

# CRUX ET CIVITAS

## Collegiate Summer Internship

**Cornerstone**, New Hampshire's pro-family policy organization, seeks motivated college students and qualified high school juniors & seniors with an interest in the intersection of faith and government to serve as interns this summer. Since 2000, Cornerstone has been dedicated to a New Hampshire where God is honored, religious freedom flourishes, families thrive, and life is cherished. **To develop the next generation of leaders**, Cornerstone invites students demonstrating excellent thinking & writing skills who are connected to a local church, and who enjoy the spheres where church, culture, and government overlap, to apply.

### Purpose

*Developing Future Leaders*

To equip the next generation of leaders in the faith and the government spheres by:

- Helping them develop a public theology, that is, a Biblically-based understanding of how Christians should engage with civic government
- Connecting them to current church and state leaders, both for immediate enrichment and for the development of a professional network
- Entrusting them with meaningful, academic-level-appropriate projects that are both personally rewarding and beneficial to Cornerstone & The Church Ambassador Network

### Dates

*One Five-Week Session*

- 2023 Summer Session: Tue 5/30 – Fri 6/30

### Details

*When, Where, and How*

- **Location:** Cornerstone's Church Ambassador Network office: Concord, NH, with occasional outings elsewhere TBA
- **Schedule:** Tue – Fri, 9a – 4p, with occasional optional events/outings at other times
- **Typical Schedule**
  - 9am: Devotional & Formation

- *Devotional Scripture study/meditation and discussion, or discussion on key text from historical church leader; and brief time of prayer.*
    - Goal: formation of a public theology/philosophy of ministry in the government sphere, with emphasis on material common to Catholic, Protestant, and Orthodox streams of Christianity.
  - 10am: Guest Speaker
    - *A leader in the church or state sphere shares their own story of faith and of their calling to engage with or serve in civic government. Interns drive Q&A. Current & past elected and appointed officials from all three branches of state government, pastors & faith leaders, lobbyists/policy leaders, and grassroots organizers have served as past guests.*
    - Goals: Learning from other leaders' trajectories, inspiration from their leadership; growing in comfort level & capacity to engage others in Q&A.
  - 12n: Lunch (bring your own, with occasional group lunch outings)
  - 1pm – 4pm: Project Work
    - Goal: as an individual or in a team, or both, to make a substantive contribution to further the mission and vision of Cornerstone and the Church Ambassador Network.
- **Sample Project Areas**, based on intern interest and needs of the organization:
  - Audiovisual & communications development: podcasting, social media, videos, website
  - Concord 101 presentation development & presentation-giving
  - Church engagement/church network growth, events
  - Database administration
  - Historical research for blog entries on past NH government leaders, State House history, etc.
  - Interviews of current leaders for creation of blog content
  - Paralegal-type research & work on pending cases
  - Policy white paper research & writing

**Application for Cornerstone Collegiate Internship, *CRUX ET CIVITAS***

**Personal Information**

Name:
Address:
Telephone:
Email:

**Academic Background**

College or High School Attending (City, ST):
Expected Graduation Date:
Majors or Concentrations:
Current GPA:
Preferred Courses or Favorite Papers/Projects:

**Faith Background**

Faith Community attended through high school years (include City, State, website address):

Faith Community attending while at college (include City, State, website address):

Describe level of involvement in current faith community:

In this space or in an attachment, describe your personal commitment to the Christian faith:

**Extra-Curricular Activities/Leadership**

List extracurricular activities during *high school* years (athletics, arts, clubs, civic organizations, etc.) and any leadership roles:

List extracurricular activities during *college* years (athletics, arts, clubs, civic organizations, etc.) and any leadership roles:

### Thinking & Writing

In this space or in an attachment, choose ONE of the following:

1. Write a paragraph explaining your view of **how the church should relate to the state;**
2. Take a **specific event or topic in church-state relations** and share your views on that event/topic; OR
3. **Attach a recently written paper for another course** as a writing sample; be sure to make it clear what the parameters of the assignment were.

*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 1) first ask their permission and 2) 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):

## Transportation

I can arrange for my own transportation to/from the Church Ambassador Network office in Concord, for Tue-Fri 9a-4p during the 5 weeks of my internship

## Submission directions:

1. **You may include an optional resume**
2. Submit the completed application, any attachments, and your optional resume to Neil Hubacker at [nhubacker@nhcornerstone.org](mailto:nhubacker@nhcornerstone.org) or Mary Fahey at [mfahey@nhcornerstone.org](mailto:mfahey@nhcornerstone.org) by **Fri 5/19/23**
3. **In-person or remote interviews will be scheduled** on a rolling basis upon receipt of the Application materials