

Project Ideas from the Institute of Fiscal Studies and Democracy (IFSD) Fall 2023

Kevin Page and his colleagues at IFSD would be interested in working with one or two students who are interested in macroeconomics and public finance. Although he has not prepared detailed project proposals, one overarching theme of analysis will be the state of the ongoing economic recovery – outlook, challenges, and risks. In addition, IFSD is revamping its website. They are thinking of adding a weekly or twice monthly blog that helps people, media, and politicians understand economic and public finance data, trends and policy issues. A student or two could help establish the blog and prepare analysis (research, charts, text). Of course, students would be publicly credited for any work on the blog.

Past students who have worked at IFSD have seen their work publicised in the media. See, for example, the following op-ed pieces co-authored by students who have done projects at IFSD in recent years:

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/opinion/opinion-federal-government-fiscal-transparency-1.5833495>

<https://policymagazine.ca/the-case-for-a-green-infrastructure-plan/>

<https://financesofthenation.ca/2020/09/11/a-basic-primer/>

<https://www.hilltimes.com/2019/02/13/regions-become-innovation-hubs/188212>

<https://www.thestar.com/opinion/contributors/2019/07/09/make-pharmacare-a-priority-in-the-federal-election.html>

<https://policymagazine.ca/money-matters-fiscal-performance-and-minority-governments/>

<https://www.macleans.ca/economy/deficit-is-here-to-stay-but-how-sustainable-is-that/>

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