

North Carolina Office of Strategic Partnerships 2021 internship opportunities – spring and summer

The [NC Office of Strategic Partnerships \(OSP\)](#) increases and enhances partnerships between state government and North Carolina's renowned research institutions and philanthropic sector to improve quality of life for all North Carolinians.

OSP builds and enhances collaborative networks of public officials, researchers, and representatives of philanthropy and the nonprofit sector broadly. OSP is housed in the NC Office of State Budget and Management, which includes data-driven and evidence-based decision making among its priorities.

OSP is seeking interns for spring and summer 2021. There are opportunities for undergraduate and graduate students.

Interns will participate in and contribute to work on multiple issues and a range of types of projects. Work is likely to include but not be limited to:

- Engaging with representatives from state agencies, colleges and universities, philanthropy, and other organizations to broaden partnership efforts
- Helping strengthen and support a growing portfolio of collaborative research projects between state government and external research partners; contributing in part to "matching" government research requests (e.g., [Opportunities for Applied Research](#)) with potential research partners
- Writing including content for communications materials, webpage, policy and research memos, etc.
- Developing education and outreach materials and sessions for engagement with the philanthropic sector
- Researching best/promising practices in other states
- Assisting with convening stakeholders (e.g., drafting agendas, taking meeting notes/minutes, following up on action items, etc.)
- Deeper involvement with one or more collaborative projects (topics vary)

Core competencies

- Attention to detail, especially in writing (e.g., emails, documents, presentations)
- Ability to work independently, with direction, and knowing when to request guidance
- An understanding of communication and other protocols in a public sector setting
- Professional etiquette
- Experience with one or more of the following: research ("traditional" and internet research); data science/analysis, web content and development, graphic design, social media

Structure and timing

- Usually approximately 10 weeks, full-time; longer-term and part-time may be possible
- Anticipated start date:
 - Spring: as soon as filled
 - Summer: mid- to late-May
- OSP is located in Raleigh. Due to COVID-19, remote work may be possible or required.
- Compensation will depend on available OSP and college/university funding.

To apply, please send a resume, interest letter, and sample work product to partnerships@osbm.nc.gov. Applications received by Friday, February 19, will receive full consideration.