

EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING!

PUBLIC SERVICE INTERNSHIPS IN TENNESSEE | SUMMER SEMESTER 2019

The University of Tennessee Institute for Public Service (IPS) serves business and government to improve the lives of Tennesseans. In support of this mission, IPS provides consulting, training and research for local governments across the state. This outreach mission allows IPS to develop opportunities and public service internships for exceptional students interested in local government careers.

- ✓ Internships are primarily but not exclusively awarded to graduate students, and women and people of color are encouraged to apply. The internships are located in Tennessee but application is not limited to universities or students in Tennessee.
- ✓ This semester's internships are with city and county governments across the state, and the deadline for submitting applications for the summer semester is March 29, 2019.

■ **ABOUT THE INTERNSHIPS**

Internships are structured for students interested in careers and research in local government services and policy support, and students selected work with cities and counties in Tennessee through the two IPS agencies that directly serve local governments – the County Technical Assistance Service and the Municipal Technical Advisory Service.

- This is a statewide program and, to the extent possible, internships will be located convenient to students and hosts.
- Internships start and end with the academic semester and generally last about 10-12 weeks. Interns typically work 20- 40 hours per week, depending on the need. Students enrolled in classes during the internship semester are limited to a maximum of 20 hours per week.
- Interns complete a series of required learning objectives. IPS emphasizes professional development and, when available, interns attend city, county and professional association meetings.
- Compensation for students is \$12 per hour, and the only extra benefits are the challenges and opportunities of working with local governments and agencies.
- Students are limited to a single Public Service Internship with IPS.

Consultants of IPS serve as mentors and supervisors for these interns.

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■ ELIGIBILITY AND HOW TO APPLY

Students submit a resume and letter of interest through faculty at their campus or to Steve Thompson (listed below). Interested students should have completed at least 6 graduate credit hours prior to the internship and participate no later than the semester following graduation. The letter of interest should describe the student's professional interests, including interest in a local government career and area of the state desired for the internship. The resume should include academic degrees, overall GPA and anticipated graduation schedules of the student.

The program brochure and other information is available at the IPS website <http://www.ips.tennessee.edu/public-service-internships> or contact Steve Thompson at steve.thompson@tennessee.edu.

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