# **Breaking Ground**



International Studies and Public Policy Internship Newsletter

### Interested in graduate school? We have some thoughts...

With our first snow day under our belt it's clear: graduation will be here sooner than you may think. Do you know what you're doing after graduation? If you answered "no" or "maybe," have no fear: we're here to help. Here are some facts from your local internship coordinators/academic advisors/current Korbel grad students:

#### 1.Be confident in what you want to do

Graduate school is about becoming an expert in the field you want to work in. If you know you want to research or exactly the career you want, a Master's degree can help get where you want to go!

#### 2. Explore your options and do your research!

Graduate school is a huge personal commitment. Additionally, you ideally don't want to be miserable in your future job. Take your time, learn about different experiences, and find the opportunity that is right for you.

#### 3. Get some relevant experience

Unfortunately, getting a perfect GPA isn't enough to to get you into a grad program alone. Relevant skills and knowledge that you gain through volunteering, interning, or working make you stand apart from the rest of the diploma-bearing, gen-z masses.

#### 4. Consider the Korbel 5!

In case you didn't know, the Korbel 5 is how you get your BA and MA in five years. It saves money and makes you look super impressive! For more information, visit our portfolio page.

Contact baints@du.edu to set up an appointment to talk internships, graduate school, and other big life choices!

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## **Upcoming Events**

#### International Strategic Crisis and Negotiation Exercise (ISCNE)

Friday, January 24, 2020 3:30pm - 9:00pm Sie Complex

UNITED STATES ARMY WAR COLLEGE

This experiential negotiation exercise focused on diplomacy, international relations and strategy is coordinated and overseen by staff from the U.S. Army War College. Participants will be assigned to a team to work on a plausible, not predictive, scenario projected into the future that is closely aligned with a current, real world "frozen conflict." Team plan, strategize, negotiate and promote national interests in an attempt to move towards a resolution to the long-standing conflict. There is a \$20 fee for this event.

Please visit PCO to register for and/or find more information for this event

#### Peace Corps Recruiter Tabling

Tuesday, November 12, 2019 11:00am - 1:00pm Sie Complex, 1st Floor by Beans

Tilyian Morrin, a returned volunteer and regional recruiter for the PeaceCorps, will have a table in the Sie Complex at Beans to answer questions about PeaceCorps. The Peace Corps is a service opportunity for motivated change makers to immerse themselves in a community abroad, working side by side with local leaders to tackle the most pressing challenges of our generation.



Please visit PeaceCorps.gov to get more information on PeaceCorps. Registration is not required.

#### LGBTQ+ Career Studio

Thursday, November 7, 2019 4:00pm - 5:30pm Pride Lounge, Centennial Halls 199



Visit the Pride Lounge for this special LGBTQ+ Career Studio! Career Studio is an informal drop-in space to ask your questions about careers and internships, as well as work on job/internship applications with a career advisor available to help. If you have specific questions about being LGBTQ+ in the job search, or finding a career doing queer or social justice work, this is the perfect time to drop by and ask.

Please visit PCO to register for and/or find more information for this event.

# **Featured Internships**

#### Brandeberry McKenna Public Affairs - PAID

Deadline: Rolling

Brandeberry McKenna Public Affairs, a Denver lobbying firm, is looking for interested undergrad or graduate students to assist our firm during the 2020 Legislative Session (January 8- May 15). They are specifically looking for those interested in learning about State government and the legislative process. The position would be in Denver, and include monitoring and reporting on legislative committees of interest, bill tracking, attending house and senate floor debates and helping with legislative events. The position is writing intensive. This is a great position for those who are interested in a future career in public affairs or policy work. The position would be about 24 hours a week but could be more depending on the session workload. Please contact Megan Wagner at, megan@bbmk.com. The position pays 16 dollars per hour and includes parking.

#### The Heritage Foundations - PAID

Deadline: ASAP

The Heritage Foundation offers 60 plus paid internships every spring, summer, and fall; and our program attracts young leaders of the highest caliber. Heritage Foundation interns get to work directly with our prestigious analysts and policy makers, and many will have the opportunity for original research and writing. We are currently looking for interns with interest and experience in international relations, economics, communications, video production, events, outreach, business administration, and youth engagement! Interested applicants should apply as soon as possible by filling out our online application. They will also need to submit 2 letters of recommendation and an official school transcript by the deadline. International students must also submit work authorization. Apply and find more information here.

### The Counterterrorism Education Learning Lab (CELL) - PAID Deadline: ASAP

The Counterterrorism Education Learning Lab (CELL) is a nonprofit, nonpartisan institution dedicated to preventing terrorism through education, empowerment and engagement. The CELL Special Projects Intern provides critical project support, assisting with various CELL events and programs. As a CELL Intern, you will participate in a dynamic experience that provides exposure to leaders in the public safety, political, business and international relations communities. You will receive valuable professional and hands on experience in the non-profit arena. Please submit your cover letter and resume to Elizabeth Cychosz at ecychosz@thecell.org with "Special Projects Intern" in the subject line.

### Spotlight on...

## **Fellowships**

Fellowships are short-term learning opportunities that typically span a few months. They're a great way to gain a lot of experience in a short amount od time and they look very good on job applications!

#### **Environment America**

Environment America's mission is to harness our country's wealth, technology and imagination to make our communities, our country and our planet greener and healthier places to live for all of us. Right now, we are hiring aspiring environmental activists for our two-year fellowship program. Fellows work to mobilize support it takes to build more solar and wind power, reduce global warming pollution, protect our wildlife and wild places, and hold polluters accountable when they violate environmental laws. Fellows will build powerful coalitions, earn media attention, lobby elected officials, research and write reports, identify and cultivate donors, and run a grassroots campaign office during the summer. For information, and to apply, visit their website.

#### James C. Gaither Junior Fellows Program

The Carnegie Endowment for International Peace

The James C. Gaither Junior Fellows Program at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace is designed to provide a substantive work experience for students who have a serious career interest in the area of international affairs. Approximately 11-13 students will be hired to work as employees at Carnegie in Washington, DC on a full-time basis for a period of one year. Gaither Junior Fellows provide research assistance to scholars working on Carnegie Endowment's projects, listed below. They have the opportunity to conduct research, contribute to op-eds, papers, reports, and books, edit documents, participate in meetings with high-level officials, contribute to congressional testimony and organize briefings attended by scholars, activists, journalists and government officials. For information visit their website, and to apply, email baints@du.edu.

#### Truman Scholarship

The Truman Scholarship is a highly competitive, national scholarship that awards 60-65 students \$30,000 each towards graduate school, and we invite you to apply for one of the four nomination spots that DU is allotted. Only students with junior standing, a junior planning to graduate in three years, or a student planning to graduate between Fall 2020 and Summer 2021 are eligible to apply. Please see all of the details in the 2019-2020 Truman Information Packet, which can be downloaded from the Korbel BA Portfolio site (bottom left). Preliminary applications are due November 18th. If you think you may be a good candidate, we encourage you to read more information on the Truman.gov website, and contact baints@du.edu with any questions.

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