



Urban Education Internships with Philadelphia Public School Notebook Summer 2012

The *Philadelphia Public School Notebook* is an independent, award-winning newspaper and news service with a 15-year track record of helping families and communities in Philadelphia learn more about their public schools and supporting them in efforts to improve the quality of education at those schools. The *Notebook* provides in-depth analysis and discussion of education issues and contributes to the development of greater community capacity to bring about educational change and to work toward schools that serve all children well.

Skills sought: Hard-working and detail-oriented students with a strong interest in education policy and improvement of urban K-12 public education as well as a commitment to social justice. Strong writing skills and/or journalism experience, or web skills a plus. All internships will involve projects that require substantial initiative and ability to work independently.

Duties: The primary focus for one internship will be research and writing for the fall edition of the newspaper and/or the annual fall guide which profiles Philadelphia high schools and the high school selection process. The primary focus for a second internship is PPSN's online news and web presence.

Each edition of the Notebook focuses on a theme in urban public education, and interns will become expert on that topic and contribute through background research, interviews, data analysis, and/or writing. In addition, depending on time and interest, the intern may have an opportunity to do additional work in another area, such as:

- Nonprofit fundraising: grant-writing, special events work
- Journalism: news reporting, photography, editing, proofreading
- Marketing: increasing Notebook visibility on the web; doing community outreach.

Internship background: The *Notebook* is known for its in-depth analysis of issues in urban public education and its connection to Philadelphia's education activist community. It is seen as a key player in efforts to improve the city's public schools. The paper has shown a unique ability to reach diverse audiences, and is widely read at the grassroots level and among local officials. An internship is an opportunity to get to know both Philadelphia and important policy issues.

Contact past CPGC interns April Lin '13, Jeniffer Valdez '12, Jamie Raver '12 (jraver@hc) and/or Haverford House Fellow Jason Lozada '11 to learn about their experiences.

Stipend: CPGC covers Haverford's intern's costs, including lodging, transportation, food, as well as the summer earnings expectation for students who receive financial aid. Interns will be strongly encouraged to live in Philadelphia.

Eligibility and Application Information: CPGC is sponsoring one or two internships open to Haverford sophomores and juniors (freshmen with journalism experience will also be considered). Application form is available on CPGC's web site:

<http://www.haverford.edu/CPGC/apply.php>

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