STUDENT INTERNSHIP PROGRAM COMMITTEE:

The Student Internship Program Committee, working with Institute staff, is responsible for the oversight, coordination, direction, and implementation of the Institute's Student Internship Program. Board member Kenna Jonkman RPP, MCIP continued as Chair of the Committee in 2023.

PIBC-LED INTERNSHIP PROGRAM:

Led by the Professional Standards & Certification Committee (PSCC), the first student internship was completed in 2023. Neha Nair was selected as the Research & Development Assistant to undertake the development of a webinar focused on ethics and professionalism. The PSCC and the Professional Conduct Review Committee (PCRC) jointly delivered the initial pilot of this new webinar to members on December 6, 2023. A recording of this webinar is also available on the PIBC YouTube channel.

Staff worked with the Planning Practice and Reconciliation Committee (PPRC) to implement the second PIBC-led internship by developing and distributing the internship posting. Jennifer Poole was selected as the Planning Practice and Reconciliation Committee Assistant to assist with the work of the PPRC throughout 2023 and 2024.

STUDENT-LED INTERNSHIP PROGRAM LAUNCH:

After the successful completion of the first PIBC-led internship, the Committee launched the call for studentled internship applications in April 2023. Several formal proposals were submitted to the Committee to review and consider. The Committee selected two applications: Matthew Henderson, for the project, "Rural Challenges in Agricultural Policies in the Cariboo Region", and Tira Okamoto, for the project, "Evaluating Equity and Justice Within Urban Coastal Adaptation Planning Processes". Both internships concluded in 2023, and more information about these projects will be shared in Planning West articles in 2024.

COMMITTEE THANKS:

Thanks are extended to the professional, academic, and student members who volunteered and contributed their time and effort to this committee in 2023. Appreciation is also extended to staff for their support of the work of the Committee. Thank you.

