











## A Message From Jeff

Greetings,

I am looking for qualified university students for full- or part-time internships in my Washington, D.C. office and six offices in Oregon.



As you may know, my own public service began at the age of 19, when I interned for former Oregon Senator Mark O. Hatfield. Never in my wildest dreams did I believe that I would return to the Senate 33 years later to represent Oregon in the same seat once held by Senator Hatfield. I hope I can offer students the same unique life-changing opportunities my internship gave me.

If you are a bright, motivated student interested in public service, I invite you to apply.

Sincerely,

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Jeff Merkley United States Senator

## THE INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

Washington DC Program. Interns are paired with legislative staff or press based on their interests and experience. They assist staff in researching legislative issues, and are often called upon to attend briefings, prepare memos, and draft correspondence. In addition, interns are expected to assist the correspondence department as well as with important administrative office duties.

State Program. Interns assist Portland staff in the communications department and with the constituent services staff, who often work with government agencies in providing help or resolving problems in matters concerning immigration, Social Security and veterans benefits – to name a few. In other state offices, interns work one-on-one with staff, helping to plan events the Senator attends, such as town hall meetings, business visits, and meetings with local stakeholders. They are expected to support general administrative needs in the office.

All internships are unpaid. If your college or university offers credit for internships, we will coordinate with the appropriate staff to help you receive credit.

### **APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS**

**Dates and durations.** There are three main internship sessions - fall, winter/spring and summer – with flexibility within each session to accommodate for semester and quarterly schedules. Internships are offered at part-time or full-time, though full-time commitments are preferred.

Application deadlines are as follows:

Spring Semester – November 20 Summer – March 31 Fall Semester – August 20

**To apply.** To apply for an internship, please submit a resume, cover letter, a short essay describing what you hope to gain from the internship, a letter of recommendation and two references to the Intern Coordinator.

#### DC interest

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#### State interest

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To find out more information about the internship program, please call (202) 224-3753 or visit: http://merkley.senate.gov/services/internships

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# U.S. Senator Jeff Merkley's Internship Program









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