



# KEEPING IN TOUCH

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**INVESTING IN CANADA'S FUTURE LEADERS**

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**Dear Friends:**

The Government of Canada understands that in order to successfully transition into the labour market, young Canadians need meaningful work experiences to help launch their careers. A summer job builds valuable work experience and provides necessary income to help students pay for their post secondary education.

This is why our government is investing \$339 million starting in 2016-2017 in the Canada Summer Jobs (CSJ) program to create up to 35,000 additional jobs for Canadian youth in each of the next three years. This investment will nearly double the number of job opportunities previously supported by the program. In London West alone approximately 225 jobs will be funded for youth this summer, up from 115 positions funded by the program last year.

The CSJ program provides funding to not-for-profit organizations, public sector employers and small businesses with 50 or fewer employees to create summer job opportunities for young people aged 15-30 years who are full-time students intending to return to their studies in the next school year.

The recent federal budget also proposes to invest an additional \$165.4 million in the Youth Employment Strategy in 2016-2017. Funding will be used to increase the number of youth who access the Skills Links program. This program helps young Canadians, including Indigenous and disabled youth make a more successful transition to the workforce. Through the Young Canada Works program the government is also increasing job opportunities for young Canadians in the heritage sector.

Additionally, we are boosting grants to low and middle-income college and university students by as much as \$1000 per year – putting more money in the pockets of thousands of students. Students graduating from college or university will not be required to make any student loan repayment until they are earning an income of at least \$25,000 per year.

We will also launch the Post-Secondary Industry Partnership and Co-operative Placement Initiative in 2016. The Initiative will support partnerships between employers and willing post-secondary educational institutions to better align with what is taught with the needs of employers. The Initiative will also support new co-op placements and work-integrated learning opportunities for young Canadians, with a focus on high-demand fields, such as science, technology, engineering, mathematics and business.



Prime Minister Justin Trudeau visiting students at Fanshawe College on April 14th, 2016

For young Canadians to successfully launch their adult lives and enter into the workforce they need meaningful and good paying work at the beginning of their careers.

The Government of Canada is creating good jobs and real opportunities so young Canadians can get a strong start in life.

**WE ARE INVESTING**  
**\$300M** = **35,000**  
**IN CANADA SUMMER** = **GOOD JOBS FOR**  
**JOBS PROGRAM** = **YOUNG CANADIANS**  
**OVER THE NEXT THREE YEARS** = **EACH YEAR - INCLUDING 5,000 GREEN JOBS.**

Growing our economy and building a country  
that gives everyone a real and fair chance to succeed.

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