

City of London - Application for Appointment to City of London Community Advisory Committees

Application

Committee you are interested in serving on: **Integrated Transportation Community Advisory Committee**

If applying for the Accessibility Community Advisory Committee, please select: **No, I am not an applicant with a disability.**

If applying for the Ecological Community Advisory Committee, a professional designation, education or experience in related fields is a requirement based on the technical nature of the committee work. Please indicate your area(s) of expertise:

If you selected 'Other', please specify:

Contact Information

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Experience and Qualifications

If you have experience on a London Advisory Committee, please provide dates and details. (max. 250 characters): **I do not.**

What do you hope to contribute or learn as part of a Community Advisory Committee? (max. 250 characters): **I hope to contribute perspective to the committee, as both an avid cyclist commuter and as a graduate student at Western. I can bring the committee's work to the attention of associations like the Society of Graduate Students, and I can ensure that there are links between the work of the committee and students who have transportation-related interests and concerns. If welcomed on this committee, I would like to learn more about active transportation and the urban environment. As the City of London continues to develop BRT and the like, I would be particularly interested in learning what are the diverse ways that the city plans to invest in active transportation. My second interest is the urban environment and the effects on it given this turn to active transportation. Walking, cycling, and transit, are crucial to the well-being of a city, but so too, is the ability for animals and plants to thrive in their urban environment. Balancing these concerns would be a key learning priority.**

How will you support the work of a Community Advisory Committee? (max. 250 characters): **I would be happy to support this committee in any roles required, having previously served as a secretary, a board member, and a treasurer. I thrive in situations where I am required to produce research or draft reports. If welcomed to the committee, I would gladly be involved in research, writing, community outreach, or policy work. I have graduate-level education in the fields of Canadian politics, urban politics and governance, Indigenous politics, and democratic theory, among others. I would seek to bring this theoretical knowledge into research for the committee and policy development. Overall, I would welcome any opportunity to support the work of better transportation in the City of London.**

Please describe additional experience, training, or community involvement that will help you in your role as a Community Advisory Committee Member. (max. 250 characters): **In my first year as a doctoral student at Western, I have been involved in the Society of Graduate Students' Sustainability Committee, Bylaw and Constitution Committee and I am the Councillor for Political Science on SOGS' Council. These experiences have allowed me to develop a deeper understanding of Western that would aid me in a role on a City of London committee. At UBC, I served on three different committees at the graduate**

residence of Green College. Green College's operations rely on the work of resident members, in a similar role to a municipal committee. I have also served in several roles at my former condo building and gained a great perspective on the needs of residents and the building's relation to the municipal government. I also have work experience for the Government of Canada in the fields of policy and communications. Finally, I hope that my education in Canadian politics, Indigenous politics, and urban politics can contribute to a productive role on this committee.

Attach resume or other document here, if needed:

Attach more files here, if needed:

Confirmations

I declare the following: **I am a resident of London. ; I am at least 18 years old.; I am not a City employee or Council member.; I understand that the commitment may be up to 4 hours per month to attend meetings and prepare.; I understand that my application and any attachments will be included on a public agenda that is published on the City website.**

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