

Tilson takes part in United States-Canadian Parliamentary Internship Program

Dufferin-Caledon MP David Tilson is continuing with his participation in the United States-Canadian Parliamentary Internship Program.

Tilson last month welcomed Jennifer Janson, of Fort Mitchell, Kentucky, to his Ottawa office.

Janson is currently a student at Ohio State University in Columbus. She is a fourth year student obtaining her undergraduate degree with a double major in political science and international studies, and a double minor in Portuguese and religious studies.

The United States-Canadian Parliamentary Internship Program, sponsored through Western Kentucky University, provides U.S. students interested in politics a chance to work in the office of a Member of Parliament and to learn about the Canadian political system. There are currently 32 interns in Ottawa serving in the program from all across the United States.

"I have happily participated in this program for a number of years," Tilson said. "Jennifer has been a great asset to my Ottawa office, and I trust that she has learned a great amount about Canadian politics and the political system."

During her time in Tilson's office, Janson has had the opportunity to learn firsthand about Canadian politics and culture. She has assisted Tilson in the preparation of constituency mailings, research and various other communications materials. She was also able to attend a number of events with Tilson and interact with other diplomats and parliamentarians.

"One of my favorite things was going to committee meetings and Question Period," Janson stated. "Watching politics in action like that was unlike anything I've ever experienced before."

"This internship opportunity has been amazing," Janson said. "Mr. Tilson and his staff have not only made me feel welcome, but have taught me so much. I really appreciate them taking the time to teach me and give me this invaluable experience."



Dufferin-Caledon MP David Tilson with intern Jennifer Janson.