

Enhance Your Career – Join the Canadian Institute of Planners

With more than 600 student members, the Canadian Institute of Planners (CIP) is supporting Canada's future planners on their career path by welcoming students into a network of over 6,500 members nationwide.

Since 1919, CIP has been the globally recognized and respected voice of Canada's planning community, which is only possible through the outstanding contributions and leadership of our members. CIP values all our members—from students, to practicing planners, to our esteemed College of Fellows—we strive to provide members with value and opportunities.

Planning is an exciting career and CIP is here to help you achieve your goals. Being a CIP student member provides you with access to a wealth of accurate, reliable, and up-to-date information in the fast-changing world of planning. Being a student member also means continuing professional development and invaluable networking opportunities, which may make the difference when looking to secure your first job upon graduation.

Perks and Benefits of CIP Student Membership

For less than \$2 per month, CIP student members can access a range of benefits, including:

- ✓ Digital subscription to *Plan Canada* magazine
- ✓ Monthly newsletters and special bulletins
- ✓ Quarterly updates from the Student Affairs Subcommittee
- ✓ Free subscription to ZoningTrilogy.com (value of \$100)
- ✓ Preferential pricing for CIP's national conference
- ✓ Free registration to CIP's World Town Planning Day webinars
- ✓ CIP's student scholarships and bursary programs (over \$22,000 awarded annually)
- ✓ Student Awards for Academic Excellence
- ✓ Eligibility for the student event grant program
- ✓ Access to job and internship postings from employers across Canada
- ✓ Volunteer opportunities with committees, juries, and the annual conference
- ✓ Cost-saving programs, including home and auto insurance, travel, and entertainment discounts through perkopolis.com

As a member of CIP, you have a voice. Student members, enrolled in an accredited planning program, are entitled to vote at CIP's Annual General Meetings and special member meetings. There is also a reserved position on the CIP Board of Directors for a student member, ensuring that the opinions of students are always present. CIP has also created a new Student Sub-Committee, which will be working on your behalf to help improve services and identify new programs. CIP committees are also inclusive of students, appreciative of the volunteer contributions of many student volunteers.

CIP membership is a sound investment in your education and profession. Join today!

How to Join

Students enrolled in an accredited university planning program are encouraged to apply for student membership with CIP. For 2018, we strongly recommend student membership in CIP be obtained through a joint student membership with your Provincial and Territorial Institutes and Associations (PTIA). Please note, joint memberships are not available in Ontario and Quebec.

Ontario and Quebec students, as well as those students who choose not to be a member of their PTIA, must apply to CIP separately by completing a simple form found on the CIP website: www.cip-icu.ca/Membership-/Student-Membership.

Meet CIP's Student Representative, Elizabeth Nicoll

Elizabeth Nicoll was elected to the CIP Board of Directors in November 2016, for a two-year term as CIP's student representative. As a recent graduate of Dalhousie University's Master of Planning program (May 2017), Elizabeth is proud to provide a strong voice for students to the Board. Previous to joining the Board, Elizabeth served as the student representative for three local planning organizations in her hometown of Halifax: Nova Scotia Planning Directors Association, Atlantic Planners Institute, and Licensed Professional Planners Association of Nova Scotia.



Elizabeth is passionate about ensuring that planning students, as the future of the planning profession, have the right professional connections, experience, and a strong voice to advocate for the communities in which they live and work. Most recently, Elizabeth led the development of the new Student Affairs Subcommittee, which will launch in September 2017. If you have any questions, comments, or concerns, please contact Elizabeth at Elizabeth_nicoll@outlook.com.

Follow Elizabeth on Twitter @CIPStudentRep or LinkedIn at www.linkedin.com/in/elizabethnicoll/

CIP proudly supports excellence in student academics through our national charitable organization, the [CIP/ICU Planning Student Trust Fund](#) (PSTF). The PSTF currently supports students with five different



The Canadian Institute of Planners'
Planning Student
Trust Fund

scholarships, awarding over \$22,000 annually. Only student members of CIP, registered in accredited planning programs, are eligible for these prestigious awards.

About the Canadian Institute of Planners

- The Canadian Institute of Planners (CIP) works on behalf of over 6,700 planning professionals nationally, and has served as the voice of Canada's planning community since 1919.
- CIP's mission is to advance and raise the profile of Canadian professional planning, for our members in Canada and abroad, through leadership, advocacy, expertise, and education.
- CIP's full members, who are certified by their regional bodies, may use the title MCIP, denoting Member of the Canadian Institute of Planners.
- The College of Fellows is a special status developed by CIP and is the highest award the Institute can give to a planner. Only those who have been elected into the College may use the FCIP title.
- CIP is the secretariat and member of the Planning Alliance Forum and the Professional Standards Committee. CIP is also a member of the Professional Standards Board.
- CIP is active internationally as a member of the Global Planners Network and the Commonwealth Association of Planners. CIP regularly participates in UN Habitat events and at the Caribbean Urban Forum conference.

Vision

The leading and globally respected voice of Canadian professional planning.

Mission

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About the Planning Profession

- In 2017, *Canadian Business* named Urban Planner in the top 20 of [Canada's Best Jobs 2017](#).
- Planners safeguard the health and well-being of urban and rural communities, by addressing the use of land, resources, facilities, and services with consideration to physical, economic, and social efficiency.
- Planners work in both the public service and the private sector, across fields such as land use planning, environmental resource management, land development, heritage conservation, social planning, Indigenous communities planning, transportation planning, and economic development.
- In Canada, [Provincial and Territorial Institutes and Associations \(PTIAs\)](#) regulate the planning profession. PTIAs are responsible for governing the rights and responsibilities of their members and setting and upholding the criteria for professional planners within their jurisdictions.
- PTIAs grant the Registered Professional Planner (RPP) or Licensed Professional Planner (LPP) professional designations and protected titles to their members who have completed the certification process and relevant standards for ethical and professional competency.
- The [Professional Standards Board for the Planning Profession in Canada \(PSB\)](#) administers the processes for the certification of professional planners and the accreditation of planning schools within Canada. In 2017, there were 19 accredited planning schools in Canada.

