

WHY APPLY TO THE LEGISLATIVE AIDE LEADERSHIP FELLOWS PROGRAM AS AN *HDFS MAJOR?*

The program is a full-time spring fellowship opportunity for FACS undergraduate and graduate students to intern for a Georgia senator/representative during the Georgia General Assembly session at the Capitol in Atlanta. Interns also act as a guide to fellow FACS students, faculty, and legislators at the annual FACS Day at the Capitol in February.

Knowledge, Skills, and Experiences Employers Want That You'll Receive After Completing This Fellowship:

- Identify how policies and processes affect individuals and families across the life span
- Become a better, more informed advocate, counselor, educator, and citizen
- Apply your classroom knowledge of familial, social, cultural, historical influences
- Create connections with influential leaders and lawmakers who make decisions that influence the wellbeing of individuals, families and communities
- Make a large-scale impact on the everyday lives of Georgians
- Significant leadership development in a unique, consequential environment
- Ability to communicate and develop relationships with diverse audiences from constituents to senior-level leadership, much like with potential clients, patients, and supervisors
- Gain skills in conflict management and creative problem-solving
- Develop open-mindedness, patience, flexibility, and an ability to create a welcoming, inclusive environment
- Manage multiple projects in a dynamic, fast-paced environment
- Demonstrate initiative and ability to take on far-reaching responsibility
- Gain experience in public speaking, document analysis, and customer service skills
- **STAND OUT IN FUTURE INTERVIEWS WITH A UNIQUE, POWERFUL INTERNSHIP EXPERIENCE**

Other Reasons to Apply:

- Earn up to 12 hours of course credit when enrolled in FACS 5910 or FACS 7910
- Receive a \$4,000 stipend for living expenses
- Satisfy the Experiential Learning requirement (undergraduate students)
- As a healthcare professional, you will need knowledge about insurance, community resources, etc.
- As a mental health care provider, you will need knowledge about licensure requirements, etc.
- As an educator, you will need knowledge about ADA, IEP, etc.
- As a social worker, you will need knowledge about DFCS, SNAP, etc.
- Work with an alumni mentor who has previous Legislative Aide experience
- Become career ready by attaining and demonstrating competencies that prepare you for the workplace

Responsibilities:

- Attend and report on legislative committee meetings as well as Senate and House Chamber sessions
- Manage legislator communication (email, social media, etc.)
- Welcome visitors including lobbyists, constituents and special interest groups
- Research and report on current legislation
- Organize office files and update legislator's calendar
- Represent designated legislator at various networking events

*Must be available to start work in Atlanta before UGA classes start

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