2016 Segal Fellow Citizen Leader Summer Internship Opportunity

About: The Eli J. Segal Citizen Leadership Program was established at Brandeis University in 2007 to honor and continue the work of Eli Segal who is best known for his leadership developing AmeriCorps and Welfare-to-Work initiatives in the Clinton Administration, and for his talent for inspiring and mentoring young people. The Program, housed at the Heller School’s Center for Youth and Communities, honors his legacy and continues his commitment to developing new generations of citizen leaders. The Citizen Leader Summer Internship is designed to provide new Segal Fellows with an opportunity to develop their skills and competencies as citizen leaders while working within an organization addressing complex social issues.

Segal Fellows: The Segal Citizen Leadership Network includes nearly 80 Segal Fellows, ranging in age from 20-40 and living in 17 states and across 3 continents, who support each other in their efforts to advance social justice. Segal Fellows join the Program through Brandeis University, the Corporation for National and Community Service, AmeriCorps Alums and City Year. The Network also includes many of the Segal Founders who helped to create and sustain the Segal Program as well as others who have joined to contribute expertise and resources to support the development of the next generation of citizen leaders. Ideal candidates for the 2016 Fellowship are sophomore and junior Brandeis and MPP Heller students who are thoughtful, action-driven citizen leaders and who are passionate about turning ideas into action to fix the tears in our social fabric.

Summer Internships: Brandeis Segal Fellows are selected through a highly competitive process. They begin their fellowships in eight-week internships at mission-driven private, nonprofit and public organizations. While we encourage students to begin searching and applying for internships on their own, we will utilize our vast Segal Network to assist all selected Segal Fellows with securing internships. Additionally, all new Segal Fellows will be paired with a dedicated past Segal Fellow Buddy and a Segal Program Network member as a mentor.

Past Internship Sites: Segal Fellows have interned at National Council of La Raza, the Annie E. Casey Foundation, Urban Institute, America’s Promise Alliance, Time Warner Inc., City Year, Demos, Gay-Straight Alliance, Health Care for All, Jobs for the Future, the National Partnership for Women and Families, U.S. Department of Commerce, and other nationally recognized mission-driven organizations. See a complete list on the back of this sheet.

Stipend and Timeline: Brandeis undergraduate students receive $3,500 and Heller’s Master’s in Public Policy students receive $5,000 living stipends to offset costs during their summer internships.

Application Process & Timeline*

Beginning of September – Application Available

Tuesday, December 1st – Application Packages due by 3pm

This includes:

✓ Online Application
✓ Unofficial Transcript
✓ Resume
✓ 1 Brandeis (Letter – for undergrads) of Recommendation
✓ 1 Outside Letter of Recommendation
✓ List of 3 Leadership References

Thursday, December 24th – Notifications Sent

Wednesday & Thursday, January 13th & 14th – Interviews

Friday, January 22nd – New Segal Fellows Chosen

*These dates may be subject to change. Final schedule is online.

Programming: We support the citizen leadership of our Network members by hosting events and programming throughout the year. Examples include:

• Summer internship training & debrief
• Annual Segal Fellows Retreat
• Lunch with the Segal Family
• New Segal Fellows Orientation
• Networking Receptions
• Volunteer Opportunities
• Social Outings
• Leadership Development Opportunities

Want to Learn More?

Attend an upcoming info sessions:

• Undergraduate Summer Funding Info Session
  9/8 at 4pm (AASC Atrium)

• 2015 Fellow Internship Presentations 9/21 at 6pm (Heller School – Room G3)

For any questions or to request an appointment, please contact Tam Emerson, Program Director, via email at temerson@brandeis.edu or via phone at 781-736-3933. Full application at http://segal.brandeis.edu/.

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Past Summer Internship Sites

Business
- Albright Stonebridge Group (DC)
- NextStreet Financial (Boston)
- Northwind Strategies (Boston)
- Time Warner, Inc. (New York)

Democracy/Citizen Participation/National Service
- Center for Progressive Leadership (DC)
- Demos (DC)
- People for the American Way (DC)
- School for Unity & Liberation (CA)
- Voices for National Service (DC)

Disability Rights
- Special Olympics International (DC)

Environment/Sustainability
- House Select Committee on Energy Independence and Global Warming (DC)
- ThinkEco, Inc. (New York)

Government
- International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce (DC)
- Previous Mayor Menino’s Office (Boston)
- Office of Kay Khan, MA Rep (Boston)
- Senate Majority Health Policy Office, HELP Committee (Senator Kennedy’s Office) (DC)
- US Dept. of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) (DC)

Health Care & Criminal Justice
- Boston Public Health Commission (Boston)
- Health Care for All (Boston)
- Health Resources in Action (Boston)
- Mass Health Policy Forum (Boston)
- The Urban Institute (DC)
  - Health Policy Center
  - Criminal Justice Policy Center

Higher Education
- College Summit (DC with Various Regional Offices)
- Campus Compact (Boston with Various Regional Offices)

Labor
- Jobs for the Future (Boston)
- National Employment Law Project (New York with Various Regional Offices)

Latino Community/immigration
- National Council of La Raza (DC)

Legal
- Frank H. Hiscock Legal Aid Society (Syracuse, NY)

LGBT
- Gay Straight Alliance Network (CA)
- Human Rights Campaign (DC)
- MA Commission on LGBT Youth (Boston)

Philanthropy/Social Entrepreneurism
- Greenlight Fund (Boston with Various Regional Offices)
- New Profit, Inc. (Boston)
- Root Cause (Boston)
- Annie E. Casey Foundation (MD)

Women’s Rights
- NARAL Pro-Choice MA (Boston)
- National Partnership for Women and Families (DC)
- National Women’s Law Center (DC)

Youth Development/Education
- City Year, Inc. (Boston with Various Regional Offices)
- CollegeBound: Dorchester (Boston)
  - Strategies for Children (Boston)
- Teach for America (New York with Various Regional Offices)
- America’s Promise Alliance (DC)
- Facing History and Ourselves (Boston)

If you have areas of social justice-focused interest beyond what is listed above, we’d be pleased to discuss your ideas. Our goal is to be inclusive of many fields in order to promote cross-sector and inter-disciplinary collaboration within the Segal Network and beyond.