

**W.D. Jordan Rare Books and Special Collections & Douglas Library
Queen's University**

Project Name: Douglas Library 100th Anniversary

Position Title: Curatorial Assistant

Hosted by: [W.D. Jordan Rare Books and Special Collections](#) & [Douglas Library](#) (Engineering and Science Unit)

Description: 2023-24 marks the 100th anniversary of the [Douglas Library](#), the oldest of Queen's libraries. Douglas Library was originally built to house the entire university library collection and was also once home to the offices of the Principal and other senior university administration until the construction of Richardson Hall in 1954. After the opening of Stauffer Library in 1994, Douglas Library was renovated and reopened in 1997 as the amalgamated Engineering and Science Library and home of W.D. Jordan Rare Books and Special Collections.

The Douglas 100 History Committee seeks a student curatorial assistant to aid in the planning and implementation of a guidebook and exhibition marking the 100th anniversary. The incumbent will aid in researching the history of Douglas Library, composing a concise yet informative narrative and guidebook outlining the historical features of the building, and aid in planning an exhibition marking the anniversary. The incumbent may also advise the Committee on planning events to be held in late 2023 and early 2024.

Requirement: The successful candidate should have some familiarity and interest in the history of Queen's University and/or Douglas Library. Basic desktop publishing skills and/or familiarity with web-publishing platforms are an asset.

This placement will be offered in person at W.D. Jordan Rare Books and Special Collections and Douglas Library. The placement will have some remote components, but the student should be in Kingston for the majority of the term.