



St. Thomas University

Dr. Rosemary Clews Memorial Student Research Internship

Senate Research Committee and the Office of Research Services

As the premier liberal arts university in Canada, St. Thomas University offers an exemplary student experience and the rare opportunity to combine experiential learning and skills development while serving in an adjudicated research internship. The Internship enables a student to receive compensation while developing a set of research skills by working with a professor in an area of the student's interest.

The Internship will assist students with their financial needs and reinforce their academic accomplishments while providing research training, skills development and experience. Participants will be better positioned to pursue graduate studies or begin their careers with useful research, analytical, and project management skills and experience that will complement their liberal arts education deliverables: problem solving skills, critical thinking, global perspectives, and strong communication skills.

This award is generously funded by friends and former colleagues of Dr. Rosemary Clews. Dr. Clews joined the Social Work Department in August 1996, serving as a full-time faculty member in that department until June 2002. In July of that year, Rosemary became Assistant Vice-President (Research) and remained in that position until June 2008 before retiring in 2009. Rosemary had a clear passion for teaching, especially those skills required in research projects. To that end, she established the now annual Student Research Fair, that was formerly under the auspices of her office, in order to showcase the research talents of students at St. Thomas.

Term of Internship

- 10 hours per week during the teaching year, or full-time during the summer, at a level determined in accordance with the STU [Student Employment Policy](#)
- Total award amount based on 5% of the value of the endowment
- To be completed within one year of the award date

Student Eligibility

- Must be a registered full-time student (3rd-year level or higher), in good academic standing, with the proviso that the student/or faculty member cannot use this internship to facilitate the completion of an honours degree requirement (thesis or major paper).
- Must have demonstrated interest in research training and skills acquisition.
- Preference will be given to students indicating their interest and intention to work in a research field within government, the non-profit sector, or industry upon graduation, or in applying for graduate study upon completion of their degree at St. Thomas University.

Supervisor Eligibility

Successful applicants must wait two years before re-applying (one award per three year period).

Research Project Eligibility

Applicant will be asked to provide the following:

- The title, scope, and subject of the research Internship project
- Confirmation that the research project can be initiated, sustained, and completed within the academic term. The intern's project can be part of a larger research project that goes beyond the Internship dates.

- A description of the training, experience and skills development initiatives involved. These may include any of the following:
 - Editing/publishing
 - Experimental or survey design/SPSS coding, comprehension and use
 - Field work/data collection/interview/focus groups techniques
 - NVIVO or text analysis software training
 - Discourse analysis/narrative/grounded theory analysis
 - Historical/archival methods
 - Literary/language analysis
 - Composition or exhibition curating
 - Website design
 - Film production
- Confirmation that unless explicitly demonstrated in the Application Form, the Internship shall take place on University premises.

Application Process

The faculty member must complete an application form outlining the research project and detailing the specific skills and training the student will receive during the tenure of the internship. Preference will be given to applications that demonstrate innovative or creative ways of combining the learning and research components of the experience.

Post-award

Within one month of the completion of the Internship, the Student Research Internship Evaluation Form must be completed by the student and the supervising professor and submitted to the Office of Research Services.

Forms

The application form and evaluation form can be found online at <https://www.stu.ca/research/internal-funding/dr-rosemary-clews-research-internship/> .

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