Office of Government Relations Internship Program

The Episcopal Church's Office of Government Relations is seeking interns to provide research, policy, and administrative support. There are two opportunities, Summer from June through August (application deadline is February 14), and a 9-month program from September through May (application deadline is July 14). These policy, research, and advocacy internships provide the intern with opportunities to learn and practice the skills of policy research and analysis, advocacy, and engagement. While interns will have significant autonomy in their work, the staff works closely with them to provide an enriching experience and access to outside experts and resources; interns can expect mentoring and training in skills desirable in any policy-based office. Interns will receive **a $1,750 stipend** (internships may be eligible for **academic credit,** subject to specific educational institution requirements)**.** Internships are designed to be full-time (M-F, 9-5 pm ET); however, part-time positions may be possible on a case-by-case basis, with the stipend adjusted proportionally.

The intern will:

- Support engagement with government officials, in partnership with ecumenical, interfaith, and secular coalitions
- Work to recruit, engage, and mobilize Episcopalians in the Episcopal Public Policy Network around issues of poverty relief, immigration, the environment, international peace and justice, and more
- Assist in writing and research for weekly action alerts and other online communication outreach
- Research and track crucial legislative initiatives
- Attend committee hearings, think tank events, and other events in the Washington, D.C., policy community as needed
- Administrative tasks as needed

By the end of the program, the intern will have achieved the following outcomes:

- Learn how the staff of the Office of Government Relations and members of the Episcopal Public Policy Network advocate for the positions of The Episcopal Church
- Gain proficiency in policy research and writing by working with staff on Episcopal Church policy and congressional legislation
- Achieve a level of comfort with faith-based advocacy through work with staff members on public policy
- Acquire administrative skills necessary to succeed in any office environment

Applicants, while not required to be Episcopalian, should be committed to representing positively and effectively the policy positions of The Episcopal Church. Additionally, they should possess strong research and communication skills, both oral and written.

To apply, please submit your resume, cover letter, and two writing samples to eppn@episcopalchurch.org