

# Department of Political Science and Criminal Justice

Weekly Newsletter: October 26 – October 30, 2009

## Student Internships

Kentucky Legislative Intern/CO-OP

The **Kentucky Retail Federation** (KRF) is a statewide trade association made up of retail businesses located throughout the Commonwealth. KRF staff is actively engaged in the governmental arena as an advocate for the retail community. During a typical legislative session, they will be directly involved in more than 100 bills. KRF is seeking **two legislative interns** to assist its Government Affairs staff during the 2010 Kentucky General Assembly. The 2010 Session will begin on Tuesday, January 5 and the tentative schedule calls for it to end on April 13. There is post-Session work to be performed so the intern(s) selected will continue to work through the end of April. **\$2,500 stipend**

### **Specific Responsibilities:**

1. Assists in the writing and editing of legislative publications.
2. Assists in updating and maintaining the Federation's website.
3. Analyzes and prepares summaries of legislation relating to KRF and its affiliates.
4. Gathers background information on specific legislative issues.
5. Communicates with KRF members on specific legislation.
6. Assists in maintenance of a legislative issue tracking mechanism.
7. Monitors one or more committees of the Kentucky General Assembly.
8. Reports the activities of assigned committees to Executive Staff.
9. Assists in the preparation of Session Summary reports for distribution to members.
10. Carries out special projects relating to issues of interest as required.

**General Requirements:** Junior or Senior Status

Must have reliable transportation

Strong written and oral communication skills a must

Familiarity with Access database, Adobe InDesign, and Microsoft Word programs a plus  
Knowledge of Kentucky political system helpful but not required

### **Time Requirements:**

Approximately 20-25 hours per week. Hours are negotiable but full day availability on Wednesday or Tuesday & Thursday preferred  
Some evening work possible.

**Deadline For Application:** **Friday, October 30, 2009**

Submit resume' electronically to Senior Vice President Gay Dwyer (gdwyer@kyretail.com) or by mail (512 Capitol Avenue, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601)

**Washington Center Internship** – Tuesday, November 10, 2009, Senior Vice President, Joe Johnston will be speaking briefly (5-7 minutes) in various political science classes about the internship opportunities available through the Washington Center. Later in the afternoon, he will provide more detailed information on the opportunities and available funding. He will provide details on the \$6,000 that will be available to students on an individual basis to assist in covering the internship cost. The tentative time for this information session will be 3:15 – 4:15. This internship is **open to all majors** and has placements in federal agencies and nonprofits in the Washington, D.C. area.

**Henry Clay Internship** - The Kentucky Society of Washington is again sponsoring the Henry Clay Internship in Public Policy. This highly competitive program provides a six to eight week summer **internship in Washington, DC** for a qualified rising junior or senior from Kentucky and attending a Kentucky college or university.

The students selected for the program will be placed in an office of a member of the Kentucky congressional delegation or an agency of the executive branch. The students will receive a \$3,000 stipend to defray living expenses while in the nation's capital.

**The deadline for applications is December 10, 2009.** Applications and more information about the internship can be found at [www.kentuckysociety.org](http://www.kentuckysociety.org).

Please contact Rick Curtsinger, Henry Clay Intern Coordinator, at [rcurtsinger@hotmail.com](mailto:rcurtsinger@hotmail.com) or 502-693-7465 with any questions about the application process or program.

### **Future Leader Internship Program (FLIP)**

If you submitted a FLIP application make sure you have signed up for an interview! The sign-up sheet is located on Dr. McKenzie's door. Interviews are being held at various times based on availability on October 27<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup>.

If you have any questions please contact Dr. Jonathan McKenzie at [mckenziej1@nku.edu](mailto:mckenziej1@nku.edu)

### **Student Opportunities**

The National Center for Women and Policing is a nationally recognized organization with women from all ranks of law enforcement - from front line officers to executives, Sheriffs and Chiefs of Police. Departments represented include small, medium and large municipal police departments, county sheriff's departments, State Police agencies, and a variety of Federal agencies that include sworn officer personnel.

For more information about the National Center for Women and Policing please visit their Web site, [www.WOMENANDPOLICING.org](http://www.WOMENANDPOLICING.org)

Presented by the Northern Kentucky Forum, Tony Sholar, a veteran lobbyist, will share an insider's view of how to bring your cause to the attention of those who control policy and spending. He'll then join a panel of other experts and two Northern Kentucky legislators, Reps. Sal Santoro and Arnold Simpson, for a dialogue on how to have an impact. Located in the NKU Student Union Ballroom; free admission; **November 12<sup>th</sup>, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.**

Interested in the Minor in Middle Eastern & North African Studies? Consider this opportunity!

The National Council on U.S.-Arab Relations Model Arab League program. Similar to a Model United Nations conference, the Model Arab League event is a highly competitive diplomatic simulation of the League of Arab States. The goal of the program is to educate students on pertinent issues facing the Arab world, issues which are increasingly impacting both the United States and global politics.

Participants in Model Arab League develop valuable skills in diplomacy, negotiation, argumentation, critical thinking, researching, writing, and public speaking. The Ohio Model Arab League will be held February 26-28, 2010 at the University of Miami in Oxford, Ohio. More detailed information can be found at [www.ncusar.org/modelarableague](http://www.ncusar.org/modelarableague).

If you are interested in participating in Model Arab League, please contact Prof. Jennifer Millisor ([millisorj1@nku.edu](mailto:millisorj1@nku.edu)) by **November 1, 2009**.

## **Student Organizations**

Phi Alpha Delta presents, *The Election of Judges*. Should judges make the law or follow the law? Does anyone really know what that means? Judge Christopher Mehling, Kenton County Circuit Court, will speak on this matter. UC 270 (Otto Budig Theater) on Thursday November 12 at 4:30 pm. For additional information contact Professor Bruce McClure at [mclureb@nku.edu](mailto:mclureb@nku.edu)

## **Employment**

### **Staff Assistant -The Office of Congressman Geoff Davis**

**Description:** The Office of Congressman Geoff Davis is seeking a dedicated individual to join its hard-working team as a Staff Assistant working in our Ft. Mitchell District Office. Starting salary is \$26,000 per year.

**General requirements include:** The person in this position should be well-organized and detail-oriented and possess excellent communication and people skills. Candidates must be positive, motivated, organized and professional while maintaining a sense of humor. The successful candidate will also demonstrate a strong work ethic, team-oriented attitude and desire to learn new things.

The Staff Assistant is responsible for interacting with constituents in a wide array of situations and must always maintain a courteous and friendly demeanor. Also, the Staff Assistant is tasked with managing many responsibilities at once and must be adept at multi-tasking while maintaining attention to detail.

Typical tasks associated with the Staff Assistant position include:

- § Processing incoming and outgoing mail;
- § Drafting of correspondence for the Congressman;
- § Answering phones and interacting with constituents;
- § Assisting in the management of intern and leadership programs;
- § Oversight of office supplies and logistics;
- § Management of district outreach database; and
- § Handling some constituent casework.

Opportunities for expanded responsibility exist within the organization based on performance and attitude.

Application Requirements: Interested applicants should submit cover letter, resume and list of references with subject line: Attn: Staff Assistant. Via email to [JobsKy04@gmail.com](mailto:JobsKy04@gmail.com)

**Fifth Third Bank** has five open Fraud Detection Specialist positions. They have opportunities for one 1st shift, three 2nd shift, and one 3rd shift opportunity. These positions are all open due to growth in the company and are additions to staff.

They are posted on the [www.53.com](http://www.53.com) website, however any interested parties are welcome to contact Kristin Metz directly. Please see attachments for further details.

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### **Spring 2010 Registration**

Prepare for spring 2010 registration, dates to remember - **November 5 (Thurs.) Priority Registration** begins for current students and December 1 (Tues.) Early Registration begins. We have attached the following tentative schedule of classes that will be offered. Examine the available courses and create your schedules so you will be ready when registration begins. If you have any questions contact Prof. Millisor at [millisorj1@nku.edu](mailto:millisorj1@nku.edu) or 859-572-5526.