

After a long day of exploring the city, it was time to prepare my business clothes for my first day where I would work in Senator Jeff Merkley's office. My work week consisted of sorting emails, trainings to give Capitol tours, handling schedules/calls, and running errands for staff members. The work was pretty standard, but the highlights during the internship hours occurred when the interns and I were able to converse with the senator despite his busy schedule...It's truly amazing what this internship has done for me because

I now tend to look at things through an entirely different lens and am eager to push my peers to accomplish extraordinary things.

-Gabriel Rojas,
Oregon State University



We actually got a chance to go into the White House! I was so excited and just felt so extremely privileged to be able to just go in and see Roberto Rodriguez Special Assistant to President Obama for Educational issues. As we sat there waiting for Mr. Rodriguez I just had to take a minute and realize where I was sitting. I was in the White House; never in my wildest dreams did I think I would be there. Growing up in a low income neighborhood in Los Angeles all I ever wanted was to get by and make it to the next day. My family has overcome so many struggles and most of the time getting by was the main concern. As I sat in the White House I realized just how far I had come and how extremely hard I had worked to be there.

- Ariana Rodriguez, CSU Long Beach



Application Tentative Timeline:

December	Application opens
February	Application due
February	Applications reviewed
March	Selection notification

Internship Dates:

D.C. Arrival: June 2
Orientation Week: June 2-10
Internship Starts: June 11
Internship Ends: August 3

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HEP/CAMP Interns housed at
George Washington University



Internship Program



Vision statement: *"To improve the quality of life for farm-workers through education"*

Mission statement: *"To serve, educate, and empower farm workers"*

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Program History

The internship program was instituted by the Association Board in 2005, and in 2006 two interns were selected for Rep. Ruben Hinojosa's office and the Office of Migrant Education. Other placements have included: the White House Initiative on Educational Excellence of Hispanics, Rep. Xavier Becerra's office, and the senate offices of Jeff Merkley, Kristen Gillibrand, Marco Rubio and Chuck Schumer.

Program Information

The eight week internship program is funded by the Association and takes place in June and July. It includes housing, airfare, stipend, clothing allowance, and business cards. Interns are housed at George Washington University, in the heart of the District of Columbia. The internship also includes an orientation week, leadership seminars with the Congressional Hispanic Caucus Institute, and community service opportunities.

Eligibility

- Current CAMP participant or HEP graduate who has completed at least one term in a post secondary institution
- Complete Application Form
 - Personal statement
 - Resume
 - Two letters of recommendation
 - CAMP/HEP qualifying document (COE, WIA or Employment Verification)
 - Copy of school transcript which includes GPA and credits, and a schedule of registered classes for the next term