



AMERICAN FRIENDS SERVICE COMMITTEE

Internship Opportunity: *Social Justice Internship*

Program Description: The Western Massachusetts program of the American Friends Service Committee (AFSC) is a non-profit located in Northampton and Springfield that seeks to address global issues while affecting local change through education, community organizing, and non-violent action. AFSC specifically and actively works on campaigns involving civil rights protection, providing alternatives to military recruitment, non-violent action, nuclear (power and weapon) non-proliferation, economic justice, immigrant rights, racial equality, and U.S. foreign policy.

Position Title: Social Justice Intern

Application Deadline: Until the position is filled

Hours: 8-12 per week, flexible

Pay Rate: The wage of \$9.00/hour is stipulated upon the student having financial aid through the Federal Work-Study Program (FWS). Applications of students without such funding will not be taken under consideration (except on a volunteer basis).

Duties/Job description:

Interns will be supervised by the program coordinator of the Western MA office. A work plan will be collaboratively established (including setting goals and milestones, and regular check-ins to ensure that the work done is satisfying to both the intern and the program). An internship with the AFSC involves work on any of the range of the above listed campaigns. Interns can shape the focus of their internship, and are provided training and information to get started. The work for any issue is varied and flexible, from research to grassroots organizing. All interns can expect to perform a minimal level of typical office work.

Qualifications: Interns must possess a passion for social justice and a strong sense of self-initiative. Supervision and help will, of course, be available, but interns must have a degree of self-direction in their work. Organizational, computer, research, and good telephone communication skills are necessary. In regard to work on immigration issues, fluency in Spanish is not necessary, but it is favored. You must be eligible for off-campus work-study in order to work for the AFSC.

Dates: Fall 2011 and Spring 2012. We also are looking for Summer 2012 interns—use your Praxis!

Interested applicants should contact Program Director **Jeffrey Napolitano** at the American Friends Service Committee office: **(413) 584-8975** or email: jnapolitano@afsc.org

The American Friends Service Committee (AFSC) is a Quaker organization dedicated to nonviolence. We are guided by a belief in the inherent worth of every person and faith in the power of love to overcome conflict and injustice.

Founded in 1968, the western Massachusetts AFSC office is located in Northampton and Springfield. Visit us on line at AFSCWM.org

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