



David Asper Centre for Constitutional Rights
UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO

Information for Asper Centre Working Groups MEMBERS

Asper Centre student working groups offer volunteer law students the opportunity to engage in Constitutional law and Charter rights-related research and advocacy-support under the supervision of the Asper Centre Executive Director, the Asper Centre Program Coordinator, and, in some instances, partner organizations, practitioners, or faculty members. Working group leaders, who are upper year law students, are responsible for coordinating with the student volunteers to ensure completion of the project deliverable(s).

As a working group member, you are expected to:

- attend all meetings and events convened by the working group leaders, where possible;
- commit roughly 15-20 hours *per term* of research or other task(s) towards the working group's project deliverable(s);
- keep track of the hours that you work on the group's project deliverable(s) and the general research or writing tasks that you conducted;
- at the end of each term, submit an email to the working group leader(s) confirming the approximate hours you have worked on the project deliverable(s) and the general tasks you completed;
- advise your working group leaders of any conflict or inability to conduct or complete the work assigned to you, as soon as practicable; and,
- understand that, as you are not qualified as a lawyer, and do not have professional liability insurance, you are restricted from providing direct legal advice or otherwise holding yourself out as lawyer or legal professional.

Working group members are also encouraged to:

- contribute to the Asper Centre blog and the Asper Outlook newsletter;
- attend relevant Asper Centre events where possible;
- assist your working group leaders in developing a workshop for grade 10 students for the annual Law in Action Within Schools (LAWS) Global Citizenship Conference, which usually takes place in March.
- raise any concerns or suggestions you may have about the working group activities or leadership, if applicable, to the Asper Centre Director or Program Coordinator;
- list your participation in the working group on your résumé or CV as "Member of the Asper Centre add group name here student working group"

THANK YOU for volunteering with an Asper Centre working group.
We are very grateful for your involvement!

Visit <http://aspercentre.ca/clinic/student-working-groups/> for more info