

Arizona Students' Association Advocacy Internship

The Arizona Students' Association (ASA) is a non-profit, non-partisan advocacy organization directed and funded by Arizona's public university students. ASA works for affordable, accessible higher education in Arizona by advocating to elected officials and running campaigns on issues important to students. Recent issues ASA has worked on include fighting tuition increases, increasing state-based financial aid, and passing legislation to reduce the cost of textbooks and help students register to vote.

Overview

Interns must be ready to work within a dynamic, student-led environment. In becoming an intern with the Arizona Students' Association, you will have the opportunity to get nationally recognized professional training in grassroots organizing and lobbying that will be applicable to any profession. You will meet tons of incredible people ranging from your fellow peers to Arizona legislators, reporters, Regents, and members of the administration. You have the unique opportunity to enhance your educational experience and start to apply the concepts and ideas that you have been learning in the class room. But most importantly, you will be working to make a huge difference for students in Arizona!

Interns may earn up to 3 units of university credit per semester.

Responsibilities

Advocacy, Outreach and Media Work

- Develop message and media strategy and tactics
- Media kit creation and press conference planning
- Lobby Corps Meetings
- Bill research and analysis
- Legislative Lobbying
- Board of Regent Lobbying

Organizing

- Building coalitions
- Student outreach
- Campaign strategy
- Event planning

Leadership Development

- Weekly skills and knowledge courses
- Develop knowledge of local and national politics
- Develop knowledge of higher education issues
- Attend statewide trainings, Arizona Students' Association and Arizona Board of Regents' meetings

Recommended Qualifications

- Strong written and verbal communication skills.
- Interest in government or higher education issues.
- Interns must be willing to take direction from peers and be independently motivated.
- Ability to be flexible and innovative.
- MS Office proficiency.
- Minimum GPA: 2.0

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