

# DC Scholars Internship Program

## Frequently Asked Questions

**When is the application deadline?** All DC student applicants should apply by April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2009 to be eligible for the Summer 2009 DC Scholars program.

**Do the applicants need to be 18 years old to apply for the DC Scholars program?** Yes, applicants need to be 18 years or older by June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2009 to be eligible for the program. Students who do not meet the age requirement are encouraged to apply for our College Internship Program the following year.

**Does this program apply to former DC public school students?** The DC Scholars program is designed specifically for current Washington DC high school students. Former DC high school students are encouraged to apply for our College Internship program.

**How can I verify the submission of my application?** A confirmation email will be sent to your email address within three days of upon receipt. To best ensure proper application, be sure to include “DC Scholars” in your email subject line and submit a complete application.

**My high school will only release transcripts to official recipients. Can they send the transcript directly to the White House?** Yes, administrators should email a scanned copy of the transcript as a PDF to [intern\\_application@whitehouse.gov](mailto:intern_application@whitehouse.gov). Please be sure to include the student name and “DC Scholars” in the email subject line.

**What makes a student a successful DC Scholars applicant?** DC Scholar participants should be interested in civic involvement and government. Volunteering at a church, recreation center, or a non-profit are all great examples of civic involvement.

**What offices should DC Scholars list as their preference?** DC Scholars students will have the opportunity to work in a variety of White House offices. For a full listing of office opportunities please visit [www.whitehouse.gov/about/internships](http://www.whitehouse.gov/about/internships). You will not be guaranteed placement in the office of your choice.

**How long should my resume be and what should it include?** Your resume should be no longer than one page and should include your educational experience, work experience, extracurricular activities, and service experiences.

**Can I mail a hard copy of my application or transcript?** No, only applications sent via email will be reviewed.

**Is the White House DC Scholars Internship a paid position?** No. White House internships are unpaid positions.

**Is housing provided?** No, applicants must arrange for their own housing.

**Who should my letters of recommendation be addressed to?** “To whom it may concern” or “White House Internship Reviewing Committee”