

Position Description: Policy Fellowship Fellow

Left Right Think-Tank is an independent and non-partisan organisation run by over 60 volunteers between the ages of 16 and 24 across four states. Our vision is a society that seeks and embraces the ideas of young people and our mission is to involve young people in public policy. We achieve our vision by engaging and educating a generation of young people in shaping Australia's future and elevating young people's policy ideas to inspire others to become involved. We are seeking passionate and energetic young people to participate in the Policy Fellowship.

The Policy Fellowship is Left Right Think-Tank's public policy education and development program. Over an eight-month period, the Policy Fellowship will provide successful applicants, called fellows, with extensive group training in all areas of public policy development, including professional writing, consultation and advocacy skills. Fellows will create and advocate an evidence-based and long-term focused piece of public policy, supported by Left Right Think-Tank Policy Fellowship staff and high profile guest speakers.

Location: Melbourne, Sydney, Brisbane & Perth (10 Fellows needed per state)

Time commitment: 8 hours per week for 8 months; consisting of 4 hours a fortnight for policy development sessions, and 6 hours a week of independent policy research and development

Reporting to: Policy Manager in each state

The Policy Fellowship will provide fellows with:

- Training necessary to create a complete piece of public policy guided by a Policy Fellowship curriculum with detailed learning outcomes
- Opportunities to be mentored by some of Australia's most well known public policy experts
- Unique access to the inner working of Australia's policy creation cycle, including the opportunity to meet with some of the influential policymakers in Australia.

Training and learning opportunities:

- In-house training
- Ongoing support from Left Right staff members
- Insight into creating and advocating public policy.

The ultimate candidate should...

- Be aged 16-24
- Have a keen interest in public policy and its impact on the way we live
- Possess strong interpersonal skills with the ability and confidence to work constructively as part of a team and to actively contribute
- Have the ability to work under tight deadlines and high-pressure
- Demonstrate initiative and a high level of self-motivation.

Please Note: You are not required to have any expertise or formal training in public policy development.

Successful applicants will be working with some of the brightest and most inspiring young leaders throughout Australia. We know that young people aren't just the leaders of the future, but a powerful catalyst for change today. Together we can provide young Australians a chance to meaningfully contribute to building a future we can all be proud of. Email your CV and a brief cover letter in response to the above selection criteria to recruiting@leftright.org.au.