

**Doctoral Fellowship**  
**Prerogative Power Reform in the Westminster System**

**Stipend:** \$20,000 per year for up to 4 years

**Funded fieldwork:** 3 months in Australia/New Zealand, 3 months in the United Kingdom

**Application Deadline:** 31 May 2019

**Description**

Our doctoral fellow will serve as a pivotal member of a multi-year project comparing royal prerogative reform in four Westminster states: Canada, Australia, New Zealand, and the United Kingdom. The work will involve primary and secondary document research, organizing and taking part in semi-structured interviews in all four countries, and extensive fieldwork in Australia, New Zealand, and the United Kingdom. The fellow will also have the opportunity to co-author journal articles, book chapters, and a book manuscript.

The doctoral fellow will also work alongside political scientists and legal scholars in all four countries. The fellow's primary supervisor will be Philippe Lagassé, associate professor and Barton Chair at the Norman Paterson School of International Affairs, Carleton University.

For more information, please consult the project website:

<https://lagassep.com/prerogative-reform-project/>

Professor Lagassé's biography and CV are available here:

<https://lagassep.com/about/>

**Qualifications**

- Be a full-time student in a PhD (or equivalent) program in political science or law at a Canadian university
- Be familiar with the Westminster system
- Have strong research and writing skills
- Have the ability to travel for three months to Australia and New Zealand in 2020 and the United Kingdom in 2021

The ideal candidate will be a doctoral student whose dissertation examines the Westminster system in Canada, Australia, New Zealand, and/or the United Kingdom, and whose research would benefit from conducting fieldwork in these countries.

The ideal candidate will be able to commit to being part of the project team for three to four years.

Equally important, the ideal candidate must be able to meet deadlines and able to both work as part of a team and independently.

### **Application**

Please send the following by email before 31 May 2019:

- A cover letter detailing your interest in the project and how you meet the qualifications
- CV
- A recent writing sample
- Contact information for three references
- University transcripts

These documents, and any questions about the fellowship, should be sent to:

**philippe.lagasse@carleton.ca**

*Please note that no candidate may be chosen this year and the competition reopened at a later date.*