



**Internship Program
Office of Senator Richard J. Durbin (D-IL)**

The office of the United States Senator Dick Durbin offers an internship program to undergraduate and graduate students of all majors who are interested in experiencing the day-to-day operations of a Senator's office. The Senator's Illinois offices assist constituents in matters dealing with federal services and provide outreach to constituent interest groups on behalf of the Senator. The main focus of the district office is to serve Senator Durbin's constituents and to build relationships with communities, organizations and individuals.

The goal of Senator Durbin's internship program is to provide students the opportunity to understand and get involved with all aspects of the operation in a Senator's office, including scheduling, constituent services, and media relations. All interns are required to perform both reception and general office duties. However, the interns will be given as much substantive work as possible, as well as the opportunity to interact directly with staff, individual constituents, organizations, and Senator Durbin. Internships are available year-round. Intern schedules are based on each student's days and hours of availability. While interns receive no stipend, academic credit may be earned.

Applicants should send a completed internship application form, cover letter and resume, and an academic or professional reference to the attention of Samantha Ellison. To obtain a copy of the internship application, please visit the website: <https://www.durbin.senate.gov/help/internships>.

We have two deadlines quickly approaching for our **Fall Internship Session**:

Law/Graduate Student Deadline: May 31, 2018

Undergraduate Student Deadline: June 7, 2018

Applicants are encouraged to send their materials as early as possible as positions fill quickly. Any questions regarding the application process or the program should be directed to Samantha Ellison at (312) 353-4952.

Any of the following forms of contact are allowable:

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