RESEARCH INTERN (SUMMER)

Research Team
New York, NY
Position Description



About the Peterson Foundation

The Peter G. Peterson Foundation is working to secure a healthy, growing economy by addressing America's long-term fiscal challenges. The Foundation partners with leading policy experts, elected officials, and the public to build support for solutions to put America on a sustainable fiscal path. As a non-partisan organization, the Foundation engages in grant-making, partnerships, and research to educate and involve Americans from a variety of perspectives.

Department Summary

The Research Team is a group of policy specialists who investigate and write about budget and economic policies in the United States. The team also develops and oversees grants to a variety of external partners. In recent months, the team has published analyses of some of the major budget proposals before the Congress, worked with leading policy analysts from think tanks across the political spectrum to develop analyses of major policy issues, and prepared primers for the public.

Position Summary

PGPF offers an 8-12 week, full-time summer internship in its New York office. The internship is intended for students enrolled in graduate programs in public policy, though undergraduates in related disciplines may also apply.

Research interns provide analytical support to the Foundation's overall operations. Depending on qualifications, experience, and interest, interns will participate in the following types of activities:

- Ongoing tracking of current economic and legislative developments, news, and trends important to inform the work of the Foundation
- Research and data analysis on relevant policy issues
- Creation of Foundation-generated content for distribution through multiple channels (digital, print, video, appearances, etc.)

Candidates should be able to demonstrate strong research, analytical, writing, and organizational skills. Prior coursework in public policy, economics, or finance is required. All candidates should have a proven ability to translate complex information into clear and accessible language. Research interns must be able to work independently and collaboratively, and be able to juggle priorities in a fast-changing work environment.

In order to build productive relationships across the organization and to ensure effective collaboration, this role requires in-person presence in accordance with the organization's hybrid schedule of working in the office three days per week (Monday/Tuesday/Thursday).

Summer Internship

Deadline for application: April 30, applications considered on a rolling basis

Internship dates: May to August (flexible with school calendars)

Salary

We anticipate that the hourly rate for this position will be \$17 to \$18 per hour.

To Apply

To apply, please send a brief letter summarizing your interest and a resume to careers@pgpf.org. Subject header on the e-mail should be: "Research Internship Application."

The Peter G. Peterson Foundation is proud to be an equal opportunity employer and encourages candidates of all backgrounds to apply to our organization. We offer a welcoming community that respects each individual and fosters a diverse set of experiences, perspectives, skills and ideas. We are committed to building a workplace in which every team member can thrive personally and professionally and contribute to our mission.