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## Summer 2024 Internships in Regulatory Economics

The Department of Economics at the University of Calgary is pleased to announce this call for applications for Summer 2024. Students interested in pursuing summer employment opportunities in regulatory economics and industrial organization are invited to submit applications. The placements are typically full time for four months (May through August). Duties, remuneration, and length of placement are typically negotiated with the sponsoring firm/organization. Firms and organizations that have participated in this program include the Alberta Electric System Operator, the Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC), Alliance Pipeline, AltaLink, the Analysis Group (Montreal), ATCO, Department of Energy (Alberta), Alberta's Market Surveillance Administrator (Electricity), the Canada Energy Regulator and its predecessor the National Energy Board, Capital Power, Chymko Consulting, ENMAX, Enbridge, EPCOR, Heartland Generation, Kinder Morgan, Pembina Pipeline Corporation, Power Advisory, TransCanada Energy and TransCanada Pipelines, the Utilities Consumer Advocate (UCA), and Telus. Students are often able to leverage their internship into full time employment in regulatory economics. This is the 25th year of the program.

### *Student Eligibility*

**Prior** to starting an internship, students must complete Econ 471 (Industrial Organization) and Econ 477 (Regulatory Economics).<sup>1</sup> Experience with Excel (Econ 311), accounting and finance (Econ 457), and Econ 571 (Competition Policy) are *strongly* recommended. Students who have successfully completed the trio of industrial organization courses (471, 477, and 571) typically have considerable expertise and are particularly well qualified. Students must have finished at least three years of study, with a grade point average of at least 3.00 over their last 15 half courses. Typically, students are expected to have a grade point average of at least 3.00 in the industrial organization sequence as well (Econ 471, 477, and 571).

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<sup>1</sup> Students at the time of application must have completed Econ 477 or be enrolled in it in Winter 2024 for participation in Summer 2024.

### ***Application Process***

Please submit electronically a cover letter, a second letter of interest, resume, calculation of GPA (with details) over the last 15 half courses, and an unofficial transcript ***in a single pdf file*** to Professor Jeffrey Church at [jrchurch@ucalgary.ca](mailto:jrchurch@ucalgary.ca). In your cover letter (addressed to Dr. Church) you must indicate the following:

- (i) that you are eligible to work off campus;
- (ii) whether you intend to return to a post-secondary degree program in the fall of 2024 and the program;
- (iii) whether you are willing to relocate for the summer (placements are typically in Calgary, but can also be elsewhere, including Edmonton, Montreal, Vancouver, Toronto, and Ottawa);
- (iv) your expertise in Excel and other software;
- (v) if you are a Co-op student; and
- (vi) your experience in energy and electricity, including employment experience, specialized programs, and a list of relevant courses.

Your letter of interest should highlight for potential placements why you would be a successful intern.

Please insure that the subject of your email includes “Summer Internship”. In addition, some placements also require that students *simultaneously apply directly*. As placements requiring direct application are confirmed, information on the application process will be circulated.

Please follow the instructions. Failure to follow the instructions, for example by not providing the requested information or not providing it in the requested format, may disqualify your application.

**Deadline for receipt of completed applications is January 15, 2024 at 16:30**

***About SIRE***

The goal of SIRE is to match well qualified, capable, and interested economics students with appropriate firms and organizations that can provide relevant experience and where students can make meaningful contributions. The Department contacts potential sponsors to determine interest. Interested sponsors are then provided with the student applications and they determine whether there is a good match. The role of the Department is to make the hiring process more efficient by making the preliminary contacts with companies and organizations where students can make a contribution.