



# Future Leaders in Public Service Internship Program

## AGENCY PARTNERSHIPS

Since 2022, the [Future Leaders in Public Service Internship Program](#) has placed over 600 talented students in paid internships across federal agencies—empowering the next generation of public servants. Through this initiative, the [Partnership for Public Service](#) provides government placements, cohort support, orientation, professional development, and alumni engagement.

The Partnership seeks agency partners to host interns for Summer 2027. For agency partners, the Partnership for Public Service provides the following as part of our full-cycle internship program:

- Program recruitment
- Application management
- Candidate eligibility review
- Intern supervisor training and resources
- Coordination with agency on intern placements
- Intern onboarding support and orientation
- Professional development workshops (5 minimum)
- Intern customer service

## AGENCY PARTNER REQUIREMENTS

- Fee-for-service funding for program operating costs and stipend costs per student.
- Review eligible applications and conduct intern interviews.
- Execute background check process, if required by agency.
- Issue computers, equipment, and other technology to interns.
- Coordinate internship information and placements with the Partnership.

## SELECTED INTERNS WILL RECEIVE

- 10 - 12 week internship at approximately 32 - 40 hours/week with a local, state, or federal government agency.
- Professional development sessions.
- Orientation and onboarding sessions.
- Access to an extensive alumni network.

## FOR QUESTIONS AND AGENCY PRICING, CONTACT

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FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT:  
[GOGOVERNMENT.ORG/FELLOWSHIPS/FUTURE-LEADERS-IN-PUBLIC-SERVICE-INTERNSHIP-PROGRAM](https://gogovernment.org/fellowships/future-leaders-in-public-service-internship-program)



## WHO SHOULD PARTNER

Program partners may include local, state, or federal government agencies looking to provide highly skilled early career applicants with direct pathways to their career talent pipeline. Partners will be supported by the Partnership with supervisor orientations. Partners do not have to be located in the D.C. area, and the Partnership will recruit a wide range of candidates, possibly in the region of agency partners.

## STUDENT APPLICATION CRITERIA

Students who apply to the Future Leaders program must satisfy the following eligibility requirements:



- Must be a U.S. citizen.
- Be actively enrolled in an accredited undergraduate or graduate program, including community college students and PhD candidates.
- Undergraduates must be a sophomore or rising sophomore at the time of the internships in Summer 2027.
- Have at least a 2.5 GPA.
- Must successfully complete any background checks as required by agency partners.

## CURRENT AND PAST AGENCY PARTNERS



- General Services Administration
- National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
- National Park Service
- National Science Foundation
- Small Business Administration
- State of California
- State of Maine
- State of Maryland
- U.S. Department of Agriculture
- U.S. Department of Commerce
- U.S. Department of Defense
- U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
- U.S. Department of Transportation

## EXAMPLE PROGRAM TIMELINE



- September 2026: Applications for the Summer 2027 cohort open.
- **November 20, 2026: Deadline to finalize MOUs.**
- November 27, 2026: Application closes.
- January 2027: Applicants are notified of eligibility status. Eligible applicants will receive instructions on next steps.
- February – March 2027: Virtual interviews conducted.
- April – May 2027: Background check process begins.
- May 2027: Virtual Orientation.
- June 2027: Internship Begins.
- August 2027: End of internship.

The Partnership for Public Service is a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization that believes good government starts with good people. We help government serve the needs of all Americans by strengthening the civil service and the systems that support it. With our focus on innovation in public service, our internship program is uniquely designed for engaging early career talent.