

The Center for Law and Policy Solutions at the Rockefeller Institute of Government is seeking applicants for its credit-bearing paid internship program. The Center's mission is to inform the development of good public policy through evidence-based practice and research. This internship will take an interdisciplinary look at the broader theme of "Building Community in Times of Social Unrest." Given the upcoming Presidential election, political, cultural, and social strife throughout the world, having the ability to understand ways to develop community across cultural lines is not only necessary, but critical in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. Through an internship placement, students will learn to identify data sources and collect accurate information, use technology to engage across the state, and present findings in an accessible manner. They will also participate in weekly team virtual meetings, a US/International virtual exchange program, and develop and attend on- and off-line career development and intercultural competency activities where they will learn about professional opportunities and develop professional skills. As a component of this internship, students will develop intercultural competencies in order to gain crucial skills that will allow them to excel in today's culturally diverse environments. The internship will conclude with a public presentation jointly developed by the interns.

## **INTERNSHIP REQUIREMENTS & RESPONSIBILITIES:**

- The internship is 10 hours per week. Students will have weekly synchronous meetings on Mondays and Wednesdays from noon-1pm via Zoom.
- For the remaining 8 hours per week, students will be required to work jointly online via Zoom, complete assignments using online learning management systems (Moodle and Google websites/docs), attend on-line and on-site workshops/lectures, and participate in regional development trainings.
  - Capital region students should report to the CLPS (13 Henry Johnson Blvd) to complete all or part of their remaining asynchronous work hours.
  - Buffalo Region students should report to SUNY Empire State College Cheektowaga campus (2875 Union Rd, Suite 34) to complete all or part of their remaining asynchronous work hours.
- Conduct research and analysis on culture-based, policy issues
- Develop cutting-edge technological skills to enhance and support ongoing research
- Produce a writing portfolio including competency-based learning materials, deliberative conversation and reflective learning materials, and policy related position papers/commentaries
- Contribute to the daily operations of the Center for Law & Policy Solutions

## QUALIFICATIONS

- Robust interest in conducting public policy research and analysis
- Excellent verbal and written communications skills
- Strong teambuilding experience
- High level of self-direction in a fast-paced work environment

## SALARY:

• \$12/hour for fourteen weeks (\$1680 per semester)

## **TO APPLY:**

- To apply please submit the following to Rhianna.Rogers@esc.edu.
- Resume
- Cover letter detailing interest. Preference will be given to students whose themes relate to one or more of the following areas:
  - Creating innovative ways to learn with and from diverse populations in the 21st century. Examples: Promoting diverse approaches to learning for diverse populations in the 21st-century globalized world.
  - Creating solutions for global issues around controversial topics of regional, national and international importance. Examples: Local, regional, and international perspectives on climate change, global warming, poverty, education, political conflict and war, among others.
  - Develop themes that speak to your own disciplinary or cross-disciplinary interpretation of building community in times of social unrest. Examples: Developing cross-cultural teams in virtual spaces and learning environments, developing local community outreach opportunities, creating dialogues across cultural lines and communities, and other innovating approaches to develop community.
- Two References (Name, title, phone, and email and brief description of relationship)
- Unofficial school transcript with GPA

Submissions will be reviewed on a rolling basis beginning Friday, December 13th. Awardees will be notified via email.