CEA Intern Position Description

The White House Council of Economic Advisers (CEA) is located in Washington, D.C. and offers full- and part-time internships during the spring and fall, and full-time internships during the summer. Interns at CEA are responsible for assisting staff in researching a wide range of macroeconomic, microeconomic, and international issues, analyzing data, and contributing towards the policy-making process. Administrative duties to support the work of the Council are also involved.

CEA interns work on exciting, challenging projects with real world implications. They earn valuable experience applying their quantitative and qualitative research skills on a daily basis and learn new ways to approach questions from CEA economists who serve as their mentors. The CEA internship program is designed to offer our interns a breadth of valuable professional development and networking experiences, including brownbag lunches with prominent economists and opportunities to connect with other agencies.

CEA provides the President with objective economic analysis and advice on the development and implementation of a wide range of domestic and international economic policy issues. The Council is comprised of a Chair and two Members; the Chair is Senate-confirmed, and all three are Presidential Appointees. The staff of the Council consists of Senior and Junior Economists, Research Assistants, and a statistical and administrative staff.

Requirements

All applicants must be U.S. citizens and at least 18 years of age by the internship program start date. Additionally, applicants must meet the following criteria to be eligible:

- Are currently enrolled in an undergraduate or graduate degree program at a college, community college, or university (two-or-four-year institution) or have graduated from an undergraduate or graduate degree program in the past two years;
- Have demonstrated interest in economics, statistics, mathematics, public policy, or finance with a strong academic record and passion for public service;
- Have excellent writing and analytical skills;
- Have experience using Microsoft Office and conducting research and analysis;
Priority will be given to interns with the ability to work full-time.

Preferred candidates will also have experience with Stata (or a similar statistical software).

Application details

If you are interested in applying, please send your resume, transcript, and cover letter via email to:

The Intern Program Coordinators
Council of Economic Advisers
Email: CEAInternships@cea.eop.gov

Application Deadlines: Applications are accepted on a rolling basis with a cut-off date approximately three weeks in advance of the start date. For the Fall 2019 internship, the application cut-off date is August 19. Exact start and end dates are below.

All internship positions at the Council of Economic Advisers are unpaid. The United States Government does not discriminate in employment on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, political affiliation, sexual orientation, gender identity, marital status, disability and genetic information, age, membership in an employee organization, or other non-merit factor.

Internship Dates:

Fall 2019: September 10 – December 6 (application cut-off date: August 19)

Spring 2020: January 14 – May 8

Summer 2020: May 19 – August 14