

# Top Internship Sites

Liberty University Washington Fellowship

**\*Please see your Placement Coordinator for more information\***

We do not guarantee any placement, however, we serve as a liaison to help you attain your desired internship in Washington, D.C. Handling multiple applications while in school can be demanding and we are here to help guide you through the process.

## **Accuracy in Media**

Accuracy in Media is a non-profit, grassroots citizens watchdog of the news media that critiques botched and bungled news stories and sets the record straight on important issues that have received slanted coverage. Internships are offered through the American Journalism Center. They are looking for Marketing, Public Relations, and Journalism majors. Applications are accepted on a rolling basis.

## **Alliance for Justice**

Alliance for Justice is a national association of environmental, civil rights, mental health, women's, children's, and consumer advocacy organizations. Since its inception in 1979, AFJ has worked to advance the cause of justice for all Americans, strengthen the public interest community's ability to influence public policy, and foster the next generation of advocates. The application is located online.

<http://www.afj.org/utilities/contact-us/>

## **American Bankers Association**

Founded in 1875 and based in Washington, DC, the American Bankers Association brings together banks of all sizes and charters into one association. ABA works to enhance the competitiveness of the nation's banking industry and strengthen America's economy and communities. Openings are listed online, but please speak with your placement coordinator for further instruction.

## **American Bar Association**

There is a selection of 15 different departments within the American Bar Association, in which internships are offered. Internships range from policy research, member relations, meeting planning, government affairs, and legal research. Please see your placement coordinator for the AMA notebook which offers detailed information about each division.

## **American Bus Association**

ABA represents approximately 1,000 motorcoach and tour companies in the United States and Canada. Its members operate charter, tour, regular route, airport express, special operations and contract services (commuter, school, transit). Another 2,800 member organizations represent the travel and tourism industry and suppliers of bus products and services who work in partnership with the North American motorcoach industry. ABA is also home to ABA Foundation, a nonprofit organization with an emphasis on scholarships, research, and continuing education. Applications are taken on a rolling basis. Please see your placement coordinator for further detail.

## **[American Conservative Union](#)**

The American Conservative Union is the nation's oldest and largest grassroots conservative lobbying organization. ACU's purpose is to communicate and advance the goals and principles of conservatism through one multi-issue, umbrella organization. ACU's Statement of Principles expresses our commitment to a market economy, the doctrine of original intent of the framers of the Constitution, traditional moral values, and a strong national defense. Responsibilities of an intern include: Direct Mailing (Fundraising/Development), Computer and Data Processing, Research and Administrative Tasks, and Preparation for the 2010 Conservative Political Action Conference (CPAC).

## **[American Councils for International Education](#)**

American Councils for International Education: ACTR/ACCELS, an international not-for-profit organization, believes in the fundamental role of education in fostering positive change for individuals, institutions and societies. Building upon over three decades of regional expertise and development experience, American Councils advances education and research worldwide through international programs that provide the global perspective essential for academic and professional excellence. Please see your placement coordinator for further detail.

## **[American Enterprise Institute](#)**

AEI internships provide students with an opportunity to work with some of America's most renowned scholars, economists, legal scholars, political scientists, and foreign policy specialists doing research on current public policy questions. Internship opportunities are available to undergraduates, graduate students, and postgraduates. Approximately fifty internship opportunities are available in the fall, winter, and summer in the areas of: economic policy, foreign and defense studies, social and political studies, media affairs, *The American* magazine, publications editing, information systems, marketing, and human resources. Internships are unpaid, and the hours and days are flexible, either part or full time. \* In the past ten years, nearly fifty former interns were hired as full-time staff members at AEI.\* The application is filtered online.

## **[American Iron and Steel Institute](#)**

To influence public policy, educate and shape public opinion in support of a strong, sustainable U.S. and North American steel industry committed to manufacturing products that meet society's needs. Internships are offered in both the policy and communication areas.

## **[American Legislative Exchange Council](#)**

A nonpartisan membership association for conservative state lawmakers who shared a common belief in limited government, free markets, federalism, and individual liberty. Gain experience in policy, membership and development, public affairs, and event planning. Also, because ALEC partners with the Charles G. Koch Charitable Foundation, you will have the opportunity to spend one day each week participating in a series of lectures, group projects, and discussions.

## **[American Psychological Association](#)**

Based in Washington, DC, the American Psychological Association (APA) is a scientific and professional organization that represents psychology in the United States. With 150,000 members, APA is the largest association of psychologists worldwide. This internship opportunity is targeted toward marketing majors with an emphasis in member relations.

## **[Arlington County Police Department](#)**

The Arlington County Police Department takes between 4-6 interns each semester. It is a fairly lengthy application and interview process. Those chosen will be considered investigative assistant interns.

Deadlines: Fall-July 15, Spring-October 31.

## **[CATO Institute](#)**

Cato interns assist policy staff as researchers; work with the conference department to organize policy conferences, debates, and forums; attend seminars and conferences; and assist Cato's professional staff by copying and filing newspaper articles, distributing materials to congressional offices, and preparing mailings. In addition to their research and other duties, interns take part in regular seminars on politics, economics, law, and philosophy, as well as a series of lectures and films on libertarian themes.

## **[Center for Child Protection and Family Support](#)**

The Center for Child Protection and Family Support has promoted healthy children and families since 1987. We're helping ensure more children mature and develop free of maltreatment. The Center offers community-level services directly to children and their families, and trains professionals on child welfare issues. Most of our services are provided at no cost, and address the diverse cultures and ethnic backgrounds of families.

## **[Center for Security Policy](#)**

Interns at the Center for Security Policy will perform original research and writing on current topics linked to US national security, namely: defense and homeland security issues, foreign policy and terrorism related studies. They will also assist and participate in Center symposia and other high-level meetings. Lastly, interns will attend, monitor and report on congressional hearings and actions; track legislation, compile Congressional voting records and analyze votes for use in Center's activities and publications. Interns are accepted on a rolling basis.

## **[Central Intelligence Agency](#)**

Contribute to the work of the nation before you graduate. Apply to participate in one of the outstanding student work programs at the CIA, including undergraduate student internships or undergraduate co-ops, and graduate studies programs. This is an opportunity to learn from highly skilled professionals who support US officials that make our country's foreign policy. You'll assist with substantive and meaningful work assignments, while earning a competitive income and gaining invaluable practical experience.

## **[Charles G. Koch Charitable Foundation](#)**

The Charles G. Koch Charitable Foundation Internship Program was established to develop the next generation of liberty-minded leaders and entrepreneurs. Over the course of the program, Interns engage in key Foundation projects while learning and applying Market-Based Management. The project assignments cover fascinating areas including policy research, leadership and talent development, grassroots education, marketing, and network development. Spring and fall Interns are paid an hourly rate of \$12.00.

## **[Children's Defense Fund](#)**

About 70 undergraduate, graduate and recent graduates intern in the CDF Washington, D.C. office each year and while a few of the internships give preference to certain majors everyone with a strong interest in child advocacy is encouraged to apply. CDF interns gain knowledge, skills, and experience for a lifetime commitment as a child advocate and public policy leader. They also get an insider's view of non-profit advocacy.

## **[CNN](#)**

CNN is among the world's leaders in online news and information delivery. Staffed 24 hours, seven days a week by a dedicated staff in CNN's world headquarters in Atlanta, Georgia, and in bureaus worldwide, CNN relies heavily on CNN's global team of almost 4,000 news professionals. CNN features the latest multimedia technologies, from live video streaming to audio packages to searchable archives of news features and background information. Internships range in areas from newsgathering, Newsource, political units, public relations, and much more.

## **[Committee for Economic Development](#)**

CED is non-profit, non-partisan business led public policy organization. CED is dedicated to policy research on the major economic and social issues of our time and the implementation of its recommendations by the public and private sectors. Membership is made up of some 200 senior corporate executives and university leaders who lead CED's research and outreach efforts.

## **[Competitive Enterprise Institute](#)**

The Competitive Enterprise Institute (CEI), a Washington D.C.-based public interest group, is currently accepting internship applications for the summer 2009 Semester. Founded in 1984, CEI has grown into a leading think tank dedicated to limited government and free enterprise. Interns at CEI will write about public policy issues, assist senior analysts with in-depth research, and promote the Institute's mission through outreach. All interns will be assigned to a department within CEI, such as Energy Policy, Communications, or Technology Studies.

## **[Concerned Women for America](#)**

Concerned Women for America is the nation's largest public policy women's organization with a rich 29-year history of helping our members across the country bring Biblical principles into all levels of public

policy. Interns can participate in areas such as media, development, legislation, field, cultural issues, and the Beverly LaHaye Institute. Please see your placement coordinator for the application instructions.

## **Congressional & Senate Offices**

Congressional or Senate offices are a very popular placement opportunity for Government, Business (Finance & Economics), and Communication majors. You will have the opportunity to work alongside of a representative's staff in tasks such as: attending committee briefings, researching legislation, drafting letters to constituents, writing press releases, and assisting the office in daily administrative tasks. An internship on Capitol Hill is an excellent way to network and get your foot in the door of politics.

## **Council on Foreign Relations**

The Council on Foreign Relations' Internship Program offers outstanding volunteer opportunities for college students, graduate students, and graduates focusing on international relations and who are pursuing a career in foreign policy or a related field. Interns are recruited year-round on a semester basis to volunteer in both the New York and Washington, DC, offices. An intern's volunteer duties generally consist of program coordination, research, editing, and writing. The internships are unpaid but provide a small stipend upon successful completion to offset transportation expenses.

## **Defense Intelligence Agency**

DIA's Summer Intern Program provides promising undergraduate and graduate students the opportunity to gain practical work experience in the areas of analysis, research, report writing, oral briefings, policy development, program management, and computer applications related to the intelligence field. Interns are appointed from June through August, as full-time, temporary employees.

## **Department of Education**

The U.S. Department of Education always has internships available for interested students during all semesters and quarters of the school year including the summer. We are always interested in having student volunteers work in the agency to provide them with an experience that exposes them to government, public policy and work with responsibilities. I coordinate the internships within the agency. However, individuals may contact specific offices. The applications the same throughout the agency. Some examples of types of work include: policy analysis, finance, public affairs and communication, external affairs, legislative affairs, and intergovernmental relations.

## **Department of Homeland Security**

The Department of Homeland Security offers a variety of prestigious scholarships, fellowships, internships and training opportunities to expose talented students to the broad national security mission.

## **Department of Justice**

The Department's management offices, litigating divisions and offices, legal and policy offices, and investigatory and law enforcement offices offer internship opportunities to undergraduates. Areas of interest include: Civil Rights, Community Relations, Domestic Security, Legal Policy, Legislative Affairs, and Public Affairs .

## **Department of State**

A broad range of academic majors is being sought in areas such as: Business, Public Administration, Social Work, Economics, Journalism, and Biology.

## **Department of Treasury**

Working in the Nation's Capital at the Department of the Treasury will give you a unique opportunity to witness and contribute to the important mission of "managing the U.S. Government's finances effectively, promoting economic growth and stability, and ensuring safety, soundness, and security of the U.S. international financial systems." Student employment programs provide an avenue for highly-qualified candidates to enjoy the benefits of challenging developmental opportunities within the Department of the Treasury.

## **D.C. Metropolitan Police Department**

The MPD College Internship Program introduces students to aspects of law enforcement that enhance students' understanding of the criminal justice system. In addition, students are introduced to the various career opportunities that await them should they decide to choose law enforcement as a career. Fall deadline-June 1, Spring deadline-October 15

## **DC United**

D.C. United internships are available to college students (domestic and international) for credit and professionals interested in beginning a career in sports. All D.C. United internships are unpaid and do not provide an intern with living accommodations. To help support certain needs of candidates, both part-time and full-time internships are available. Available internships range from: Accounting, Marketing, Public Relations, Merchandising, Graphic Design, Sales, and Team Operation.

## **Edelman**

Recognized as one of the top public relations firms in Washington, D.C., Edelman's Washington office has its finger on the pulse of the nation's key issues, opinions and perceptions. The office provides a full array of corporate reputation, issue and crisis management, media relations and marketing services to Fortune 500 companies, nonprofit organizations, foreign governments and trade associations, building integrated communications programs to solve a broad spectrum of complex challenges

## **[Family Research Council](#)**

Family Research Council (FRC) champions marriage and family as the foundation of civilization, the seedbed of virtue, and the wellspring of society. FRC shapes public debate and formulates public policy that values human life and upholds the institutions of marriage and the family. Believing that God is the author of life, liberty, and the family, FRC promotes the Judeo-Christian worldview as the basis for a just, free, and stable society. FRC has formed a partnership with the Washington Semester and accepts up to six applicants per academic semester. Internships include government affairs, communication, and public policy.

## **Embassy**

The embassies in Washington, D.C. predominately look for candidates from their country or who are fluent in their language. This is a great opportunity for International students.

## **[Federal Communications Commission](#)**

The Federal Communications Commission offers legal and non-legal internship opportunities throughout the year. Internships provide opportunities for interested students to increase their knowledge of the issues and technologies that are shaping the telecommunications market, while at the same time providing invaluable support to the Commission. The FCC is always looking for bright and motivated students who want to participate in one of our many programs and gain valuable experience with a federal agency. Opportunities are available to students with interest in government affairs, pre-law, media policy, and business.

## **[Federal Reserve Bank](#)**

Throughout the year, the Division of Research and Statistics occasionally offers opportunities for students to work on projects as unpaid interns. The duration of the internship is generally ten to twelve weeks, depending on the assigned projects. Interns with economic, finance, or math backgrounds can be considered.

## **[Fleishman-Hillard International Communications](#)**

The internship program immerses students in all aspects of the communications industry from research and writing to media pitching and strategy. They are looking for bright students who excel in writing, exhibit critical thinking, and are committed to the challenge of public relations. The selection process includes interviews with a team of account professionals and a writing exercise.

## **[FOX News](#)**

Experience life in the news room at Fox News Washington. Internship areas include public relations, production, book planner, graphics, advertising/promotion, and business.

## **[The Heritage Foundation](#)**

The Heritage Foundation Internship Program attracts young conservative leaders of the highest caliber. Our paid interns have real jobs, acquire policy expertise, build marketable skills, enhance their resumes,

attend events where they can meet and talk with the nation's leading policy-makers, and make friends with their conservative peers. Specifically, our interns work with Heritage experts in such areas as homeland security, tax and budget, communications, religion and civil society, the rule of law, and foreign affairs. Deadlines: Spring-November 1, Fall-July 1

### **[The Hill Newspaper](#)**

The Hill has a very active internship program. At The Hill, we believe strongly that an internship is what an intern makes it. We reward initiative and judge on merit. Interns have an opportunity equal to anyone else in getting their writing published. Hill interns have traveled to the Republican, Democratic and Reform party conventions, and have broken major stories, receiving widespread recognition. A Hill internship will include intense, intimate exposure to national politics and Congress. They will experience a fast pace and deadline pressure. By the end of it interns should have accumulated an excellent clip file and considerable experience. The Hill publishes three times a week when both chambers of Congress are in session and once a week the rest of the year.

### **[Institute for National Strategic Studies](#)**

The INSS internship program affords students from across the US to work on a variety of research topics, both regional and thematic. These include Western Hemisphere, East Asia, Middle East, National Security Reform, and Future Strategic Concepts. The Institute offers a wide range of research activities that gives interns the opportunity to participate in real-time work, assist in research for publications, and work closely with a Senior Fellow who is a subject matter expert in his field. Interns may also have the opportunity to meet government officials, attend congressional hearings, or participate in symposia hosted by the National Defense University or the Institute. Unless otherwise mentioned, all INSS internships are unpaid.

### **[Institute of World Politics](#)**

The Institute of World Politics is one of the few graduate schools that offer internships designed specifically to prepare you for a career in national security and statecraft. IWP ranks among the best internship programs in Washington and is distinguished by its scholar-practitioners who served in past presidential administrations, including those of Ronald Reagan, Bill Clinton, and George W. Bush. Beyond conducting research with IWP scholar-practitioners, interns are able to explore career options by rotating within various areas of study and fields. Based in the heart of Washington, DC, interns gain the advantage of networking with top policymakers and government officials, including IWP's faculty. To apply, please download the application and send it along with a resume and references, an official academic transcript, and a brief writing sample.

### **[International Association of Chiefs of Police](#)**

Law enforcement topics that interns will be involved in will include, for example: police legislation, global policing, gun violence, victim response, use of force, mentoring, leadership, violence against women, immigration, and intelligence/terrorism. During each semester, in addition to their assigned duties, interns will have the opportunity to ride-along with a selected area police department; take at

least one educational field trip (for example, a working lunch/ meeting with a local law enforcement leader or a meeting on Capitol Hill); and participate in other professional development opportunities as they arise. Interns earn \$10 per hour.

### **The International Center**

The International Center (IC) is a Washington, DC based 501(c) 3 non-profit organization founded in 1977 to focus on issues between the United States and the developing world. Over the years the International Center has had projects in Asia, Africa, Latin America and with the former Soviet Union. The International Center has four projects, the U.S.-Vietnam Trade Council Education Forum, the New Forests Project, Veterans International/Cambodia, and Vietnam Veterans of America Foundation.

### **The International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD)**

IFAD is a specialized agency of the United Nations. IFAD is dedicated to eradicating rural poverty in developing countries. To apply: Applicants must submit a completed Personal History Form with three references, a brief writing sample (3-5 pages) on a related topic, as well as a cover letter explaining their interest in the internship. Please see your placement coordinator for more information.

### **International Justice Mission**

IJM internships offer a unique opportunity for professional development and spiritual growth. The program benefits those who plan to pursue various career paths, including public relations, law, Christian ministry, law enforcement, public policy, business, social work or general non-profit or international work. Internships are available in communications, donor relations, church mobilization, finance & accounting, government relations, and legal investigation.

### **The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts**

Internships may be available in advertising, development, education (local and national programs), National Symphony Orchestra, press relations, production, programming, technology, volunteer management, and finance. Interns receive a stipend of \$225 per week.

### **Liberty Center for Law and Policy**

A joint effort between Liberty Counsel and Liberty University School of Law, the Liberty Center for Law & Policy trains attorneys, law students, policymakers, legislators, clergy and world leaders in constitutional principles and government policies. LCLP accepts applications from pre-law students.

### **National Center for Missing and Exploited Children**

Interns contribute substantially to the work of NCMEC, and NCMEC's staff work closely with interns to make the experience as rewarding as possible. NCMEC's staff is composed of dedicated professionals with many years of experience in relevant areas. As the workload of NCMEC continues to grow and resources are continually being stretched, the contributions of interns are extremely important. NCMEC interns who share the same belief in our goals help to make the success stories happen. Internships are available in human resources, forensics, criminal justice, and psychology.

## **National Council for Adoption**

Interns have the choice of working in one or more of our departments, including: Training and Agency Services, Communications, Development, and Government Relations. Applicants will work with his/her assigned department to advocate for and educate the public on the positive option of adoption. A passion for children and adoption is a must. Students with an interest in adoption, non-profits or charitable organizations, social work, fundraising, communications or policy are preferred. NCFA accepts internship applications year-round.

## **National Defense University**

The National Defense University intern program participants are given the unique opportunity to interact with and learn from a community of professionals working together to educate senior military and civilian leaders. This is accomplished through teaching, research, and outreach in the following areas: national security strategy, national military strategy, national resource strategy, joint and multinational operations, information strategies, resource management, acquisition, and regional defense and security studies.

## **National Geographic Society**

The National Geographic Society has been inspiring people to care about the planet since 1888. It is one of the largest non-profit scientific and educational institutions in the world. Its interests include geography, archaeology and natural science, the promotion of environmental and historical conservation. Internships are offered in areas such as communications, photography, photojournalism, journalism, design & editorial, and television & film.

## **National Republican Congressional Committee**

The National Republican Congressional Committee (NRCC) is a political committee devoted to increasing the 178-member Republican Conference in the U.S. House of Representatives. Interns with majors in any type of government or communications are welcome to apply.

## **The National Right to Life Committee**

The National Right to Life Committee has been instrumental in achieving a number of legislative reforms at the national level, including a ban on non-therapeutic experimentation of unborn and newborn babies, a federal conscience clause guaranteeing medical personnel the right to refuse to participate in abortion procedures, and various amendments to appropriations bills which prohibit (or limit) the use of federal funds to subsidize or promote abortions in the United States and overseas. The ultimate goal of the National Right to Life Committee is to restore legal protection to innocent human life. The primary interest of the National Right to Life Committee and its members has been the abortion controversy; however, it is also concerned with related matters of medical ethics which relate to the right to life issues of euthanasia and infanticide. The Committee does not have a position on issues such as contraception, sex education, capital punishment, and national defense.

## **National Science Foundation**

The mission of NSF's Summer Scholars Internship Program (SSIP) is to develop undergraduate and graduate student potential through exposure to relevant science and engineering policy, research and education issues and programs; and to encourage students to earn graduate degrees and pursue careers in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) fields. Undergraduate and graduate students come to the National Science Foundation for a ten week summer experience to work in an office that aligns with the students' academic interests.

## **National Security Agency**

The National Security Agency/Central Security Service (NSA/CSS) is home to America's code-makers and code-breakers. The National Security Agency has provided timely information to U.S. decision makers and military leaders for more than half a century. The Central Security Service was established in 1972 to promote a full partnership between NSA and the cryptologic elements of the armed forces. Nothing looks better to future employers than real world experience. As a college undergrad, you can gain the experience you need while working toward your degree. And you'll get to experience first-hand what life at NSA is really like. NSA offers internships, a co-op program, and scholarships for a wide variety of majors.

## **National Security Archive**

The National Security Archive an independent, non-profit research institute and library, is offering internships to students who are interested in international relations and how the U.S. foreign policy bureaucracy functions. Each intern is assigned to work with a staff analyst on a specific research project. Assignments generally include building chronologies of events; helping obtain, order and catalog government documents; assisting with data entry; and performing library and archival research. Every effort is made to keep non-substantive tasks to a minimum. While at the Archive, an intern can expect to gain a solid body of knowledge in their project area, as well as a familiarity with the resources available for foreign policy research in Washington and how to obtain documents through the Freedom of Information Act.

## **National Space Society**

NSS conducts a broad array of activities to promote space exploration and development, and thus offers interns the possibility to become involved in an assortment of projects. In an effort to give interns the best possible experiences and opportunities, we strive to tailor interns' responsibilities to their interests. Applicants should specify in their application materials the areas that interest them most among the following: public outreach/education, journalism, and public policy. Eligibility is not limited to a particular major, but the program is designed to enhance science, journalism, political science, or communications and public affairs majors. An interest in space is strongly desired.

## **National Taxpayer's Union**

Founded in 1969, the National Taxpayers Union (NTU) is the nation's most effective taxpayers' lobbying organization, supported by a grassroots membership of over 362,000 individuals. NTU has organized the most extensive network of taxpayers in the country, with members in all 50 states. As a non profit, non partisan organization, NTU lobbies Congress and State Legislatures, educates the public, politicians, and the media on important taxpayer issues, and provides assistance to members who want to become effective citizen activists at the local level.

## **National Telecommunications and Information Administration**

The Office of Policy Analysis and Development (OPAD) supports NTIA's role as the principal adviser to the President on telecommunications and information policies. Its goal is to enhance the public interest by generating, articulating, and advocating creative and influential policies and programs in the telecommunications and information sectors that promote innovation, competition, consumer welfare, and economic and social opportunities for all.

## **National Transportation Safety Board**

The National Transportation Safety Board is an independent Federal agency charged by Congress with investigating every civil aviation accident in the United States and significant accidents in the other modes of transportation -- railroad, highway, marine and pipeline -- and issuing safety recommendations aimed at preventing future accidents. The NTSB offers internship opportunities throughout the year for undergraduate and graduate students with relevant backgrounds. Internships provide students with a hands-on work experience directly related to the transportation industry, allowing them to explore career options and develop personal and professional skills.

## **Naval Criminal Investigative Services (NCIS)**

NCIS offers a hands-on, nonpaying internship program, which is designed to provide education-related work assignments for students. The program is open to college juniors and seniors and graduate students. Based upon their background and experience, interns are assigned to functional areas such as criminal investigations, information systems, government relations and public affairs, computer crimes, strategic planning, personnel services and operations, criminal intelligence, and forensic sciences.

## **Naval Research Laboratory**

NRL operates as the Navy's full-spectrum corporate laboratory, conducting a broadly based multidisciplinary program of scientific research and advanced technological development directed toward maritime applications of new and improved materials, techniques, equipment, systems and ocean, atmospheric, and space sciences and related technologies. This ten-week intern program is designed to provide opportunities for undergraduate and graduate students to participate in research, under the guidance of an appropriate research mentor, at a participating Navy laboratory.

## **[Navy Museum](#)**

Devoted to the display of naval artifacts, models, documents and fine art, the museum chronicles the history of the United States Navy from the American Revolution to present-day conflicts. Interactive exhibits commemorate our Navy's wartime heroes and battles as well as peacetime contributions in exploration, diplomacy, navigation and humanitarian service. Tools, equipment and personal effects offer visitors an exciting chance to learn more about naval history, customs and way of life.

## **[Office of National Drug Control Policy](#)**

The Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP) Student Internship Program is structured to challenge and reward a select number of students from across the country. The goal of the program is to allow students to gain an outstanding educational and work experience within various components of ONDCP. The program is intended to provide the students with knowledge, tools, skills, and real life work experiences that they can readily apply to future challenges and professional pursuits.

## **[Organization of American States](#)**

The Organization of American States (OAS) brings together the nations of the Western Hemisphere to strengthen cooperation on democratic values, defend common interests and debate the major issues facing the region and the world. The OAS is the region's principal multilateral forum for strengthening democracy, promoting human rights, and confronting shared problems such as poverty, terrorism, illegal drugs and corruption.

## **[Overseas Private Investment Corporation](#)**

The Overseas Private Investment Corporation (OPIC) is a small, independent agency of the United States Government. Since 1971, OPIC has served as the key federal agency for encouraging mutually beneficial American business investment in the world's developing nations. OPIC provides qualified investors with project financing, investment insurance, and a variety of investor services in approximately 150 developing nations and emerging economies throughout the world. OPIC encourages U.S. overseas private investment in sound business projects, thereby improving U.S. global competitiveness, creating U.S. jobs and increasing U.S. exports. The projects that OPIC supports must not result in the loss of U.S. jobs and must provide significant benefits to the social and economic development of the host country.

## **[Patrick Henry Center](#)**

The Patrick Henry Center for Individual Liberty serves as the only national organization devoted to promoting political courage and love of liberty as exemplified by Patrick Henry. By assisting whistleblowers, promoting free speech, educating young and old about Henry, and preserving Patrick Henry historical sites, we uphold the legacy and principles that are the foundation of American liberty. Join the staff of the Patrick Henry Center and be on the cutting edge of one of the greatest grassroots initiatives in our country's history. You'll work in a variety of areas in a fast-paced and stimulating environment. The position will not only boost your resume and give you a chance to actively participate in moving your ideology forward, but you'll also work with great people.

## **[Peace Corps](#)**

Since 1961, the Peace Corps has shared with the world America's most precious resource – its people. Peace Corps Volunteers serve in 74 countries in Africa, Asia, the Caribbean, Central and South America, Europe, and the Middle East. Collaborating with local community members, Volunteers work in areas like education, youth outreach and community development, the environment, and information technology. The Peace Corps is predominantly looking for students with an international relations or business management background.

## **Pentagon Internship**

One candidate from each semester is welcome to apply to our contact at the Pentagon. ROTC or previous military experience is a plus.

## **[Potomac Institute for Policy Studies](#)**

Internship responsibilities include research assistance and administrative support, conference coordination, editorial and publication assistance, and database development. Requirements: Students, with a 3.0 or higher GPA, and with a background or interest in terrorism, ethnic conflict, political violence, international affairs, history, public policy, computer science and law are preferred, though others accepted. Seeking candidates with relevant research experience, writing and editing experience, good database skills, excellent organization and communication skills mandatory, strong MS Office skills and Internet research skills, and the ability to prioritize a heavy workload.

## **[Prevent Cancer Foundation](#)**

The Prevent Cancer Foundation has provided more than \$106 million in support of cancer prevention research, education and outreach programs nationwide and has played a pivotal role in developing a body of knowledge that is the basis for important prevention and early detection strategies. They have funded nearly 400 scientists at over 150 leading medical institutions across the country. Their public education programs have applied this scientific knowledge to teach the public on ways they can reduce their cancer risks.

## **[Republican National Committee](#)**

Behind all the elected officials and the candidates of any political party are thousands of hard-working staff and volunteers who raise money, lick the envelopes, and make the phone calls that every winning campaign must have. The national structure of our party starts with the Republican National Committee. Each state has its own Republican State Committee with a Chairman and staff. The Republican structure goes right down to the neighborhoods, where a Republican precinct captain every Election Day organizes Republican workers to get out the vote.

## **[Senate Select Committee on Intelligence](#)**

In carrying out this purpose, the Select Committee on Intelligence shall make every effort to assure that the appropriate departments and agencies of the United States provide informed and timely intelligence

necessary for the executive and legislative branches to make sound decisions affecting the security and vital interests of the Nation.

### **Shakespeare Theater Company**

Experience an internship in the world of theater and acting. Internships are available in Business management, Education, Graphic Design, Public Relations, and Marketing. Also, acting internships are available as well for those with prior experience. A headshot will need to be submitted.

### **Smithsonian Institute- Archives of American Art**

Internships are available to undergraduates and graduate students who have a background in art history, American studies, or American history and are looking for the opportunity to conduct research in primary sources, process archival collections, prepare written descriptions of collection contents, and assist with registrarial duties.

### **Smithsonian Institute- National Museum of Natural History**

Our internships offer student-mentor relationships and career-enhancing experiences for undergraduate, graduate and sometimes even high school students. Whether working directly with the public, contributing to the administration and operation of the facilities, or actively engaged in our scientific pursuits, interns gain valuable job skills, unique insight into our operations, and enliven our community!

### **Smithsonian Institute- National Postal Museum**

Interns work with a small professional staff on current projects in one or more of the following museum departments: Collections, Curatorial, Education, and Exhibits. Internships are offered during the spring, summer and fall semesters. Interns with a wide variety of skill levels are accepted. In addition to the internship project, interns are encouraged to take one afternoon per week to explore current exhibitions in a variety of local museums and to talk with museum staff from all departments regarding careers.

### **South-East Consortium for International Development**

The South-East Consortium for International Development (SECID) is a 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization formed in 1977 to enable our member institutions to provide research, training, and extension to developing nations. With a membership encompassing 14 universities that span more than a dozen southern and eastern states, SECID is larger than any other U.S. consortium of universities dedicated to international development. This size, when combined with the quality of our member institutions, provides SECID with a number of advantages that strengthen the services we offer. SECID constitutes an alliance of Space, Sea and Land Grant institutions, all mandated by law to serve as resources of economically and socially responsible research and extension to their respective communities and, through their international work, the world at large.

## **Strategies for International Development**

The interns will work closely with the Executive Director on several activities such as, Fundraising from private foundations and institutional donors, such as USAID. They will also help design, implement, support, and supervise SID's projects in Bolivia, Guatemala, and Peru. Interns will also help plan, carry out and improve upon SID's annual program.

## **The Supreme Court of the United States**

The Judicial Internship Program at the Supreme Court offers advanced undergraduates and graduating seniors who have interests in law, management, and social sciences a unique opportunity to gain exposure to the field of judicial administration through work in the Office of the Counselor to the Chief Justice.

## **Tate & Tryon**

Tate & Tryon works with hundreds of nonprofit organizations providing a wide range of outsourced accounting, audit and assurance, and financial systems consulting services. Tate & Tryon offers internship positions within our accounting, audit, and technology departments. This program is an excellent opportunity for college students to explore our firm and gain exposure to the field of public accounting. As an intern, you will work closely with staff, managers, and partners in addressing the complex issues facing tax-exempt organizations. You will also have the opportunity to interact with our clients during engagements and gain hands-on experience.

## **U.S. Agency for International Development**

The United States has a long history of extending a helping hand to those people overseas struggling to make a better life, recover from a disaster or striving to live in a free and democratic country. It is this caring that stands as a hallmark of the United States around the world -- and shows the world our true character as a nation. U.S. foreign assistance has always had the twofold purpose of furthering America's foreign policy interests in expanding democracy and free markets while improving the lives of the citizens of the developing world. Spending less than one-half of 1 percent of the federal budget, USAID works around the world to achieve these goals. \*Students must have a minimum 3.0 GPA.

## **The US-Asia Institute**

The intent of the US-Asia Institute internship program is to supplement academic scholarship with pragmatic approaches that deal with the realities of the political process in the development of international policy. The US-Asia relationship is undergoing a dramatic shift with the dynamism of the unprecedented economic growth in Asia and growing interdependency with the United States.

## **U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Columbia**

The United States Attorney's Office has several student programs for which recruiting is done each semester. The Fall Program runs from September through December, the Spring Program runs from January through May, and the Summer Program runs from June through August. Our Office offers volunteer and academic credit internships to undergraduates, graduate students and to law students.

## **[U.S. Botanic Garden](#)**

The United States Botanic Garden (USBG) is a botanic garden run by the Congress of the United States. It is located in Washington, D.C., on the U.S. Capitol Grounds campus near Garfield Circle. The building itself, which includes a large Lord & Burnham greenhouse, is divided into separate rooms, each one simulating a different habitat.

## **U.S. Business and Industry Council**

U.S. Business and Industry Council Educational Foundation is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit research and educational organization dedicated to improving the American people's awareness of critical public policy issues in such diverse fields as trade, taxation, education, health care, foreign relations, defense, and national security, among others.

## **[U.S. Chamber of Commerce](#)**

At the Chamber, you can obtain hands-on experience in a variety of departments. Internships offer responsibilities such as research, writing, database management, web page maintenance, communications, and event preparation. During the internship, you will be able to network with colleagues and demonstrate your skills and abilities.

## **[U.S. Commission on Civil Rights](#)**

The STUDENT VOLUNTEER SERVICE PROGRAM provides unpaid training to students in high school and college related to the students' academic program. The program allows students to explore career options as well as develop their personal and professional skills. Students may work during the school year and/or during the summer vacation periods. This program includes law student positions.

## **[U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom](#)**

The U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom continues to provide new data and insights into the dimensions and impact of religious repression and intolerance in countries worldwide. The Commissioners on this bipartisan federal body assess and propose U.S. foreign policy action to advance freedom of thought, conscience, and religion and other freedoms needed to protect people at risk of abuses, such as killing, detention, or torture.

Communications, Government Relations, and Policy are the internship categories.

## **[U.S. Committee for Refugees and Immigrants](#)**

For nearly 100 years the US Committee for Refugees and Immigrants has acted to address the needs and rights of persons in forced or voluntary migration worldwide by advancing fair and humane public policy, facilitating and providing direct professional services, and promoting the full participation of migrants in community life.

## **[US Commodities Futures Trading Commission](#)**

Congress created the Commodity Futures Trading Commission (CFTC) in 1974 as an independent agency with the mandate to regulate commodity futures and option markets in the United States. The CFTC's

mission is to protect market users and the public from fraud, manipulation, and abusive practices related to the sale of commodity and financial futures and options, and to foster open, competitive, and financially sound futures and option markets.

### **[U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit](#)**

The United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit was established under Article III of the Constitution on October 1, 1982. The court was formed by the merger of the United States Court of Customs and Patent Appeals and the appellate division of the United States Court of Claims. The court is located in the Howard T. Markey National Courts Building on historic Lafayette Square in Washington, D.C.

### **[U.S. Department of State](#)**

Experience the thrill and rewards of student programs at the U.S. Department of State. Whether you're a high school student looking for summer employment, or a college or graduate student seeking a substantive internship supporting U.S. foreign policy, there's no limit as to how far our opportunities can take you. At the U.S. Department of State, you'll have a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to gain insight into U.S. foreign policy and diplomacy, explore new career avenues and most of all, acquire lifelong skills as you represent America to the world. Are you up for the challenge? Student Programs enable students to obtain job experience in a foreign affairs environment. Some of our students work in Washington, D.C., while others have the opportunity to work at U.S. embassies and consulates abroad.

### **[U.S. Probation and Pretrial Services Office](#)**

The U.S. Probation and Pretrial Services System is a vital part of the federal judiciary. The system's mission is to investigate and supervise defendants and offenders. U.S. probation and pretrial services officers provide these services. Their core responsibilities are investigation, report preparation, and supervision.

### **[U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission](#)**

The mission of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission is to protect investors, maintain fair, orderly, and efficient markets, and facilitate capital formation. Internships are offered on a case-by-case basis.

### **[U.S. Trade Representative](#)**

The student intern program at USTR is a year-round, volunteer program in which undergraduate and graduate students gain knowledge and experience on U.S. trade policy and, in many cases, earn college credit at the same time. Assignments may include research, analysis, statistics, coordination of briefing books, report preparation, meeting and conference planning, letter writing, and covering meetings, hearings, and/or legislative markups.

## [Washington Institute for Near East Policy](#)

Since its founding in 1985, The Washington Institute has served as a training ground for future policymakers in both Democratic and Republican administrations. During its quarter-century history, an impressive array of talented scholars has been associated with the Institute. They have gone on to join government and help shape American foreign policy in the Middle East. At the same time, upon completion of their public service, some of the best minds from government are attracted to the Institute. This exchange of ideas and people with the executive branch is very much a part of The Washington Institute's effectiveness. The Institute's prestigious intern and research assistant programs also provide a pathway for college graduates and graduate students to begin the transformation from young scholar to promising analyst and future policymaker. The Institute is proud of its interns and research assistants -- many of whom go on to serve in government and make their own contributions in the policy world.

## [Washington International Trade Association](#)

WITA is a non-profit, non-partisan voluntary organization dedicated to providing a neutral forum in the nation's capital for the open and robust discussion of international trade issues. We rely heavily upon the support and assistance of our volunteer interns. In return, interns are given tremendous opportunity to learn about the global trade community, the Washington political environment, and specifics of international trade--as well as practical office skills, event management, networking, and professional interaction. Students with strong interest in international relations, trade, and economics will most likely benefit the most from this internship opportunity.

## [Washington Legal Foundation](#)

National in scope, the Washington Legal Foundation (WLF) works with our allies in government and our legal system to maintain balance in the Courts and help our government strengthen America's free enterprise system. WLF champions free market principles, limited and accountable government, individual rights, business civil liberties, and legal ethics.

## [Washington Post](#)

The Washington Post is part of a leading media environment, delivering innovative media solutions and unsurpassed client service worldwide. Smart, engaged, influential individuals connect with our dynamic news and lifestyle content to make informed decisions and shape the world around them.

## [Washington Times](#)

Unpaid internship for college students in the Editorial Pages & Commentary Section of The Washington Times to help research editorials, fact-check op-eds, and copyedit online opinion copy. Interns who perform well will be considered for regular employment depending upon availability of positions.

## [White House](#)

The White House Internship Program provides a unique opportunity to gain valuable professional experience and build leadership skills. This hands-on program is designed to mentor and cultivate

today's young leaders, strengthen their understanding of the Executive Office and prepare them for future public service opportunities.

In addition to typical office duties, interns will supplement their learning experience by attending a weekly lecture series hosted by senior White House staff, assist at White House social events, and volunteer in community service projects. White House Internships are full-time unpaid positions and participants are responsible for arranging their own transportation and housing for the duration of the program.

### **Women's Foreign Policy Group**

The Women's Foreign Policy Group is an independent, nonpartisan, nonprofit, educational membership organization which promotes global engagement and the leadership, visibility and participation of women in international affairs. Our members are mid and senior-level international relations professionals whose positions exemplify the myriad opportunities for international careers - from White House advisors to the State Department, NGOs to Wall Street, the World Bank to foreign diplomats.

### **World Affairs Councils of America**

The World Affairs Councils of America is national office of the network of 90 member organizations across the country, all of which are non-profit, non-partisan groups working to engage and educate Americans in international affairs and foreign policy. In order to become members of the national association, each council must maintain an open membership policy in addition to being a 501(c)(3) non-profit, and maintaining a non-partisan agenda. The WACA accepts a limited number of interns at its Washington, DC office each semester. Fall internship run from approximately September-December, spring internships from January-May, and summer internships from May-August. Internships are unpaid; hours are flexible depending on students' schedules and the needs of the office.

### **World Vision**

World Vision is a Christian humanitarian charity organization dedicated to working with children, families, and their communities worldwide to reach their full potential by tackling the causes of poverty and injustice. World Vision is specifically looking for candidates with a Finance, Accounting, or International Relations degree.