



A CPGC Summer

Partnership

The *Philadelphia Public School Notebook* is an independent, award-winning newspaper and news service with a 19-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 is a plus. All internships will involve projects that require substantial initiative and ability to work independently. (Ability or willingness to learn how to navigate the city on SEPTA is essential.)

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.

Organization & 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.

CPGC's Internship Program: includes a social justice retreat (April 7-9) and enrollment in a course upon students' return to campus. The student may take one of two courses designed for interns, or propose an alternate course more suitable to the themes of the internship.

Stipend: CPGC funds a 10-week internship, including travel, lodging, local transportation, food, and the summer earnings expectation for students who receive financial aid. Interns are strongly encouraged to live in Philadelphia.

Eligibility and Application Information: Sophomores and juniors (freshmen with journalism experience will also be considered). Applicants must complete essay questions, and upload their transcript (unofficial is fine), and one writing sample, and a recommendation form completed by a faculty member. Apply through [CPGC's web site](#).

Deadline: All application materials are due **February 5, 2017**. The application process includes an interview at the Notebook during the week of February 20-24, 2017.

More Information: www.thenotebook.org, contact CPGC's Associate Director, Domestic Programs Janice Lion (jlion@hc; 610-896-1308), as well as past CPGC interns Ellen Schoder '19 (2016) and Haverford House Fellow Michaela Ward (2015).