



ICW Legislative Internship

January 12 – mid-April 2009

Be on the front lines of policy making and gain unique job experience. The 2009 session is a critical session for student aid funding. We're looking for students who want to be part of the process and make a difference for students.

Who may apply:

Juniors and Seniors in any discipline

Apply by November 15

Students may work out course credit with a faculty member if allowed by the college.

Job Requirements:

We're looking for students with an interest in student aid policy, strong writing and speaking skills. Students who are Washington residents and/or receive some from of state or federal aid a plus. Strong candidates must be flexible and ability to respond to changing circumstances with composure. Desire to learn and make a difference for students is important. Ability to get to Olympia on a regular basis will be critical.

Job Description

- Work 10 – 12 hours per week for a minimum of three weeks in Olympia with staff from [Independent Colleges of Washington](http://www.ICWashington.org) (ICW) to urge increases in student aid funding. (\$12 - \$15 / hour). (Monday mornings and Friday afternoons are not good work days)
- Assignments will include research, bill tracking, meeting with legislators, attending and testifying in committees.
- Interns will receive a capitol campus and process orientation from ICW staff, lessons on the legislature's bill tracking data base, etc.
- Writing assignments will include writing materials to prepare for meetings with legislators and before testimony, and may include opinions pieces for newspapers.

To Apply: Send cover letter, resume, faculty reference letter and essay to ICW@ICWashington.org. Essay topic should help the selection committee understand why you're interested in this position.