



## Collegiate Internship: Summer 2019

*Cornerstone*, New Hampshire's pro-family policy organization, seeks motivated college students with an interest in the intersection of faith and government to serve as interns earning a stipend this summer. Since 2002, **Cornerstone** has been dedicated to a New Hampshire where God is honored, religious freedom flourishes, families thrive, and life is cherished. **You** are a university student demonstrating excellent thinking and writing skills, you are committed to a historically Judeo-Christian framework of faith, and you have an affinity for the spheres where church and state overlap.

### What is the *internship about*?

The summer internship is designed around four pillars of development and service:

Pillar	Description	Your Contribution/Development
<b>Character Development</b>	Devotions/reflections on Biblical and contemporary leaders who interact/ed with the civil governments of their time will serve as our tutors and inspiration!	You will develop a foundation for Christian citizenship, take steps in discerning your vocation, and be drawn into the adventure of a deeper relationship with God.
<b>Connection with Communities of Faith &amp; Faith-based Policy Influencers</b>	Making connections with local church leaders, and policy influencers, in view of strengthening Cornerstone's network with faith communities and elected officials, will allow Cornerstone to mobilize and catalyze faith community members at key times and on key issues of concern for people of faith.	You will contribute to and participate in networking opportunities with leaders in academia, church, and public policy with a view both to learn from them and to strengthen their connection to Cornerstone.
<b>Office / Event Management</b>	Just as every member of a family contributes to the greater good of the household, so every Cornerstone intern will contribute to some office organization and event management.	You will contribute to light database maintenance projects and event management as a member of the team.
<b>Messaging: Speaking &amp; Writing</b>	The intersection of church and state is a place of diverse viewpoints and requires both clarity and compassion in messaging.	You will contribute to the formation of both philosophical frameworks and messaging strategies/calls to action that are both Biblical and winsome, clear and compassionate.

**When and where** is the internship?

**Mon June 3 – Thu June 27, 2019**

- Mon – Thu, at varying hours: expect 7-8 hours per day with some early morning meetings and some evening community meetings; plus optional weekend events

@ The **Thomas More College of Liberal Arts**, 6 Manchester St., Merrimack, NH 03054; and

- **Event locations throughout the state:** *access to a car is mandatory*
- The internship is generally designed for NH commuters; but for highly-qualified out-of-state interns, housing arrangements at TMCLA may be made

**What will I do** during the internship?

<b>Learn</b>	The internship is truly designed to give more than it takes! Knowing that you represent the future of faith-based policy in our nation, we want to expose you to faith leaders, elected officials, and policy influencers in New Hampshire whom you can learn from.
<b>Serve</b>	During the internship, several events designed to equip & mobilize both church leaders & the grassroots are planned; you will help plan and execute those events.
<b>Speak</b>	You may speak at events for church leaders and for grassroots participants, answering the questions of <i>why</i> and <i>how</i> the church should engage with civil government. You may also serve in the creation of educational videos that help explain the NH state legislative process for the average citizen, addressing such topics as the uniqueness of NH state government, how a bill becomes a law, how to contact and interact with legislators, and the election/voting cycles of NH.
<b>Write</b>	You will contribute to the writing of an <i>Issue Brief</i> (Cornerstone viewpoint on a certain piece of existing/likely legislation or topic), an Op/Ed or Letter to the Editor, or to Cornerstone's <i>Engage The Granite State</i> Biblical citizenship curriculum for churches. For any of the above products, likely topics include Abortion/Sanctity of Life, Commercialized Recreational Marijuana, Gender/Transgender Policy, or Religious Freedom, among others.

**Is the internship paid?**

Interns who successfully complete the internship will receive a \$400 stipend.



## Application for Collegiate Internship: Summer 2019

### Personal Information

Name:
Address:
Telephone:
Email:

### Academic Background

College/University Attending (City, ST):
Expected Graduation Date:
Major/s/Concentrations:
Current GPA:
Preferred Courses and/or Exemplary Projects/Papers:

### Faith Background

Faith Community attended during elementary through high school years (include City, ST, website address):
Faith Community attending while at college/university (include City, ST, website address):

Describe level of involvement in faith community at college/university:

In this space or in an attachment, briefly describe your history of a relationship with God/personal Christian devotion:

### **Extra-Curricular Activities/Leadership**

Describe extra-curricular activities during *high school* years (athletics, arts, clubs, civic organizations, etc.) and any leadership roles in those activities:

Describe extra-curricular activities during *college* years (athletics, arts, clubs, civic organizations, etc.) and any leadership roles in those activities:

## Thinking & Writing

In this space or in an attachment, write a paragraph explaining your view of **how the church should relate to the state**; alternatively, take a **specific event/topic in church/state relations** and share your views on that event/topic. *This writing sample will be evaluated for both content (development of a reasonable argument) and style (ability to write coherently/effectively):*

## References

Please provide the name, position/organization, telephone number, and email address of someone who can serve as a candid reference for you in the areas below. Be sure to a) first ask their permission and b) thank them for their willingness! *Cornerstone will contact all three references.*

Academic Skills Reference (name, position/organization, telephone, email):

Character/Leadership Reference (name, position/organization, telephone, email):

Faith Community Involvement Reference (name, position/organization, telephone, email):

## Submission directions:

- By **Fri 5/10/19**, submit the completed application, any attachments, and your resume simultaneously to:
  - Neil Hubacker, Dir. of Strategic Alliances, at [nhubacker@nhcornerstone.org](mailto:nhubacker@nhcornerstone.org)
  - Clare Forrester, Dir. of Stewardship and Engagement, at [cforrester@nhcornerstone.org](mailto:cforrester@nhcornerstone.org)
  - Shannon McGinley, Executive Dir., at [smcginley@nhcornerstone.org](mailto:smcginley@nhcornerstone.org)