



Intern Title: Policy Analyst (multiple positions open)

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About The Initiative: The goal of the PolicyOptions.org network is to fill an important gap in our public life: the availability of accurate, balanced, comprehensive information and analysis about the issues that we care about and hope to impact through public policy and civic engagement. We believe colleges and universities can help bridge the divide between engaged citizens, community-based organizations, policymakers, and researchers.

The Trenton News Bureau features policy-related news and PolicyOptions Issue Briefs on topics of local interest that draw upon policies and program models from around the country and world.

This effort is being led by the Corella and Bertram F. Bonner Foundation based in Princeton, NJ, working initially with its network of 70 colleges and universities that participate in the Bonner Scholar and Bonner Leader Program.

Time Commitment: Min. 8 hours per week (much of the work will be done remotely)

Internship Description: The intern will work with Trenton's PolicyOptions cohort to inform local and state-level decisions through informed research and information sharing. In collaboration with a community organization, the intern will fulfill the organization's research needs in the form of a published policy brief that analyzes a key issue in Trenton. S/he will also have editorial license in publishing relevant policy-related news articles. The intern will: draft policy-based issue briefs, identify and contribute policy-related news to the website, present his/her findings to the community at key meetings and events, and engage in community outreach projects to promote the website to Trenton stakeholders.

Interns will have the opportunity to work in interdisciplinary teams to address public issues under the guidance of TCNJ faculty/academic fellows. These teams will work with the Trenton Prevention Policy Board (TPPB) to identify key research needs for the city, region, and state and propose relevant policy solutions.

Intern Interest/ Qualifications: Applicants should have strong research, writing, and organizational skills. The ideal candidate will work well with tight deadlines. Preferred majors include but are not limited to Political Science, Sociology, History, English, and Journalism.

Expected Benefits/Outcomes for Intern: The intern will gain extensive writing, research and editorial experience, publish issue briefs for inclusion in the intern's professional portfolio, and play an important role as a policy consultant for community organizations in Trenton. The intern will have an opportunity to publish his/her research to the national website. The intern will present his/her research at municipal or county planning boards or to legislators.

To apply for an internship, please contact Adams Sibley (sibleya@tcnj.edu or 609-771-2754).