Department of Planning, Public Policy and Management
Internship Posting Form

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**Description of Organization:** Brief summary of organization and work environment. (No more than 100 words)

OSPIRG is a statewide, student-directed and funded organization working to engage students in meaningful efforts to address critical social issues and in doing so, fulfill the University’s teaching, research and public service missions. We work locally, statewide and nationally to tackle social problems through research, direct service, and public education. To help facilitate our work, we hire a staff of professionals who work both on campus and at the state level to provide expertise and continuity to our efforts. OSPIRG was established by students at the University of Oregon in 1972 and has since grown to include four other chapters around the state.

**Internship Title and Description:** What will the student learn? Describe anticipated tasks and responsibilities. If internship is a project, describe type and scope. Indicate if travel is required. If your description exceeds 200 words, attach a separate sheet.

OSPIRG interns earn course credit by working on research projects or campaigns. The purpose of the internship program is to provide the opportunity to take education out of the classroom, to do hands-on work, learn important skills, and make a direct impact on public interest issues. OSPIRG offers internships on all of its campaigns. Some of campaigns include the Campus Climate Challenge, focused on stopping global warming through education and action; Hunger and Homelessness, working to help those in need through raising awareness and service; and Keep It Wild, supporting preservation of Oregon’s last remaining wild and natural areas.

The goal of OSPIRG internships is to help students develop as leaders in their chosen field. An intern will learn how to identify an issue, set goals, get others involved and implement solutions and change. The OSPIRG internships include weekly skill trainings that will prepare an intern to take their education out into the real world. The internship also requires weekly meetings with an OSPIRG advisor, the creation of a term plan and the ability to do hands on field work, which can include writing press releases, building coalitions with community groups, recruiting volunteers or coordinating events.

OSPIRG interns are able to choose the campaign they feel most passionate about and can design their internship based on the specific skills and experience they want to gain.
Qualifications:  Describe the general knowledge and skills required. Note any preferred skills. (No more than 100 words)

General knowledge and skills required: We do not require interns to have past experience or a specific skill set. However, OSPIRG interns must be willing to learn and take initiative. We do require that interns have a passion for the issues that they choose to work on and are committed to making change.

Hours: The academic term is 10 weeks.
Anticipated hours/week: 9 - 12

Pay: Indicate if internship is paid and if so, whether the pay is an hourly wage or stipend.
Yes ☐ Hourly Wage: Stipend:
No ☒

Term of Internship: Internships are offered on an academic term basis. Students secure their placements in the term prior to the start of the internship. The date in parenthesis indicates your deadline for submitting an internship posting. Indicate the academic term(s) or “ongoing” if the internship is continually available.
Fall (Aug. 15) ☒ Winter (Nov. 15) ☒ Spring (Feb. 15) ☒ Summer (May 15) ☐ Ongoing ☐

Student Application Procedure & Deadline
☒ E-mail cover letter and résumé to site supervisor
Other: Fill out OSPIRG internship application online (www.ospirgstudents.org) or in the Survival Center
Application Deadline:

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