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The Faculty of Information at the University of Toronto offers fully funded PhD student positions to study with Prof. Jenna Hartel in the areas of Library and Information Science. We are looking for outstanding students from all over the world to join our diverse network of passionate scholars in Toronto. The Faculty of Information has a unique, vibrant PhD program that studies the intersection of information, technology, people, and communities.

Jenna Hartel is an Associate Professor at the Faculty of Information, University of Toronto, and an interdisciplinary social scientist devoted to the field of Library and Information Science (LIS). Her research is grounded in three core areas: 1) Information and the "higher things in life" that are pleasurable and profound; 2) Visual and creative research methodologies; and 3) the History and theory of LIS. She is am eager to advise prospective doctoral students in the area of Library and Information Science. Jenna particularly welcomes individuals focused on information behaviour—including information seeking, practice, or experience—especially as it manifests within everyday life and leisure settings. Ideal candidates will be interested in applying qualitative, ethnographic, visual, and/or creative methods to their work. She is especially happy to supervise students who are dedicated to careers in teaching.

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