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Applications are due on Friday, March 4, 2016 at 11:59pm.

Summer Organizing Internship 2016

Georgetown University's Kalmanovitz Initiative for Labor and the Working Poor develops creative ideas and practical solutions for working people that are grounded in a commitment to justice, democracy, and the common good.
Internship Description

The Kalmanovitz Initiative Summer Organizing Internship matches undergraduate students with top local community and labor groups advocating for working people. The KI Summer Organizing Internship provides an opportunity for students to observe the impact of community and labor organizing, support and contribute to ongoing worker justice campaigns and projects, and develop their own organizing skills.

The KI Summer Organizing Internship will:

• introduce students to key issues affecting workers and the labor movement;
• provide an experiential learning opportunity through the internship;  
• develop students’ organizing skills through on the ground work with dynamic campaigns;
• support local community groups working towards worker justice;
• and maintain a strong connection between Georgetown and local communities.

Through first-hand involvement in local campaigns, students will develop their own view of the challenges facing workers in the modern economy and the role of worker justice. From these experiences, students contribute to the next generation of the worker justice movement.

The internship begins on Wednesday, June 1, 2016 and concludes on Friday, July 29, 2016.

Benefits of the Internship

The KI Summer Organizing Internship is a paid internship. The $2,450 monthly stipend will be sufficient to cover housing, food, and living costs for the duration of the internship. Additional funds may be available for transportation costs. The internship will not provide health benefits.
Eligibility and Requirements of the Program

Academic status:
Applicants must be currently enrolled in college.

Work Expectations:
Generally interns will work for 40 total hours per week. Work on the weekend and evening work may be required. Organizing work is highly dependent on the needs of each individual campaign and final schedules will be set by each organization.

Students must be able to begin the program on Wednesday, June 1, 2016.

Final Report:
At the end of the summer, all organizing interns must submit a 1,000-word report on their experience with their community group, what they learned through the KI Summer Organizing Internship, and their strategy and vision for how they could build an organizing campaign around worker justice.

Desired Skills/Qualifications

The applicant should:
• have a strong interest in deepening their knowledge and understanding of social and economic justice and what this means for workers in the American economy;
• demonstrate a willingness to engage with community members;
• be a team player who works well with others;
• be a self-starter who is motivated to tackle projects and the task at hand;
• bring energy, creativity, enthusiasm, and an open mind to the work of organizing.

Prior organizing experience and familiarity with the history of the US labor movement is not necessary but will be considered as useful assets in favor
Application Materials

In order to receive consideration for the KI Summer Organizing Internship, student applicants must:

• Complete the application form below
• Provide a one-page personal statement
• Provide two references
• Submit a resume

Please complete the application and submit all application materials by email to:

Nick Wertsch at nmw9@georgetown.edu

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