

City of Cleveland Office of Sustainability Internship Opportunities

The City of Cleveland's Office of Sustainability is offering an internship for undergraduate or graduate students interested in gaining practical government experience in sustainability issues including but not limited to stormwater management, carbon footprinting, and waste reduction.

The Office of Sustainability is a City program within the Division of Water, Department of Public Utilities. The Office was established in the May of 2005 to help save the City money and reduce its ecological footprint. Through sustainability principles, the City can be more efficient and effective at delivering quality service to residents.

The Office of Sustainability works with the City's Administration and all City Departments to integrate sustainability principles into the Departments' operation and services to achieve the following goals:

- Save the City of Cleveland money and reduce the City's ecological footprint;
- Use sustainability as a tool for economic development;
- Introduce sustainability principles to City of Cleveland employees and instill a sustainability culture through education.

By focusing on these goals we will help to retain people, businesses, and intellectual capital in this region by providing a friendly and healthy place for people to live, visit, and work. The Office of Sustainability is working to make the City of Cleveland a Green City on a Blue Lake, making Cleveland a City of Choice.

Internship Opportunity:

Description:

Intern position will be general in nature. Intern will have opportunities to work on the City's carbon footprinting, stormwater management plan, or other relevant issues. Specific job duties include researching national best practices, writing reports on environmental initiatives, drafting policies and procedures, and data entry. Intern will interface with public officials and a variety of city departments.

Eligibility:

Must be at least a sophomore undergraduate in good standing or a graduate student interested in sustainability, with experience specifically related to environmental science and/or policy, urban planning, engineering, political science or other related areas. Excellent writing and communication skills, ability to work independently, attention to detail, the ability to take initiative on specific projects are required.

Compensation:

Currently the City of Cleveland is under a hiring freeze. We are not able to pay interns at this time. We would work with any student for possible course credit and/or internship requirement fulfillment. Please consult with your academic institution for more specific information.

To apply, submit your resume and one writing sample to Philena Seldon at: philena_seldon@clevelandwater.com

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All resumes must be received by October 1st, 2008.