Dear Bruins,

Applications for Summer 2018 Internships with the U.S. Department of State are now being accepted. This year’s deadline to submit applications for assignments worldwide is Thursday, October 5, 2017.

Current UCLA students who will graduate Fall 2018 or later may apply for exciting, substantive assignments at many of the 294 U.S. Embassies, Consulates and Missions abroad. About half of State Department internships are based in Washington, D.C., and a few are offered in New York City and other U.S. cities. Department of State welcomes current undergrads and grad students from every UCLA major to apply. The following link features a helpful resource that invites candidates to search relevant offices and positions based on their field of study: https://careers.state.gov/intern/student-internships/which-office-is-right-for-you/.

The State Department Internship application is notably detailed, and each candidate’s personal statement is one of the deciding factors in advancing to the interview stage. In addition, this year’s deadline falls ten days earlier than 2017. So, all interested Bruins are encouraged to start their applications as soon as possible.

The attached Candidate Tip Sheet was prepared for the 2017 Department of State internship program. Note that application requirements and questions may be updated for each recruitment season. So, please read all 2018 application materials carefully. Make sure to submit all information and documents requested, and ask a friend to help you proofread thoroughly. (Please email us at internships@career.ucla.edu if the Tip Sheet is not attached to this message).

The Department of State internships offer an unmatched career experience for Bruins from all majors who have an interest in foreign affairs and public policy as well as science, engineering, the arts, and other specialized fields. Candidates with foreign language skills are always in demand. Although internships are unpaid, assistance in housing arrangements may be provided by the Department of State for some locations. Accepted State Department interns may also be eligible for partial scholarship funding through UCLA Career Center (subject to qualifications and available funding).

Interested and ready to apply? For further motivation, the following link features a brief interview of UCLA Alumna and previous Department of State intern Ana Karina Palacio. Ms. Palacio interned in New York City at the U.S. Mission to the United Nations: https://www.facebook.com/hireUCLA/videos/1490657810984265/

When you decide to apply, submit your application, interview, or accept a Department of State internship, UCLA Career Center appreciates you sending an email update to our team at internships@career.ucla.edu. Please note your major, class year, and the State Department location/office you chose. We also welcome your questions; but, the most detailed and current information is provided on the Department of State website.

The following announcement from Department of State also includes all links you’ll need to research internships and apply. Or, just go to the main Department of State Internship Page to get started.

Best wishes from your UCLA Career Center Team, and Go Bruins!
Now Accepting Applications for the U.S. Department of State Student Internship Program (unpaid)

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Please visit the Intern page of our Careers site for more information about the U.S. Department of State Summer 2018 Student Internship Program (unpaid), and to start the online application process via USAJOBS. Please note that the deadline to submit completed applications is October 5, 2017.

Visit USAJOBS.gov to view the announcement: U.S. Department of State Summer 2018 Student Internship Program (unpaid).

We suggest that you submit your application as early as possible to insure that all documents have been uploaded properly and to account for any technical glitches that may occur.

U.S. citizenship is required. If you have any questions or would like to search for topics of interest, please visit our forums or FAQs at careers.state.gov.

We appreciate your interest in a career with the U.S. Department of State.