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## SEPTEMBER 21 HALEY SVEINSON

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## **Appreciating the North**

"Moving north of 60 degrees to Iqaluit Nunavut, I was immediately faced with the territories' climatic condition. The city of approximately 7000 residents provides a cultural and geographical contrast to lifestyles common in Winnipeg.

The location has implications on daily life that require rethinking and adjusting a normal design approach. Working as a Facility Planner with the Government of Nunavut has provided opportunities to collaborate with professionals and different governmental departments to provide a broad perspective on the Capital Planning Process and operations of the public sector. During the last eight months, I have had the opportunity to work on projects for Education, Community Infrastructure, and Safety Services. The placement has allowed me to visit multiple communities throughout Nunavut, and to be both an observer and an active planning representative in the community. The geographic and operational challenges these communities face daily, has reinforced the importance of a designer's role in long term planning to create a sustainable built environment that supports the livelihood of every resident."

## About Halley:

Halley is a fourth year Architecture student who will be completing her Environmental Design Bachelor Degree in 2018. She is currently living in Iqaluit, Nunavut working for the government of Nunavut in their Facility Planning Division completing a cooperative work placement.



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