

Call for PhD Applications at the University of Victoria:

Two PhD stipends, funded through grants received from the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC), and beginning in September 2011, are available in the Department of Political Science, University of Victoria to work on two projects under the supervision of Dr. Colin Bennett. Students will be responsible for conducting research on the surveillance and privacy implications of new information and communications technologies, and especially online social networking. The successful applicants will be involved with the SSHRC Major Collaborative Research Initiative (MCRI) entitled the “New Transparency” and will have the opportunity to work with a number of scholars and students associated with this project in Canada and abroad, as well as those at the University of Victoria, including the Pacific Centre for Technology and Culture (PACTAC). Successful applicants will also be expected to be involved with the organization of workshops and conferences

Successful applicants will be paid a stipend of \$ 15,000 annually for three years initially subject to satisfactory performance in the degree program. Further funding will be available subject to successful grant applications. Additional opportunities for teaching and research assistantships are also available upon application. Students may not receive stipends while holding a SSHRC doctoral or postdoctoral fellowship.

Applicants must apply for the PhD programme in the Department of Political Science and indicate their scholarly interests in surveillance studies, broadly defined. They should have, or be completing, an MA in Political Science, or a cognate discipline. Further information can be found on the Department of Political Science website:

<http://web.uvic.ca/polisci/graduate/>

The University deadline for full consideration for international students is 15 December 2010, and for Canadian students is 15 January 2011. Informal enquiries should be made to Colin Bennett (Email: cjb@uvic.ca), or the graduate secretary (poligrad@uvic.ca). Further information about the work of graduate students on these and related projects can be found at: <http://www.colinbennett.ca/teaching/graduate-research/>

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