



American University's Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual,
Transgender, and Ally Resource Center

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Contact 202-885-3347 or glbta@american.edu for assistance with finding internships with GLBTA organizations.
For help getting course credit or other internship questions, contact the AU Career Center at 202-885-1804.*

GETTING A MORE SUBSTANTIVE INTERNSHIP: The following sites offer terrific opportunities and have well-deserved reputations. But it's your responsibility to make sure that you get the most from your internship. For example:

- Get a job description first so you and your employer are BOTH clear on the expectations for the semester.
- Have a clear understanding of the channels of communication for questions, concerns, and clarifications.
- Ask for feedback, particularly at the mid-point of the semester as well as towards the end.
- Take initiative! Never rest on your laurels or spend the afternoon IM-ing!
- Ask for a letter of reference *before* you leave.

GETTING ACADEMIC CREDIT: If your internship is no more than 15% clerical work, you may want to register for academic credit. An internship for credit is like a class, with a syllabus and assignments. The parameters vary by department, but in general, for-credit internships must be done over at least a twelve-week period of time and to earn 3 credit hours, you should be working at least 15 hours a week. Students must be at least a sophomore, or a transfer or graduate student, with at least one semester completed at American University.

TAKING ADVANTAGE OF YOUR TUITION-PAID CAREER CENTER: The Career Center offers to support before, during, and after internships including advice on seeking internships, advice on applying (including resumes, interviews, and follow up), problem-solving on the job, and incorporating internships into the resume. Call us at x. 1800, or go on-line at www.american.edu/careercenter to schedule an appointment!

Advocates for Youth is dedicated to creating programs and advocating for policies that help young people make informed and responsible decisions about their reproductive and sexual health. Advocates for Youth provide information, training, and strategic assistance to youth-serving organizations, policy makers, youth activists, and the media in the United States and the developing world. Their GLBTQ youth department also created and maintains www.youthresource.com, a website that takes a holistic approach to sexual health by offering support, community, resources, and peer-to-peer education about issues of concern to GLBTQ young people.

Advocates for Youth
2000 M Street NW, Suite 750
Washington, DC 20036

202-419-3420
www.advocatesforyouth.org

Brother Help Thyself (BHT) funds and nurtures nonprofit organizations serving the GLBTQ and HIV/AIDS communities in the Metro Baltimore / Washington areas. BHT is a community-based foundation that accomplishes its mission by dispensing direct and matching grants to non-profit organizations, acting as a clearinghouse for donated goods and services, and serving as an information resource to our community.

Brother Help Thyself
PO Box 77841
Washington, DC 20013-8841

202-347-2246
www.brotherhelptyself.org

Burgundy Crescent is a source of volunteers for local and national gay and gay-friendly community organizations in Washington, DC area. They also bring gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender singles and couples together for volunteer activities that are social in nature.

Contact: Jonathan Blumenthal
jonathan@burgundycrescent.org

DC Center: Home for GLBT in Metro DC (The Center) was established and designed to support the GLBT communities within the DC/Metro areas. They develop programming to benefit the Metropolitan Washington GLBT community that involve advocacy, support programs, and community coherency. In addition, they host a variety of offices for other DC GLBT organizations. The center works closely with these organizations for political advocacy.

The Center
1318 U Street NW
Washington, DC, 20009

202-682-2245
www.thedccenter.org

DC Mayor's Office of GLBT Affairs was conceived in the 1990's to address issues in Washington's LGBT community. A variety of internships are available. Internships are unpaid and the number of available positions each semester or summer depends on the current needs of the office. Undergraduate interns should have strong research, writing, and interpersonal skills, and be able to work with diverse populations. Familiarity with the lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender communities in DC is a plus. Courses in government, political science, public policy, and public administration are also viewed favorably.

Office on GLBT Affairs
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue NW Suite 221
Washington, DC 20004

202-727-9493
<http://glt.dc.gov>

Different Avenues works to improve reproductive justice for women and girls of color through policies and practices in the DC Metro Area and organize to make change and improve and protect the health, rights, and safety of women and girls in this region and thus nationally.

Different Avenues
1419 V Street, NW
Washington, DC 20009

202-829-2103
www.differentavenues.org

DignityUSA works for respect and justice for all gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender persons in the Catholic Church and the world through education, advocacy and support. In local chapters across the United States, they worship openly with other GLBT and supportive Catholics, socialize, share personal and spiritual concerns, and work together on educational and justice issues.

DignityUSA
PO Box 376
Medford, MA 02155

800-877-8797
202-861-0017
www.dignityusa.org
info@dignityusa.org

Food and Friends prepares, packages, and delivers meals and groceries to more than 1,000 people living with HIV/AIDS and other life-challenging illnesses such as breast, lung and colon cancer throughout Washington, DC and 14 counties of Maryland and Virginia. Since 1988, Food & Friends has provided food and companionship to their clients, their loved ones and caregivers.

Food & Friends
219 Riggs Road NE
Washington, DC 20011

202-269-2277
www.foodandfriends.org

Gay & Lesbian Victory Fund has successfully helped elect hundreds of openly LGBT candidates to Congress, state legislatures, school boards, city councils and more since 1991. Through world-class programs and nonpartisan training, they also provide these new leaders with the skills and contacts they need to make the most of their influence and access.

Gay & Lesbian Victory Fund
1133 15th Street NW, Suite 350
Washington, DC 20005

202-VICTORY
www.victoryfund.org

Gay Lesbian Straight Education Network (GLSEN) was founded in 1990, and currently has more than 70 chapters nationwide. The Gay, Lesbian and Straight Education Network (GLSEN) is the largest national organization that brings together gay, lesbian, straight, bisexual, transgender and questioning teachers, parents, students, and concerned citizens from all walks of life, in order to end the destructive effects of anti-gay bias in schools across the country.

GLSN Public Policy Office
1012 14th St. NW, Suite 1105
Washington DC 20005

202-347-7780
www.glsen.com

Gay & Lesbian Outreach and Engagement (GLOE) provides social, cultural, educational and public policy programming that speaks to issues, interests, choices and concerns of the Washington DC gay and lesbian Jewish community. The Program's vision is to create a destination where gay and lesbian Jews and their friends, families, partners and other supporters feel comfortable exploring programming and events developed for a wide and diverse audience. By creating GLOE, the J hopes to engage this vital population within the broader Washington Jewish community.

Gay and Lesbian Outreach and Engagement
1529 16th Street, NW
Washington, DC 20036

202-518-9400
www.washingtondcjcc.org

Helping Individual Prostitutes Survive (HIPS) mission is to assist female, male, and transgender individuals engaging in sex work in Washington, DC in leading healthy lives. Utilizing a harm reduction model, HIPS' programs strives to address the impact that HIV/AIDS, STD's, discrimination, poverty, violence and drug use have on the lives of individuals engaging in sex work.

Helping Individual Prostitutes Survive
1309 Rhode Island Ave, NE #2B
Washington, DC 20018

202-232-8150
www.hips.org

Human Rights Campaign (HRC) provides a national voice on GLBT issues. HRC effectively lobbies Congress, mobilizes grassroots action in diverse communities, invests strategically to elect a fair-minded Congress, and increases public understanding through innovative education and communication strategies.

Human Rights Campaign
1640 Rhode Island Avenue NW
Washington, DC 20036-3212

202-293-2622
www.hrc.org

Immigration Equality is a national organization that works to end discrimination in U.S. immigration law, to reduce the negative impact of that law on the lives of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and HIV-positive people, and to help obtain asylum for those persecuted in their home country based on their sexual orientation, transgender identity or HIV-status. Through education, outreach, advocacy, and the maintenance of a nationwide network of resources, we provide information and support to advocates, attorneys, politicians and those who are threatened by persecution or the discriminatory impact of the law.

Immigration Equality
920 U Street NW,
Washington, DC 20001

202.347.0002
www.immigrationequality.org
www.immigrationequalityactionfund.org

Joseph's House is a center that provides homes, nursing services, and community activities for formerly homeless men in metropolitan Washington DC who are terminally ill and in the last weeks or months of their illness. While their primary mission is to those with AIDS, as space is available they also welcome men with other terminal illnesses. Joseph's House Volunteer Program lets volunteers come to work at Joseph's House one to four times a year. Volunteers take part in activities such as gardening, cooking Friday night dinners, helping in spring cleaning, event planning and fundraising.

Joseph's House
1730 Lanier Place, NW
Washington, DC 20009

202-328-9161
www.josephshouse.org
info@josephshouse.org

Log Cabin Republicans (LCR) has the mission of working within the Republican Party to advocate equal rights for all Americans, including gays and lesbians. They work to advance their cause at the local, state, and federal level. LCR's strength comes from their grassroots chapters all around the nation. Coordinating strategy with the national office, these chapters create a powerful force for transforming the Republican Party. As the DC office is the hub of all LCR chapters, they are constantly busy fighting for the rights of the US LGBT population.

Washington, D.C. Headquarters
Log Cabin Republicans
1050 Connecticut Ave NW, Suite 400
Washington, DC 20036-5339

202-347-5306
www.logcabin.org
admin@logcabin.org

Mautner Project: The National Lesbian Health Organization improves the health of lesbians and their families through advocacy, education, research, and direct service. They envision a healthcare system that is guided by social justice and responsive to the needs of all people.

The Mautner Project
1875 Connecticut Ave., NW, #710
Washington, DC 20009

202-332-5536
www.mautnerproject.org
info@mautnerproject.org

Metropolitan Community Church (MCC) of Washington was founded in 1970 by the Rev. J. E. Paul Breton as the Community Church in Washington, D.C. It was chartered in 1971 by the Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches. The church provides religious and support services to the GLBT community in DC.

Metropolitan Community Church
474 Ridge Street NW
Washington, DC 20001

202-638-7373
www.mccdc.com
ChurchOffice@mccdc.com

Metropolitan Police Department Gay and Lesbian Liaison Unit (GLLU) is staffed by openly gay, lesbian and transgender members of the department and their allies. Since its inception in June 2000, the GLLU has dedicated itself to serving the gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender (GLBT) communities in the Washington Metropolitan area and the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD).

GLLU
300 Indiana Avenue NW, 5th Floor
Washington, DC 20001

202-727-5427
<http://mpdc.dc.gov>

Metro TeenAIDS provides resources to help young people fight AIDS and support each other. Unlike any other organization in the Washington, DC area, Metro TeenAIDS focuses all of its efforts on the special prevention, education, and treatment needs of young people. Internships become available from time to time.

Metro TeenAIDS
PO Box 15577
Washington, DC 20003
Office: 651 Penn Ave, SE
Washington, DC 20003

202-543-9355
www.metroteenaids.org

Metro Weekly has been Washington, DC's gay and lesbian magazine for more than 9 years. The print and web editions are published every Thursday and copies are distributed for free at more than 250 distribution points. Metro Weekly is read by more than 45,000 people in DC, MD & VA, and is nationally recognized for its lively feature stories and interviews.

Metro Weekly
1012 14th Street, NW, Suite 209
Washington, DC 20005

202-638-6830
www.metroweekly.com

National Black Justice Coalition (NBJC) is a civil rights organization of Black lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender people and allies dedicated to fostering equality by fighting racism and homophobia. The Coalition advocates for social justice by educating and mobilizing opinion leaders, including elected officials, clergy, and media, with a focus on Black communities.

National Black Justice Coalition
Washington National Office
1638 R Street NW, Suite 300
Washington, DC 20009

202-319-1552
www.nbjc.org
info@nbjcoalition.org

National Center for Transgender Equality (NCTE) is a national social justice organization devoted to ending discrimination and violence against transgender people through education and advocacy on national issues of importance to transgender communities.

The National Center for Transgender Equality
1325 Massachusetts Ave. NW, Suite 700
Washington, DC 20005

202-903-0112
www.transequality.org

National Coalition for LGBT Health is an organization dedicated to increasing the knowledge regarding the health status of the LGBT population. They provide access to and utilization of health care, and other health-related information, as well as increasing LGBT participation in the formation of public and private sector policy regarding health and related issues.

The National Coalition for LGBT Health
1325 Massachusetts Ave NW, Suite 705
Washington, DC 20005

202-558-6828
www.lgbthealth.net
coalition@lgbthealth.net

National Gay and Lesbian Chamber of Commerce (NGLCC) is the only national not-for-profit advocacy organization specifically dedicated to expanding the economic opportunities and advancements of the LGBT business community. Seeing new opportunities for community advocacy, specifically in the economic arena, the NGLCC was founded as the exclusive organization for certification as an LGBT-owned business enterprise. The NGLCC is the direct link between Corporate America and LGBT businesses and entrepreneurs.

NGLCC
1612 U ST NW, Suite 408
Washington, DC 20009
202-234-9181

www.nglcc.org
info@nglcc.org

National Gay and Lesbian Task Force (NGLTF) has worked to eliminate prejudice, violence and injustice against gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender people at the local, state and national level since its inception in 1973. The Task Force creates a world that respects and celebrates the diversity of human expression and identity where all people may fully participate in society.

NGLTF
1325 Massachusetts Ave. NW, Suite 600
Washington, DC 20005

202-393-5177
www.thetaskforce.org

National Lesbian and Gay Journalist Association (NLGJA) has grown to a 1,300-member, 24-chapter organization in the United States since its founding in the early 1990's. The issues of same-sex marriage, gay families, parenting and adoption, gays in the military, sex education in the schools, civil liberties, gay-related ballot initiatives, gay bashing and anti-gay violence are commanding media attention with regularity. NLGJA has had a positive effect on responsible gay coverage, but there is still work to do.

NLGJA, DC Office
2120 L Street, NW Suite
Washington, DC 20037

202-588-9888
www.nlgja.org

National LGBT Bar Association is a national professional association of lawyers, judges and other legal professionals, law students, activists, and affiliated lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and intersex (LGBTI) legal organizations. Established in 1988 and an affiliate of the American Bar Association since 1992, National LGBT Bar Association is the national voice for lesbians, gay men, bisexuals, transgender, and intersex persons in the legal profession.

National LGBT Bar Association
1301 K Street NW, Suite 1110 East Tower
Washington, DC 20005

202-637-7661
www.lgbtbar.org

National Organization for Women (NOW) is the largest organization of feminist activists in the United States. Since its founding in 1966, NOW's goal has been to take action to bring about equality for all women. NOW works to eliminate discrimination and harassment in the workplace, schools, the justice system, and all other sectors of society; secure abortion, birth control and reproductive rights for all women; end all forms of violence against women; eradicate racism, sexism and homophobia; and promote equality and justice in our society. NOW has a limited number of dynamic and involved internships available. They also sponsor the Lesbian Rights Project.

National Organization for Women
1100 H Street NW, 3rd Floor
Washington, DC 20005

www.now.org
202-628-8669
washingtondcnow@gmail.org

National Stonewall Democrats (NSD) is a grassroots network connecting LGBT Democratic activists from Seattle, Washington to Austin, Texas to Little Rock, Arkansas to Atlanta, Georgia. With more than 90 chapters across the country, Stonewall is a grassroots force for social change within their movement and within the Democratic Party. Their members do the hard work of calling voters, putting together campaign mailings, going door-to-door, and having tough conversations with Democratic Party officials about why families need and deserve more support from the Democratic party and its elected officials.

National Stonewall Democrats
1325 Massachusetts Ave, NW Suite 700
Washington, DC 20005

202-625-1382
www.stonewalldemocrats.org
contact@stonewalldemocrats.org

National Youth Advocacy Coalition (NYAC) takes a comprehensive approach to improving the lives of LGBTQ youth and operates through a social justice framework. NYAC strongly believes that to be effective in creating change at the national level, focused, grassroots advocacy at the local level is critical. NYAC knows that the expertise required to strengthen the LGBTQ youth movement can be found among both young people and adults from around the country.

NYAC
1638 R Street, NW, Suite 300
Washington, DC 20009

202-319-7596
www.nyacyouth.org
nyac@nyacyouth.org

Out for Work functions as a complimentary component in the total educational experience of LGBT students, primarily in the development, evaluation, initiation, and implementation of career plans and opportunities. OFW's programs, resources, and services provide assistance to students in the cultivation and enhancement of skills to explore career options, master job search techniques and strategies, and research employment opportunities.

Out for Work
1325 Massachusetts Ave, NW
Suite 700, #703
Washington DC 20005

1-866-571-LGBT (5428)
www.outforwork.org
info@outforwork.com

One In Ten was founded in 1991 at the same time as the Reel Affirmations International Gay and Lesbian Film Festival. Since then, the programs have grown to include a companion Pride Film Festival, nights of live comedy, educational museum-based programs, a grant program to support filmmakers, and collaborations with other arts organizations to tell the stories of the gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender (GLBT) community.

One In Ten
916 G St NW
Washington, DC 20001

202-315-1319
www.oneinten.org
info@oneinten.org

Parents, Families & Friends of Lesbians & Gays (PFLAG) is a national non-profit organization with over 200,000 members and supporters and over 500 affiliates in the United States. This vast grassroots network is cultivated, resourced and serviced by the PFLAG national office, located in Washington, D.C., the national Board of Directors, and 14 Regional Directors.

PFLAG National Office
1828 L St., NW, Suite 600
Washington, DC 20036

202-467-8180
www.pflag.org
info@pflag.org

The Pipeline Project formed by the LGBT Executive Director's Group, The Pipeline Project works to achieve significantly increased levels of diversity within LGBT advocacy and service organizations focusing on: recruitment and retention of diverse talent for LGBT organizations, mechanisms, programs and strategies to advance people of color to leadership positions within LGBT organizations, programs and strategies to both prepare LGBT organizations for significant levels of diversity and inclusion.

The Pipeline Project-projects
195 Willoughby Avenue, Suite 1214
Brooklyn, NY 11205

www.lgbtpipeline.org

Pride At Work is affiliated as the newest constituency group of the AFL-CIO (American Federation of Labor & Congress of Industrial Organizations). The purpose of Pride At Work is to mobilize mutual support between the organized Labor Movement and the LGBT Community around organizing for social and economic justice. They see full equality for LGBT Workers in their workplaces and unions. They work towards creating a Labor Movement that cherishes diversity, encourages openness, and ensures safety & dignity.

Pride At Work, AFL-CIO
815 16th Street, NW
Washington, DC 20006

202-637-5014
www.prideatwork.org
paw@aflcio.org

Raben Group is a legal organization that has worked with immigration in the GLBT community. Primarily, they specialize in creating legislative strategies, lobbying, and coalition building. For more information about The Raben Group, LLC and their services, please contact them.

Raben Group
1640 Rhode Island Avenue NW, Suite 600
Washington, DC 20036

202-466-8585
www.rabengroup.com

Reel Affirmations is D.C.'s annual Gay and Lesbian International Film Festival. Between hospitality organization, year-round planning, and executing the actual festival, there is a lot to do. Positions of all types are available.

Reel Affirmations
PO Box 73587
Washington, DC 20056

202-986-1119
www.reelaffirmations.org

Renna Communications provides sophisticated and nuanced communications strategies to organizations and people who are working to change the world for the better. Renna has particular and unparalleled expertise in meeting the needs of those who focus on lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) issues. In addition, they partner with progressive organizations and foundations around other topics and work with health-related concerns and socially responsible businesses. Renna Communications also helps groups and individuals with special projects – such as events, press conferences, or the dissemination of research findings – and creative endeavors – such as book publications, film distributions or theater productions.

Cathy Renna, Managing Partner
cathy@rennacommunications.com

917-757-6123
www.rennacommunications.com

Servicemembers Legal Defense Network (SLDN) is a national, non-profit legal services, watchdog and policy organization dedicated to ending discrimination against and harassment of military personnel affected by "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" and related forms of intolerance.

SLDN
PO Box 65301
Washington, DC 20035-5301

202-328-3244
www.sldn.org
sldn@sldn.org

Us Helping Us (UHU) specializes in HIV/AIDS Prevention and Care services for black gay and bisexual men. Founded in 1985, Us Helping Us, Inc. is a community-based AIDS service organization committed to reducing HIV infection in the African-American community by providing HIV prevention and support services to gay and bisexual men, and transgender persons. UHU also provides HIV counseling and testing for heterosexual men and women.

Us Helping Us
3636 Georgia Avenue, NW,
Washington, DC 20010

202-446-1100
www.uhupil.org

Washington Blade is a local paper that provides resources and updates about community events and news about the DC metro GLBT community, as well as national headlines.

Whitman-Walker Clinic (WCC) is a non-profit community-based health organization serving the Washington, D.C. metropolitan region. Established by and for the gay and lesbian community, their clinic is comprised of diverse volunteers and staff who provide or facilitate the delivery of high quality, comprehensive, accessible health care and community services. Whitman-Walker Clinic is especially committed to ending the suffering of all those infected and affected by HIV/AIDS.

Administrative Facility
1701 14th Street, NW
Washington, DC 20009

202-745-7000
www.wwc.org

Women In the Life (WITL) was created in 1993 to empower and enrich the lives of lesbians of color, through educational, social and cultural programming, and support services. Initially WITL brought lesbians of color together through informal social events, such as poetry readings, dances, community fundraisers, and workshops. Subsequently, WITL has created a publication titled Women in the Life. Women in the Life Magazine has been published since November 1993, and the magazine is now distributed quarterly with a substantial national and international subscriber base.

Women in the Life
1642 R Street NW Suite 220
Washington, DC 20009

202-541-9819
www.womeninthelife.com

The Woodhull Sexual Freedom Alliance The vision of Woodhull is a world that recognizes sexual freedom as the fundamental human right of all individuals to develop and express their unique sexuality; to be personally autonomous with regard to bodily integrity and expression of body mind and spirit; and to enjoy sexual dignity, privacy and consensual sexual expression without societal or governmental interference, coercion or stigmatization.

The Woodhull Sexual Freedom Alliance
4401-A Connecticut Avenue, NW #300
Washington, DC 20008

888-960-3332
info@woodhullalliance.org
www.woodhullalliance.org