



Welcome

The application for the 2025 Summer Washington Internship Program is open.

The Bob Graham Center for Public Service and [UF Federal Relations](#) are pleased to sponsor public service internships for undergraduate UF students with Florida Congressional and Senate offices in Washington, D.C. during the 2025 Summer semester.

[Sign up](#) for the virtual information session on **Monday, February 3, from 4-5 PM** to learn more about this internship program. If you register in advance, but cannot attend, we will send you a link to the recording.

Students who apply **by 11:59 pm on Sunday, February 16, 2025** will receive priority consideration. A review of candidates after the priority review date may continue if needed.

Job duties in Florida Congressional offices include attending hearings, drafting reports and legislative updates, as well as supporting special projects, events, and essential front-line constituent relations. Successful candidates are detail-oriented, self-starters, and have a passion for civic engagement and the intersection of policy and politics.

This is an in-person internship and requires a time commitment of 40 hours per week.

All currently enrolled undergraduate academic majors are encouraged to apply. A minimum of a 3.0 GPA is required for this internship. Preference given to Junior and Senior standing students with at least one semester completed at UF.

In recent semesters, UF students have served in offices including, but not limited to:

Rep. Aaron Bean (R-FL-4)

Rep. Gus Bilirakis (R-FL-12)

Rep. Kat Cammack (R-FL-3)

Rep. Sheila Cherfilus-McCormick (D-FL-20)

Rep. Lois Frankel (D-FL-22)

Rep. Laurel Lee (R-FL-15)

Rep. Debbie Wasserman Schultz (D-FL-25)

Rep. Jared Moskowitz (D-FL-23)

Rep. Mike Waltz (R-FL-6)

Rep. Darren Soto (D-FL-9)

Rep. Frederica Wilson (D-FL-24)

Rep. Scott Franklin (R-FL- 18)
Rep. Vern Buchanan (R-FL-16)

[Visit our website to learn more details about position responsibilities for each program.](#)

Selected interns are provided housing in Washington, D.C. and are eligible for a cost-of-living scholarship to help support their experience if a given office does not already provide a stipend.

Please direct any questions to Dr. Kevin Bird, Lecturer and Experiential Coordinator, Bob Graham Center for Public Service, at kevin.bird@ufl.edu or (352) 273-1077.

Biographical Info

First Name

Last Name

UF Student ID

UF Email

Mailing Address

City

State

Postal Code

Phone Number

Current Year at UF (by years, not credits)

Major(s)

Minor(s)

UF GPA (3.0 GPA is the minimum requirement for this internship)

How did you hear about this opportunity?

- Bob Graham Center Website
- Social Media
- Bob Graham Center Newsletter
- Faculty Advisor
- Friend
- Other, please explain.

Have you participated in any other Graham Center programs? Please select all that apply.

- Tallahassee Internship Program
- Washington Internship Program
- CiviGators and City of Gainesville Fellowship
- The Washington Center

- Askew Scholars
- Haskell Scholars
- Civic Scholars
- Bob Graham Center Student Org (Litigators, Fellows, FLC, FPR and PLS)
- Gulf Scholars
- Future of Florida Summit
- Other, please indicate below.

We envision selecting a small cohort for Summer in preparation for being able to sponsor a larger cohort in the Fall 2025 term. If you are not selected for Summer 2025, are you willing to be considered for Fall 2025?

- Yes
- No

Who is your member of Congress, and would you like to serve in this office? Please explain. Additionally, list any personal philosophical, political, public policy, or other factors that may help us evaluate you for needed matches withing the Florida Congressional Delegation.

To help us match you with a Florida Congressional member, please list up to three specific offices you strongly prefer, with your top choice first. For each, briefly explain the reason for your preference. For your convenience, see this [List of Florida's Congressional Delegation](#).

How comfortable are you working with someone whose political views differ from yours? Please rate your comfort level on a scale of 1 to 10, with 1 being not comfortable at all and 10 being completely comfortable. Your honest response will help us make the best possible placement decisions if you are selected for the WIP Program. (1,000 character limit).

What specific policy area or issue are you passionate about, or would you like to explore further? Please describe how the

offices above align with this passion/interest, if applicable.

Short Answer Questions

Please tell us why you are interested in public service and what you hope to learn during the experience. (1,500 character limit)

What specific skills and experiences do you have that make you a good candidate for this internship? Please include any prior campaign, political, or government experience, as well as relevant academic coursework (1,000 character limit).

How will this internship contribute to your academic development and professional growth? (1,000 character limit)

How do you define public service and why is it important? (1,000 character limit)

Resume & References

Please upload a PDF of your current one-page resume. The file name should read *Last Name_First Name_Resume* (e.g., Bird_Kevin_Resume). Please [see a sample resume at this link](#).

Please upload a PDF of your writing sample. The file name should read *Last Name_First Name_Writing Sample* (e.g., Bird_Kevin_Writing Sample). You must also include your FIRST and LAST name in the header of each page of your writing sample.

Submit a concise writing sample, no longer than three pages, that demonstrates your professional writing skills. Avoid extensive term papers. Suitable submissions include targeted academic papers, memos, blog posts, and news articles.

Please list **two** professional or academic references we may contact if you are selected to interview for this internship. The individual should be able to comment on what makes you a

successful candidate and how this opportunity supports your academic or career pursuits.

Reference 1

First Name	<input type="text"/>
Last Name	<input type="text"/>
Phone Number	<input type="text"/>
Email Address	<input type="text"/>
Relationship to applicant (e.g., advisor, supervisor, etc.)	<input type="text"/>

Reference 2

First Name	<input type="text"/>
Last Name	<input type="text"/>

Phone Number

Email Address

Relationship to applicant (e.g., advisor, supervisor, etc.)

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