COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND COMMERCE

Internship Program

The Committee on Energy and Commerce offers a limited number of internships to undergraduate and graduate students, providing a unique opportunity to observe and participate in the operations of a congressional committee and the legislative process.

The Committee on Energy and Commerce is the oldest standing legislative committee in the House of Representatives with the broadest jurisdiction of any congressional authorizing committee. The Committee has responsibility for telecommunications, consumer protection, food and drug safety, public health research, environmental quality, energy policy, and interstate and foreign commerce. Successful applicants will be placed with one of the committee’s staff teams and work closely with the staff on a variety of tasks based on interests and experience level.

Internships are offered throughout the year, but space is limited, and the Committee typically receives far more applicants than the number of available placements, so interested candidates should submit their applications as soon as possible. The deadline for submitting applications for summer internships is April 12th. The deadline for submitting applications for fall and spring academic semester internships is more flexible, but applicants should generally have all materials submitted at least one month before their intended start date. Internships with the Committee are unpaid but may be applied toward college credits.

To apply for an internship with the Committee on Energy and Commerce, please submit the following materials:

- a current resume
- dates and hours of availability
- a letter of recommendation
- an essay of 500 words or less about why you would like an internship with the Committee

These items should be sent to the Committee’s Intern Coordinator, Samantha Bopp, via email at Samantha.Bopp@mail.house.gov or faxed to 202-225-1919.

Due to heightened security restrictions, packages sent via the U.S. Postal Service, Federal Express, UPS, and other similar carriers may experience significant delays in reaching the committee. Therefore paper applications are not recommended.