

## Voice of America Production Internship – Spring 2019

Voice of America is looking for highly skilled Dean's Interns to work in the award winning Documentary and Special Projects unit at Voice of America, part of the Central News Division.

### Pre-requisites and Role:

- A minimum OVERALL GPA of 3.5 and no academic violations
- Technical experience specifically in Premiere or Adobe to assist in the pre-production phase
- Strong research and investigative skills to look for interesting cutting edge stories and transcribe interviews
- Participate in identifying subject matter experts for interviews in the field and studio
- Must be able to work in challenging and exciting environment
- Must be a junior, senior or graduate student (after your first semester) with a major or minor in SOC

VOA documentaries have a strong focus on issues oriented programming. Previous documentaries include:

- "AIDS: Living in the Shadows" hosted by Sir Elton John that looked at the stigma of AIDS
- "A Single Step" hosted by Academy Award winning actress Sally Field, looked at the journey of women leaders around the world inspired by the 4th World Conference in Beijing
- "JFK: A Legacy Remembered" looked at the legacy of President John F Kennedy 50 years after his assassination in Dallas
- "A Fateful Harvest" looked at the opium trade in Afghanistan and how this multi-billion dollar drug business ultimately challenges the stability of Afghanistan.

### Dates, Hours, Compensation

- January - May
- 20 hours per week; weekly schedule to be arranged with VOA supervisor
- This is a non-paid internship but transportation reimbursement will be provided.
- You must be able to work a minimum of 20 hours per week in a challenging and exciting environment.

### Location:

- 330 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, D.C.
- Metro station - Federal Center or L'Enfant Plaza; Blue/Orange/Silver Metro Lines

## How to Apply:

Send an email with the following material as attachments to [deansinternships@american.edu](mailto:deansinternships@american.edu):

- 1) This completed typed application -- saved as a PDF titled as LastName-VOA.pdf
- 2) Your resume saved as LastName-Resume-VOA.doc
- 3) One document containing three work samples or three links to published material; or a link to your website. Saved as LastName-WorkSample-VOA.doc

## Application Deadline: 11:00 pm Tuesday, October 23, 2018

Based on the strength of your application and a faculty review of applicants, the portfolios of the top candidates who most strongly match the position's criteria will be shared with VOA. Their hiring supervisor will make the final decision. You **may** be contacted directly by VOA at any time following the application. Please let us know if you are offered the position since you will likely hear first.

### SOC REQUIREMENTS for all Dean's Interns:

- Provide a headshot photo to be featured on SOC's [website](#) and flatscreens
- Submit a 250 word blog post with on-the-job action photos/selfies for the DI [Blog](#)
- Post at least once to social media about their experience and provide the link
- Students who successfully complete their Dean's Internship will be presented with the distinguished DI medallion to wear during Commencement.

**Credit Information:** If you would like academic credit for this Dean's Internship, contact your academic advisor directly to determine eligibility. If eligible, you must complete all registration and release forms, and enroll for internship supervision **prior** to the 'Add' course deadline.

**Questions?** Contact Lydia Schindler, Dean's Intern Manager, [lydias@american.edu](mailto:lydias@american.edu); 202-885-2220. Or drop by McKinley #212 and introduce yourself.

## VOA Production Dean's Internship Application – Spring 2019

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a graduate or undergraduate student? \_\_\_\_\_

Expected graduation month & year: \_\_\_\_\_

Major: \_\_\_\_\_ GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Website / Online portfolio: \_\_\_\_\_

Can you commit to required weekly hours for this internship? \_\_\_\_\_

### Please answer the following questions

1. What skills and experience distinguish you as the best candidate for this position?

2. What are your career aspirations? How will this internship help you achieve these?

3. What should this employer know about you and your work habits?

4. Please include the names of three SOC professors, along with their email addresses, who best know your work: