



Advancing Cities/Talent Solutions Internship

Background

The New Orleans Business Alliance (NOLABA) is the official non-profit organization tasked with leading economic development initiatives for the City of New Orleans. NOLABA is a public-private partnership between the City of New Orleans and private investors from the local community, and is the result of a long-term effort by the New Orleans business community to adapt national best practices in economic development.

As one of seven winning cities selected by JPMorgan Chase for its Advancing Cities Challenge, New Orleans is making a historic investment into blue-green infrastructure, providing pathways to new career opportunities for residents and contract opportunities for local small businesses.

The support from JPMorgan Chase will not only change the ways in which we live with water; it will serve as a launching point for further investments in resiliency and sustainability in the face of climate change and economic downturn due to COVID-19. The announcement also builds on JPMorgan Chase's new \$30 billion commitment to advance racial equity, addressing key drivers of the racial wealth divide and providing economic opportunity to underserved communities, especially the Black and Latinx communities.

Internship Description

The AC Intern will lead a variety of high-priority research projects focused on working with working with the multi-agency collaborative of agencies and community stakeholders to develop and oversee programs and strategies to invest in the burgeoning blue-green infrastructure industry. The AC Intern will work with the Senior Director in areas of Workforce Development, Small Business Technical Assistance, Employer Engagement, and Policy and Systems change. The AC will engage the 7 traits of Advancing Cities:

- Lead Collaborate
- Plan for Inclusive Growth
- Tackle a Big Problem, by starting Small
- Invest in Data
- Activate Community Support
- Engage Anchor Institutions
- Take Risks, Adjust, and Iterate



Qualifications & Requirements

- Must be a currently enrolled senior-level undergraduate or graduate student studying Business, Economics, Public Policy, Computer Science, Engineering, or other data driven analytical programs. considered)
- Experience within the economic development industry of a major metropolitan area or strong experience in a major private sector organization preferred
- Strong organizational and critical thinking skills, with the ability to work well under tight deadlines and pressure
- Good project management and reporting experience
- Microsoft Office proficiency (*Excel, Word, PowerPoint*)
- Experience with Stata, R, SPSS, or similar statistical modeling programs a plus. GIS experience also a plus.
- Superior communication skills (both verbal and written)
- Work comfortably in a highly collaborative environment; manage competing interests and strong personalities
- Ability to handle multi-reporting and multi-tasking
- Good judgment and an understanding of when to escalate issues/problems, and to whom
- Professional demeanor at all times
- Ability to work independently in high-paced and sometimes demanding environment

Application Process

- For consideration for this Spring 2024 Intern opportunity, candidates are required to send the following as PDF or Word attachments via email to careers@nolaba.org:
 - Resume
 - Cover Letter
- In your email, note “**NOLABA AC Internship**” in the subject line.
- Commitment: Interns must be able to work 15-20 hours per week during the Spring Semester, on a schedule to be determined prior to start date. This NOLABA internship is paid at the rate of \$17/hr, with the opportunity to earn course credit with appropriate university approval.

Internship Location

New Orleans Business Alliance
1250 Poydras Street, Suite 2150
New Orleans, LA 70113