Program's intern development component is the comparative-study tour, which involves the interns' travel to jurisdictions outside of Saskatchewan. The purpose of this study tour is to allow the interns to compare legislative and government processes against those that they have observed and experienced in Saskatchewan. The tour is organized by the interns and is funded through the intern development fund and through additional fund-raising undertaken by them.

In 2016-2017, the interns' comparative-study tour was comprised of a single continuous trip to Ottawa, Brussels, Geneva, and London, February 11 to March 9. This was the first time interns have visited Brussels and Geneva, and this group used the opportunity to look more closely at international governance models including the European Union, NATO and the UN. The interns have filed a report on their tours, which can be accessed by contacting the Office of the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan. Their report provides comparative observations and analyses of:

- Canada's provincial and federal governance systems;
- The Westminster Model of governance and democracy in Great Britain and how it compares to Canada's;
- The nature of federal systems and the division of powers in Canada and Great Britain;
- International institutions, including the European Union and the United Nations;
- Political processes and institutions in other jurisdictions;

"Looking back at the trip, we readily agreed that we were genuinely happy with the cities we visited and the many meetings we had. We left each destination with unique experiences, different perspectives, and ultimately, the desire to further explore the range of political institutions, processes, and cultures of this world. As a result of our time as SLIP interns, it was easy to spot the parallels, but also the differences, between our legislative processes in Saskatchewan to those of Ottawa and London. Also, to be able to visit the place where our Westminster parliamentary system originated was a true highlight. Visiting the European Parliament and several UN agencies put the concept of statehood and what it means to be a part of an international community into perspective. This has taught us that we, as Canadians, have a vested interest in the actions of other countries, and that it is important to play our part in the international community. We are all extremely grateful for this opportunity that was afforded to us, and look forward to building on our experiences into the future."

*Rachelle Bistrizan, Alicia Miller, David Sparling, Anna Tsui
2016-2017 Saskatchewan Legislative Interns*

Community-Services Component

Each year, the Saskatchewan Legislative Interns are required to participate in a community-based activity in a volunteer capacity. In addition to providing personal support, the interns have an opportunity to learn about the objectives, structure, administration, challenges, and successes associated with a community event or organization.

For the community service component in 2016-2017, the interns chose to approach the Regina branch of the Canadian Mental Health Association in order to work with various individuals facing the challenge of mental illness. In addition to volunteering their time, the interns toured the facility, met with many people and learned of the many services that they provide.

“Choosing the Canadian Mental Health Association for our Community Service Component of our internship was a positive experience for the entire group. Not only did we get to donate our time to a worthwhile community organization, we also got the opportunity to expand our knowledge of mental health care in Saskatchewan and some of the struggles within that area. It was refreshing to see an organization and team of people with such dedication to improving the quality of life of those struggling with chronic mental illness in Regina. Although CMHA faces fiscal hurdles, it was clear to see that all the funding they did receive went directly into providing valuable services and programming for their members. This was a truly eye-opening experience and gave us a much better perspective of the current state of mental health care in Saskatchewan.”

*Rachelle Bistriztan, Alicia Miller, David Sparling, Anna Tsui
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Administrative Component

The interns perform various administrative duties pertaining to the operation of the Program. These duties vary from year to year depending on the Program’s administrative requirements, which cannot be otherwise provided through its existing support. The administrative component is intended to help the interns develop their skills in administration, communications, marketing, planning, time management, negotiation, delegation, conflict resolution, teamwork and leadership.

When interns choose their duties’ assignments, it only means that they are responsible for coordinating that particular area. All interns are expected to contribute equally to the work of the overall team regardless of whether it is part of their named assignment of duties. The following duties were chosen by the 2016-2017 interns:

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| Rachelle Bistriztan | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Arranging community service and fund-raising events• Arranging the comparative-study tour |
| Alicia Miller | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Facilitating communications with former interns, including preparing the first draft of the Alumni Report• Promotion of the program generally and to potential internship applicants |

- David Sparling
- Arranging in-province meetings, conferences, seminars, etc. with organizations and individuals
 - Administering a communications strategy for the Program, including managing correspondence on behalf of all interns
- Anna Tsui
- Arranging the northern Saskatchewan study tour
 - Interns' administration

2016-2017 Special Events

Each year since 2007, the Saskatchewan Legislative Interns have organized something like a steak night or barbeque event, which provides an opportunity for Members of the Legislative Assembly and officials of the Assembly to have an informal supper with current and former interns and other supporters of the Program. The interns typically use the net proceeds from this event to enhance their experience during their comparative-study tour. The money can be used to finance entry to museums, side-tours to significant points of interest, or attendance at cultural or sporting events occurring at the time of the tour.

On November 8, 2016, this year's fund-raiser was a Pizza and Pasta night held at the 4 Seasons restaurant in Regina. After expenses, the event generated net proceeds of \$1,703.

Alumni Support and Engagement

An alumni newsletter, known as the *Alumni Report*, is published annually by the Program and is distributed to all former interns. It is also posted on SLIP's website.

The annual newsletter provides an on-going link between former interns and the Program. Alumni are profiled in the newsletter. Through their accomplishments, we are able to promote the career-development potential of the Program to students and potential sponsors.

Finances

Allocation of Funding

Core Program

The Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan provides funding for scholarships for four Saskatchewan Legislative Interns (\$15,000 each in 2016-2017) for expenses incurred by these interns during their mentorship with private members of the Assembly and for the compensation and expenses of the Program's academic director.

Intern Development

Most of the funding for the intern-development component of the Saskatchewan Legislative Internship Program is generated through initiatives and requests undertaken by the Program's academic director and other supporters. The interns also apply directly to other sources of funding that support student travel experiences.

Funders and Sponsors

We are very grateful to all funders and sponsors of the Saskatchewan Legislative Internship Program. This Program would not take place without support from the institutions and companies listed below that provided support in 2016-2017:

Financial Partners

Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan



The Cooperators Group



University of Regina



University of Saskatchewan



Corporate Sponsors

Saskatchewan Transportation Corporation

Program Sponsors

Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities
Saskatchewan Urban Municipalities Association

2016-2017 Financial Statements

The Saskatchewan Legislative Internship Program's statement of revenues and expenses for the period from October 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017 inclusive has been provided in Appendix A of this report. Due to the suspension of the program for 2017-18, this is just a nine-month report instead of the usual twelve-month report. However, there should be no program expenses or revenues from July 1 to September 30, 2017 except for minimal banking expenses to maintain the Affinity Credit Union account.

The Program's finances are administered through three funds. The Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan funds the core program. The University of Saskatchewan administers the funding received from financial partners, corporate sponsors, and donors for intern development. A credit union account has been established to manage the interns' fund-raising activities.

During 2016-2017, the three funds realized revenues of \$103,411 and expenses of \$103,614 for an overall deficit of \$202. In comparison, the 2015-16 fiscal year ended with an overall surplus of \$273.

The contribution from our external funder, The Co-operators remained what it has been for several years, \$8,000. The contribution from the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan remained in a more

normal range in 2016-2017 now that some past turnover in the academic director position has stabilized. Similarly, interns' travel expenses were close to normal in 2016-2017. Interns' fundraising was higher in 2016-2017, up \$553 to \$1,703.

The balance sheet at June 30, 2017 for the intern development fund, and the interns' fund-raising account has also been provided in Appendix A. The core component of the Program is fully funded by the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan and, as such, ends each year without a surplus or a deficit. The intern development fund has been in existence since the Program began and had an accumulated surplus of \$17,931 as of June 30, 2017. The interns' fund-raising account ended the year with cash of \$224. The combined accumulated surplus for all funds was \$18,155 on June 30, 2017; this compares with \$18,357 on September 30, 2016.

Governance

Memorandum of Understanding



The Saskatchewan Legislative Internship Program exists through a memorandum of understanding between the University of Saskatchewan and the University of Regina. The memorandum, signed in 2007, formalizes the universities' support for, and participation in, the Program. The agreement articulates the role of the academic director and the SLIP Advisory Committee, the academic credits provided by both universities to the Program's interns, the provision of general liability insurance coverage to the interns, and the administration of the Intern Development Fund.

Saskatchewan Legislative Internship Program Advisory Committee

The program's advisory committee provides governance for managing the Saskatchewan Legislative Internship Program. The committee consists of the following individuals:

- The Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan
- One representative from the University of Saskatchewan
- One representative from the University of Regina
- One representative from each of the Government and Opposition caucuses
- The Clerk of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan
- The Academic Director of the Saskatchewan Legislative Internship Program

The Speaker of the Legislative Assembly serves as the chair of the committee.

Saskatchewan Legislative Internship Program Selection Committee

Applications for the internships are accepted from university students and recent graduates who identify Saskatchewan as their permanent residence. Each year, the current interns take a lead responsibility for promoting the Program to students.

All SLIP applications are reviewed by the Saskatchewan Legislative Internship Program's Selection Committee, which creates a short-list of applicants who will be considered for the Program, conducts interviews of the short-listed applicants, and makes the decisions on the applicants who will be offered internship positions. The decisions of this Committee are final and are not subject to review or reconsideration by funders, sponsors, elected members of the Legislative Assembly or any other body or program or other elected or appointed bodies that participate with the Program.

The members of the Selection Committee are nominated by various university, administrative, and caucus bodies associated with the Program. After nomination to the committee, the members are not accountable to these bodies, but rather to the Program and to ensuring that the best possible applicants are offered internship positions.

The members of the SLIP Selection Committee who selected the 2016-2017 interns were:

Ms. Monique Lovatt, Coordinator of Interparliamentary Relations and Protocol, Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan
Mr. Bram Lerat, 2016 Saskatchewan Legislative Intern
Dr. Bob Cram, SLIP Academic Director
Mr. Milt Wakefield, Former Member of the Legislative Assembly
Mr. Graham Addley, Former Member of the Legislative Assembly

The SLIP Academic Director served as the chair of this committee.

Due to the suspension of the SLIP program for 2017-2018, a new group of interns was not selected in 2016-2017.

Officers and Staff

The Hon. Corey Tochor, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan, serves as the honorary patron of the Saskatchewan Legislative Internship Program. He is also the chair of the Saskatchewan Legislative Internship Program Advisory Committee.

Dr. Bob Cram served as the academic director of the Program and chair of the Saskatchewan Legislative Internship Program Selection Committee.

The Saskatchewan Legislative Internship Program does not directly employ staff. Staff support is provided through the universities and the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan. The following individuals provided staff support for 2016-2017:

Monique Lovatt, Coordinator of Interparliamentary Relations and Protocol, Office of the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan
Jenn Morgan, Finance and Operations Coordinator and Undergraduate Programs Coordinator, Department of Political Studies, University of Saskatchewan
Renee Lipitzki, Financial Coordinator, Administrative Support Group, College of Arts and Science, University of Saskatchewan
Corinne Steinger, Financial Coordinator, Administrative Support Group, College of Arts and Science, University of Saskatchewan

Acknowledgements

Many individuals support and assist with the operations of the Saskatchewan Legislative Internship program. Among the most important are the Government and Opposition caucuses who allow the interns to work within their offices each year and the individual members of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan who volunteer to mentor an intern over an eleven-week period. SLIP is fortunate to have the support of MLAs on both sides of the House who are willing to share their knowledge and experiences with the interns.

Several people provided organizational advice and assistance to the interns with respect to the comparative-study and Northern Saskatchewan tours. In particular, we want to thank the following:

Ottawa	Dr. Anne Dance, Director of the Parliamentary Internship Programme Ms. Astrid Krizus, Parliamentary Internship Programme
Brussels	Ms. Ieva Valutyte, Delegation for Relations in Canada, European Parliament Ms. Susanne Connolly, Media Relations and Outreach Officer, Mission of Canada to the European Union
London, England	Ms. Dawn Amey, International Relations Officer, Overseas Office, House of Commons Ms. Luseane Chesham, Executive Assistant to the Secretary-General of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association Dr. Matthew Mayer, Political Counsellor, High Commission of Canada
Northern Saskatchewan	Mr. Jim Andrews, Senior Policy Analyst, Northern Engagement, Ministry of Government Relations Mr. Brad Henry, Executive Director, Northern Municipal Services, Ministry of Government Relations Ms. Candice Pete, Executive Director, Northern Engagement, Ministry of Government Relations

Finally, we thank our 2016-2017 Saskatchewan Legislative Interns who participated in the Program in a non-partisan manner and who respected the need to protect the confidentiality of the information they handled. We extend our best wishes to Rachelle, Alicia, David and Anna in their future endeavours.

Appendix A

SASKATCHEWAN LEGISLATIVE INTERNSHIP PROGRAM INTERN DEVELOPMENT FUND AND INTERNS' FUND-RAISING ACCOUNT

Balance Sheet
June 30, 2017

Assets

Cash		\$224.06
University of Saskatchewan (Note 1)		\$17,930.81
Total Assets		\$18,154.87

Liabilities

Nil

Accumulated Surplus

Intern Development	\$17,930.81	
Interns' Fund-raising Account (Note 3)	\$224.06	\$18,154.87
Accumulated Surplus		\$18,154.87

Statement of Revenue and Expenses

Core Program, Intern Development and Interns' Fund-raising
For the Period from October 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017

	2016-2017			2015-2016	
	Core Program	Intern Develop- ment	Interns' Fund-Raising	Total	Total
Revenues					
Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan	\$85,058.21	\$ -	\$ -	\$85,058.21	\$84,574.58
University of Regina (Note 2)	-	4,000.00	-	4,000.00	6,000.00
University of Saskatchewan (Note 2)	-	4,000.00	-	4,000.00	4,500.00
The Cooperators Group	-	8,000.00	-	8,000.00	8,000.00
Donors	-	650.00	-	650.00	-
Interns' Fund-raising (Note 3)	-	-	1,703.00	1,703.00	1,149.75
Interest Revenue	-	-	0.07	0.07	0.08
Total Revenues (Notes 2 and 3)	\$85,058.21	\$16,650.00	\$1,703.07	\$103,411.28	\$104,224.41
Expenses					
Director - Honorarium	\$21,386.16	\$ -	\$ -	\$21,386.16	\$19,638.09
Interns - Scholarship	60,000.00	-	-	60,000.00	56,000.00
Travel - Director	1,194.60	-	-	1,194.60	1,679.08
Travel - Interns	2,338.75	16,663.73	1,696.00	20,698.48	22,276.27
Intern Fund-raising (Note 3)	-	-	-	-	-
Intern Selection (Note 5)	-	-	-	-	2,024.35
Administrative and Other Expenses	138.70	195.60	-	334.30	1,193.56
Total Expenses	\$85,058.21	\$16,859.33	\$1,696.00	\$103,613.54	\$103,951.35
Surplus/(Deficit)	Nil	\$(209.33)	\$7.07	\$(202.26)	\$273.06



Notes to Financial Statements

1. All cash for the Intern Development Fund is being held, on behalf of the program, by the University of Saskatchewan.
2. In previous years, student travel grants from the universities to the interns were then given by the interns to the SLIP program and deposited into the UofS SLIP fund to cover intern travel expenses. This year, since the grants were to the students, they were allowed to keep the grants but had to use the grant money to cover some of their own travel expenses. Therefore, these student grants and their related expenses no longer appear in this financial statement, but the universities did still give students/interns the same travel grants as in the past.
3. An account held at the Affinity Credit Union is used to manage the interns' fund-raising activities. The fund-raising activities include the annual steak night/barbecue. The funds raised through these activities are used to finance the various cultural and sporting events occurring during the interns' comparative-study tour. The fund-raising revenue for the steak night is reported as net of the associated steak night expenses.
4. In addition to reported revenues, the Program received in-kind support from the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan, the Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities, the Saskatchewan Urban Municipalities Association, the Saskatchewan Transportation Corporation, the University of Regina, and the University of Saskatchewan.
5. Intern selection expenses normally pertain to the travel, accommodation, and meal costs associated with interviewing candidates for the next internship. Due to the cancellation of the program for 2017-18, no interview selection was conducted.

Appendix B

SASKATCHEWAN LEGISLATIVE INTERNSHIP PROGRAM 2016-2017 ORIENTATION COMPONENT

During the orientation component of the Saskatchewan Legislative Internship Program, the 2016-2017 Saskatchewan Legislative Interns met with the following people:

Office of the Lieutenant Governor of Saskatchewan

Her Honour the Honourable Vaughn Solomon Schofield, Lieutenant Governor of Saskatchewan

Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan

Office of the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly

Hon. Corey Tochor, Speaker

Legislative Assembly Services

Ms. Melissa Bennett, Legislative Librarian

Ms. Michelle Giese, Reference and Electronic Resources Librarian

Mr. Basil Kuzyk, Special Constable

Mr. Arnold McKenzie, Senior Information Officer, Visitor Services

Mr. Bob Pilon, Special Constable

Ms. Leslie Pilsom, Director of Reference Services

Mr. Greg Putz, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

Mr. Ken Ring, Law Clerk and Parliamentary Counsel

Mr. Holly Schafer, Systems Analyst

Committees of the Legislative Assembly

Ms. Kathy Burianyk, Clerk Assistant

Ms. Anne Drake, Committee Coordinator

Mr. Rob Park, Committee Clerk

Ms. Stacey Ursulescu, Committee Clerk

Caucus Operations

Mr. John Saltasuk, Chief of Staff, Government Caucus

Mr. George Soule, Chief of Staff, Opposition Caucus

Officers of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan

Elections Saskatchewan

Mr. Michael Boda, Chief Electoral Officer

Mr. Tim Kydd, Senior Director

Children's Advocate

Mr. Bob Pringle, Children's Advocate

Information and Privacy Commissioner

Mr. Ron Kruzeniski, Information and Privacy Commissioner

Provincial Auditor

Ms. Judy Ferguson, Provincial Auditor

Provincial Ombudsman

Ms. Mary McFayden, Provincial Ombudsman

Conflict of Interest Commissioner & Registrar of Lobbyists

Mr. Ron Barclay, Q.C., Conflict of Interest Commissioner & Registrar of Lobbyists

Ministries and Agencies of Government

Executive Council

Mr. Jarret Coles, Executive Director, House Business and Research
Mr. Paul Crozier, Cabinet Secretary and Clerk of Executive Council
Mr. Gord Sisson, Senior Policy Advisor, Cabinet Planning

Public Service Commission

Ms. Brenda Dermody, Consultant and Talent Development Officer
Ms. Marlys Tafelmeyer, Assistant Chair

Other Participants

Johnson-Shoyama Graduate School of Public Policy

Trent Bleazy, Student Experience Officer
Mr. John Bird, Academic Advisor
Jennifer Ehrmantraut, Director Executive Education

Postmedia Network Inc.

Mr. Murray Mandryk, Columnist, Regina Leader-Post and Saskatoon Star-Phoenix

Saskatchewan Federation of Labour

Mr. Larry Hubich, President
Mr. Kent Peterson, Strategic Advisor / Communication Officer

Appendix C

SASKATCHEWAN LEGISLATIVE INTERNSHIP PROGRAM 2016-2017 COMPARATIVE-STUDY TOURS

During the 2016-2017 comparative-study tours, the Saskatchewan Legislative Interns met with the following people:

Ottawa

Current and Former Federal Political Representatives

Mr. Ali Ehasi, MP for Willowdale
Ms. Georgina Jolibois, MP for Desenthe-Missinippi-Churchill River
Mr. Denis Lebel, MP for Lac-Saint-Jean
Ms. Sheila Malcolmson, MP for Nanaimo-Ladysmith
Mr. Murray Rankin, MP for Victoria
Mr. Arif Virani, MP for Parkdale-High Park

House of Commons

Mr. Patrice Martine, Deputy Principal Clerk for Journals, House of Commons

Senate

Mr. Charles Robert, Clerk of the Senate
Ms. Pamela Wallin, Senator

Other Participants

Mr. Gregoire Baribeau, Global Affairs Canada Employee and Parliamentary Internship Programme Alumnus
Mr. Avi Caplan, Senior Analyst, International Development Research Centre
Dr. Anne Dance, Academic Director for the Parliamentary Internship Programme
Mr. Brian Innes, Canola Council of Canada
Mr. Christian Lapointe, Former Canadian Ambassador to France, Ecuador, and Cuba
Dr. Andrea McCrady, Dominion Carillonneur
Ms. Alejandra Vargas Garcia, Grown and Economic Opportunities for Women Program, International Development Research Centre
British High Commission
Delegation of European Union to Canada

London, England

Officers and Officials of the Palace of Westminster

Ms. Kate Emms, Parliamentary Advisor to the Leader of the House and Cabinet Office, House of Commons
Mr. Mike Hennessey, Deputy Principal Clerk of the Table Office, House of Commons
Mr. Elin Jones, Committee Specialist, Welsh Affairs Committee, House of Commons
Mr. Sophia Lineman, Head of Media Relations, House of Commons

Commonwealth Parliamentary Association

Ms. Meenakshi Dhar, Director of Programmes

Mr. Jeff Hyland, Editor of *The Parliamentarian*
Mr. Joe Omorodion, Director of Finance and Administration

Foreign and Commonwealth Office

Ms. Marianne McCurrie, Deputy Head of North America Department, Foreign
Commonwealth Office
Ms. Tommy Sanmoogan, North America Desk Officer, Foreign Commonwealth Office

High Commission of Canada

Dr. Matthew Mayer, Political Counsellor, Canadian High Commission

Brussels

Mission of Canada to the European Union

Mr. Alan Bowman, Deputy Head
Dr. Duncan De Lugt, First Secretary, Trade Section
Ms. Allison Trenholm, First Secretary, Trade Section

European Parliament

Mr. Adam Issacs, Acting Head of Unit, Transatlantic Relations
Ms. Ieva Valutyte, Delegation for Relations in Canada

European Union Oxfam International

Ms. Elise Kervyn, Policy Assistant
Ms. Jan Mayrhofer, Development Issues Consultant

Other Participants

Mr. Humbert de Biolley, Acting Head, Brussels Office, Council of Europe
Mr. Klaus Hullmann, Administrator, Communications, European Committee of the
Regions
H.E. Mr. Olivier Nicoloff, Ambassador of Canada to Belgium and Luxembourg
Ms. Susanna Ritari, Visits and Publications Unit, European Economic and Social
Committee
Ms. Hanni Scholermann, Economist, IMF, Europe Office
Ms. Irene Wintermayr, Policy and Programme Officer, International Labour
Organization

Geneva

United Nations High Commission for Human Rights

Dr. Safir Syed, Team Leader, Civil Society Unit

World Health Organization

Ms. Dorine van der Wal, Officer, World Health Organization Briefing Centre

United Nations High Commission for Refugees

Ms. Alexandra Pamela McDowall, Division of International Protection, Senior Refugee
Status Determination Officer

Appendix D

SASKATCHEWAN LEGISLATIVE INTERNSHIP PROGRAM 2016-2017 Northern Saskatchewan Tour

During their tour Northern Saskatchewan, the 2016-2017 Saskatchewan Legislative Interns met with the following people:

- Mr. Hasan Akhtar, Northern Municipal Administration, Ministry of Government Relations
- Mr. Jim Andrews, Senior Policy Analyst, Northern Engagement, Ministry of Government Relations
- Ms. Jackie Ballantyne, Outreach Worker, Scattered Site Outreach Program
- Mr. Scott Boyes, Associate Executive Director, Ministry of Government Relations
- Ms. Jennifer Brass, Senior Policy Advisor, Embracing Life Committee, Northern Engagement Branch, Ministry of Government Relations
- Mr. Adam O. Charles, President of the Northern Saskatchewan Trappers' Association
- Ms. April Chiefcalf, Faculty of Nortep/Norpac
- Mr. Lester Cook, Information Technology, Stanley Mission Health Services
- Ms. Tammy Cook-Searson, Lac-La-Ronge Indian Band Chief
- Ms. Terri Franks, Mine Surface Lease Manager, Northern Engagement Branch, Ministry of Government Relations
- Ms. Carla Frohaug, Lead for Northern Alcohol Strategy, Ministry of Justice
- Mr. Delbert Kirsch, MLA Batoche
- Mr. Toby Greschner, CEO of Northlands College
- Mr. Matt Heley, Chief Executive Officer, New North
- Mr. Brad Henry, Executive Director, Northern Municipal Services, Ministry of Government Relations
- Ms. Joan Johnson, Lead for Northern Alcohol Strategy, Ministry of Justice
- Mr. Kim Kreklewetz, Provincial Corrections and the Ministry of Justice
- Ms. Jeanne Langhorne, Outreach Worker, Scattered Site Outreach Program
- Mr. Marc L'Heureux, Provincial Corrections and the Ministry of Justice
- Mr. Sheldon Merriman, Early Child Intervention Program
- Mr. Rob Pacey, Deputy Fire Chief of La Ronge
- Ms. Candice Pete, Executive Director, Northern Engagement, Ministry of Government Relations
- Mr. Thomas Sierzycki, Regional Director, Northern Education Office, Ministry of Education
- Mr. Gordon Stomp, Mayor of the Northern Village of Air Ronge
- Mr. Darren Thomas, Manager, Northern Saskatchewan Environmental Quality Committee, Northern Engagement, Ministry of Government Relations
- Mr. Ron Woytowich, Mayor of La Ronge