

NORTHEAST-MIDWEST INSTITUTE
Washington, D.C.
Spring Semester 2022
INTERN FOR ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY

Opportunity

The Northeast-Midwest Institute seeks a Spring Semester 2022 intern, starting in January 2022, to assist in environmental policy and research related to the Great Lakes, the Mississippi River Basin, water quality, water affordability, and the environment. The internship may be virtual or in-person, depending on the public health situation.

Background

The Northeast-Midwest Institute is a Washington, DC-based, nonprofit, nonpartisan public policy organization committed to economic vitality, environmental quality, and regional equity for the 18 states of the northeast and midwest. The Institute is engaged in research and policy development in the environmental areas of water quality and the effectiveness of regional water quality assessment, especially related to the Great Lakes, the Mississippi River Basin, and invasive species, as well as in economic vitality areas relating to legacy cities and issues such as brownfields, workforce development, and urban fiscal sustainability. A program monitoring federal policy and appropriations as it affects the northeast and midwest is an ongoing initiative to ensure regional equity.

Strengthened policy education and outreach to communicate its research and policy development is an ongoing priority at the Northeast-Midwest Institute. The objective is to ensure that the U.S. Congress, federal policy-makers in the Administration and federal agencies, and state and city officials are informed of critical research and information that relate to legislation and regulations as they are formulated and enacted.

Possible Responsibilities

- Assist with tracking legislation affecting Great Lakes and the Mississippi River Basin.
- Assist with analyzing long-term funding trends for federal programs.
- Attend and take notes at relevant hearings and briefings.
- Track House, Senate, and final appropriated funding levels for federal programs, as well as relevant amendments and keep staff updated with reports.
- Keep track of federal funding opportunities and grant awards of regional interest and produce short write-ups on new developments and upcoming opportunities.
- Research Great Lakes, Mississippi River, clean water, and agricultural issues and produce written reports assisting in the development of a policy agenda.
- Assist with attendee registration and logistics at Capitol Hill policy briefings.

Internship Program

Institute internships are unpaid; academic course credit is available in accordance with university policy; weekly hours are negotiable.

To Apply

Submit an introductory cover letter or email accompanied by a resume to Dr. Michael J. Goff, President and CEO, Northeast-Midwest Institute, at mgoff@nemw.org.