

Writer & Storyteller (Internship)

At Tearfund, you join other Christians around the world who are passionate about ending poverty and believe that the poor are precious to God. We believe that working with the local church is the best way to transform lives, restore relationships, and help people be lifted out of poverty. When disasters strike, we respond quickly. We won't stop until poverty stops.

Is this Role for you?

- Are you passionate about working to see all people freed from poverty, living transformed lives, and reaching their God-given potential?
- Do you believe that God is working powerfully in the world, using his church to accomplish his mission?
- Do you see your work as ministry and are you passionate about using your skills to the best of your abilities as an act of worship?
- Are you passionate about building movements? Getting people excited about addressing the injustice and poverty in the world?
- Do you demonstrate an exceptional level of initiative, flexibility and creativity?

If so, we encourage you to apply.

Position Profile

Position	Writer & Storyteller Intern
Reports to:	Marketing and Communications Manager
Location	Markham, Ontario
Position Type	Full time (35 hours/week)
Compensation:	\$16/hour
Dates	May 11, 2020 – August 28, 2020
Application Deadline	April 5, 2020

Role Description

As a writer and storyteller you will tell the story of how God is transforming lives throughout the developing world. With excellent communication and a creative mind, you will seek new ways to tell stories in creative ways that resonate with donors and churches in 2020. This may take various formats including narratives, interviews, articles, blogs, scripts, etc.

As a part of the marketing team, you will help with the creation of content and materials for donor marketing and fundraising activities. You will be involved in a dynamic and young team and be expected to contribute individually and as a team player.

Activities

- Write engaging stories about the lives of the poor and how they are being transformed through the local church
- Write other pieces of content such as newsletters, blogs, mailings, scripts, emails, etc.



- Provide feedback to other contributors, and edit other content
- With the rest of the marketing team, develop and implement a social media strategy that will gain attention and encourage engagement
- May assist in the writing and editing of grant proposals and project reports

Qualifications

- Fully aligned with the vision, mission, and values of Tearfund Canada, including the Statement of Faith and Community Commitment
- A passion and willingness to learn about international development and Tearfund Canada's mission
- Pursuing or graduated with a degree or diploma in English, Creative Writing, International Development, Social Media, communications, advertising, or equivalent
- Strong attention to detail and excellent writing and editing skills. Ability to adopt the style, tone, and voice of the organization.
- A creative mind but also able to understand strategic objectives and write for a variety of audiences
- Ability to write short yet captivating stories that move donors and audiences on an emotional level
- Ability to summarize complex concepts and information in a concise, donor-centric manner, that doesn't lose essential elements.
- A team player, but also able to work independently without supervision
- Works well under pressure with tight deadlines and shifting priorities
- Added Bonus: Experience writing for web / social media + advertising a plus

Application

To apply: Email a cover letter, resume and 2-3 samples of written work to hr@tearfund.ca. Your cover letter should include a description of:

1. Why you're the right fit for this position
2. Your related education and experience
3. How you would integrate your faith with this role

Note: Applications will be accepted until 11:59 pm on April 5th, 2020. *No phone calls please.*

IMPORTANT - PLEASE READ

This is a Canada Summer Jobs position and therefore the candidate must:

- be between 15 and 30 years of age at the start of the employment*
- be a Canadian citizen, permanent resident, or person to whom refugee protection has been conferred under the Immigration and Refugee Protection Act for the duration of the employment**; and,
- have a valid Social Insurance Number at the start of employment and be legally entitled to work in Canada in accordance with relevant provincial or territorial legislation and regulations



*The youth must be 15 years of age at the beginning of the employment period. The youth may be more than 30 years of age at the end of the employment period as long as the youth was 30 at the beginning of the employment period.

**International students are not eligible participants. International students include anyone who is temporarily in Canada for studies and who is not a Canadian citizen, permanent resident, or person who has been granted refugee status in Canada. Youth awaiting a refugee status ruling, as well as those who hold a temporary visitor visa, youth visa or work visa are ineligible. As the objective of the Canada Summer Jobs program is to support youth entering the Canadian labour market, the temporary nature of an international student's time in Canada does not allow for a long-term connection to the labour market.

Please note that “as in 2019, funded employers are no longer restricted to hiring students: all youth aged 15 to 30 years may be eligible participants.”

Qualified candidates must be able to demonstrate a commitment to the core values and Christian mission of Tearfund Canada.

Tearfund Canada welcomes and encourages applications from people with disabilities. Accommodations are available on request for candidates taking part in all aspects of the selection process.

We thank all applicants for applying, however will only reply to those selected for interviews.

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