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# Breaking Ground



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*International Studies and Public Policy Internship Newsletter*

## Still confused about fellowships? Don't worry, we're here to help!

The State Department's Northwest Diplomat in Residence held a Facebook Live answering questions about the [Charles B Rangel Fellowship](#) and the [Thomas R Pickering Fellowship](#). If you have questions about what these could look like for you, check out the [video](#)!



As always, if you have questions about these or other internships, set up your appointment to meet with us today! Email [baints@du.edu](mailto:baints@du.edu) for availability.

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# Upcoming Events



## CLS General Informational Session and Q&A

Friday, September 4, 2020

11:00am - 12:00pm MDT

Join the State Department for a live overview of the Critical Language Scholarship (CLS) Program followed by a question and answer session with one of their Program Officers. The Critical Language Scholarship Program is a United States Department of State cultural and educational exchange program which offers approximately 600 students from the United States the opportunity to participate in an intensive language study abroad. This event is open to Korbel graduate and undergraduate students. *In addition to [registering on Pioneer Careers](#), please make sure that you are also registered for the event at the link listed as the event's location. Not doing so will mean you will not be able to attend the event.*

## Managing Your Career Future: Managing Your Own Career

Thursday, September 10, 2020

10:00am - 10:45am MDT

CALLING YOUNG PEOPLE AROUND THE WORLD. Help shape a better future. Get expert career guidance. In an amazing virtual space designed just for you...and it's all free! What do you want to do for a career? How do you gain access to it? Promoting yourself. What skills and abilities will you need? How do you acquire them? How do you face the paradox of being a skilled practitioner or becoming a leader? Employee or lone wolf? Or something in between? Please Register at: <https://festivalforchange.global/careers/>



## Your Career Future: The Employer's Perspective

Tuesday, September 15, 2020

10:00am - 10:45am MDT

Could employers still offer a job for life? What are employers looking for? How do they choose and are those choices successful? The war for talent. What makes a good candidate? Please Register at: <https://festivalforchange.global/careers/>

# Featured Internships

## The Capstone Group Internship - PAID

*Denver, CO*

The Capstone Group, a full service government affairs and lobbying firm in Denver, is seeking interns to join their firm for November 2020 through the 2021 legislative session. This seven-month internship provides individuals a unique opportunity to work and gain knowledge about Colorado's political process and consulting world. Interns will learn about the issues facing the state of Colorado and witness firsthand the different approaches legislators bring to the table to tackle these issues. The internship requires a minimum of 16 hours a week of availability with the option to work more hours January through May. Interns take high quality notes while attending committee meetings and House/Senate floor debates. Starting date is flexible—November or January. Paid internship at \$15 per hour with daily parking stipend \$11 per day. Must have a laptop computer and access to high speed internet. If you would like to apply send a resume and cover letter highlighting why you are interested in the internship to [aturman@capstonegroupllc.com](mailto:aturman@capstonegroupllc.com).

## Junior US Market Analyst Internship - PAID

*Syngroup - Denver, CO*

*Deadline: October 3, 2020*

Out of Syngroup's Denver boutique consulting office, we provide strategic direction, market analysis, legal and regulatory analysis, business management, corporate sales, team building, and partnership building to our European clients within the US market. The roll will be at least 20 hours per week, and may evolve into more, as current and future client work dictates. You will be responsible for conducting both primary and secondary market research. This includes interviewing industry sources both in person and on the phone, and conducting thorough market research online, from all available online sources that are credible. Once the research is conducted and diligently cataloged in a 'master workbook' that the firm maintains on each client, you will be responsible to effectively and efficiently convey those research findings both verbally and in written reports and correspondence to the senior team members. For more information and to apply, visit [PCO](#).

## Public Policy Internship

*Rails to Trails Conservancy - Remote*

*Deadline: September 9, 2020*

Rails-to-Trails Conservancy (RTC), a nonprofit organization with more than 160,000 members and supporters, is the nation's largest trails organization dedicated to connecting people and communities by creating a nationwide network of public trails, many from former rail lines and connecting corridors. This internship is an opportunity to help grow the movement and influence state- and federal-level policy. The Public Policy Intern will assist the team with one or more aspects of making our case to federal and state officials. Duties will include the following: Track state and federal legislation, research state and federal funding for trails and active transportation, and monitor relevant policy news as it emerges. Create online and offline content about transformative trail, walking and biking projects in preparation for a federal infrastructure bill, and more. For more information and to apply, visit the [job listing](#).

# Why you should have a LinkedIn

*Lots of you have come in to internship advising appointments and told us "yea, I've been meaning to make a LinkedIn..."*

**WELL NOW IS THE TIME!**

## **Reasons why you should make a LinkedIn account**

### *1. There's an expansive job board*

You can search its robust job board — and even apply to jobs — through the networking platform. Search jobs by keywords and location. Even if you're not actively seeking new employment, you can set job alerts based on your career interests to regularly receive email updates and stay in the loop.

### *2. You can build your brand!*

LinkedIn is a simple way to put your name on the professional map. Upload a professional profile picture and write a powerful summary that emphasizes your strengths and showcases your personality. When recruiters, employers, co-workers, and managers peruse your profile, they should be able to gain a strong understanding of who you are and what skills you bring to the table.

### *3. It can maintain all of your contacts*

COVID has put major stress on networking. LinkedIn allows you to connect not only with friends, co-workers, and bosses, but also people you want to know like alumni from DU, people in positions you aspire to, and recruiters. This allows you to connect with them despite the physical distance!

## **LinkedIn Pro-Tips**



### *1. Take the time to fill it all the way out*

Yea, there are a lot of things to type in, I know. And you probably don't really want to think about what all your special skills are. But just pop some popcorn, put on *The Fresh Prince of Bel-Air* for some background noise, and push through answering all those questions.

### *2. Use a nice professional photo*

I know you look really nice in that photo you took at the beach, but employers want to see that you know how to be a professional. Be yourself, sure, but a selfie probably doesn't show your many dimensions

### *3. Keep it Updated!*

This is the hardest part -- please keep this updated. If you get a new job, add that in there and say you're currently working there! When you graduate, update your graduation date! This lets people know if you're available for a position.