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Internships at Policy Matters

We offer unpaid internships year-round in both our Cleveland and Columbus offices. We accept applications for fall, winter and spring internships on an ongoing basis. The application period for summer internships begins in February and ends when all positions are filled.

Being a Policy Matters intern is a great way to:

- Do substantive, interesting work in one or more policy areas, including tax and budget, economics, consumer protection, asset building, education, green energy and communications;
- Be a vital part of our small, enthusiastic, congenial staff;
- Learn how a policy research institute operates;
- Help produce high-quality research;
- Help gain media attention for important issues facing working families;
- Help us interact with policy makers.

Requirements for the position include:

- High standards;
- Desire to explore policies that would better serve working families;
- Minimum of 24 hours per week in the summer, 16 hours a week during the school year;
- Current preference in Columbus is for graduate students, with junior and senior undergraduates welcome.

To apply

Submit current resume, letter of interest and brief writing sample electronically to Piet van Lier (pvanlier@policymattersohio.org) for positions in our Cleveland office, and to Wendy Patton (wpatton@policymattersohio.org) and Hannah Halbert (hhalbert@policymattersohio.org) for positions in our Columbus office.

Be sure the letter of interest includes dates of availability and reason for interest in the organization. After receipt of the letter, we will contact you to let you know if we'd like to set up a brief interview, in person or on the phone.

While Policy Matters is not able to provide a stipend, we will provide letters of support if interns are exploring independent funding through their colleges or through another source.

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