The Historical Commission of the U.S. and Canadian Mennonite Brethren Churches announces one “Summer 2020 Archival Internship,” designed to give a U.S. or Canadian college or seminary student practical archival experience at the Mennonite Brethren archival institutions in North America. Spanning up to four weeks during May and June (exact dates to be determined), the intern will visit one or more of the following MB archives: Winnipeg, Hillsboro, Fresno, and Abbotsford.

Each participating archival site will host the intern, providing orientation to the context and collection, and involve the intern in its ongoing projects. In addition to experiencing a functioning archive, the intern will gather stories, images, and/or video during the internship related to their particular Mennonite Brethren church history project, producing a report that is compelling and image-rich — one that promotes the mission of church archives. Airline travel and accommodations will be provided by the Historical Commission. The internship comes with a stipend of $1,000. Preference will be given to students affiliated with an MB church in the U.S. or Canada.

To apply, send the following by February 7, 2020, to Jon Isaak (jon.isaak@mbchurches.ca), Executive Secretary, Historical Commission, 1310 Taylor Ave., Winnipeg, Manitoba R3M 3Z6: 1) a cover letter; 2) a statement indicating why/how the internship would be helpful to you; 3) a statement outlining your research interests in Mennonite Brethren church history; 4) a vitae; and 5) one letter of recommendation.

The internship award will be announced March 9, 2020, allowing scheduling to be made in consultation with the intern and the participating archives. The Selection Committee may choose not to award the internship, if none of the applications is deemed acceptable.