

Graduate Student Internships: *adding excellence to your organization*

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Connect with Humphrey Institute
student interns through the
Office of Career Services.

“I have supervised more than 15 interns during my assignment in Singapore, and [this student] was by far the best. He approached his internship with a professionalism and dedication rarely demonstrated by interns.”

Scott Pozil, U.S. Commercial Service

“We have had great experiences with Humphrey Institute students and graduates. They bring excellent critical thinking skills to bear on our projects and can really see how the problems they are tackling fit into the larger scheme of things.”

Stella Cheung, President, ACET Consulting, Inc.

The Hubert H. Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs is a leader in the world of public affairs, dedicated to excellence in education for public responsibility. The Institute prepares students for effective careers as managers, planners, and policy analysts in the public, private, and independent sectors.

Student interns are future leaders in public service.

Each year over 100 talented and knowledgeable Humphrey student interns contribute excellence to local, national, and international organizations. Interns provide professional services including completing projects and providing support when regular staff is spread too thin. Their interests and future career paths lead them to work in public agencies, nonprofit organizations, and private consulting and development firms.

Career Services facilitates project solutions.

Customized service for employers

- Humphrey Career Services helps you craft your postings.
- We support your recruitment by advertising your opportunities and arranging on-campus interviews.
- We coordinate campus visits to suit your schedule.

Easy access to a rich human resource base

- Free use of the Humphrey Institute website to post opportunities and review résumés (www.hhh.umn.edu/career)
- Variety of ways to reach students including career fairs, group information sessions, and employer-hosted receptions



Student interns add immediate value to your organization.

Humphrey Institute student interns are ready to add value to your organization by thinking strategically, analyzing rigorously, communicating clearly, and applying the latest managerial, research, and analytic methods to your project.

In addition to averaging two to five years of previous work experience, Humphrey graduate students spend their first year of graduate training building knowledge and skills in areas as varied as:

- policy analysis
- planning
- program evaluation
- social policy
- statistical methods
- public and nonprofit management
- budgeting and fiscal policy
- science and technology policy
- a variety of specific policy topics

Their work arrangements can be part-time (during the academic year) or full-time (in summer). And, graduate interns provide professional-level work at a reasonable cost that ranges from \$12 to \$20 per hour.

Student interns study in rigorous graduate degree programs.

There are four graduate degree programs at the Institute:

- Master of Public Policy (MPP)
- Master of Urban and Regional Planning (MURP)
- Master of Science in Science, Technology and Environmental Policy (MS)
- Mid-career Master in Public Affairs (MPA)

The first two programs require students to apply their training to professional level internships between their first and second years.

Humphrey Institute student interns have:

- Conducted research on policy and protocol of biological weapons threats at the United States Postal Service.
- Helped to improve the internal procedure for a homeless shelter survey at the Minnesota Department of Human Services.
- Performed tax analysis for the Minnesota tax expenditure budget.
- Created an improved program evaluation tool for a state housing program.

“Proficiency in key methods of analysis is fundamental to good policy. However, what makes Humphrey students stand apart from the crowd is the perspective, insight, and judgment that they bring from their first-hand experience in policy settings, applying these methods to current issues with real constraints.”

Eric Oetjen, Vice President, ICF Consulting, Washington, D.C.

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