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# THE POLICORNER NEWSLETTER

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## ABOUT POLICORNER

WE TURNED 3 MONTHS OLD!



Policorner is a non-partisan internship and jobs platform dedicated to helping students and recent graduates break into political, non-profit, and legal careers. With over 2,000+ active internship and job listings across the country, Policorner features one of the most comprehensive political jobs databases.

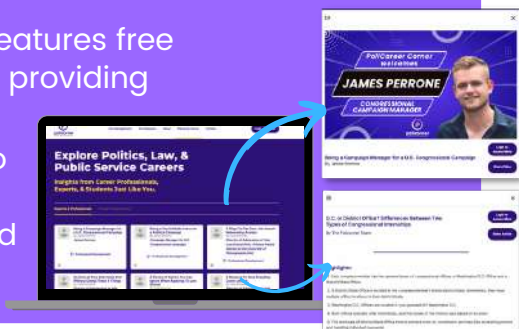
## DID YOU KNOW?



Late August and early September are typically the hottest hiring periods for political campaigns, as summer interns return to school, primary elections wrap up, & campaigns finalize their teams in the run up to November. Now's time to apply!

## LEARN ABOUT POLITICAL JOBS ON POLICAREER CORNER

Policareer Corner features free articles and videos providing students with candid insights into different career paths in politics and public service.



## IN THIS NEWSLETTER



New Fall Political Internships Hiring Now (apply today)

### Accepting Applications:



Policorner launches "Open Discourse" Fellowship giving students unparalleled access to elected officials



Upcoming Policorner Events: Applying to Law School -and- Breaking into Politics



Learn about "Interning in Washington D.C: Advice from a Current D.C. Intern" (Policorner Exclusive Article)



Learn about "The Political Internship Application Cycle" (Policorner Exclusive Article)

## GET HIRED IN POLITICS TODAY

Policorner features thousands of political, legal, and nonprofit jobs.

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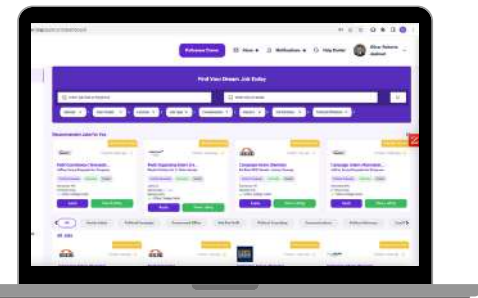
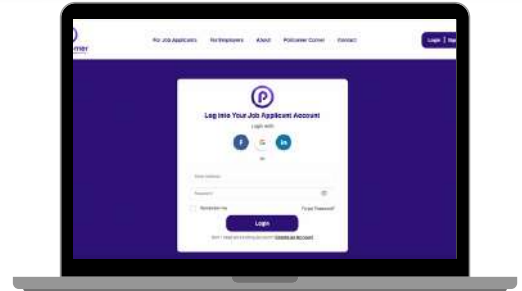
# How to Create a Policorner Account

**QUICK, EASY, AND FREE!**

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## Sign Up Free on Policorner.org

Use LinkedIn, Gmail, or Facebook to "quick" login! It takes just 30 seconds.



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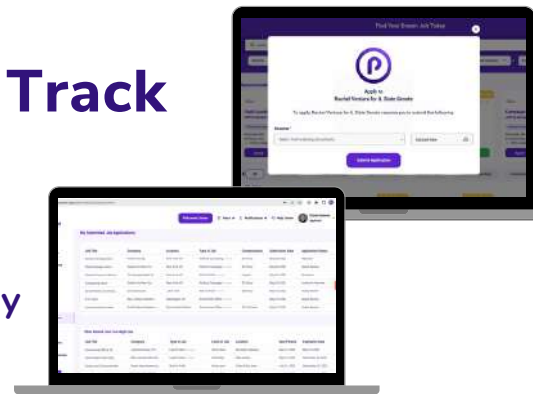
## Browse & filter thousands of jobs & internships

Filter by political affiliation, location, pay rate, industry, level and more! And save "favorite" jobs.

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## "Quick" One-Click Apply & Track Applications Automatically

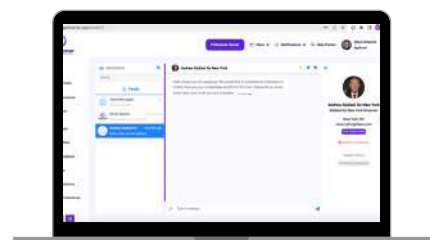
Apply directly on Policorner with just one click and track your applications automatically



**4**

## Message Employers, Get Invitations to Apply to Jobs, & Get Hired!

Directly message employers, receive employer invitations to jobs, and land your dream job!



# Policorner Announces Fall 2022 "Open Discourse" Fellowship

## The *Open Discourse* Fellowship

A fellowship bringing together past, present, & future leaders-  
from all political & socio-economic backgrounds- to openly  
discuss and debate the most pressing issues of our time.

Hosted by:



### FELLOWSHIP BOARD OF ADVISORS

John Catsimatidis  
Hank Greenberg  
Joshua Eisen  
Robert Cole

### **GOVERNOR GEORGE PATAKI**

**53rd Governor of New York State**  
Senior Counsel, Norton Rose Fulbright

### OLIVER ROBERTS

*Fellowship Director &  
Organizer*  
NYC Attorney  
Founder & CEO, PoliCorner

### Fellowship Speakers



**Gov. George Pataki**  
*Former Governor of NYS*



**Rep. Tom Suozzi**  
*U.S. Congressman (NY-03)*



**Rep. Nicole Malliotakis**  
*Congresswoman (NY-11)*



**Rep. Jamaal Bowman**  
*Congressman (NY-16)*



**Brian Kilmeade**  
*Host, Fox & Friends  
Fox News Network*



**Curtis Sliwa**  
*Founder, Guardian Angels  
NYC Mayor Candidate 2021*



**Vicki Paladino**  
*NYC Council Member  
District 19 (Queens)*



**Mayor Bill de Blasio**  
*New York City Mayor,  
2014-21*



**Sept 28- Nov 16**  
(8 weeks)



Session includes dinner & open discussion with  
fellowship speakers on week's assigned topic



**Fully In-Person**

(with very limited number of  
remote fellows permitted based  
on geographic constraints)



**Wednesdays**  
**7:00-9:30 pm**



Empire Steakhouse  
151 West 50th Street  
New York, New York



**Full Scholarship**  
(need-based transportation stipend  
available for NYC Metro area)



**Deadline to Apply:**  
**September 25**

**APPLY NOW**

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## The Open Discourse Fellowship

### FELLOWSHIP MISSION & GOALS



The Open Discourse Fellowship brings together past, present, & future leaders- from all political & socio-economic backgrounds- to openly discuss and debate the most pressing issues of our time. In today's political climate, discussion and debate about real issues and change have fallen by the wayside, and collaboration across the aisle is rarer than ever.

The George Pataki Leadership Center is working to change that--one fellow at a time. With sit-down dinners with elected officials and leading media personalities, fellows will be challenged to learn, listen, discuss, and debate the different perspectives on contemporary societal and policy issues.

### FELLOWSHIP CURRICULUM



Fellows will complete weekly readings and attend fellowship dinners ready to discuss and debate issues presented in the weekly readings. Discussions will be led by the fellowship instructor and fellowship guest speakers. The topics will include open discourse, leadership, working across the aisle, free speech, cancel culture, recent Supreme Court decisions, policy, and more.

### GUEST SPEAKERS



From elected officials to leading voices in media, fellowship guest speakers will lead fellowship dinner discussions and provide fellows with the opportunity to directly engage in discussion and debate.

### APPLICATION PROCESS



Applicants should submit their application through our application portal here <https://policorner.org/job-listing-details/fall-pataki-fellow-2022-09-07-102017> (preferred method), through the QR code, or email their resume and statement of interest to [oroberts@policorner.org](mailto:oroberts@policorner.org)

While not required, letters of recommendation are welcome. For letter of recommendation submissions, please have the recommender directly email the recommendation letter to [oroberts@policorner.org](mailto:oroberts@policorner.org) with the student's name in the subject line.



For more information, please contact Oliver at [oroberts@policorner.org](mailto:oroberts@policorner.org)



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# Trending Political Internships Hiring Now



**SEAN RYAN**  
FOR STATE SENATE

REMOTE OPTION

APPLY NOW



re-elect Senator Toby Ann  
**STAVISKY**  
DEMOCRAT

REMOTE OPTION

APPLY NOW



**PAUL MARK**  
for STATE SENATE

REMOTE OPTION

APPLY NOW



Jeffrey  
**SOSSA - PAQUETTE**  
FOR CONGRESS MA-2

APPLY NOW



**SAMRA BROUK**  
STATE SENATE

REMOTE OPTION

APPLY NOW



**COONEY**  
for NYS Senate

REMOTE OPTION

APPLY NOW



**Joseph Shelton**  
Colorado State Board of Education  
Congressional District 5

REMOTE OPTION

APPLY NOW



**Rachel Ventura**  
Candidate For  
IL State Senate  
District 43

REMOTE OPTION

APPLY NOW





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# UPCOMING POLICORNER EVENTS

## HOW TO GET YOUR START IN POLITICS



**JAMES PERRONE**

*Congressional Campaign Manager (NY & FL)*  
*Deputy Campaign Manager of NYC Mayoral Race*



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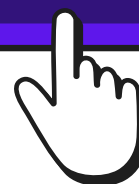
*Regional Organizing Director for the NYS Democratic Party*  
*Field Organizer for Biden 2020*

*Free Zoom Event*

**TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 13, 2022**

**8:00PM - 9:00PM ET**

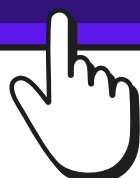
**SIGN UP NOW**



Or click here to RSVP:  
<https://forms.gle/8RrF1YYQUuos7nsV8>

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## APPLYING TO LAW SCHOOL



**TOM ROZINSKI**

*Professor and Prelaw Advisor at Touro University (2008-Present)*  
*Former Professor at University of Michigan Law School*



**TODD ROTHMAN**

*Yale Law School, Director of Admissions (2018-20)*  
*Penn, Senior Assoc. Director, Graduate School Advising (2007-18)*  
*Columbia Law School, Assistant Director of Admissions (2004-07)*

*Free Zoom Event*

**WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 14, 2022**

**8:00PM - 9:00PM ET**

# Interning in Washington D.C: Advice from a Current D.C. Intern



**BY COLTER ADAMS**

D.C. Intern for Congressman Don Beyer (VA-08), junior at Bowdoin College

## Highlights:

1. Learn more about a congressman's internship program before accepting the intern position. Some programs are highly engaging, while others may not be.
2. Be ready to answer a lot of phone calls from constituents. Yes, that includes the crazy out-of-stater who calls in about a bird-related conspiracy theory
3. Sign up for everything - even the Joe Manchin lecture
4. "Get coffee" with everyone in the office

## Overview:

Growing up minutes from D.C., I have always been fascinated by politics and the federal government. Ever since high school, I dreamt of one day working at the center of it all: the United States Capitol. That dream became a reality this summer, when I joined the staff of Congressman Don Beyer [D VA-8] on the Hill. Here are some tips of the trade from three months as a congressional intern:

## Know your Member of Congress

Since there are no requirements for how a Member of Congress runs their internship program, each experience is truly unique. For example, you could receive a large stipend, or be scrounging for pennies for the metro. You might write co-sponsor memos and questions for briefings, or spend most of your time reading articles and waiting for a constituent call. I worked for a Congressman who cared deeply about the internship experience, and it showed.

We received special projects on important legislation from our Legislative Director, and we were encouraged by our boss to attend hearings and speaking events related to our interests. Congressman Beyer checked in on us regularly, even stopping by to work on the New Yorker crossword puzzle or take us to lunch. Not everyone is so lucky, so make sure you know a little bit about what the internship experience is like in your member's office before you apply, ideally by talking to former interns.

# Interning in Washington D.C: Advice from a Current D.C. Intern



## **Be ready to answer a lot of phone calls**

Working in Congress as an intern is awe-inspiring, but it can also be incredibly humbling. While you will experience unparalleled exposure to the legislative process, you will inevitably spend the majority of your time answering and logging phone calls from constituents. This responsibility can be repetitive, frustrating, tense, and sometimes terrifying, so be confident in your ability to treat anybody who calls, and I mean anybody, with deference and respect. Yes, that includes the crazy out-of-stater who calls in about a bird-related conspiracy theory- trust me, I've been there. If there's any truth to the idea that interns run Washington D.C., it can be found on the overloaded phones lines of Congress. Don't apply to be a Hill intern unless you are ready to shoulder that responsibility.

## **Sign up for everything - even the Joe Manchin lecture**

One of the greatest parts of being a Hill intern (after riding the Senate train of course) is having access to incredible educational opportunities. You can enroll in courses with the Congressional Research Service and explore the archives of the Library of Congress. You can attend speaker events with some of the most powerful people in the world and ask them questions about their leadership choices and the decisions they make.

Don't waste your proximity to the policymaking process on searching for the best cafeteria, or boycotting a special event hosted by a member of the opposite party. If you secure the gig, you are one of a few thousand lucky students out of millions with the access your intern badge brings. Use it with pride (but put away your badge after work because nobody wants to see that on the metro).

## **"Get coffee" with everyone in the office**

"Getting coffee" may sound like another obnoxious euphemism for networking in D.C. and it absolutely is. But it's also a chance to have a heart to heart with a person about your age who has managed to land a coveted junior staff job in Congress.

Legislative and staff assistants are well aware of how important it is to know someone in D.C. to land a good job, and will most likely do everything they can to be that person for you. But only if you make an effort. While it can be intimidating to set up a meal with the brilliant Sam Seaborn type in the office who seems to have a complete mastery over every policy area under the sun, you absolutely should. And if you're feeling confident afterward, try getting coffee with their boss as well.



# An Overview of the Political Internship Application Cycle

## BY THE POLICORNER TEAM

### Highlights:

1. While the political job sector is always hiring, the biggest hiring pushes are seasonal and cyclical depending on election dates
2. The best times to apply for campaigns are the months before the primary and the weeks following it
3. Congress consistently hires interns for the fall, spring, and summer  
Between campaigns, congressional offices, government agencies, and consulting firms, there are thousands of political employers looking to hire students throughout the year. The chaotic cycles of political staffing can make the application process seem intimidating. So, here's a few insights to help you stay on top of your applications.

### Congressional Internships

Each year, congressmembers host thousands of interns in both their D.C. and District offices. While deadlines vary, the three main internship hiring cycles are fall, spring, and summer.

The fall and spring tend to be less competitive cycles compared to the summer because most students are enrolled full-time in school. Congress is also in session longer during these fall and spring periods which yields legislative excitement. Application deadlines for the fall typically range from June to August, and in the spring from October to December.

The summer is the most competitive time to apply for congressional internships because most students are not in school and are looking for internships. Although positions vary, summer interns are typically more focused on constituent service work, like answering calls from constituents. Congress is also in session for less time during the summer. Applications for summer internships typically range from March to April. Some offices accept applications on a rolling basis, and it's a good idea to apply early.

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## Political Campaign Internships

Opportunities for students to work on campaigns are typically limited to volunteer, intern, and field organizer positions. Generally, it's a good idea to start researching positions on congressional and state-wide races three to four months before the primary election date. Campaigns also pick up hiring in August and September, as campaigns ramp up for the general elections in November.

## Congressional Campaigns

Although it varies, congressional campaigns in competitive primaries often look to hire interns four to two months before the primary election date. Joining a campaign in the primary phase allows one to gain experience and connections which can be building blocks for positions with more responsibility. Primary dates vary by state and range from March to mid-September. Following the primary, increases in donor and national party funds allow for further hiring and paid positions. Congressional elections tend to make their last hires for interns around Labor Day, but some grow their team up until Election Day.

## Presidential Campaigns

Presidential campaigns often begin two years before Election Day. Presidential campaigns have field directors in many states and direct armies of volunteers in canvassing and phone-banking operations. Campaigns often focus on early primary states such as Iowa, New Hampshire, Nevada, and South Carolina. Being located or able to work in one of these states will help your chances of being hired. Joining a presidential campaign during the primaries allows students to establish themselves and work their way up to higher-level positions by the general election.

## State-Level Campaigns

Working on state-level races—like state assembly, state senate, state house, or gubernatorial campaigns—often allow for more responsibility and closer relationships to the candidates and senior staff. From Governor to Secretary of State, state-wide elections have important outcomes for millions of constituents statewide. Due to their lower profile, state campaigns tend to have smaller teams and landing internships can be less competitive.

## Consulting Firm Internships

Political consulting firms play a critical role in helping candidates shape and grow their campaigns. The responsibilities of interns at consulting firms include research, data analysis, fundraising, media, and strategy. Some firms take on part-time seasonal interns while others hire interns to grow their team closer to Election Day. It's a good idea to keep an eye out for internship openings year-round and especially in midterm and presidential election years.



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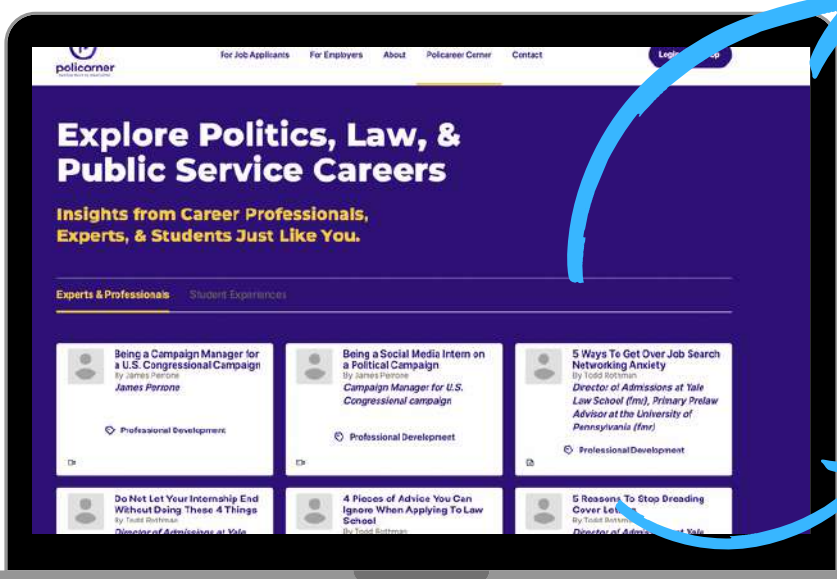
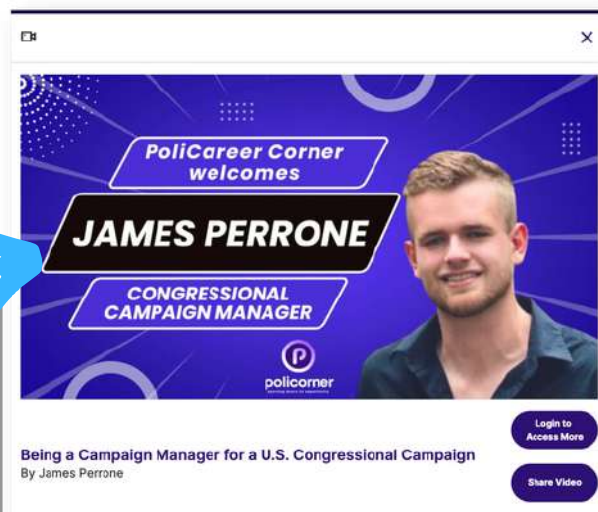


# Check out the Policareer Corner

## New Policareer Corner Provides Students with Candid Insights into Political and Nonprofit Careers

Policareer Corner features free articles and videos providing students with candid insights into different career paths in politics and public service. Created by both career professionals and students, these articles and videos provide behind-the-scene insights, advice, and guidance for students interested in pursuing internships and careers in public service.

Learn what it's like to be a Campaign Manager, Social Media Intern, Non-Profit Intern, and more!



- Highlights:**
1. Each congressman has two general types of congressional offices: a Washington D.C. Office and a District/State Office.
  2. A District/State Office is located in the congressman's home district/state. Sometimes, they have multiple office locations in their district/state.
  3. Washington D.C. Offices are located in (you guessed it!) Washington D.C.
  4. Both offices typically offer internships, and the duties of the interns vary based on location
  5. The workload of District/State Office Interns centers more on constituent services (like answering phones and handling individual casework)



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