



Princeton
Internships in
Civic
Service

PICS 2010 Internship Description

Organization Name: The Center for Public Integrity

Internship Location: 910 17th St. NW 7th Floor Washington, DC, 20003

Required Dates: Yes No If yes, internship must start on: _____ and end on _____ or
must include the period:

Housing Will Be Available to Intern: Yes No If yes, housing will be free: or
housing will cost the student:

Expected working schedule for this internship:

Start Time: 9:30am End Time: 6:30pm
Lunch break: 1hr (duration) (specific time, if applicable)

Additional Information, if necessary: Both the start and end dates are flexible, but the intern should start by June 14, 2010, the latest.

Organization Description

Please describe your organization briefly, including mission statement, activities, size etc. Please also explain the benefit that will be derived by your organization by sponsoring a Princeton intern.

The Center for Public Integrity is a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization that does investigative reporting in the public interest on public policy issues in the United States and around the world. The mission of the Center is to produce original investigative journalism to make institutional power more transparent and accountable. Our recent and upcoming reports include investigations on the financial meltdown, global tobacco smuggling, the transportation lobby, and international climate lobbying. We also produce PaperTrail, the Center's group blog.

Our staff is made up of over 30 reporters and editors who are supported by our communications, development, and technology teams. Our reporters in particular benefit from having interns as reporting and research assistants. Our stories take months to put together, and we've found that motivated and smart interns from Princeton help us get our reporting done thoroughly, accurately, and on time.

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Describe in detail the work or project will do; please be as specific as possible. Please also explain the benefit that a student will obtain by interning with your organization.

Interns at the Center for Public Integrity usually are paired with reporters to work on one project during their time here. Past PICS interns have worked on our *Financial Meltdown* project and *Perils of the New Pesticides* project. We try to pair interns with reporters based on their interests and capabilities. Interns conduct research to support the reporting of Center staff by combing through documents, analyzing data, or talking to experts in the field. They also have contributed stories and blog posts to the Center's site, in which case they are responsible for writing and working with an editor on their stories. Interns who have an interest in multimedia might be assigned to work on audio or video reports.

By working with our team of experienced and award-winning reporters, interns will be able to build basic journalistic skills, as well as investigative skills. By the end of the summer, our interns have gained in-depth knowledge on a particular topic. They will see the direct result of their work in the stories they help produce or write themselves. Additionally, through our weekly 'brown bag' lunch program, our interns have the opportunity to meet with prominent professionals in the field of journalism and learn more about navigating Washington as a member of the media.

Intern Qualifications

Describe any particular skills, background, or qualities you are seeking in an intern.

We are looking for candidates with an interest in investigative journalism, reporting experience, solid writing skills, and a dedication to pursue issues that affect the public. We are committed to online, multimedia reporting and we hope our interns will share our enthusiasm for this medium.

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