

Republican Party of Iowa First in the Nation Internship Program

"Interning with RPI has offered me an opportunity to build upon my professional skills and expand my political knowledge. Each day lent itself to a new experience surrounded by motivating, supportive, and ambitious colleagues."
--Katie Allen, 2014 Intern

Why Intern at the Republican Party of Iowa?

An RPI internship provides undergraduate students the unique opportunity to witness and participate in Iowa's political process. In addition, Iowa's enviable First-In-The-Nation status grants interns both the privilege and responsibility to have a meaningful impact in the national political sphere. Regardless of one's field of study, the exposure to Iowa politics can enhance a student's understanding of what representative government and campaign life is all about. In particular, working for RPI will give you real insight into areas of fundraising, event planning, political strategy, communications, and grassroots organization. As such, RPI interns will become familiar with political operatives in Iowa and will work to build the Republican Party as it strives to secure principled, conservative government in Des Moines and Washington, D.C.

When are Internships Available?

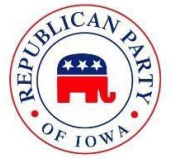
The Republican Party of Iowa offers full and part-time internships during the Fall, Spring, Summer, and Winter periods. RPI will work with undergrads to accommodate their schedules, but certain events will require special attention and effort from interns (i.e. the Iowa Caucus).

What Do Interns Do?

At the Republican Party of Iowa office, interns are assigned to the Political, Communications, or Fundraising departments where they assist permanent staff members on a daily basis. Whether it's organizing an event or working on special projects in the office, interns will gain first-hand political knowledge and experience. Please note that the time of the internship will determine the main tasks. In addition, RPI interns enjoy opportunities to attend events such as the Lincoln-Reagan Dinner and countless other exclusive functions. Students may also accompany staff to meetings regarding a host of political issues.

What about Course Credit? Is there Compensation?

RPI is willing to work with your undergraduate institution if it offers course credit for internships. RPI internships are not monetarily compensated.



Republican Party of Iowa First in the Nation Internship Program APPLICATION

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

University: _____ Year in School: _____

College Major/Minor(s): _____

Current Address: _____

Phone: (____)-_____ Email: _____

Home Address (if different from above): _____

Dates you are available:

Department Preference (circle): Fundraising Communications Political

Application Requirements:

1. Completed and Signed RPI Application
2. Resume
3. One Letter of Recommendation
4. A brief (250 words or less) statement detailing why you are seeking an internship with RPI, your expectations from the experience, and any past political experience.

NOTE: If you are receiving academic credit from your school for participating in an RPI internship, please include your institution's requirements.

Submit to austin@iowagop.org or Austin Harris, 621 E 9th Street, Des Moines, IA 50309

****** I certify that all of the above information is correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that any misrepresentation herein can be grounds for immediate disqualification of candidacy to the RPI internship program.***

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____