

Funding Resources for Interns

Internships with the City of Philadelphia's Mayor's Internship Program are unpaid, but we will help you secure academic credit, if possible. In limited circumstances, the City may be able to support work study programs, typically, when they are completely subsidized by your university. If you have questions about work study, please contact us to discuss.

We have compiled a list of resources to further assist you in your search for funding.

Your College/University

The best place to begin your search is at your school. Many Colleges and Universities offer stipends and grants to fund unpaid internships. Speak to the staff at your Career Center or with a financial aid advisor to find out what funding opportunities are available through your institution.

- Your school can provide funding in the form of a stipend or through reimbursement for food, housing, or transportation.
- Work study is another good option to pursue if your school offers it. The City of Philadelphia will work with you and your school to aid you in this process.

Consult with the Dean or Chair of the Department that oversees your major. Many programs offer course credit or work study for internships in your major's field of interest.

Connect with the Office of Alumni or Alumni Association at your school. They can direct you towards alumni who could provide beneficial resources ranging from financial support to housing or transportation for the duration of your internship.

Clubs/organizations are potential sources for funds. Check to see if an organization you are a part of has opportunities for funding by looking at their website. Possible organizations to explore:

- Service Fraternities/Organizations
 - o Alpha Phi Omega
 - o Key Club
 - o Kiwanis International
 - o Rotary International
- Honor Societies
- Greek Organizations
- Churches/religious organizations



Other Grants/Foundations

There are also opportunities to apply for funding through foundations or federal grants. To explore these options review a list of possible sources below:

- The Foundation Center is an online database of over 8,500 foundation and public charity programs that fund students, artists, researchers, and other individual grantseekers. Low monthly, three-month, and yearly subscription rates. www.foundationcenter.org/findfunders/fundingsources/gtio.html
- **J. W. Saxe Memorial Fund** This foundation awards a prize of two thousand dollars to one or more college or university students involved in public service. The award is meant to enable the student to gain practical experience in public service by taking a no-pay or low-pay job or internship during a summer or other term. Preference will be given to applicants who have already found such a position, but who require additional funds. www.jwsaxefund.org
- American Association of University Women is one of the world's largest sources of funding for graduate women. AAUW is providing more than \$3.6 million in funding for more than 230 fellowships and grants to outstanding women and non-profit organizations in the 2011-12 academic year. http://www.aauw.org/learn/fellows_directory/index.cfm
- The Charles G. Koch Charitable Foundation was established in 1980 by Charles G.
 Koch with the mission to advance social progress and well-being through the
 development, application, and dissemination of the Science of Liberty.
 http://www.cgkfoundation.org/apply/